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# FM 1626/RM 967 INTERSECTION STUDY OPEN HOUSE

## IN-PERSON OPEN HOUSE

**Thursday, January 30, 2025**

**City of Buda Welcome Center  
303 Main St., Buda, TX 78610**

## VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE

**Tuesday, January 28 –  
Friday, March 7, 2025  
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## OPEN HOUSE PURPOSE

**Learn about the study  
Share your thoughts**





# CAMPO 101

## WHAT IS CAMPO?

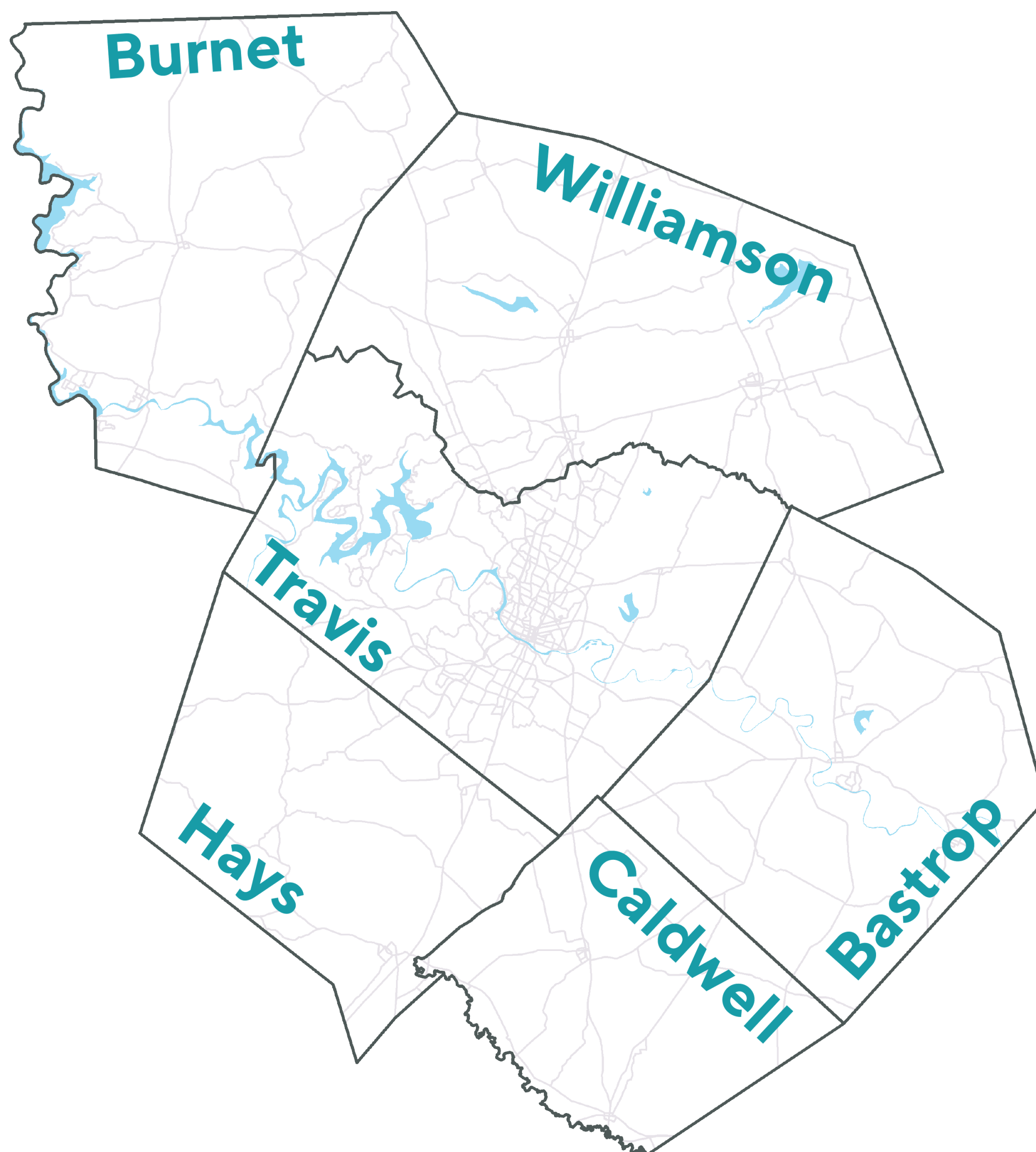
The Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) is the Austin region’s transportation decision-making body, coordinating regional transportation planning between counties, local governments, and transportation agencies. The organization is made up of a 22-member Transportation Policy Board (TPB) that makes decisions on CAMPO policy and allocates federal transportation funds for the region, a 24-member Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) that provides technical expertise and recommendations to inform the Transportation Policy Board, and the Executive Director, who reports to the TPB and oversees the CAMPO staff.

## WHAT IS AN MPO?

A metropolitan planning organization, or MPO, is a regional transportation planning entity designated by the federal government beginning in 1962. MPO are required in areas with a population greater than 50,000. CAMPO is one of 25 MPOs in Texas, and one of 408 in the United States.

## WHERE IS CAMPO?

CAMPO conducts regional transportation planning work within six counties: Bastrop, Burnet, Caldwell, Hays, Travis, and Williamson.





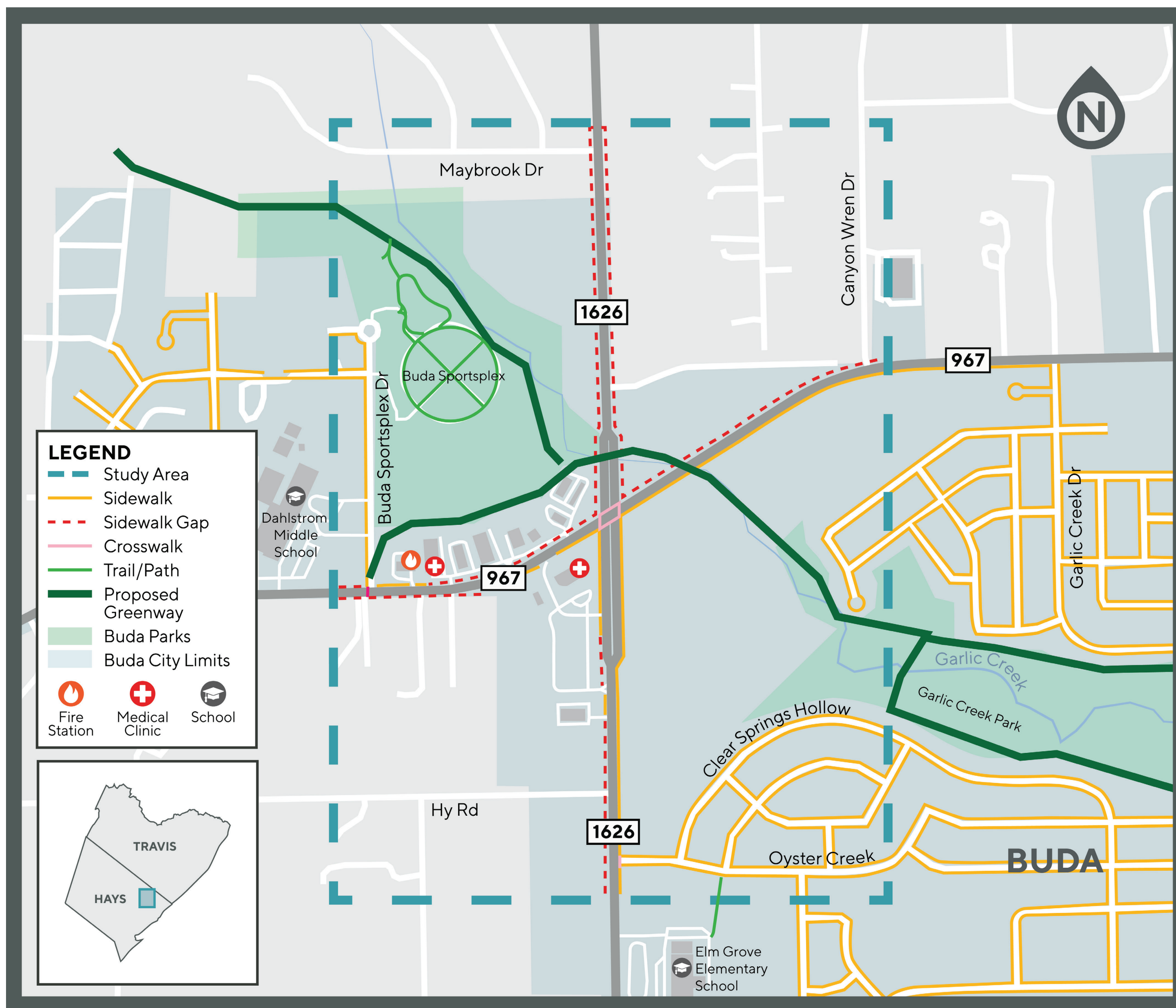
# STUDY INTRODUCTION

## STUDY OVERVIEW

The **Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO)** and the **City of Buda** are working together to identify, evaluate, and recommend potential improvements for the **FM 1626/RM 967** Intersection in the City of Buda.

## WHY THE STUDY IS NEEDED

This intersection connects two essential commuter roads in Hays County. FM 1626 functions as the primary north-south route in eastern Hays County, paralleling Interstate 35, while RM 967 serves as the principal east-west corridor in the area. CAMPO and the City of Buda are conducting this study to identify safety and mobility enhancements and plan as the region continues to grow.



## WHAT THE STUDY WILL ACCOMPLISH

The Intersection Study will use public input to help CAMPO and the City of Buda define and identify feasible options for improvements to FM 1626/RM 967. The study will include an analysis of current and projected traffic volumes, crash hotspots, environmental features, needs and concerns identified in stakeholder and public input and will result in recommendations for improvements.





# STUDY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

## Identify and recommend solutions to improve safety

- Evaluate and consider crash data, intersection improvements, bicycle and pedestrian travel, and input from the community



## Enhance mobility and functionality of the intersection

- Improve traffic operations to create a reliable and consistent network for the movement of people and goods through and within the intersection
- Improve access to adjacent businesses, neighborhoods, and schools



## Enhance multimodal movement, operations, and safety

- Consider and plan for transportation needs for multimodal use of the intersection, including improving facilities for bicyclists, pedestrians, and transit



## Develop community-supported recommendations for the intersection

- Employ strategies to maximize participation across diverse audiences that reflect the community, including outreach to underreached communities and those with Limited English Proficiency
- Consider and incorporate feedback from the community in each step of the study development process



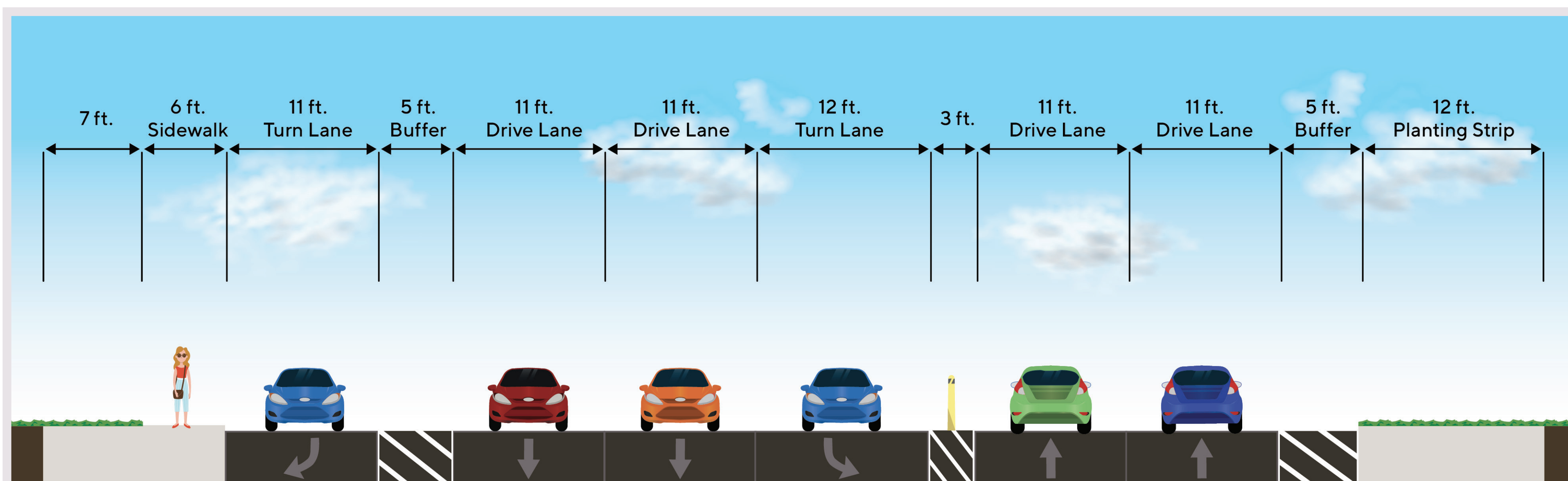


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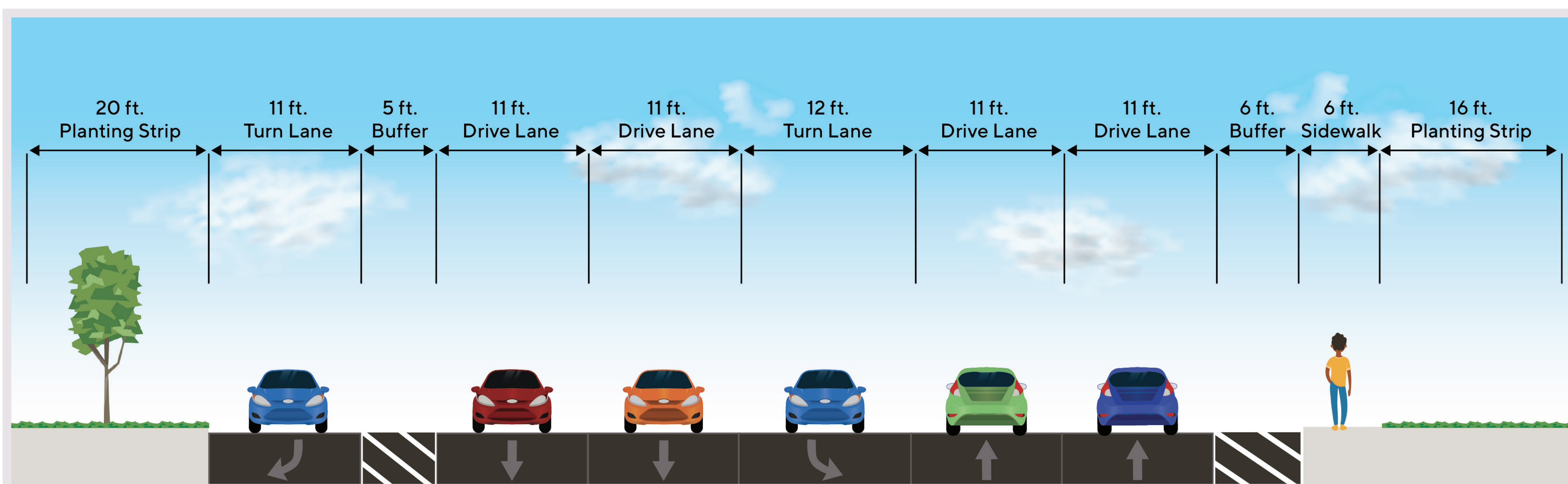
## FM 1626/RM 967 INTERSECTION

- Two lanes in each direction (North/South (FM 1626) – East/West (RM 967))
- Single dedicated left-turn lane and right-turn lane at each intersection approach
- Discontinuous sidewalks & minimal bicycling accommodations

## FM 1626 – NORTH OF INTERSECTION

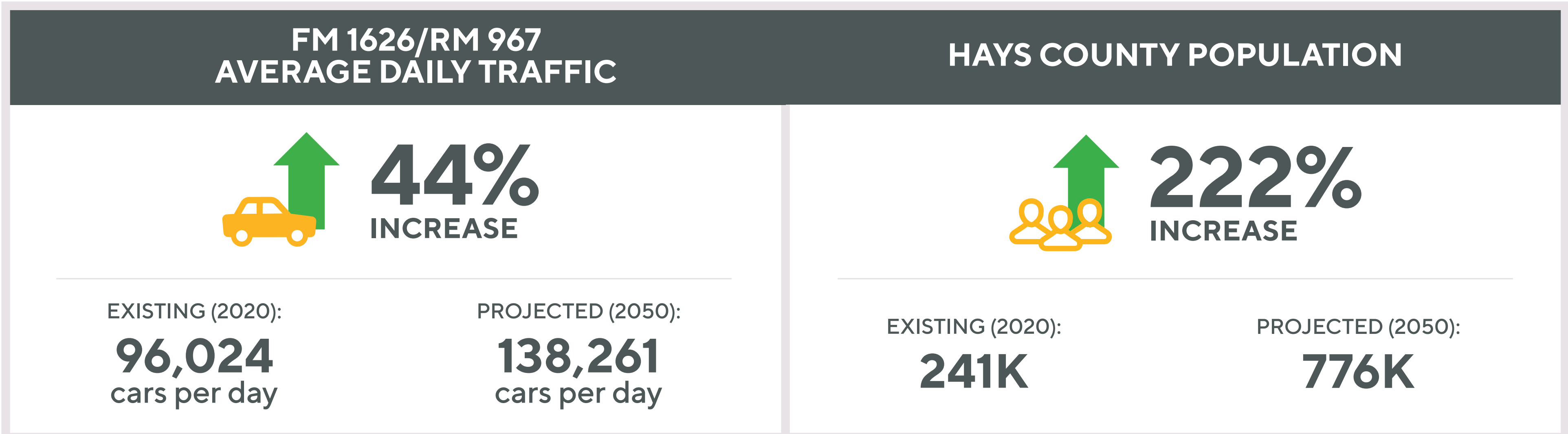


## RM 967 – EAST OF INTERSECTION

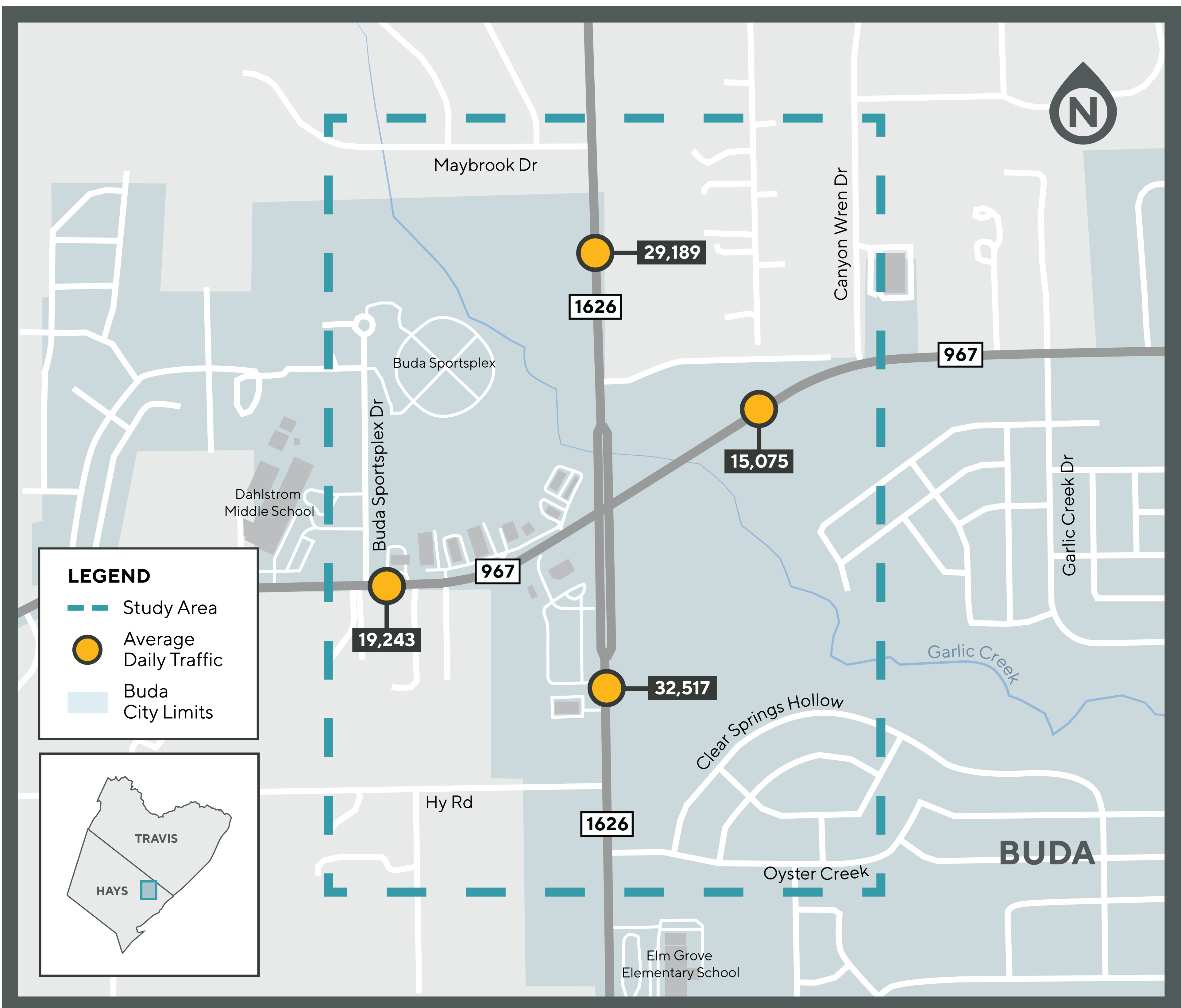




# FM 1626/RM 967 INTERSECTION TRAFFIC DATA



Sources: US Census Bureau, CAMPO Draft 2050 Regional Transportation Plan data



Source: TxDOT Traffic Count Database System, 2023 data





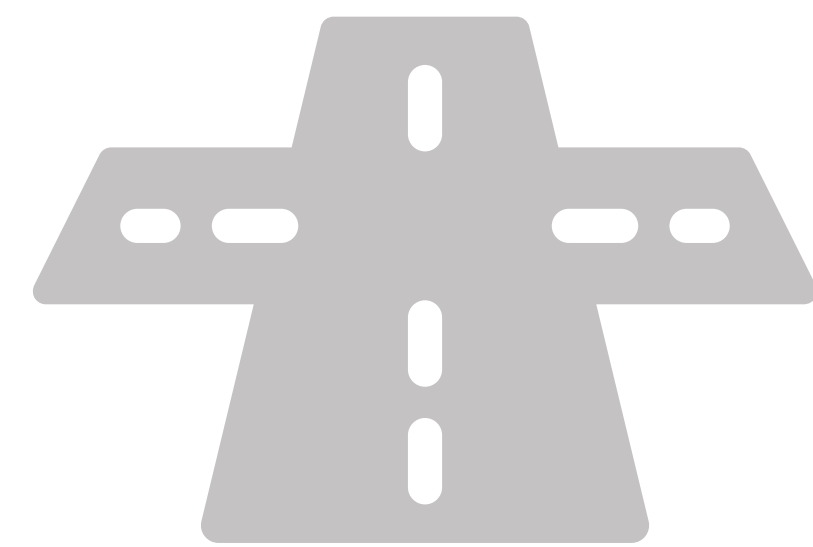
# FM 1626/RM 967 INTERSECTION CRASH DATA

## 2019 – 2024 CRASH SUMMARY



### Total Crashes

**205** total crashes were reported in the study area between January 2019 and September 2024



### Crash Locations

**55%** of crashes occurred at or near intersections within the study area



### Crash Severity

**82%** of crashes resulted in no injuries, while less than **3%** involved serious injuries



### Crash Types

**27%** of crashes involved left-turn collisions, with a large number happening at or near the FM 1626 and RM 967 intersection



### Crash Patterns

**22%** of crashes involved one vehicle going straight while another made a left turn from the opposite direction (one straight – one left), with another **20%** of crashes occurring when one vehicle traveling straight rear-ended another vehicle that was stopped (one straight – one stopped)

Source: TxDOT Crash Records Information System, 2019-2024 data

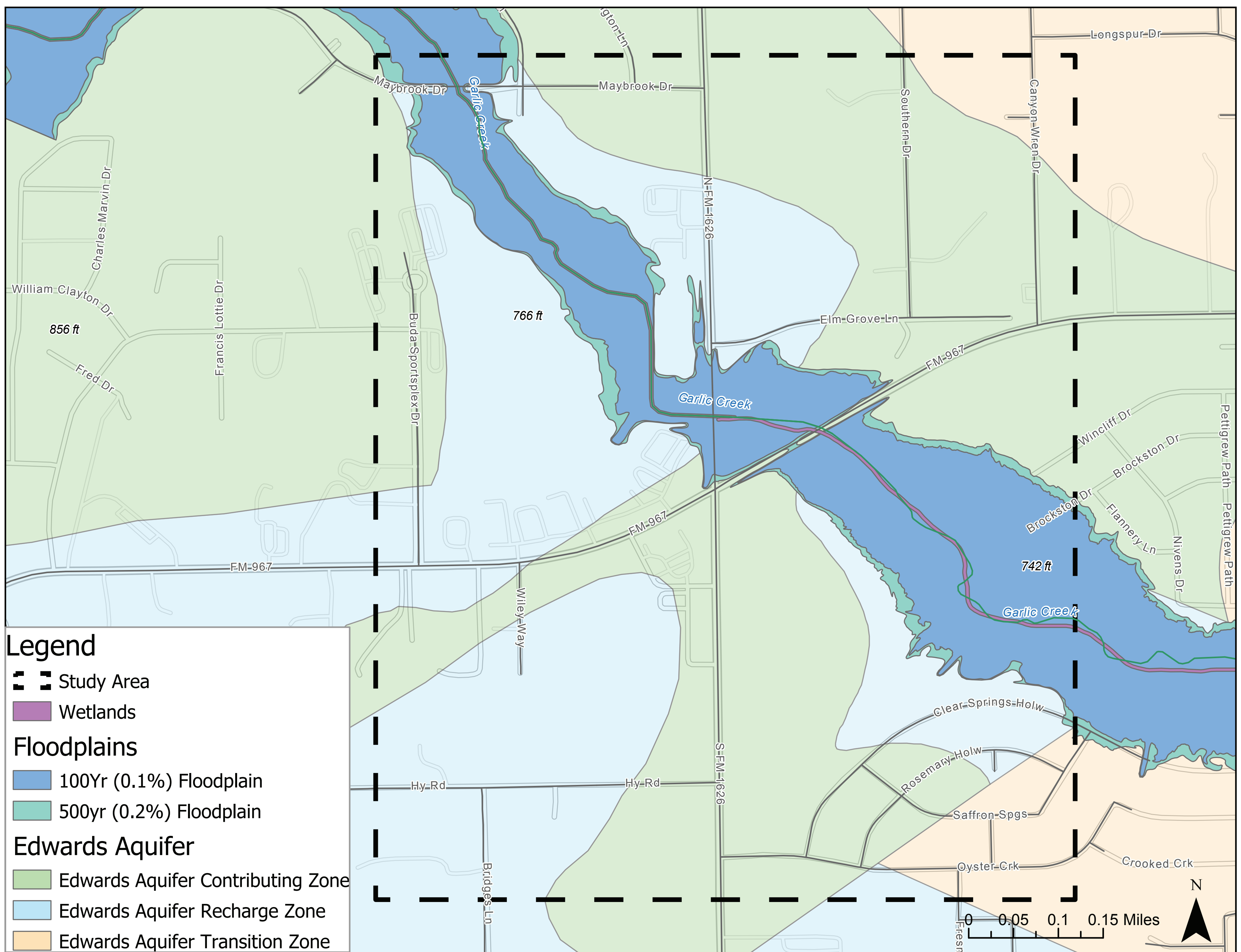




# ENVIRONMENTAL CONSTRAINTS

## ENVIRONMENTAL FEATURES

In addition to an analysis of the existing roads and safety conditions, the project team will consider environmental features, such as natural, human, and water resources, historical resources, and community resources when developing improvements. This map identifies a variety of constraints within the study area that must be considered during the project development process.



Sources: National Wetlands Inventory, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality







# PROCESS & TIMELINE



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## Data Collection and Analysis

FALL 2024  
WINTER 2025

- Analyze existing traffic and safety information including existing traffic volumes and projections, crash data, and bicycle and pedestrian accommodations
- Identify environmental features and constraints in the study area
- Collect input from the community on preliminary intersection improvements

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## Develop Potential Improvements

SPRING 2025

- Use input and technical analyses from previous steps to identify and develop potential improvements to the FM 1626/RM 967 intersection
- Establish evaluation criteria and quantify the impacts and features for each potential improvement concept
- Collect input from the community on potential improvement concepts, including a no-build option

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## Recommend Improvements & Prepare Final Report

SUMMER 2025

- Use public input from previous steps to refine potential improvements
- Submit final report that includes recommendations for improvements, project materials, and an implementation plan

**NOTE:** Future project development phases to advance recommendations from this study will be a multi-year process that will require additional funding. Future phases will include gathering additional community input and may also include performing detailed environmental studies, detailed design, right of way acquisition and utility coordination, and construction.





# HOW TO COMMENT

## REVIEW MATERIALS ASK QUESTIONS SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS

Your input is an important part of developing this study, and there are several ways you can share your input with the study team:



Email comments to  
[FM1626andRM967Study@gmail.com](mailto:FM1626andRM967Study@gmail.com)



Online Survey  
[surveymonkey.com/r/2Q62ZHY](https://surveymonkey.com/r/2Q62ZHY)



Mail comments to  
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You are welcome to share input at any point during the study development process, but to be included in the open house record, comments must be received or postmarked by

# FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 2025

