



County Road 305 Bridge Replacement at Interstate 35

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1) What are the proposed CR 305 Improvements?

The proposed improvements would include the replacement of the existing County Road (CR) 305 two-lane bridge over Interstate 35 (I-35). When completed, the project would have dedicated left-turn lanes on the bridge from eastbound CR 305 to northbound I-35 frontage road and from westbound CR 305 to southbound I-35 frontage roads, and a safety connection directly with CR 304E to the east. The new bridge would be wide enough to accommodate sidewalks, and would include shoulders to accommodate cyclists.

2) Why is this project needed?

The purpose of the proposed project is to improve safety and mobility by replacing an existing narrow bridge with a bridge built to current standards. This project is needed because the CR 305 bridge over I-35 is functionally obsolete and requires extensive maintenance. The rail on the existing bridge is damaged repeatedly because the turning radius on the bridge is too small to handle the existing truck traffic. The lack of connection between the existing bridge and CR 304E is causing motorists to move illegally southbound along the eastern right-of-way to access the existing bridge.

3) What is the construction schedule for this project?

To be determined as funding becomes available.

4) Will work be done at night and on weekends for this project?

Yes, there would be occasional work at night and on weekends, particularly when a lane closure is required.

5) Will the road close at any point during construction?

CR 305 would remain open to traffic with two lanes in each direction for the duration of the project with the exception of occasional night and weekend lane closures that would take place during the hours of 8 p.m. to 5 a.m.

6) How is the project being funded?

This project is a partnership between Williamson County and TxDOT. The design of the bridge replacement is being funded completely by Williamson County Road Bonds. The construction funding has not been identified.

7) What is TxDOT's role in this project?

Since I-35 is a TxDOT facility, TxDOT must authorize the County to perform work on its roadway. Upon completion, TxDOT would assume responsibility for maintenance of I-35 and Williamson County would be responsible for the maintenance of CR 305 and CR 304E.

8) Will sidewalks/bicycle lanes be constructed on the bridge as part of this project?

The bridge would accommodate sidewalks and would include shoulders to accommodate cyclists.

9) Where can I go to provide feedback or receive more information about the CR 305 Bridge Replacement Project?

For additional information about this and other projects, please visit www.roadbond.org. Questions and comments may be directed by email to the Williamson County Road Bond Program at roads@wilco.org or by phone at (512)-943-1195.