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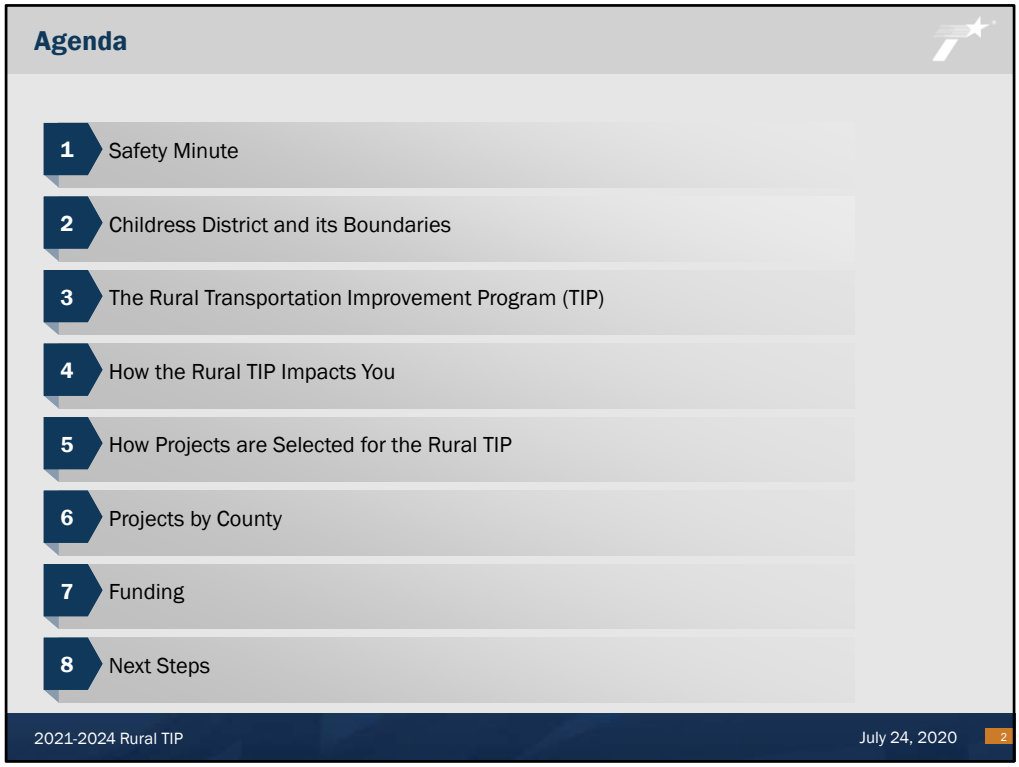
Welcome to the Childress District Rural Improvement Program Public meeting for the 2021-2024 program!

My name is Annabel Jurado and I'm the Childress District Planner. We are here today to go over the projects to be included in the upcoming 2021-2024 Rural TIP.



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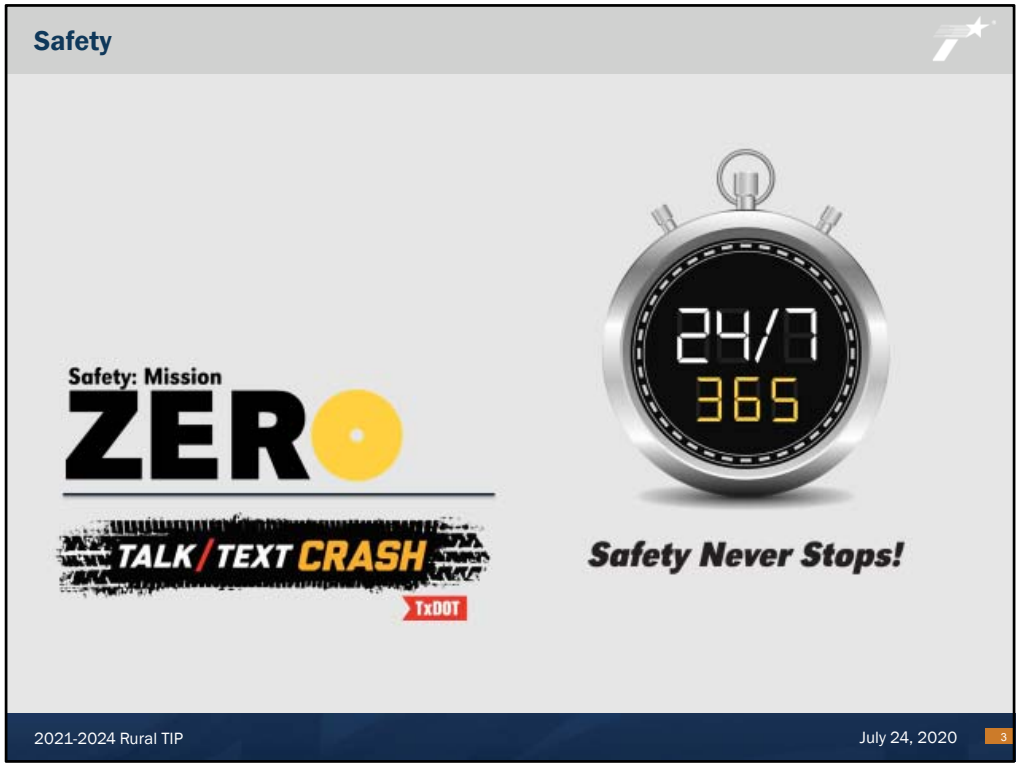
Today we will go over the counties in Childress District and all the roads under the district's care. We will also review the basics of what the Rural TIP is and why it is important for you to be here with us today. We will explain how the projects included in the program are selected and classified in order to make the most of the program.

Once you have an understanding of all of this, you will have the opportunity to review all the projects the Childress District has included in the 2021-2024 program.

We will also go over funding, answering questions on "where does the money to pay for these projects come from and how does it get distributed?".

Lastly, we will outline all the options you have to comment on these projects and their priority.



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We know everyone took time from their day to be here today and we appreciate it. As such, we want you to always make it back to your family safely.

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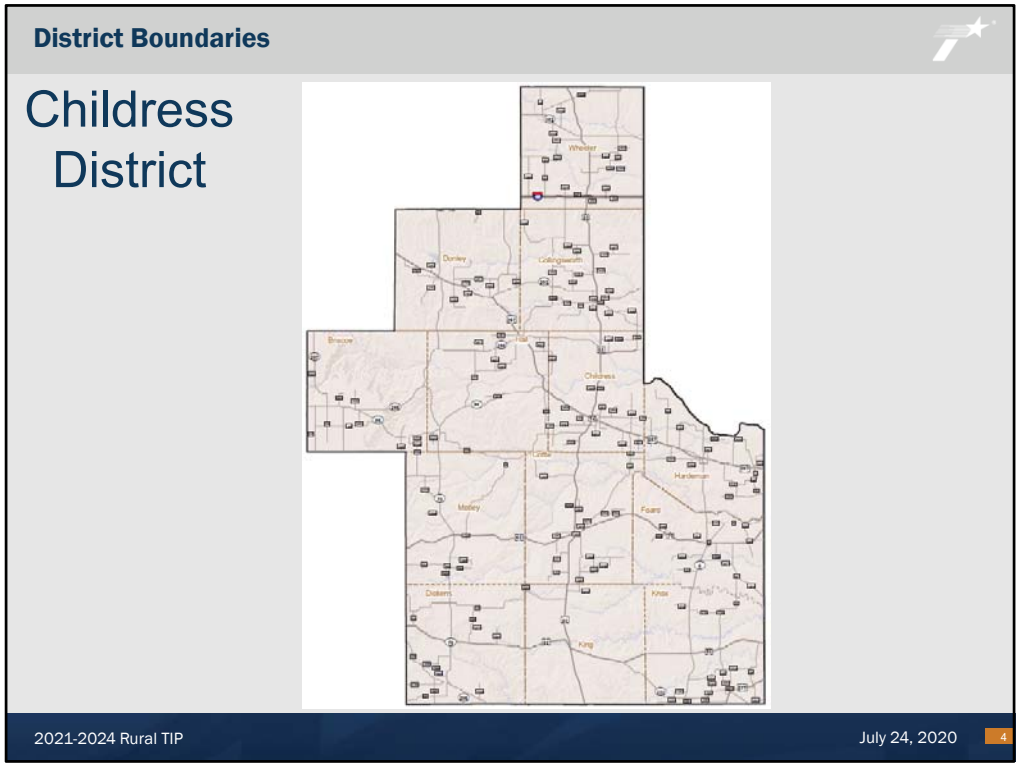

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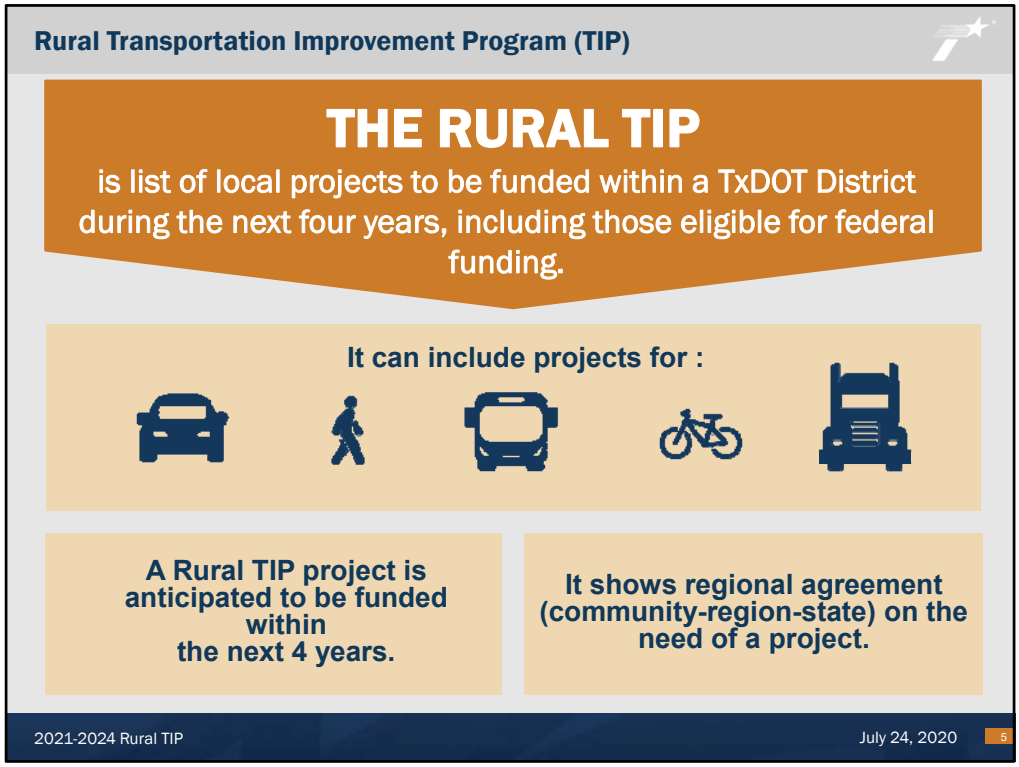
The Childress District includes all of the counties shown in the map. Projects included in the 2021-2024 Rural TIP are located in the following counties: *Briscoe, Childress, Collingsworth, Cottle, Dickens, Donley, Foard, Hall, Hardeman, King, Knox and Motley.*



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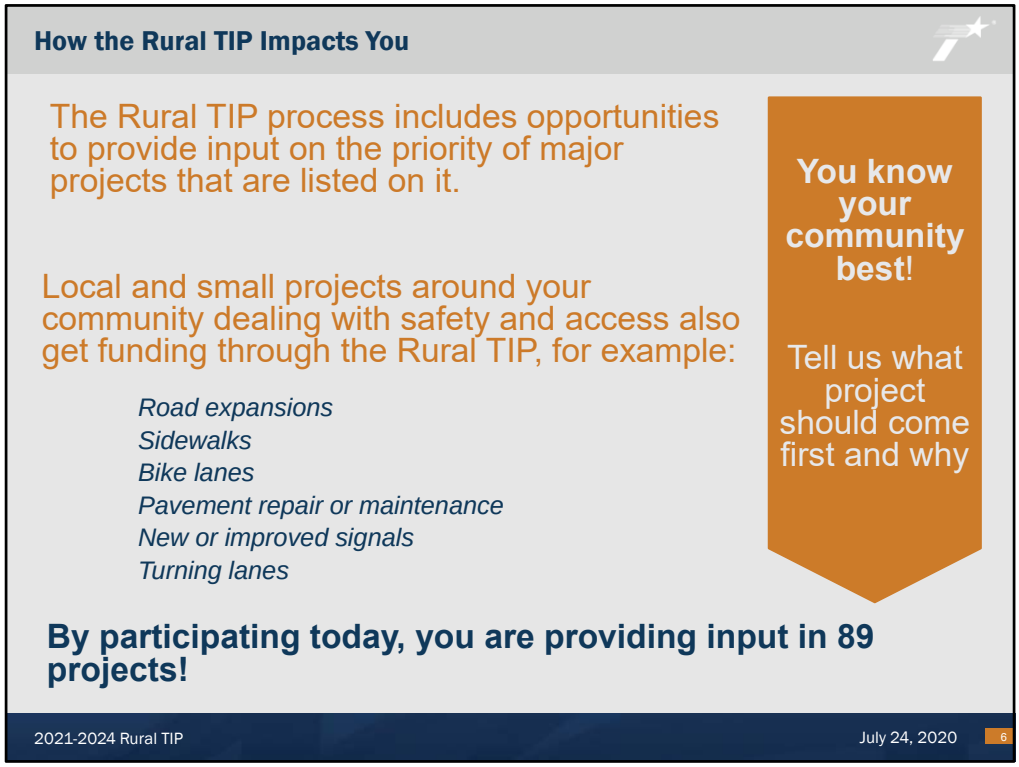
The Rural Transportation Improvement Program is a list of local projects to funded in a TxDOT District over the next 4 years. This means that all projects included in the list are expected to be underway within 4 years following its approval. These are the changes you can expect to go to contract in the near future!

It is multimodal; which means that it can include projects relating to highways, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, transit services and freight projects as well as the preliminary studies used to define those projects.

Rural TIP is meant to show regional agreement on the need and priority of a transportation project, so all parties involved can be sure they are making the best investment for the community. It is also expected to be consistent with the projects and objectives included in the regional Long Range Transportation Plans, to ensure that all agencies are working towards the same goal.

The Rural TIP is a part of the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Because the program its rules are established by Federal law, no project can receive federal funding unless it is listed in the Rural TIP!



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It is important for you to participate because funding secured by this process is intended to address your communities' most immediate needs. By providing comments on the priority of the projects included, you are helping us identify regional priorities.

By reviewing the entire program in a single meeting you are: 1) having a regional impact, 2) helping us be more effective with your money, and 3) ensuring that we are investing where we should.

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Rural Transportation Organizations, Metropolitan Planning Organizations and local governments are responsible for selecting projects within their boundaries.

TxDOT, through the District office, is responsible for selecting of all projects relating to the State Transportation System and other National roadways. This includes Interstates, State and US Highways but most importantly this can also include the Farm-to-Market and Ranch-to-Market roads you use every day.

The projects you will review today should respond to local needs! It is our responsibility to provide you with the opportunity to provide input on which projects should be advanced.

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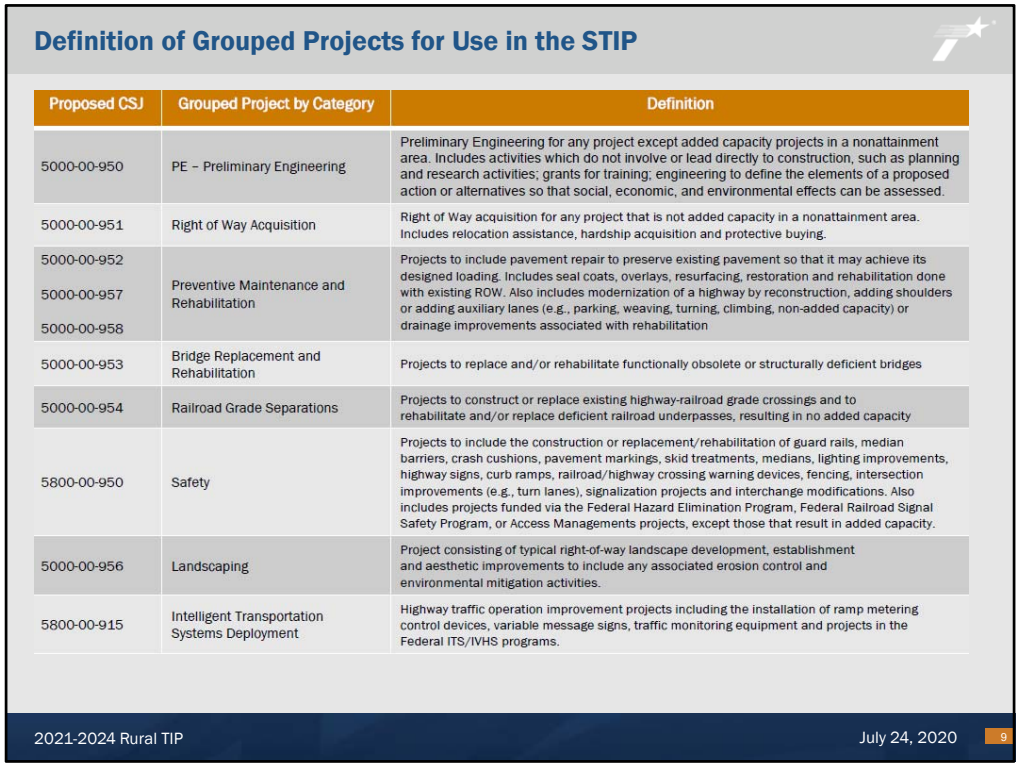
Once projects have been defined they are evaluated according to their scale and classified according to the funding they require as well as their potential impact.

Big projects are categorized as Regionally Significant Projects and are included as stand-alone items. i.e. *A new bridge over a river.*

To simplify this budgeting and planning process, smaller projects are lumped together into 11 separate sub categories and referred to as Grouped Projects. Grouped projects include things like landscaping, safety lights, or new bicycle and pedestrian facilities. This grouping practice facilitates the federal funding of smaller projects. *i.e. the pavement repair of an FM road.*



Definition of Grouped Projects for Use in the STIP

Proposed CSJ	Grouped Project by Category	Definition
5000-00-950	PE – Preliminary Engineering	Preliminary Engineering for any project except added capacity projects in a nonattainment area. Includes activities which do not involve or lead directly to construction, such as planning and research activities; grants for training; engineering to define the elements of a proposed action or alternatives so that social, economic, and environmental effects can be assessed.
5000-00-951	Right of Way Acquisition	Right of Way acquisition for any project that is not added capacity in a nonattainment area. Includes relocation assistance, hardship acquisition and protective buying.
5000-00-952 5000-00-957 5000-00-958	Preventive Maintenance and Rehabilitation	Projects to include pavement repair to preserve existing pavement so that it may achieve its designed loading. Includes seal coats, overlays, resurfacing, restoration and rehabilitation done with existing ROW. Also includes modernization of a highway by reconstruction, adding shoulders or adding auxiliary lanes (e.g., parking, weaving, turning, climbing, non-added capacity) or drainage improvements associated with rehabilitation
5000-00-953	Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation	Projects to replace and/or rehabilitate functionally obsolete or structurally deficient bridges
5000-00-954	Railroad Grade Separations	Projects to construct or replace existing highway-railroad grade crossings and to rehabilitate and/or replace deficient railroad underpasses, resulting in no added capacity
5800-00-950	Safety	Projects to include the construction or replacement/rehabilitation of guard rails, median barriers, crash cushions, pavement markings, skid treatments, medians, lighting improvements, highway signs, curb ramps, railroad/highway crossing warning devices, fencing, intersection improvements (e.g., turn lanes), signalization projects and interchange modifications. Also includes projects funded via the Federal Hazard Elimination Program, Federal Railroad Signal Safety Program, or Access Managements projects, except those that result in added capacity.
5000-00-956	Landscaping	Project consisting of typical right-of-way landscape development, establishment and aesthetic improvements to include any associated erosion control and environmental mitigation activities.
5800-00-915	Intelligent Transportation Systems Deployment	Highway traffic operation improvement projects including the installation of ramp metering control devices, variable message signs, traffic monitoring equipment and projects in the Federal ITS/IVHS programs.

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Let's look more closely at the groups. The 11 subcatageories for grouped projects are those without the size to stand on their own. They include Preliminary Engineering, Right of Way Acquisition, Preventative Maintenance and Rehabilitation, Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation, Railroad Grade Separations, Safety, Landscaping, Intelligent Transportation System Deployment… (continued on next slide)

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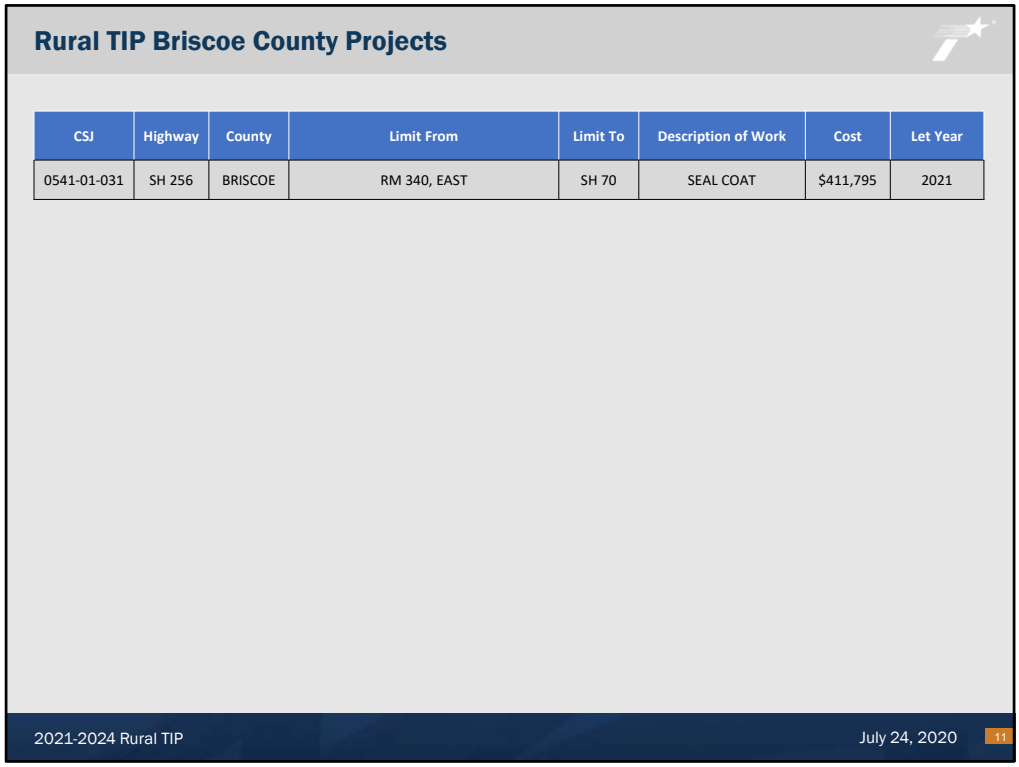
We will now move on to the specific projects within the Childress District.



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Rural TIP Childress County Projects

CSJ	Highway	County	Limit From	Limit To	Description of Work	Cost	Let Year
0042-12-085	US 287	CHILDRESS	HALL C/L, EAST	CHILDRESS WCL	SEAL COAT	$548,055	2021
0043-16-018	FM 164	CHILDRESS	US 62, EAST	US 287	SEAL COAT	$58,440	2021
0925-00-073	VA	CHILDRESS	2021 DISTRICT WIDE STRIPING		PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	$1,000,000	2021
0031-05-045	US 62	CHILDRESS	@ PRAIRIE DOG TOWN FORK RED RIVER		BRIDGE MAINTENANCE	$600,000	2021
0042-12-082	US 287	CHILDRESS	@ BAYLOR CREEK		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$1,710,000	2021
0925-08-021	CS	CHILDRESS	4TH STREET @ DRAW		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$250,000	2021
0925-00-066	VA	CHILDRESS	2022 DISTRICT WIDE SEAL COAT		PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	$5,700,000	2022
0925-00-078	VA	CHILDRESS	2022 DISTRICT WIDE STRIPING		PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	$1,000,000	2022
0704-02-022	FM 268	CHILDRESS	US 287, EAST	FM 1033	WIDEN ROAD	$5,186,000	2022
2533-02-008	FM 268	CHILDRESS	FM 1033, EAST	HARDEMAN C/L	WIDEN ROAD	$1,949,000	2022
0043-01-081	US 287	CHILDRESS	@ MIDDLE GROESBECK CREEK		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$416,500	2022
2036-02-010	FM 1642	CHILDRESS	@ DRAW		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$480,000	2022
0925-00-074	VA	CHILDRESS	2023 DISTRICT WIDE SEAL COAT		PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	$5,700,000	2023
0032-01-034	US 62	CHILDRESS	FM 164, SOUTH	COTTLE C/L	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$2,930,000	2023
0925-00-079	VA	CHILDRESS	2023 DISTRICT WIDE STRIPING		PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	$1,000,000	2023
0925-00-075	VA	CHILDRESS	2024 DISTRICT WIDE SEAL COAT		PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	$5,700,000	2024
0925-00-080	VA	CHILDRESS	2024 DISTRICT WIDE STRIPING		PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE	$1,000,000	2024
0043-01-083	US 287	CHILDRESS	CHILDRESS ECL, EAST	HARDEMAN C/L	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$4,410,000	2024

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Rural TIP Collingsworth County Projects

CSJ	Highway	County	Limit From	Limit To	Description of Work	Cost	Let Year
0031-03-046	US 83	COLLINGSWORTH	FM 1439, SOUTH	4.522 MILES	SEAL COAT	$203,490	2021
0031-04-055	US 83	COLLINGSWORTH	4.522 MILES SOUTH OF FM 1439, SOUTH	WELLINGTON SOUTH CITY LIMITS	SEAL COAT	$352,125	2021
0230-03-023	FM 338	COLLINGSWORTH	RM 388, EAST	US 83	SEAL COAT	$112,710	2021
1772-01-016	FM 1056	COLLINGSWORTH	FM 1547, EAST	FM 338	SEAL COAT	$235,050	2021
0797-07-032	FM 1547	COLLINGSWORTH	@ DRAW		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$785,000	2021
0797-08-011	FM 1439	COLLINGSWORTH	@ WOLF CREEK		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$500,000	2021
0448-02-016	SH 203	COLLINGSWORTH	DONLEY C/L, EAST	FM 1547	SEAL COAT	$377,775	2022
0448-03-015	SH 203	COLLINGSWORTH	FM 1547, EAST	US 83	SEAL COAT	$502,290	2022
0031-02-029	US 83	COLLINGSWORTH	WHEELER C/L, SOUTH	7.551 MILES	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$6,100,000	2023
0031-03-044	US 83	COLLINGSWORTH	7.551 MILES SOUTH OF WHEELER C/L, SOUTH	FM 1439	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$1,400,000	2023
2165-01-008	FM 1981	COLLINGSWORTH	@ COTTONWOOD CREEK		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$980,000	2024

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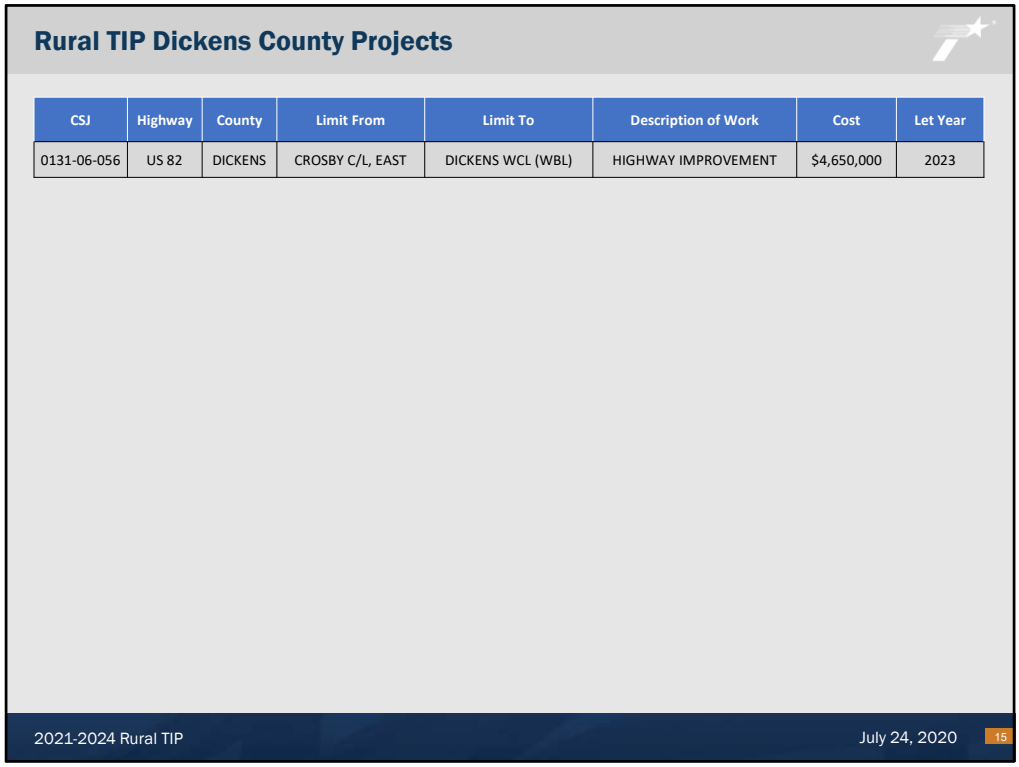

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Rural TIP Donley County Projects

CSJ	Highway	County	Limit From	Limit To	Description of Work	Cost	Let Year
0042-08-058	US 287	DONLEY	CONCRETE SECTION IN HEDLEY, SOUTH	HALL C/L (NBL)	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$3,500,000	2021
0310-01-043	SH 70	DONLEY	@ SALT FORK OF RED RIVER		BRIDGE MAINTENANCE	$500,000	2021
0795-02-017	FM 1260	DONLEY	@ SALT FORK OF RED RIVER		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$5,911,000	2023
0795-05-010	FM 291	DONLEY	@ WHITEFISH CREEK		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$2,125,000	2024
2990-02-005	FM 2944	DONLEY	@ OKLAHOMA DRAW		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$1,650,000	2024
0925-14-011	CR 20	DONLEY	@ LELIA LAKE CREEK		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$225,216	2024

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Rural TIP Foard County Projects

CSJ	Highway	County	Limit From	Limit To	Description of Work	Cost	Let Year
0098-03-039	SH 6	FOARD	US 70, SOUTH	KNOX C/L	SEAL COAT	$535,365	2021
0146-04-029	US 70	FOARD	COTTLE C/L, EAST	FM 654	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$3,870,000	2021
0146-05-037	US 70	FOARD	FM 654, EAST	4.361 MILES WEST OF CROWELL WCL	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$1,560,000	2021
0925-21-008	CR 414	FOARD	@ DRAW		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$350,000	2021
0925-21-009	CR 329	FOARD	@ BEAVER CREEK		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$425,000	2021
0098-02-028	SH 6	FOARD	HARDEMAN C/L, SOUTH	7.541 MILES	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$516,670	2022
0146-05-036	US 70	FOARD	SH 6, WEST	0.068 MILES	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$488,156	2022
0146-06-028	US 70	FOARD	SH 6, EAST	0.068 MILES	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$546,816	2022
0702-03-018	FM 98	FOARD	@ DRAW		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$486,200	2022
0925-21-010	CR 127	FOARD	@ BEAVER CREEK		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$255,000	2022
0925-21-011	CR 183	FOARD	@ BEAVER CREEK		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$333,200	2022
0702-03-019	FM 98	FOARD	@ DRAW		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$419,000	2023
0702-03-020	FM 98	FOARD	@ MULE CREEK		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$419,000	2023
0538-04-007	FM 1039	FOARD	@ RAGGEDY CREEK		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$1,440,000	2024

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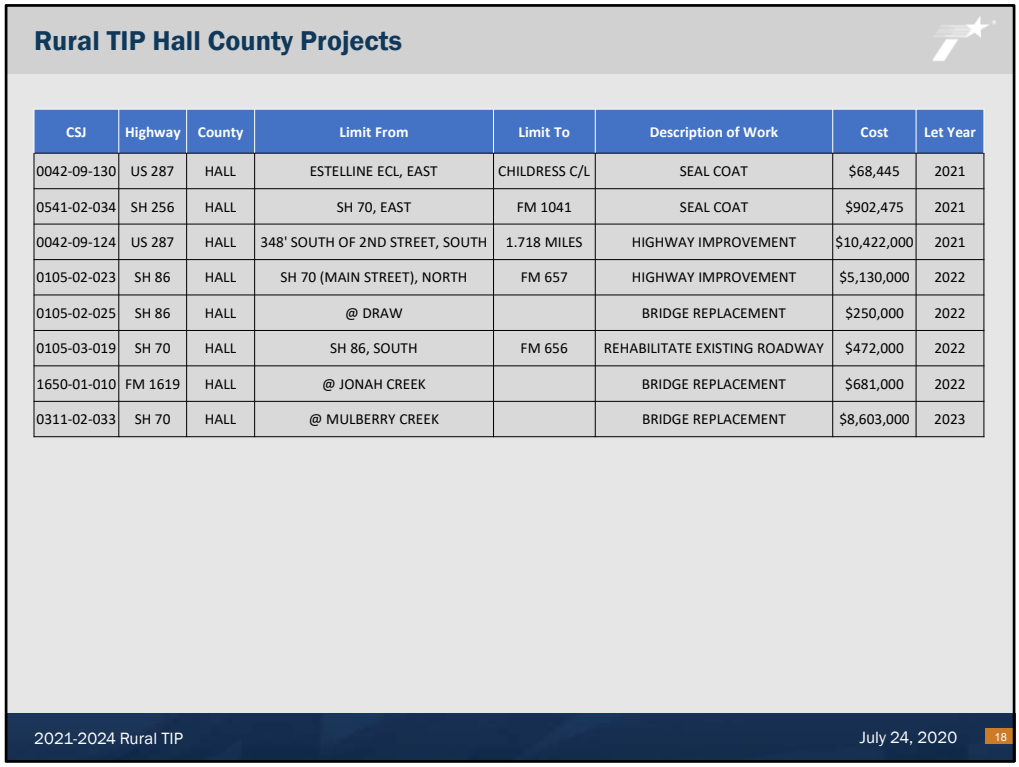

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0042-09-130	US 287	HALL	ESTELLINE ECL, EAST	CHILDRESS C/L	SEAL COAT	$68,445	2021
0541-02-034	SH 256	HALL	SH 70, EAST	FM 1041	SEAL COAT	$902,475	2021
0042-09-124	US 287	HALL	348' SOUTH OF 2ND STREET, SOUTH	1.718 MILES	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$10,422,000	2021
0105-02-023	SH 86	HALL	SH 70 (MAIN STREET), NORTH	FM 657	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$5,130,000	2022
0105-02-025	SH 86	HALL	@ DRAW		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$250,000	2022
0105-03-019	SH 70	HALL	SH 86, SOUTH	FM 656	REHABILITATE EXISTING ROADWAY	$472,000	2022
1650-01-010	FM 1619	HALL	@ JONAH CREEK		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$681,000	2022
0311-02-033	SH 70	HALL	@ MULBERRY CREEK		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$8,603,000	2023

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Rural TIP Hardeman County Projects

CSJ	Highway	County	Limit From	Limit To	Description of Work	Cost	Let Year
0043-04-082	US 287	HARDEMAN	FM 2568 (EAST), SOUTH	CHILLICOTHE WCL (NBL)	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$2,170,000	2021
2533-01-015	FM 268	HARDEMAN	CHILDRESS C/L, SOUTH	US 287	WIDEN ROAD	$4,065,000	2022
0043-23-008	SL 285	HARDEMAN	@ DRAW		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$945,000	2022
0043-02-077	US 287	HARDEMAN	FM 1166, SOUTH	FM 2568 (WEST) (NBL)	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$1,200,000	2023
0043-02-078	US 287	HARDEMAN	DIVIDED SECTION, EAST	SH 6	REHABILITATE EXISTING ROADWAY	$7,140,000	2024
0702-04-011	FM 91	HARDEMAN	@ DRAW		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$318,240	2024

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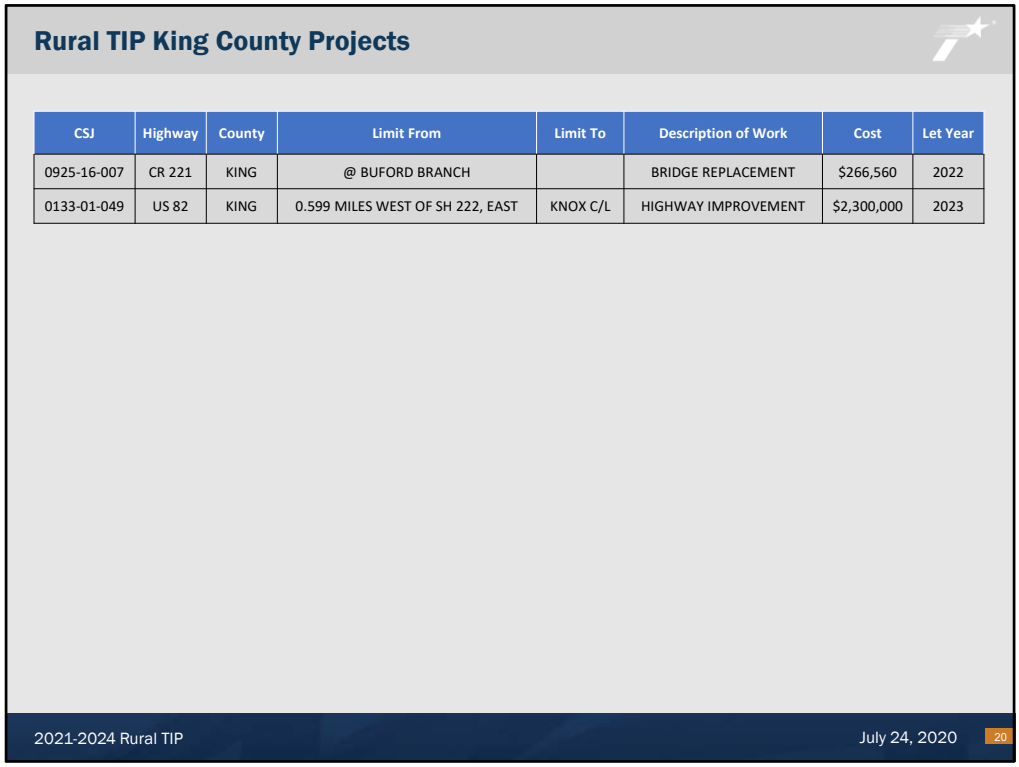

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Rural TIP Knox County Projects

CSJ	Highway	County	Limit From	Limit To	Description of Work	Cost	Let Year
0496-01-023	SH 222	KNOX	SH 6, EAST	FM 267	SEAL COAT	$493,695	2021
0496-02-019	SH 222	KNOX	FM 267, EAST	BU 277	SEAL COAT	$50,130	2021
1512-01-014	SH 222	KNOX	BU 277, SOUTH	US 277	SEAL COAT	$9,495	2021
0098-04-036	SH 6	KNOX	SOUTH WICHITA RIVER BRIDGE, SOUTH	US 82	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$2,400,000	2023
0098-05-034	SH 6	KNOX	US 82, SOUTH	FM 2534	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$3,800,000	2024

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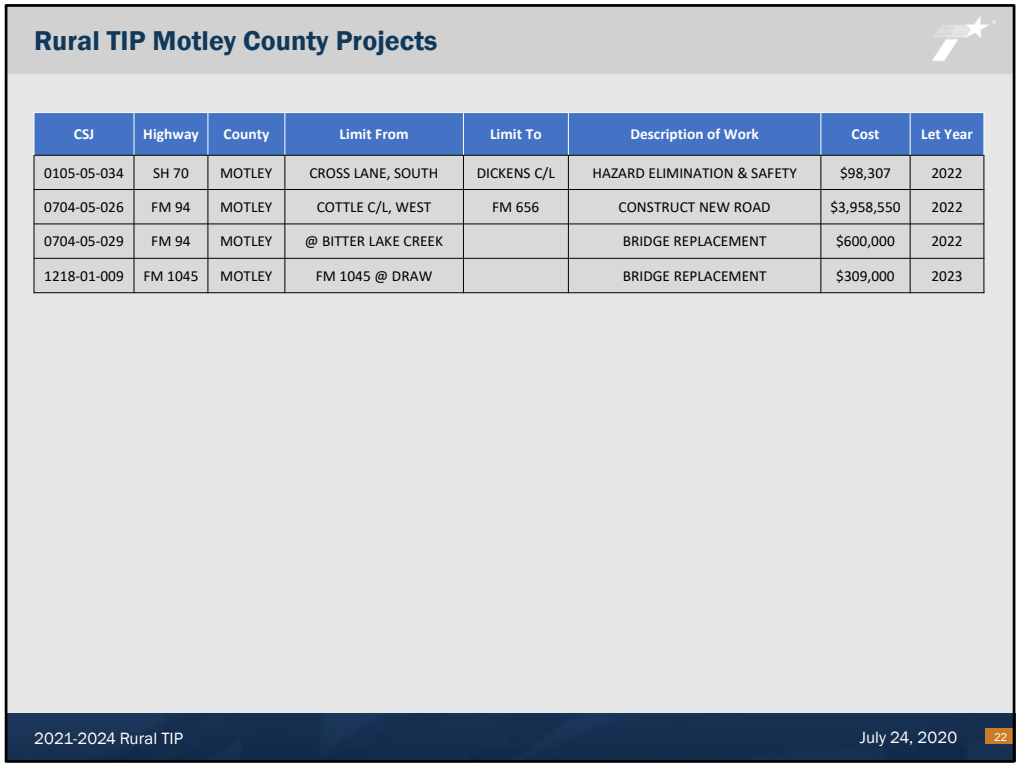

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Rural TIP Wheeler County Projects

CSJ	Highway	County	Limit From	Limit To	Description of Work	Cost	Let Year
0030-08-037	US 83	WHEELER	WHEELER NCL, SOUTH	SH 152	SEAL COAT	$19,935	2021
0030-09-048	US 83	WHEELER	SH 152, SOUTH	BI 40	SEAL COAT	$718,425	2021
0031-01-023	US 83	WHEELER	BI 40, SOUTH	COLLINGSWORTH C/L	SEAL COAT	$136,395	2021
0275-19-005	BI 40	WHEELER	IH 40, EAST	IH 40 WEST	SEAL COAT	$138,690	2021
2051-01-012	FM 2473	WHEELER	SH 152, SOUTH	WHEELER SCL	SEAL COAT	$36,960	2021
0275-13-071	IH 40	WHEELER	@ CR 26		BRIDGE MAINTENANCE	$250,000	2021
0275-13-072	IH 40	WHEELER	@ CR 26		BRIDGE MAINTENANCE	$250,000	2021
2632-01-010	FM 2697	WHEELER	@ SALT CREEK		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$965,000	2022
0031-01-022	US 83	WHEELER	FM 2033, SOUTH	COLLINGSWORTH C/L	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$1,720,000	2023
0761-03-021	FM 1547	WHEELER	@ LONG DRY CREEK		BRIDGE REPLACEMENT	$1,360,000	2023
0397-02-041	SH 152	WHEELER	GRAY C/L, EAST	US 83	HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	$13,500,000	2024

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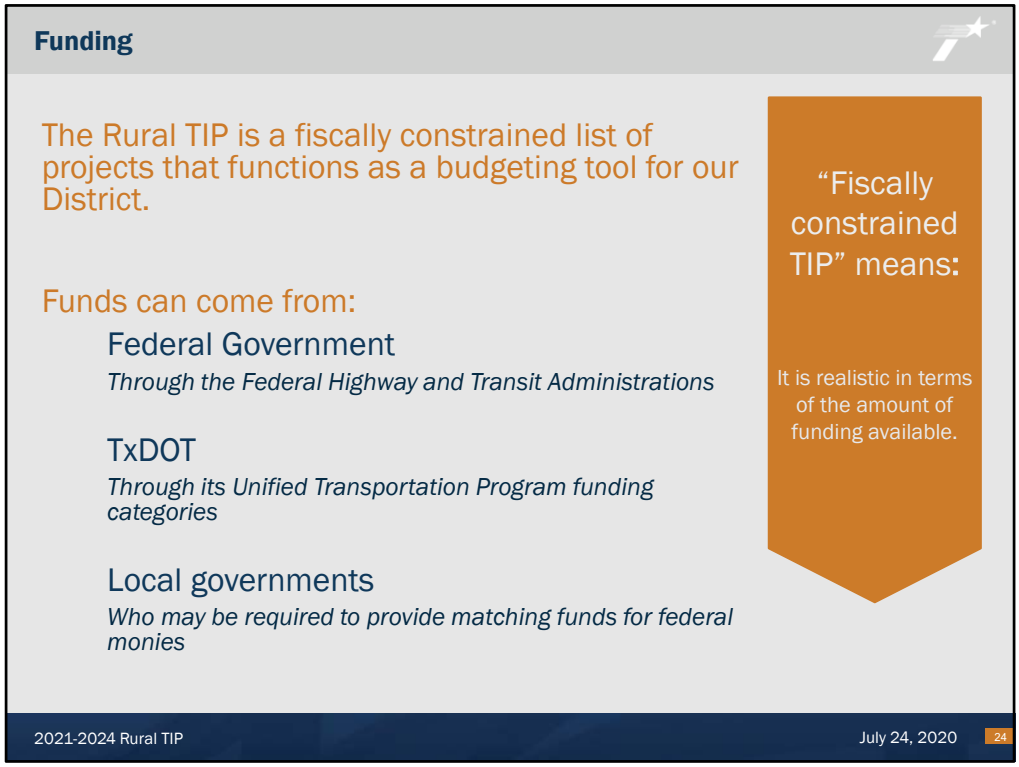

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The Rural TIP functions as a budget list for the District. As such, it is fiscally constrained. Like the budget of a household, the Rural TIP has to be realistic about the amount of money available to covers all of it's needs. Frequently we identify more improvements than we have money to implement. This means prioritizing according to those items that are most necessary.

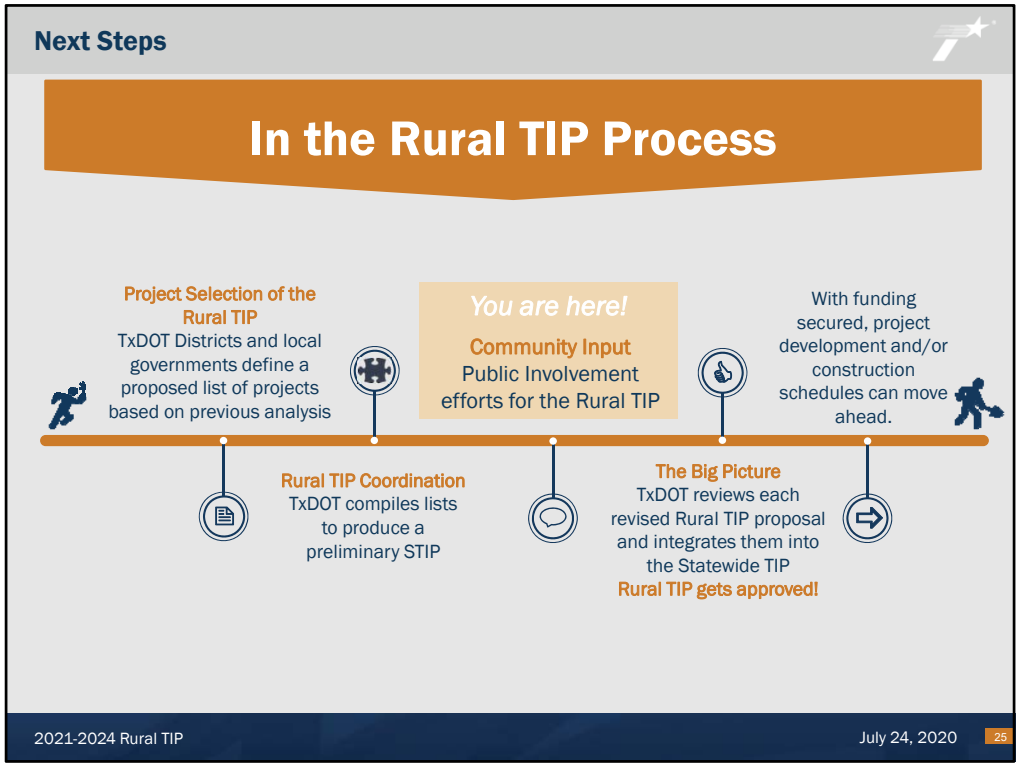
We've discussed the list but where is the money coming from? Funds can come from 3 main sources:

1) The Federal Government, through the establishment of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21th Century Act or MAP-21. The federal government allocates these funds through the processes established by the Federal Highway and Transit Administrations.

2) TxDOT, like the Federal Government also allocates a section our budget for these projects through the Unified Transportation Program's 12 funding categories.

3) the local governments.

Once the need has been identified and the amount of federal monies has been defined, the Rural TIP helps local governments assess the funding requirements to match those of the federal and state government and their capacity to meet them.



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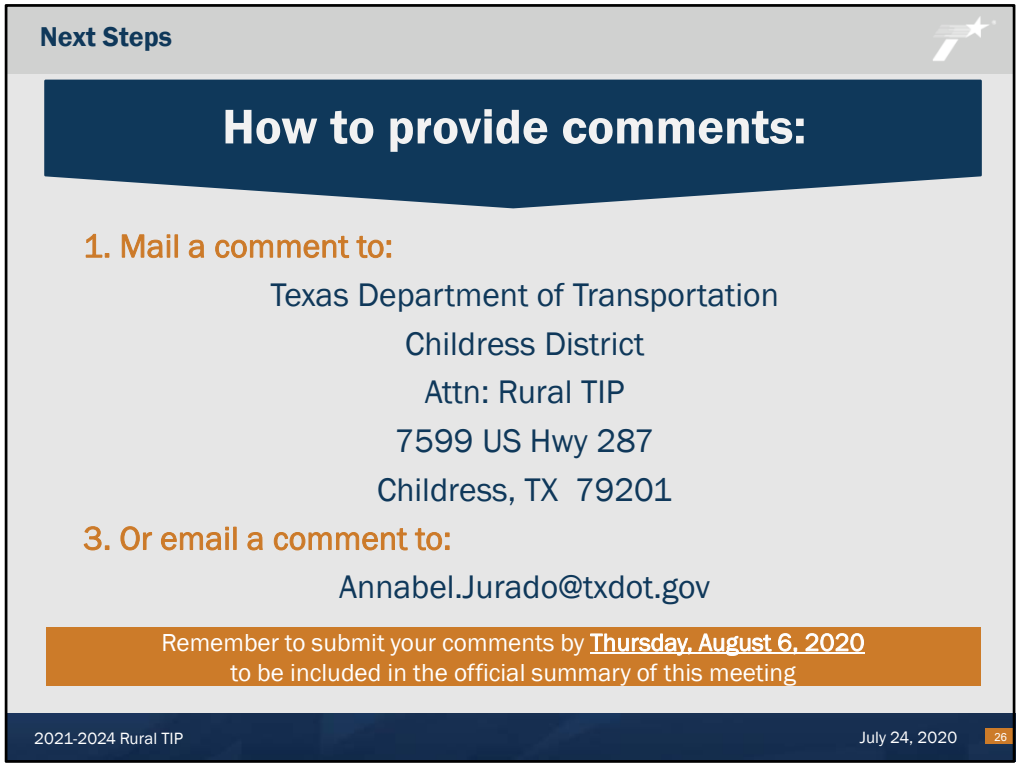
Now, after you review and comment on these projects, what is next?

The timeline above illustrates the Rural TIP process and where we are right now. Once your comments have been collected and considered, if necessary the Childress District can provide TxDOT with a revised Rural TIP for approval and integration into the Statewide document.

The Statewide Transportation Improvement Program is build from the Rural TIP of all of the 25 Districts in the State as well as the Transportation programs from all the MPOs. The timeline above shows where the Rural TIP process fits into this larger effort. Once the STIP is approved by the Federal government everyone's projects are funded and become one step closer to getting on the ground.



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Now that you are familiar with the Program we want to hear what you think. Go ahead and print out a comment card, fill it out and mail it back to us at the address on the screen.

You can also email in your comments to: Annabel.Jurado@txdot.gov

Comments must be postmarked or otherwise received by Thursday, August 6, 2020. Please make sure to send your comments before that date.

If after today, you would like more information or have any other questions feel free to reach out to our District.

Remember that you can print out or share our website link if you wish to discuss this information with your friends or family! Just remind them to make sure they send them before Thursday, August 6, 2020

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July 21, 2020

The Texas Department of Transportation Childress District invites you to a virtual public meeting to learn about and provide comments on the **2021 - 2024 Rural Transportation Improvement Program (Rural TIP)**. The Rural TIP includes all regionally significant projects to be funded within a TxDOT District during the next four years, including those eligible for federal funding. The program may also consider funding for long-term planning efforts. A goal of the Rural TIP is to reflect input based on the community's transportation needs. In addition, by functioning as a budgeting tool for the District, it allows for the identification of fund-matching requirements by state and local governments. For these reasons, this is your opportunity to make sure the needs of your community are properly represented in the transportation process.

To do our part to help prevent its spread of COVID-19 and follow guidance provided by our state's health and emergency management officials, TxDOT will be conducting an online virtual public meeting. A presentation and exhibits showing how the Rural TIP operates and projects included in it will be presented. You will have the chance to ask questions and provide written comments by mail or email. Log on instructions are below:

Virtual Public Meeting – Rural Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
Childress District
July 24, 2020
5:00 P.M.

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You are encouraged to share this information with your constituents. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or meeting requests. More information is included on the enclosed notice. You may contact Annabel Jurado at (940) 937-7250 or Annabel.Jurado@txdot.gov. TxDOT values your input as we seek a safer and more efficient transportation system, and as an avenue to coordinate our transportation planning efforts with your community's planning objectives.

Sincerely,

Charles B. Steed, P.E.
Director of TP&D, TxDOT – Childress District

Notice of Virtual Public Meeting
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2021 - 2024 Rural Transportation Improvement Program (Rural TIP)
Childress District

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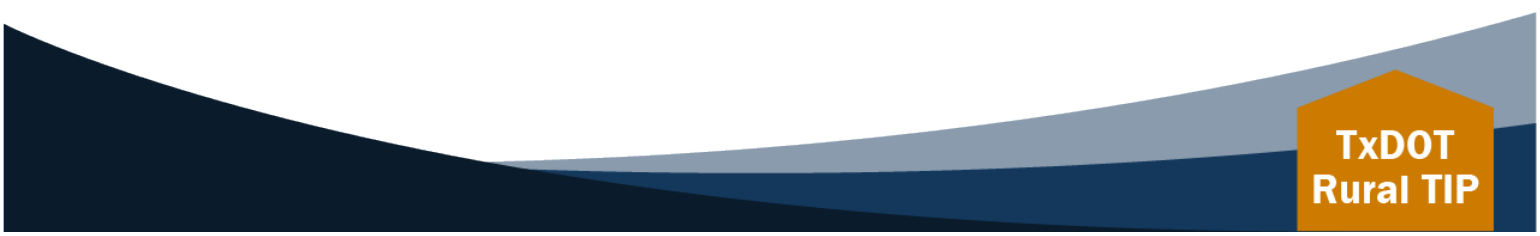

Lori Morel

From: Annabel Jurado
Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2020 1:30 PM
To: Lori Morel; Angela Erwin
Cc: Chuck Steed
Subject: 2021-2024 Rural TIP Public Involvement
Attachments: RuralTIP 21-24 VirtualPublic Meeting Notice.pdf; RuralTIP_Elected Official Letter.pdf; Public Notices.pdf; Childress Comment Card 2021-2024_RuralTIP.pdf; Childress Rural TIP 2021-2024 Presentation and Script.pdf

Categories: 21-24 STIP Action

Lori,

I have attached the Public Involvement documents for our 2021-2024 Rural TIP. Here is the link to our Virtual Public Meeting on our webpage that will go live on July 24, 2020:

https://preview.txdot.gov/content/txdot/en/inside-txdot/get-involved/about/hearings-meetings/childress/080320.html

The Childress District will not individually list projects; all of our projects are grouped.

Please let me know if you need additional information or have any questions.

Thank you,

Annabel Jurado
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Please provide your comments and priorities below on the projects included in the 2021-2024 Rural Transportation Improvement Program for Childress District.

Comments:

Check any that apply to you:

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For more information on how to get involved and learn about transportation projects, visit the txdot.gov and search for "Hearings and Meetings".

Obituaries

Nivens

Nivens

Billie Sue Warren Powers Nivens was born December 31, 1923, to Drew R. Warren and Dora Mae Warren in Hollis, Oklahoma. She was 96 years of age when she passed due to complications suffered from a broken hip.

She had two brothers Carl Warren of Dallas and B.W Warren of Pampa who both preceded her in death. When she was three years of age they moved to Duke, Oklahoma and she attended all 12 years of school in Duke.

On October 12, 1940, she married Raymond Powers. To this union were born three children, Ramona Vaughn, Karen DuMond and Jimmy Powers. Jimmy preceded his Mother in death on May 21, 2012.

She married Cecil "Jack" Nivens on May 22, 1982, in Hedley and lived there until after his death on January 16, 2001. In 2003 Sue moved to Mesquite, Texas. to live with her daughter, Karen and son-in-law David DuMond. In February 2008 they relocated to Holley Lake Ranch, Texas. In September 2016 she relocated to Denton where her daughter Ramona and son-in-law Walter lived and resided at Mayberry Gardens Assisted Living Facility.

She is survived by her daughters, Ramona Vaughn and husband Walter of Shady Shores, Texas, Karen DuMond and husband David of Weatherford, Oklahoma. and daughter-in-law, Tammie Powers of Lubbock, Grandchildren: Deborah Tolle of McKinney; Mike Tolle & wife Amber of Sanger, Texas.; Kylie Powers & Kendall Powers of Lubbock, Great grandchildren: Jake Thompson of Sanger; Savana Manchester & husband, Matt of Denton, McKenna Moses of McKinney; Great Grandchildren Natalie Tolle & Joe Don Tolle of Sanger, Hayden, & Coaly Powers of Lubbock & Great-Great Grandchild Elijah Manchester of Denton. There are several cousins and many friends and loved ones. She will be sorely missed.

Sue loved gardening and cooking for her family and friends. She was an active member of the Baptist Church where she was currently living, but maintained her membership at First Baptist Church in Hedley. She was also a member of the Eastern Star at Hedley. She was known all over for her love and ability to play Skip-bo.

Bruce Howard, Pastor First Baptist Church in Hedley will officiate the Graveside service at Rowe Cemetery in in Hedley. Under the direction of DeBerry Funeral Directors of Denton.

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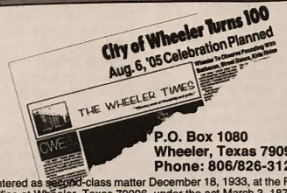

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Spur of the moment
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Mississippi Kite as metaphor

A group of college students from Angelo State University reached out to Spur officials last week to let them know they would be in town studying Mississippi Kites, a smaller member of the raptor family, which has previously been spotted in the area.

As they drove into town, they saw one of the birds they were seeking soaring away. It turned out to be the only one the researchers would see in their entire Spur sojourn.

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It's just been that kind of year. The ornithologists-in-waiting weren't discouraged. They simply decamped to a state park in a different part of West Texas and continued their pursuit.

Twenty-twenty has proved to be a year of elusiveness, with the world trying to get its arms around this pandemic as 17 pharmaceutical firms pour billions of dollars into a space-race–style maneuver to develop a coronavirus vaccine.

Texas seemed to have implemented enough rigor to keep Covid-19 at bay and began to open up, only to have the virus explode across a spectrum of locations and turn the state into one of the nation's highest sources of cases.

Closer to home, earlier this year, Spur created a magnificent video to submit for the HGTV Hometown Takeover contest. But, 2,600 videos coast-to-coast is a lot to compete with, and alas, a community in Alabama took the honors.

At this writing the forecast is for a high of 111 degrees, the tenth such day this month. That inspires its own brand of futility. But back to the bird. Although 2020 has been a season when we haven't been able to easily see and photograph the Mississippi Kite—and/or grasp other aspirations—we know our goals exist and can be attained.

The watchword is persist.

And the forecast for Saturday is 98 degrees.

CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

Governor: Hospitals must expand capacity as COVID-19 cases escalate

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AUSTIN—**Gov. Greg Abbott has again suspended elective surgeries** in hospitals in 104 counties located within 11 of the state's 22 trauma service areas.

Each of the trauma service areas has a regional advisory council and a trauma system plan to respond to health crises such as the COVID-19 pandemic.

Under the proclamation, Abbott directed all hospitals in designated counties to postpone surgeries and procedures that are not immediately, medically necessary to correct a serious medical condition or to preserve the life of a patient, as determined by the patient's physician.

GA-27, a similar proclamation issued by Abbott on June 25, remains in effect and applies to the counties of Bexar, Cameron, Dallas, Harris, Hidalgo, Nueces, Travis and Webb.

"We are freeing up more resources to address upticks in COVID-19 related cases," Abbott said in a news release explaining the July 9 proclamation. "The State of Texas will continue to do everything we can to mitigate the spread of this virus and support our hospitals and health care professionals as they care for their fellow Texans. We must all come together and continue to practice social distancing, wear a face covering in public, and stay home when possible," added Abbott.

On July 10, Abbott extended his March 13 COVID-19 disaster proclamation for all counties in Texas. Cumulative figures posted July 12 by the Texas Department of State Health Services showed some 258,658 people in Texas diagnosed with COVID-19 and 3,192 confirmed deaths resulting from the disease.

City cancels GOP event

Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner on July 8 announced that he had instructed the city's event licensor to exercise its contractual rights to cancel the Texas Republican Party's in-person state convention.

Turner made the decision to proceed with the cancellation after Dr. David Persse of the Houston Health Department said the city "is confronting an unparalleled and frightening escalation in the spread of the COVID-19 virus" and called the planned convention "a clear and present danger."

The convention, expected to attract 6,000 delegates, was scheduled to start on July 16 at the George R. Brown Convention Center.

The Republican Party of Texas sued Houston First Corporation, the City of Houston and Mayor Turner to allow the convention, but Harris County District Court Judge Larry Weiman sided with the defendants. The Republican Party of Texas said it would file its appeal with the Texas Supreme Court.

State Fair is canceled

The Texas State Fair board of directors on July 7 voted to cancel the 2020 State Fair of Texas.

Only in rare circumstances has the fair been canceled. The last cancellations occurred in war years: 1942 to 1945.

"While we cannot predict what the COVID-19 pandemic will look like in September, the recent surge in positive cases is troubling for all of North Texas. The safest and most responsible decision we could make for all involved at this point in our 134-year history is to take a hiatus for the 2020 season," said State Fair of Texas Board Chair Gina Norris.

Hospitals get Remdesivir

Gov. Abbott on July 4 announced that the Texas Department of State Health Services is distributing 448 cases of the antiviral drug Remdesivir to 157 hospitals across Texas.

The drug is being distributed to the states from the U.S.

See **CAPITAL**, page 5

TxDOT Childress District to hold virtual public meeting on 2021–2024 Rural Transportation Improvement Program (Rural TIP)

STAFF REPORTS

To combat the spread of COVID-19, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is following guidance provided by our state's health and emergency management officials. The Childress District is doing its part by conducting its public meeting for the proposed 2021–2024 Rural Transportation Improvement Program (Rural TIP) in a virtual, online format.

The virtual meeting presentation will be posted on Friday, July 24, 2020, at 5:00 p.m.

To take part, go to the web address www.txdot.gov and enter the words Hearings and Meetings to access the "Hearings and Meetings Schedule" page. Once on that page, click on "Virtual Public Meeting – Rural Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Childress District" for instructions on how to view the presentation and make comments.

The presentation will include both audio and visual components. Those without internet access may call (940) 937-7250 to request materials or ask questions.

The purpose of this virtual public meeting is to receive comments on the proposed projects of the 2021–2024 Rural TIP for the Childress TxDOT District. The Childress District includes Briscoe, Childress, Collingsworth, Cottle, Dickens, Donley, Foard, Hall, Hardeman, King, Knox, Motley and Wheeler counties. The Rural TIP includes all regionally significant projects to be funded within a TxDOT District during the next four years, including those eligible for funding. As such, these meetings offer the public an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed priorities. A project in the Rural TIP is a project coming to your community. The Rural TIP is the first step on the road to producing a Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

The 2021–2024 Rural TIP meetings are being held pursuant to Title 43, Texas Administrative Code, Section 16.102, which calls for an opportunity for public comment concerning the program. Presentation materials will show how the Rural TIP operates along with associated/prioritized projects.

Comments must be postmarked or otherwise received by August 6, 2020 to: Texas Department of Transportation, Childress District, Attn: Rural TIP, 7599 US Hwy 287, Childress, TX 79201; or by email to Annabel.Jurado@txdot.gov, with Attention: 2021-2024 Rural TIP Comment in the subject line.

Questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the virtual meeting should be addressed to Annabel Jurado, planner, at (940) 937-7250 or Annabel.Jurado@txdot.gov.

Special accommodations: TxDOT makes every reasonable effort to accommodate the needs of the public. This meeting will be conducted in English. Those with special communication or accommodation needs may call (940) 937-7250 at least two business days prior to the meeting.