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The Commissioners Court is responsible for setting tax rates, administering emergency services, health and human services, criminal justice services, and managing transportation and natural resources.

TRANSPORTATION & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

Natural Resources

BCP
Land Conservation
Hazard Mitigation

Parks

Parks
Greenways

Environmental Quality

Water Quality
Air Quality
Recycling

Permits/Development Services

Development Permitting
Septic Permitting

Public Works

Capital Improvements
Road / Bridge Maintenance
Traffic Engineering

Long Range Planning

Transportation
Growth Management
GIS / Mapping

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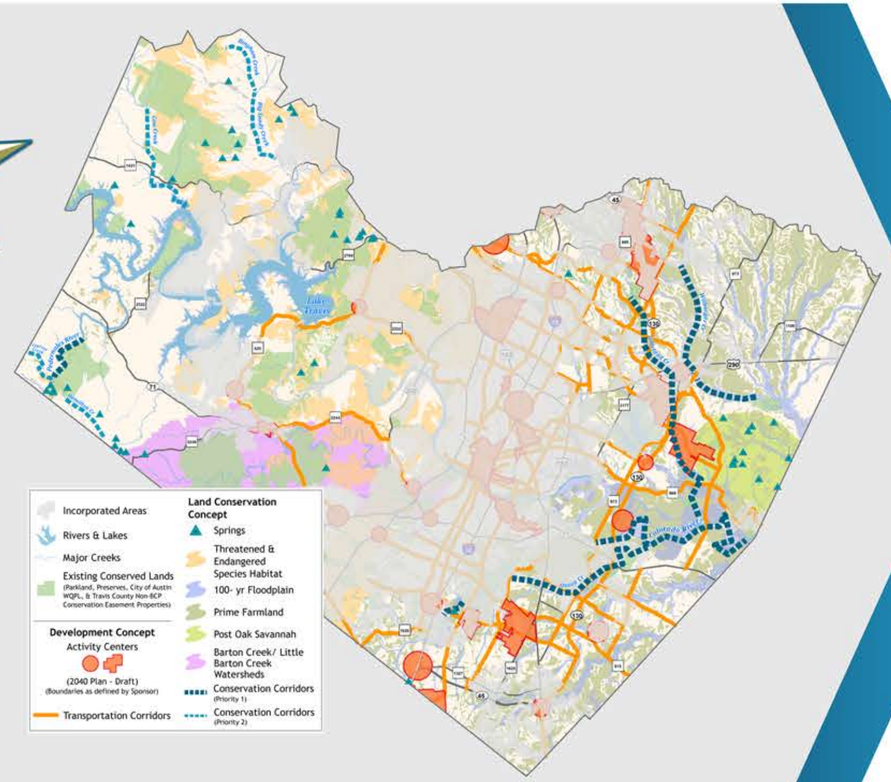
LWTP
LAND WATER AND TRANSPORTATION PLAN

A comprehensive plan that provides a framework to guide growth and protect critical natural resources in unincorporated Travis County.



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Develop a plan to prioritize options and guide the County's transportation investments

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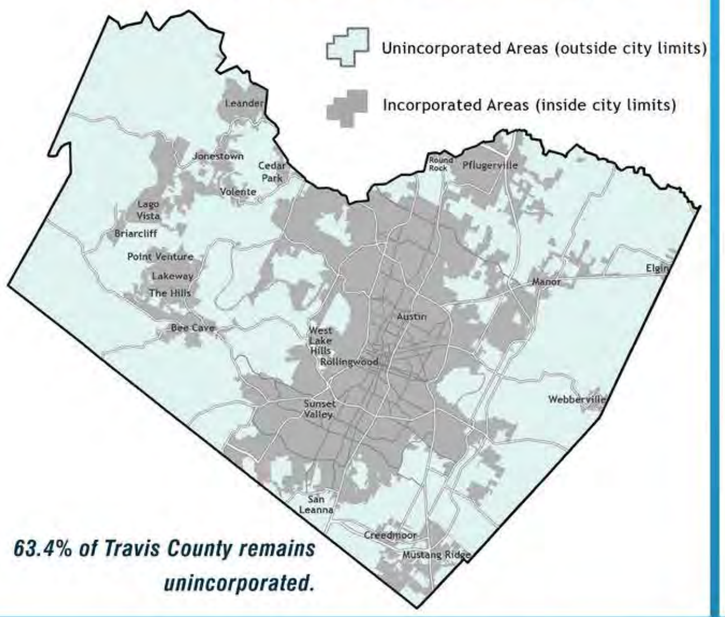
Planning Considerations

Where are we planning?



63.4% of Travis County remains unincorporated.

Who are we planning for?

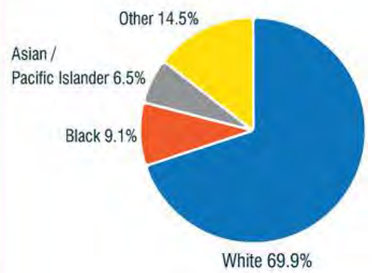
2016 Demographics in the Unincorporated Areas

42% of households include one or more person 18 years and under

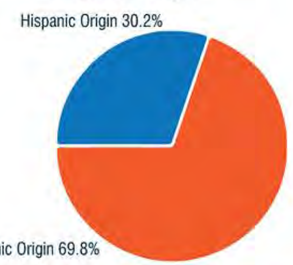
16% of households include one or more person 65 years and over

17% of households include one or more person with a disability

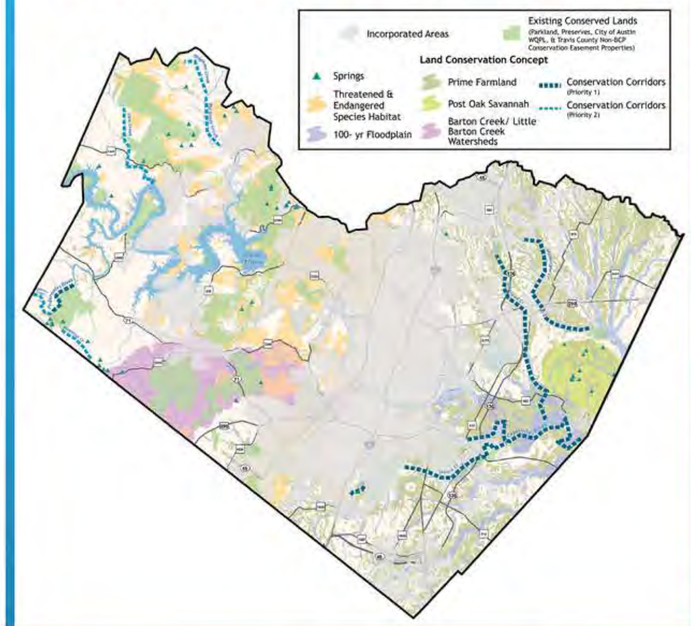
Population by Race



Population by Hispanic Origin



What are the natural resource issues?



How will we pay for transportation improvements?

Current Sources

Road and Bridge Fund
Comes from the Vehicle Registration Fee

General Obligation Bonds
Comes from voter approved bonds that are reimbursed by property taxes

Certificates of Obligation
Comes from Court approved leveraging of future property tax revenue

Federal/State Transportation Grants
Includes programs for funding roads, bicycle, pedestrian, transit, bridge, and safety projects

Private Partnerships
Can come from Court approved Road Districts, Public Improvement Districts, and Developer Agreements

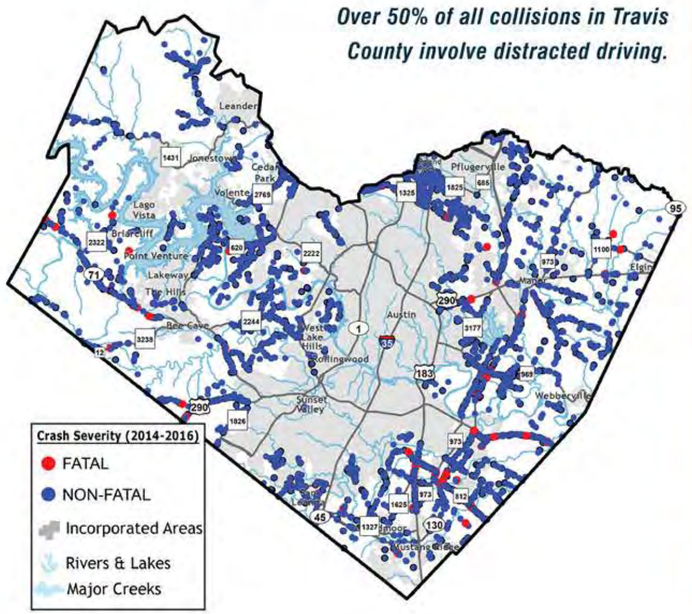
Subdivision Development Process
Can include Court approved right-of-way donations and roadway improvements

Possible Additional Future Sources for Consideration

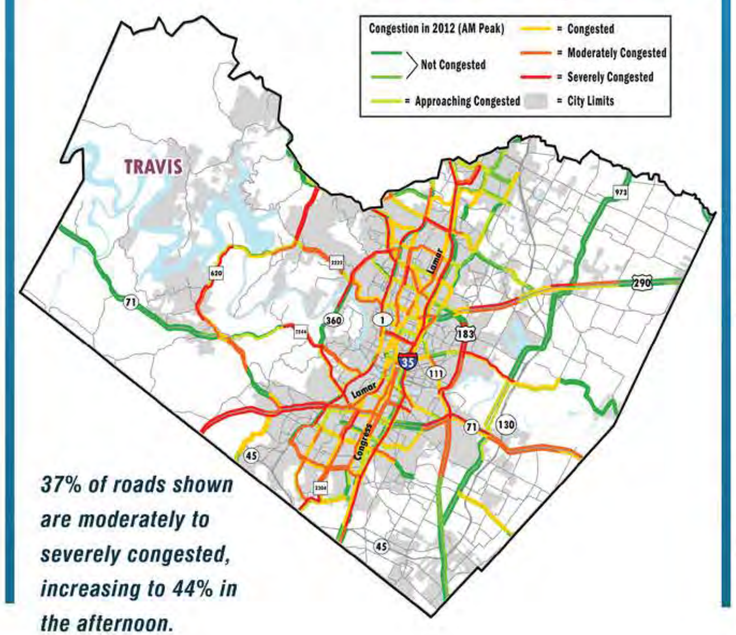
Increase the gas tax
Higher property taxes
Toll roads
Transportation bonds
Mileage fee for using roads
Higher vehicle registration fees
Fees paid by developers (increases housing costs)

Where are the safety concerns?

Over 50% of all collisions in Travis County involve distracted driving.



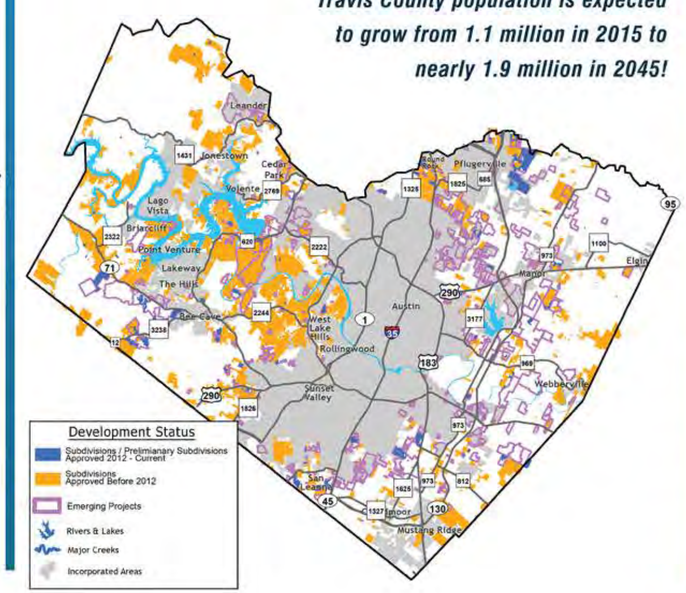
What areas are most congested?



37% of roads shown are moderately to severely congested, increasing to 44% in the afternoon.

Where will growth occur?

Travis County population is expected to grow from 1.1 million in 2015 to nearly 1.9 million in 2045!



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Transportation Options

How many options do you have to get around? What options should be prioritized?

Options Available Today

- Personal Vehicles
- Bike Lanes
- Sidewalks
- Shared Use Paths
- Bus / Transit
- Trails
- Freight
- Car Sharing
- Rail (red line)
- Carpool/Vanpool
- Para Transit (services for disabled, seniors, medical trips)
- Fuel Options (gas/diesel/electric)

Options Available Tomorrow?

- Self-Driving Cars
- Low Speed Vehicles
- Gondola
- Smart Connected Infrastructure and Vehicles
- Water Taxis
- High Speed Rail
- Commuter Rail
- Personal Rapid Transit System
- Electric Bicycle

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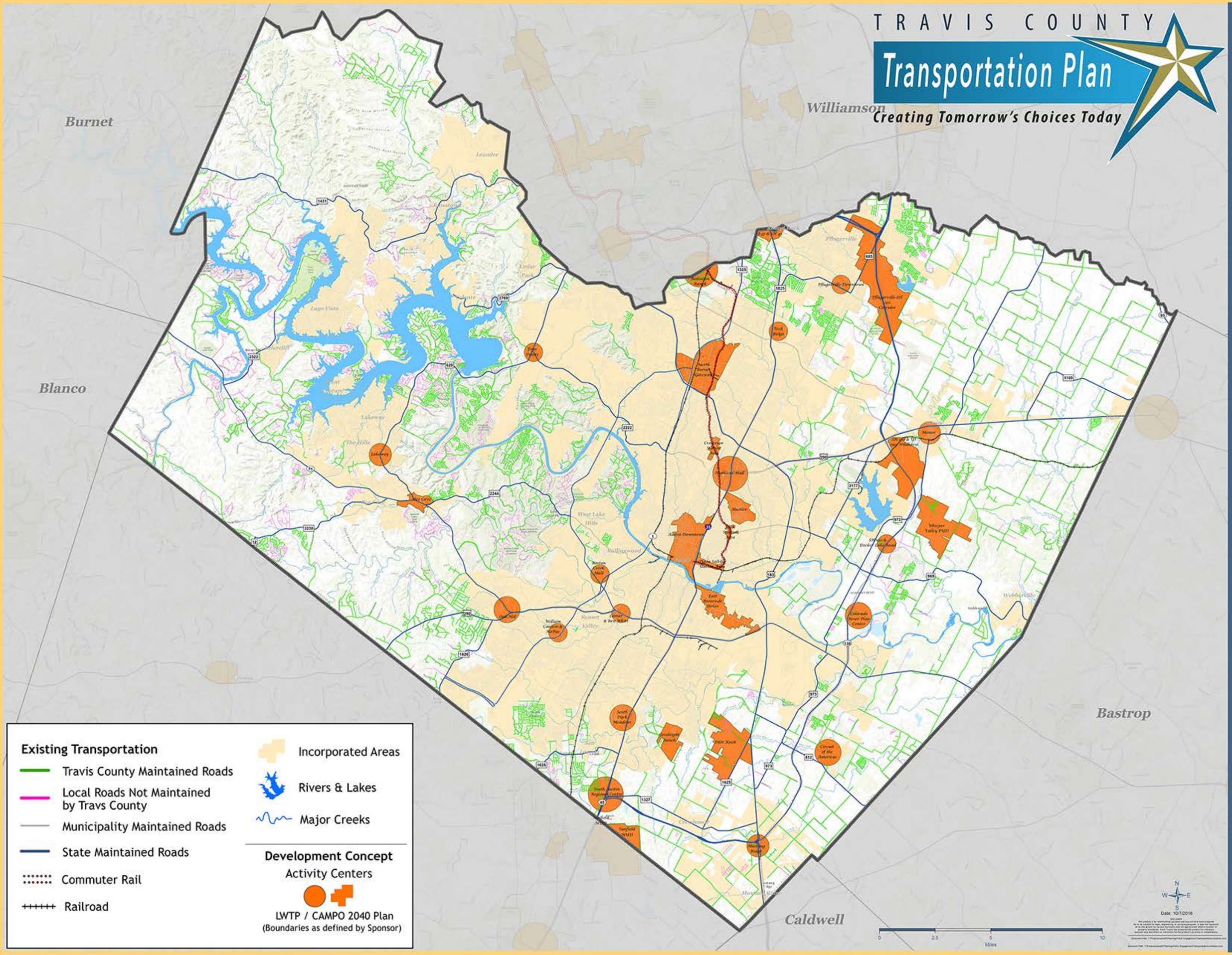
EXISTING TRANSPORTATION NETWORK



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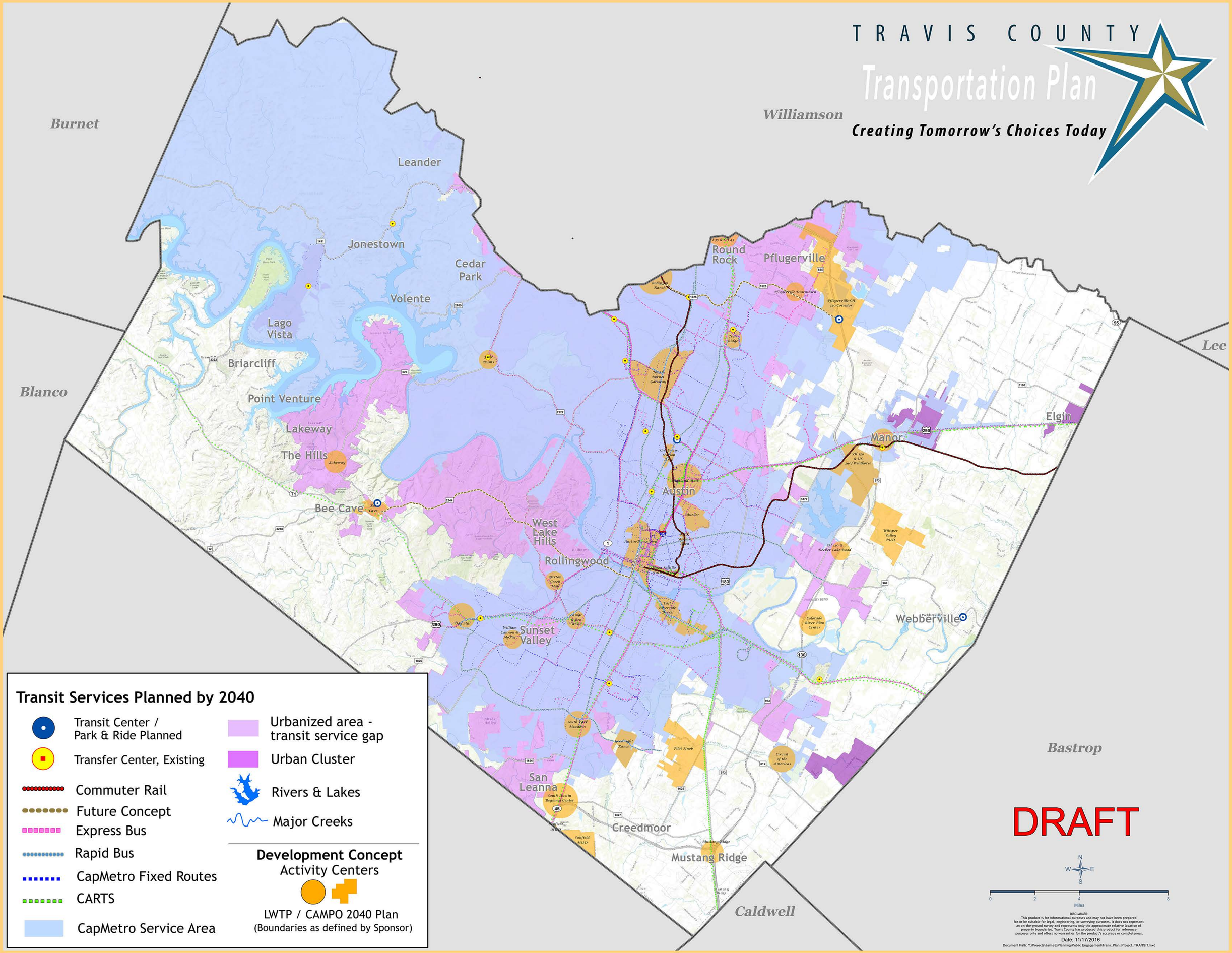
TRAVIS COUNTY TRANSIT SERVICES PLANNED BY 2040



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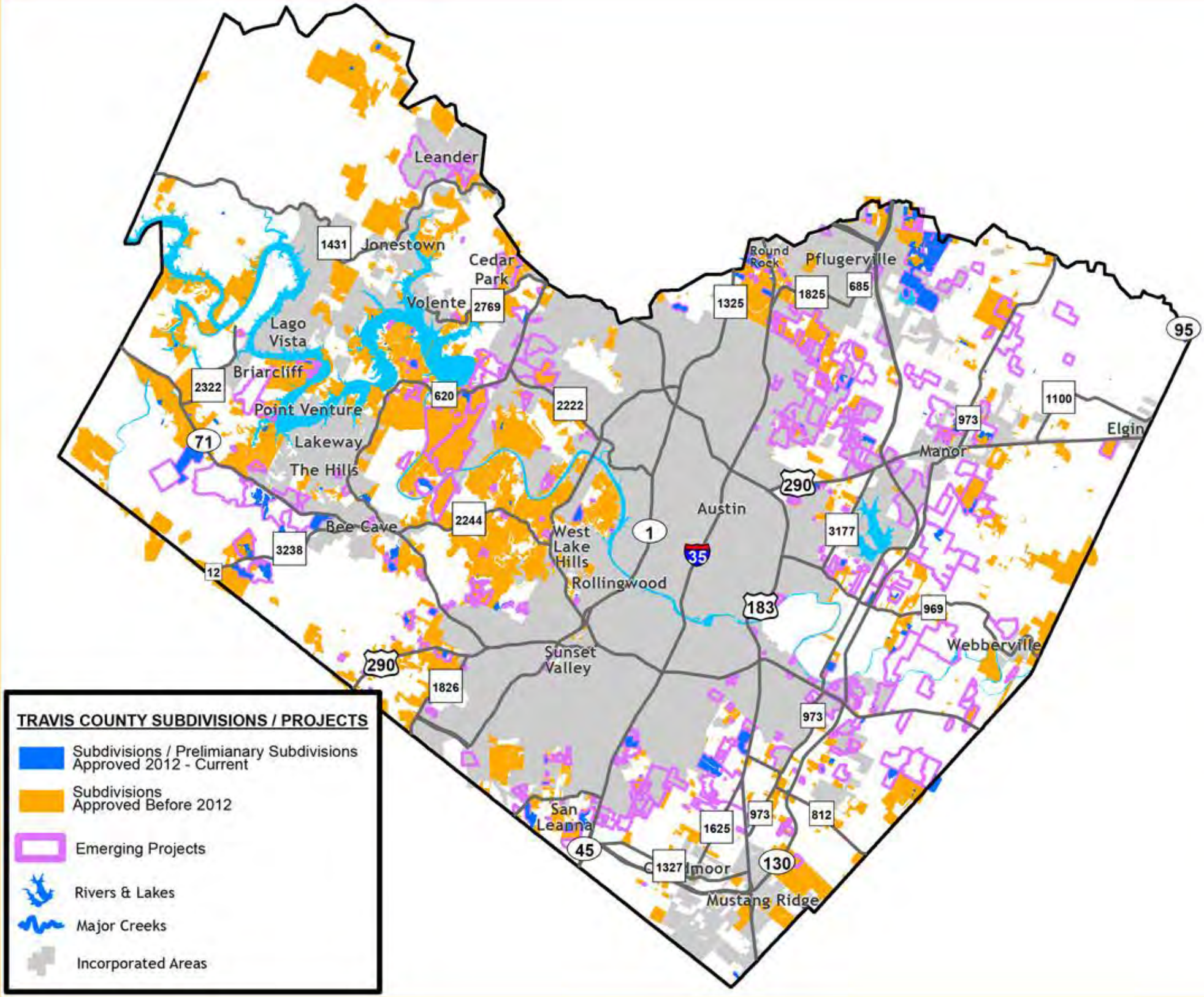

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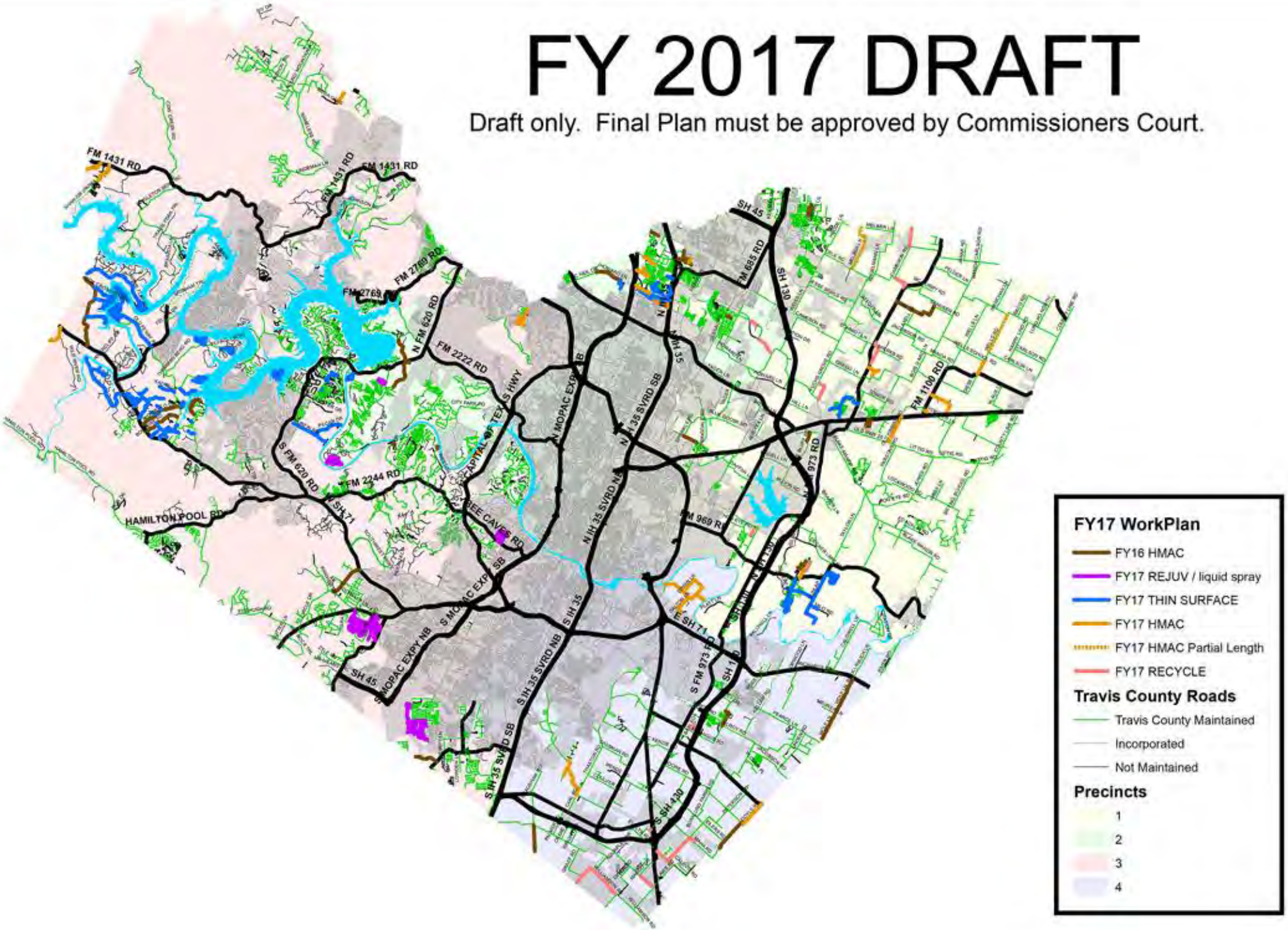
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