



NO EAST LOOP

Brazos Roofs & Ranches
East Loop Opposition Council



AGENDA

- ✓ Welcome
- ✓ Education – Informational Movie
- ✓ *No East Loop* by Dalene Barnes
- ✓ “It’s Just a Study” – Quiddity’s Contract
- ✓ Stop the Loop
- ✓ “No Build” Strategy
- ✓ Brazos County’s Concrete Jungle
- ✓ No Build & Action Plan
- ✓ Comment Period Closing
- ✓ Communication
- ✓ Brazos Roofs and Ranches PAC
- ✓ Open Discussion



*I know now why confusion in
government is not only
tolerated but encouraged.*

I have learned.

*A confused people can
make no clear demands.*



Informational “Movie”
The East Loop
Brazos County, Texas

<http://www.youtube.com/@NoEastLoopinBrazosCounty>



NO EAST LOOP LIMERICK

By Dalene Barnes, January 2025

There once was a nice MPO,
That's metropolitan planning organization, you know;
They searched for solutions,
To traffic confusions,
To help our communities grow.
Then ITS came on the scene,
With circles and line, red and green.
Choose one, they all said,
Yours farms, they'll be dead,
And we're killing your ancestor's dreams.
The people cried, Whoa! Where's a study?
The waters, they all seem so muddy.
Is this a real need?
Or just based on greed?
What's really at play here now, buddy?
"Create a new highway" they planned.
Just plow it through everyone's land.
It might save the day,

Twenty years, far away,
These yokels, they don't understand,
But listen now, here is the deal.
The "problem" that solves is not real.
A road way out here
Will not East-West clear,
Just money for someone, we feel.
Your voters are angry and mad,
This East Loop is nothing but bad.
Nothing is solved,
Rural life is dissolved.
And only developers are glad.
In closing, I beg and implore,
Pursue this bad East Loop no more.
Just cancel the deal.
Do a study that's real.
Leave the voters in happy uproar!



It's just a study!!

Quiddity Engineering, LLC

\$11,201,952

- ✓ It is a study, true. But way more than just traffic...
- ✓ 89-page contract
- ✓ 13-14 bridges in specific locations
- ✓ John Polster of ITS has “a proven track record” of getting road projects done.
- ✓ Traffic studies alone don't cost \$11.2 million
- ✓ Geotechnical borings & investigations



EXHIBIT B

ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE ENGINEER

**INNER LOOP
SH 6 to W.D. FITCH
CSJ: TBD**

The Engineer shall provide the necessary engineering and technical services for the preparation of plans, specifications, and estimates (PS&E) for the construction of the new location arterial Inner Loop East. The project will be prepared in conformance with state and federal requirements. The construction plan sets shall contain the drawings, details, and applicable standards required to describe the grading, paving, drainage, structures, signing, pavement marking, delineation, sequence of construction, and traffic control for this construction project. The project will also require a TxDOT approved pavement design, additional SUE investigations, and preparation of ROW maps and deed descriptions, in accordance with the TxDOT approved schematics and environmental documents described in Project 1.

Under subsequent work authorizations, the engineer may provide some or all the following:

- Right-of-Way Mapping and Acquisition, including, but not limited to, testimony at eminent domain proceedings,
- Conflict analysis for utility relocation plans and Utility Adjustment Coordination (UAC)
- Construction phase services, including, but not limited to, preparation of change orders, review of shop and fabrication drawings, schedule analysis and participation in project meetings, as requested by TxDOT.

The ENGINEER will be the single point of contact between the County and all contractors/subcontractors and will review all work performed, coordinate and conduct all meetings, and prepare and submit all project reports and documents.



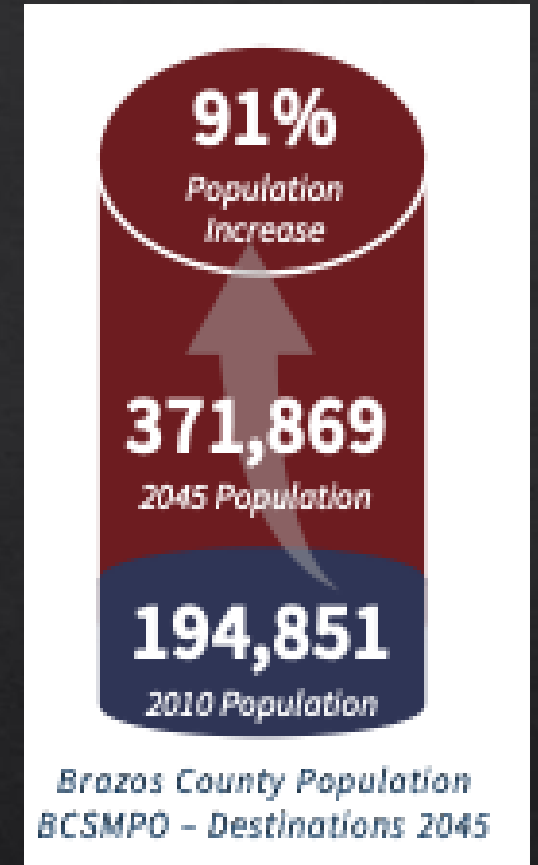
Stop the Loop

- ✓ Alleviate traffic?
- ✓ Mobility?
- ✓ Need? Based on MPO population projections and built for people coming, not current residents
- ✓ Traffic study vs Feasibility study
- ✓ Pricetag: Consultant at \$15,000 month
- ✓ No Build Strategy
- ✓ Transparency:? “It’s just a study,” TRIP Bond, etc.
- ✓ Representation? Is anyone speaking for us?
- ✓ Subsidized urban sprawl
- ✓ Who benefits the most?

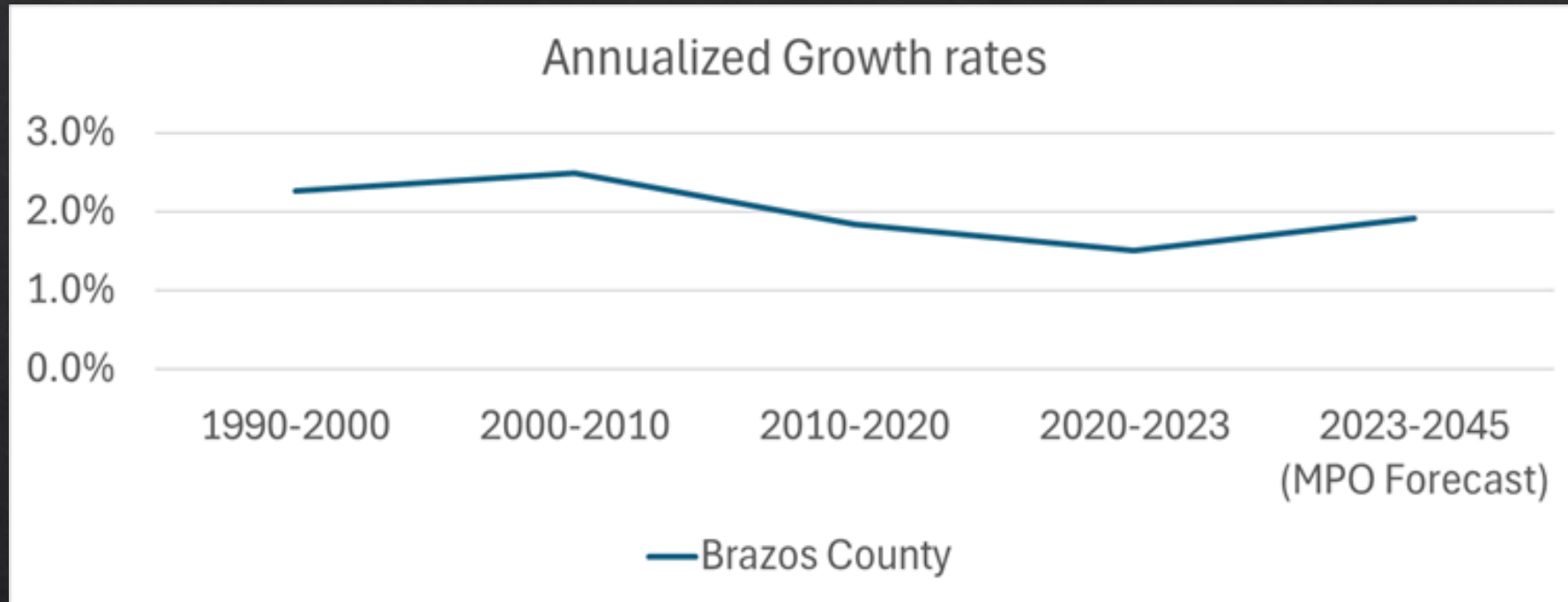


We're Growing!

- ✓ 91% increase projected from 2010 and is all Brazos County, not unincorporated
- ✓ MPO's estimated 2020 population was 250,000 and that was 9.35% higher than actual
- ✓ Actual 233,849 to projected 371,869 is 62.9%



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- ✓ The reversal of decades of failing growth rates!
- ✓ Requires unusual assumptions



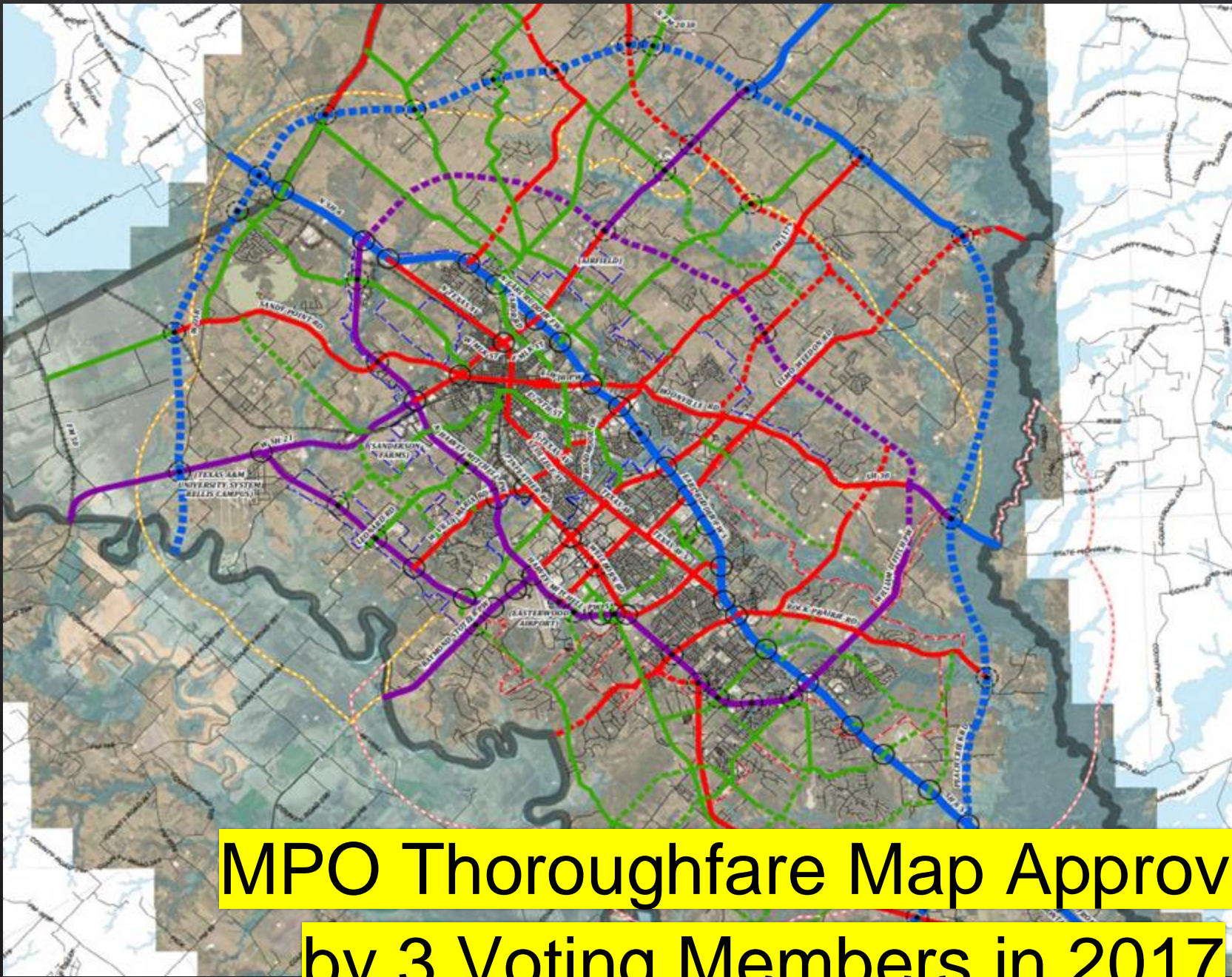
With no regular destinations on either end,
this highway will take homes, ranches, farms,
and destroy the environment
at great financial costs, for no benefit
if no one is there to use it
and it doesn't go anywhere
that people want to go.



Brazos County's Concrete Jungle

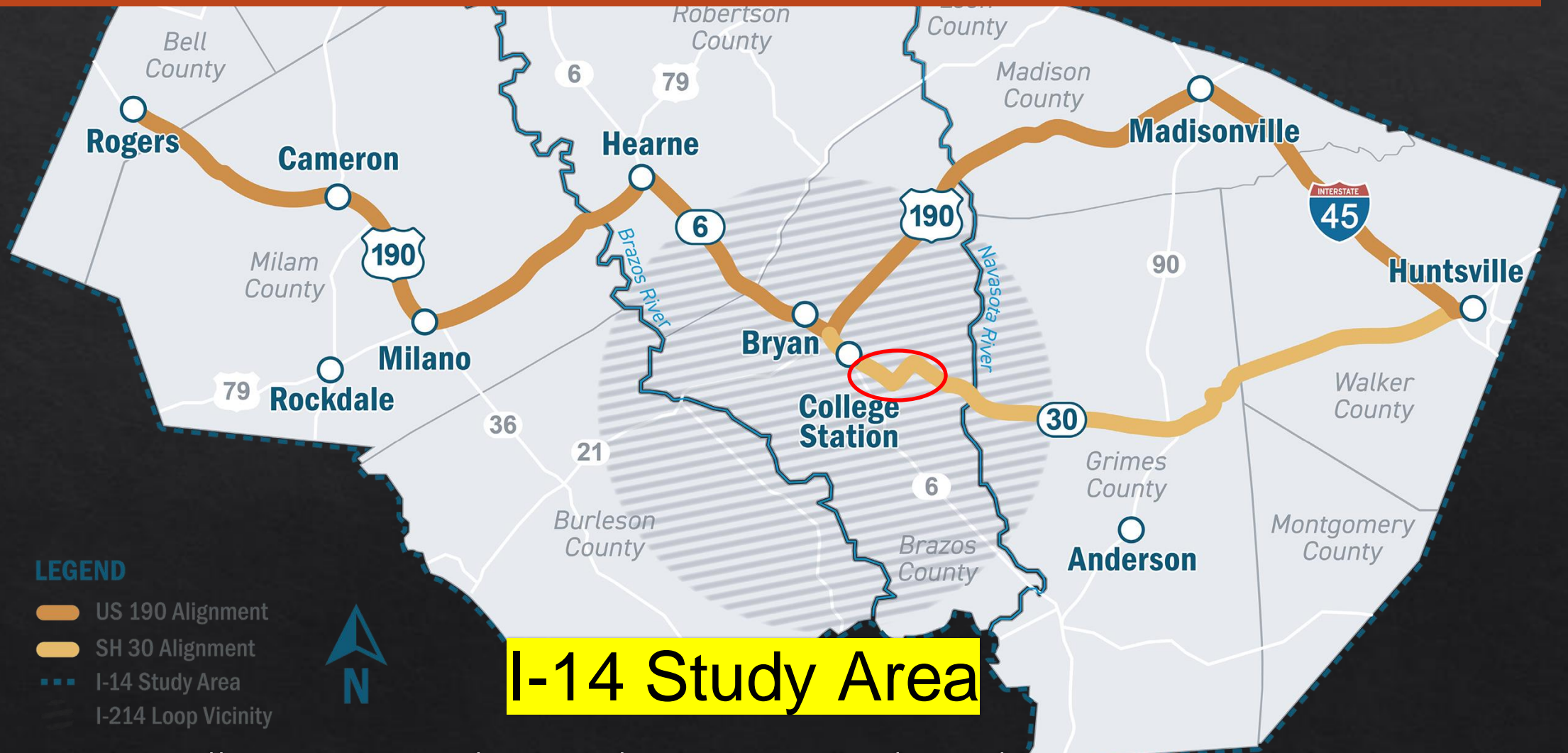
- ✓ We will be the next large Texas city
- ✓ Economic Development
- ✓ I-214 has IIJA funding already (OUTER LOOP)
- ✓ Relief route/cargo from 36A running from Freeport via Hempstead to Highway 6 to I-35
- ✓ I-14 through town exiting south College Station currently at William D Fitch then to SH30 to Huntsville





**MPO Thoroughfare Map Approved
by 3 Voting Members in 2017**

In November 2021, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) designated the I-14 System in Texas for further development, along with Loop I-214 around the Cities of Bryan and College Station. Because this loop is located entirely within the Study area and expected to overlap with I-14 as it passes through the Bryan-College Station area, evaluation of Loop I-214 will be included as part of the I-14 Study.



<https://www.txdot.gov/projects/projects-studies/bryan/i14-corridor-study.html>

Dan Rudge with the Bryan / College Station Metropolitan Planning Organization said it would bring more freight traffic to Highway 6. The new highway would also help with mobility during emergencies.
-KBTX Feb. 2019



<https://www.txdot.gov/projects/projects-studies/houston/36a/36a-overview/36a-north.html>

“No Build” Strategy

- ✓ IF the traffic data doesn't warrant – Induced Demand theory of “if we built it, they will come.”
- ✓ IF the population projections don't warrant
- ✓ Convince one of the entities:
 - Brazos County, Bryan, College Station, TAMU, MPO
- ✓ Convince the taxpayers it's too expensive
- ✓ Vote

Find candidates that support us for both County Judge and Precinct 2 Commissioner



ACTION PLAN

- ✓ Visit www.noeastloop.com for more info
- ✓ Sign the Change.org petition (do NOT donate)
- ✓ MEET at BBQ Socials
- ✓ SPEAK at County Commissioners Meetings
Every Tuesday 10am, by 945 to speak
Brazos County Admin Bldg 200S Texas Ave
- ✓ AWARE of what is happening
Facebook group, email, Instagram, YouTube
- ✓ TALK to others with informed talking points
- ✓ SUPPORT candidates that will represent us using
Brazos Roofs and Ranches PAC



Comment Period Closing

Closes on February 19th
www.BrazosCountyTX.gov

Do you need help with the comment map?

- ✓ C&J BBQ Social Sunday Feb 16th 1-3pm
- ✓ Find a person in a red shirt



NEL Communication

WE MUST STAY IN CONTACT!!

- ✓ Sign up for email updates or email noeastloop@gmail.com
- ✓ Check www.noeastloop.com
- ✓ Social Media: facebook, Instagram, X, YouTube
- ✓ HOA meetings: Invite us to speak
- ✓ BBQ Socials: Sunday February 16th 1-3
Saturday March 15th 1230-230



Donate to the Political Action Committee

Or mail check to:
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