



About MY 35

What is MY 35?

MY 35 is a citizen-driven planning effort focused on the I-35 corridor. The goal of MY 35 is to develop a transportation blueprint for the I-35 corridor that reflects the local needs of the communities along the corridor.

MY 35 calls for a citizens' perspective on I-35 improvements including identifying corridor needs, conducting public outreach efforts, collaborating with the public and local stakeholders, and creating a blueprint for the entire I-35 corridor.

Why was MY 35 started?

The I-35 Corridor Advisory Committee and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) agreed it was time for a new planning approach that starts at the community level, instead of a planning effort directed by TxDOT.

The decision to begin MY 35 builds on the Advisory Committee's November 2008 report* stating that the existing capacity on I-35 would not be sufficient for future mobility demands and that more was needed. The Advisory Committee also concluded that more community involvement is needed in planning efforts.

Who is involved in MY 35?

MY 35 is led by the I-35 Corridor Advisory Committee and the four I-35 Corridor Segment Committees. Members of I-35 Corridor Advisory Committee are volunteers that are interested in the I-35 corridor. They

are business professionals, environmental planners, rail advocates, professors, local officials and residents of the I-35 corridor.

Member entities of the four Segment Committees are counties, metropolitan planning organizations, some cities, chambers of commerce, economic development corporations, port authorities and the Texas Farm Bureau. Each member entity selected its representative to serve on their respective Segment Committee.

What will be the outcome of MY 35?

The goal of MY 35 is to develop a needs-based blueprint with prioritized road and rail solutions for the I-35 corridor. With public input, this blueprint will reflect the local needs of the I-35 communities. MY 35 will be submitted to the Texas Department of Transportation so that it may be used to help guide any future development of I-35.

When will MY 35 be completed?

The MY 35 blueprint is expected to be completed by the end of 2010. It is anticipated that all the four Segment Committees will complete their regional I-35 plans by October 2010. Then, the I-35 Corridor Advisory Committee, with representatives from each Segment Committee, will meet to consolidate the regional I-35 plans into MY 35 — a comprehensive citizens' plan extending from the Red River to the Rio Grande.

* Citizens' Report on the Current and Future Needs of the I-35 Corridor (I-35 Corridor Advisory Committee, November 2008)

MY 35 Vision — The I-35 corridor will be an adequately funded, comprehensive multi-modal transportation system in Texas that is shaped by input from stakeholders and addresses mobility needs over time, preserves and promotes economic vitality, is environmentally sensitive, and supports quality of life for the citizens of Texas.

— I-35 Corridor
Advisory Committee

Segment 3 Members

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| Bastrop County | Rachel Clampper |
| Bexar County | TBA by County |
| Caldwell County | Neto Madrigal |
| Comal County | Tom Hornseth |
| Guadalupe County | Greg Webb |
| Hays County | Elizabeth Sumter |
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| Georgetown | Gabe Sansing |
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| Seguin | Atlee Fritz |
| New Braunfels Chamber of Commerce | Rod Smith |
| Greater San Marcos Economic Development Corporation | Amy Madison |
| Texas Farm Bureau | Marilynn Dierschke |

Segment Committees

What is the role of Segment Committees?

The Segment Committees are charged with developing regional plans for the I-35 corridor. Specifically, Segment Committees bring forth transportation priorities and community needs, present potential solutions for committee discussions and develop regional plans for I-35.

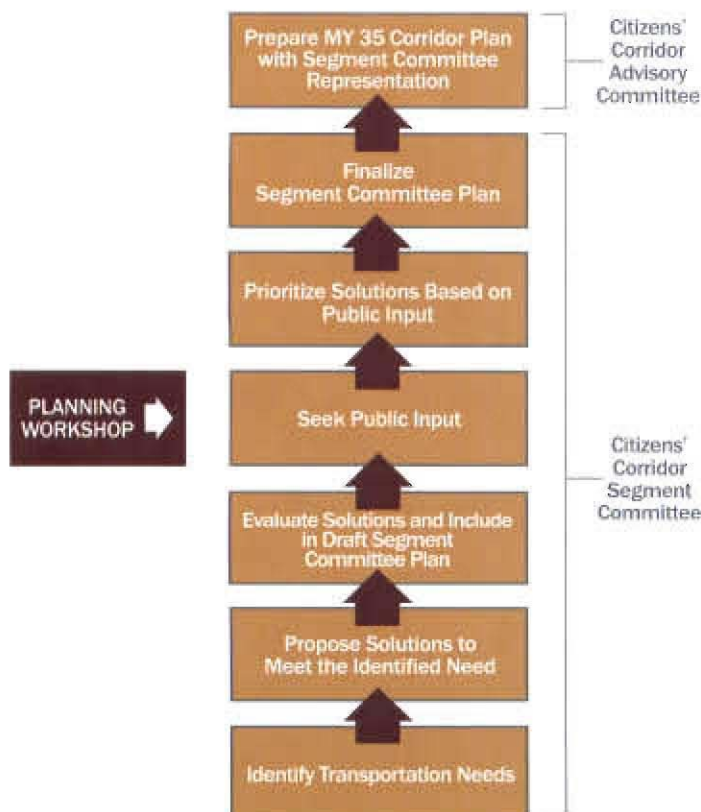
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What regions of I-35 do the Segment Committees represent?

For this planning effort, the I-35 corridor is divided into four regions. Generally, these regions are North Texas, Central Texas, Austin-San Antonio, and South Texas. To enhance coordination throughout the I-35 corridor, particularly through the metropolitan areas, some counties and metropolitan planning organizations serve on adjoining Segment Committees.

Segment Committee Planning Process



Planning Process Overview

When did this planning process begin?

While the Segment Committees held organizational meetings in 2009, their work on MY 35 began in January 2010. Since then, the committees have held monthly meetings to identify I-35 corridor needs and present and discuss potential solutions. In September, all four Segment Committees will hold planning workshops to gather public input on their proposed solutions.

What is the purpose of the planning workshops?

The planning workshops are opportunities for the public to provide input on the Segment Committees proposed road and rail solutions for the I-35 corridor. The workshops are similar to an open house, where the public can browse the descriptions of the proposed solutions, ask questions of committee members and learn more about MY 35.

How can citizens get involved?

MY 35 is a citizen-driven planning effort, with various opportunities to get involved. During the workshops, the public can complete a questionnaire listing the proposed I-35 solutions for a region. The questionnaires, as well as all workshop materials, are available on **MY35.org**. Questionnaires must be postmarked no later than **October 6, 2010**, for results to be included in the final I-35 plan for a region.

Population Growth and Traffic Demand

The information below is for the I-35 Corridor Segment 3 planning area. This includes Williamson, Travis, Hays, Comal, Bexar, Bastrop, Caldwell, and Guadalupe counties.

Population Growth

Between 2000 and 2035 the population in Segment 3 is expected to increase by 32 percent.

- 2000 — 2.8 million people
- 2008 (est.) — 3.5 million people
- 2035 — 4.6 million people

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Texas State Data Center

Five counties along I-35 were ranked among the nation's top 25 for the largest residential growth rate between 1970 and 2000.

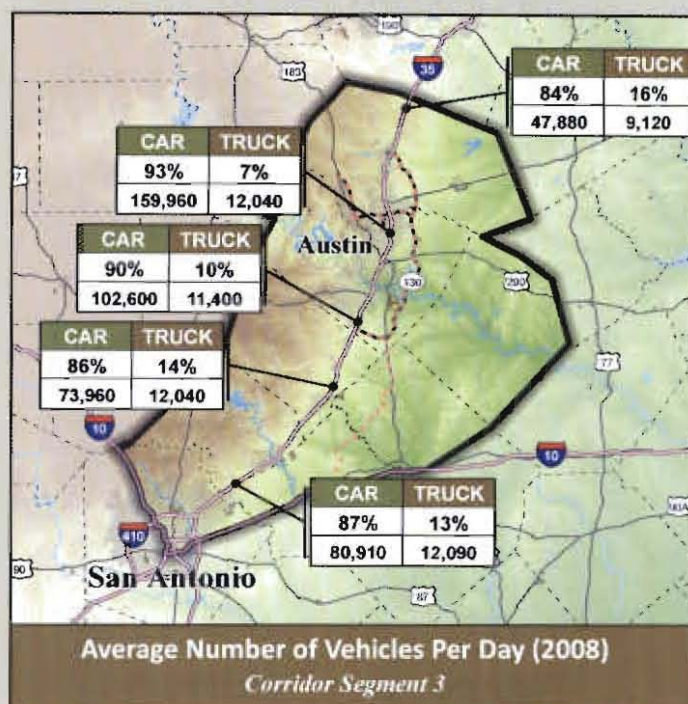
- Dallas (11th)
- Tarrant (13th)
- Bexar (17th)
- Travis (20th)
- Collin (25th)

Source: Woods & Poole 2007 CEDDS Volume I

Most Congested Roadway Segments

Nineteen of the top 100 most congested roadway segments in Texas are located in the Segment 3 planning area.

Source: TxDOT, 2009

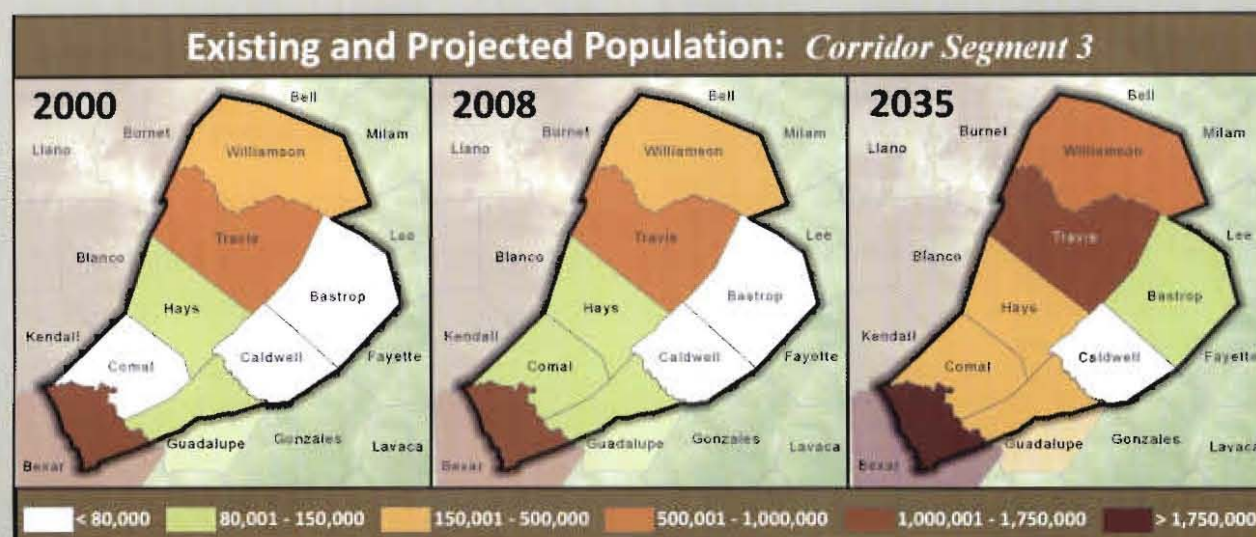


Average Daily Traffic

According to 2008 traffic counts, average daily vehicle volume on I-35 in the Segment 3 planning area ranged from approximately 57,000 to 172,000 vehicles per day.

From 1990 to 2008, average annual daily traffic in Segment 3 increased an average of 104 percent.

Source: TxDOT





Proposed Solutions

The I-35 Corridor Segment Committees started the MY 35 planning process with a blank slate and have developed solutions they believe will best facilitate the movement of people and goods in the I-35 corridor. It was not the role of the Segment Committees to consider funding during development of their solutions. The Segment Committees' efforts were focused on proposing solutions that would best meet the regional needs in the corridor. Funding may be considered in future planning efforts once solutions are selected for the MY 35 plan.

The multi-modal solutions proposed by the I-35 Corridor Segment 3 Committee include (in no particular order):

- Expand I-35 from SH 195 north of Georgetown to I-10 in San Antonio
- Expand I-35 from SH 195 north of Georgetown to the Williamson/Bell CL
- Expand I-35 from SH 45 SE north of Buda to I-10 in San Antonio
- I-35 Ramp Modifications on I-35 between US 290 E and SH 71 (Ben White) in Austin
- Continuous Frontage Roads along I-35 from Williamson to Bexar County (gaps in Buda/Kyle and Georgetown areas)
- Expand I-10 E from I-35 in Downtown San Antonio to SH 130 northeast of Seguin
- Expand Loop 1604 S from I-35 NE in Live Oak to I-10 E south of Converse
- Improve SH 21 Connector from SH 80 east of San Marcos to SH 130 north of Mendoza
- Improve SH 71 Connector from I-35 south of Downtown Austin to SH 130 east of Del Valle
- Improve SH 80 Connector from I-35 east of San Marcos to SH 130 north of Fentress
- Improve US 183 from US 290 E northeast of Downtown Austin to SH 71 southeast of Downtown Austin
- Improve US 183 from SH 71 southeast of Downtown Austin to SH 45 SE in Mustang Ridge
- Construct East-West Connector in New Braunfels from I-35 in New Braunfels to SH 130 north of Kingsbury
- Improve I-35 Interchanges at I-410 and Loop 1604 on the north side of San Antonio
- New Braunfels Outer Loop
- San Marcos Outer Loop
- I-35 HOV/Toll lane Conversion from SH 195 north of Georgetown to SH 45 SE northeast of Buda; Remove Toll and Expand SH 130 from I-35 north of Georgetown to I-10 northeast of Seguin; Remove Toll and Expand SH 45 SE from I-35 northeast of Buda to SH 130 in Mustang Ridge

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- Passenger Rail from Austin to Elgin
- Passenger Rail from San Antonio to Georgetown
- High Speed Commuter Rail from San Antonio to Dallas
- New Freight Rail Line

Next Steps

What happens after the planning workshops?

After the planning workshops, the Segment Committees will meet in October to develop a final I-35 plan for their region. Then, the I-35 Corridor Advisory Committee, along with a representative from each Segment Committee, will review each plan and consolidate the recommendations into a single citizen plan for the entire I-35 corridor. These deliberations are expected to be held during a fall meeting of the Advisory Committee. All meetings are open to the public.

I-35 Corridor Segment 3 Committee Meeting Schedule

April 2009 — Kick-off Meeting

July 2009 — Define local needs and draft goals

January 2010 — Review data and identify problems and potential solutions

February 2010 — Refine proposed roadway solutions

March 2010 — Refine proposed rail solutions

May 2010 — Review traffic modeling results on proposed solutions

June 2010 — Further refine proposed solutions

July 2010 — Develop planning workshop materials

August 2010 — Prepare for planning workshops

September 2010 — Planning workshops

October 2010 — Finalize Segment Plans

Contact the MY 35 Project

Toll-Free: (866) 614-1086
Website: www.MY35.org
U.S. Mail: I-35 Corridor Segment 3 Committee
c/o Corridor Program Office
P.O. Box 14707
Austin, Texas 78761

To be considered in the preparation of the I-35 Corridor Segment 3 Plan, questionnaires must be postmarked by **October 6, 2010**.

I-35 Planning Workshop Questionnaire - Corridor Segment 3

Introduction: I-35 Planning Workshop Questionnaire

I-35 Corridor Planning Workshop: _____

This questionnaire is intended to help the Citizens' Corridor Segment 3 Committee identify the proposed transportation solutions to include in the Corridor Segment 3 Plan: A Citizens' Needs-based Multi-modal Plan for the I-35 Corridor. The questionnaire consists of 4 sections:

1. Proposed Roadway Solutions
2. Proposed Rail Solutions
3. Other Transportation Solutions
4. Additional Comments

Detailed information about the proposed roadway and rail solutions is provided in the exhibits displayed at this workshop. Your completed questionnaire may be placed in a public workshop comment box, or mailed to the I-35 Corridor Segment 3 Committee, c/o Corridor Program Office, P.O. Box 14707, Austin, Texas, 78761.

Visit www.MY35.org for additional information or to complete this questionnaire electronically. Comments must be postmarked or electronically submitted by October 6, 2010 to be included in the I-35 Corridor Segment Committee Planning process.

Before you begin your questionnaire, please provide your 5-digit zip code: _____

I-35 Planning Workshop Questionnaire - Corridor Segment 3

Section 1: Corridor Segment 3 Proposed Roadway Solutions

1. The I-35 Corridor Segment 3 Committee suggested the following improvements to the existing I-35 facility. Please indicate when you believe these projects may be needed or if they are not needed at all.

| | Near-term (5-10 yrs) | Mid-term (10-20 yrs) | Long-term (20+ yrs) | Not Needed | Not in My Area of Interest |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| Widen I-35 to 8 lanes from SH 195 north of Georgetown to I-10 in San Antonio in those areas where it is not already 8 lanes wide | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Widen I-35 to 8 lanes from SH 195 north of Georgetown to the Williamson/Bell county line | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Widen I-35 to add a High Occupancy Vehicle/Toll lane from SH 45 SE north of Buda to I-10 in San Antonio | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Modify ramps on I-35 between US 290 E and Ben White in Austin to improve traffic flow on I-35 mainlanes and frontage roads | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Construct continuous frontage roads along I-35 where gaps currently exist | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

2. The I-35 Corridor Segment 3 Committee suggested the following improvements to facilities that connect to or parallel I-35. Please indicate when you believe these projects may be needed or if they are not needed at all.

| | Near-term (5-10 yrs) | Mid-term (10-20 yrs) | Long-term (20+ yrs) | Not Needed | Not in My Area of Interest |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| Widen I-10 E to 6 lanes from I-35 in Downtown San Antonio to SH 130 northeast of Seguin | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Widen and upgrade Loop 1604 S to a 6-lane controlled access highway from I-35 (NE) in Live Oak to I-10 E south of Converse | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Upgrade SH 21 to a 4-lane controlled access highway from SH 80 east of San Marcos to SH 130 north of Mendoza | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Upgrade SH 71 to a 4 to 8-lane controlled access highway from I-35 in Austin to SH 130 east of Del Valle | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Upgrade SH 80 to a 4-lane controlled access highway from I-35 in San Marcos to SH 130 north of Fentress | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Upgrade US 183 to a 4-lane controlled access highway from US 290 E to SH 71 on the east side of Austin | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Upgrade US 183 to a 4-lane controlled access highway from SH 71 in Austin to SH 45 SE in Mustang Ridge | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Construct a new East-West roadway to connect New Braunfels to SH 130 north of Kingsbury | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

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3. The I-35 Corridor Segment 3 Committee suggested the following loops and interchange improvements. Please indicate when you believe these projects may be needed or if they are not needed at all.

| | Near-term (5-10 yrs) | Mid-term (10-20 yrs) | Long-term (20+ yrs) | Not Needed | Not in My Area of Interest |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| Improve I-35/Loop 410 interchange on the north side of San Antonio | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Improve I-35/Loop 1604 interchange on the north side of San Antonio | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Construct a loop around New Braunfels | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Construct a loop around San Marcos | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

4. The I-35 Corridor Segment Committee 3 suggested a group of alternative solutions for SH 130 and I-35 that, if selected as part of the Segment Committee 3 Plan, would be implemented together to make up one total proposed solution. Please indicate whether or not you would support the following scenario:

(1) Convert one existing lane on I-35 in each direction to a high-occupancy vehicle/toll lane from US 195 north of Georgetown to SH 45 SE north of Buda, and re-designate this section of I-35 as "Business Route I-35;" and

(2) Remove the tolls and widen SH 130 to 6 lanes from US 195 north of Georgetown to SH 45 SE in Mustang Ridge, and re-designate this section as "Interstate 35;" and

(3) Remove the tolls and widen SH 45 SE to 6 lanes from Mustang Ridge to I-35 northeast of Buda and re-designate this section as "Interstate 35;" and

(4) Remove the tolls and widen SH 130 to 6 lanes from Mustang Ridge to I-10 in Seguin (this portion would remain designated as SH 130).

- ☐ Yes, I would support this idea
- ☐ No, I would not support this idea

I-35 Planning Workshop Questionnaire - Corridor Segment 3

Section 2: Corridor Segment 3 Proposed Rail Solutions

5. The I-35 Corridor Segment 3 Committee identified the following proposed rail solutions within the I-35 corridor. Please indicate when you believe these projects may be needed or if they are not needed at all.

| | Near-term (5-10 yrs) | Mid-term (10-20 yrs) | Long-term (20+ yrs) | Not Needed | Not in My Area of Interest |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| Implement Commuter Rail from Austin to Elgin (Capital Metro Rail Green Line) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Implement Commuter Rail from San Antonio to Georgetown | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Implement High Speed Passenger Rail from San Antonio to Dallas | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Construct a new freight rail line to allow some Union Pacific trains to move off of the existing Union Pacific rail line west of I-35. This could increase freight capacity and enhance safety, and also allow the possibility of passenger rail service on the existing Union Pacific line. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

I-35 Planning Workshop Questionnaire - Corridor Segment 3

Section 3: Other Transportation Solutions

6. The I-35 Corridor Segment 3 Committee would also like your input on potential operational (non-construction-related) improvements for I-35. Please indicate your level of support for the following.

| | Strongly Support | Somewhat Support | Do Not Support | No Opinion |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Reduce tolls on alternative routes to I-35 during times when I-35 is the most congested | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Incentivize the use of SH 130 for all truck trips that are not destined for the cities between Georgetown and Seguin (ie, encourage trucks to use SH 130 to travel around the congested areas by providing discounted toll fees) | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Impose access limitations (eg, closing specific exit/entrance ramps) on I-35 in urban areas to reduce congestion | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Use and improve upon technology, such as electronic signs, to provide updated traffic information, alternative routes, and other traffic management solutions to travelers on I-35 | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Offer new tolled lanes and/or use congestion pricing (i.e., the toll price fluctuates based on the road's congestion levels) on new or existing toll lanes as an option to manage congestion | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Improve incident management and related agency coordination so that accidents and disabled vehicles can be cleared more quickly and delays can be minimized | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

I-35 Planning Workshop Questionnaire - Corridor Segment 3

Section 4: Additional Comments

The I-35 Corridor Segment 3 Committee welcomes your input on other transportation issues related to the I-35 corridor, such as project development, environmental, multimodal, and financing issues. Please provide any additional comments in the space below.

Thank you for taking the questionnaire. Your input will be used to help the I-35 Corridor Segment 3 Committee prepare its final recommendations for the I-35 Corridor Segment 3 Plan.

For additional information, please visit www.MY35.org.