# Travis County is proposing to make improvements to the bridge on Old San Antonio Road at Onion Creek.

The purpose of the proposed improvements is to reduce the frequency of flooding of the bridge and to improve public safety for motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians on the Old San Antonio Road Bridge. The project is located at Onion Creek, just south of FM 1626 and west of IH-35 South. An existing 99-year-old, one-lane bridge will be converted for use as part of a Travis County hike and bike trail.

Construction of the new bridge over Onion Creek is funded through the Travis County 2011 Bond Fund. Currently, Travis County is evaluating alternatives for the design of these improvemens and include:

- Constructing a new bridge at a higher elevation than the existing bridge
- Maintain existing traffic during construction of new bridge
- No support columns for the bridge placed within Onion Creek
- Up to 5-foot shoulders on each side of the bridge
- Two lanes for vehicles, one in each direction
- Connections to a hike and hike trail

Old San Antonio Road is part of the El Camino Real historical route and is experiencing increased traffic, primarily due to new and planned residential growth in the area. This project is located in Precinct 3.

#### **STAGE ONE**

#### Traffic Control Alternative Analysis

A traffic control solution will allow for uninterrupted use throughout most of the construction of the new bridge.

#### STAGE TWO Bridge Design

This stage includes the design of the new bridge over Onion Creek at Old San Antonio Road and needed roadway approaches.

## STAGE THREE Bridge Construction

During Stage Three, Travis County will construct the new bridge using the preferred Traffic Control Alternative.



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### Take a look at the options.

Old San Antonio Road is the primary local roadway access for several adjacent neighborhoods, businesses and the Estancia Hill Country development currently under construction. It is also a popular route for bicyclists and serves as an alternative route to IH-35 for local residents. The existing bridge will be converted for bike and pedestrian use and two alternative designs have been identified for the new bridge.

