

MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: Multiple Use Agreement between TxDOT and City of Austin - Red Line

Trail - Braker Ln to Northern Walnut Creek Trail at Mopac

The Red Line Trail system, once complete, will be 32 miles long, through central Austin from Lady Bird Lake to Leander along the Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority's Red Line railway. This portion of the Red Line Trail project starts at Braker Lane and the new Q2 Stadium running north to the existing Northern Walnut Creek Trail near Mopac. The project will include a shared use path extension of the Burnet Road Corridor Project from Gracy Farms Road to the Red Line Trail for additional all ages and abilities connectivity. The total length of the project is approximately 1.7 miles.

Through the 2016 Mobility Bond, the Urban Trails Program was awarded \$26 million. From this allotment, funding was allocated to finalize Red Line Trail design. Urban Trails was then awarded \$80 million in funding through the 2020 Bond. From this, Red Line Trail Northern Walnut Creek Trail to Braker is funded through construction.

A portion of the Red Line Trail project passes through TxDOT right-of-way along the northbound Mopac frontage road. This trail alignment requires a multiple use agreement (MUA) between the City of Austin and TxDOT to establish roles and responsibilities for construction and maintenance of the new trail within TxDOT right-of-way.