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New Traffic Signal to be Activated at 183A and San Gabriel Parkway

(Leander, Texas) –The Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority today will activate a newly installed four-way traffic signal at the intersection of the 183A frontage road and San Gabriel Parkway in Leander. Beginning Tuesday, January 19, motorists should be aware that the signal will initially operate in “four-way flash” mode. Electronic message signs on the 183A frontage roads as well as San Gabriel Parkway will alert drivers of the new signal ahead and the signal will become fully operational on Tuesday, January 26.

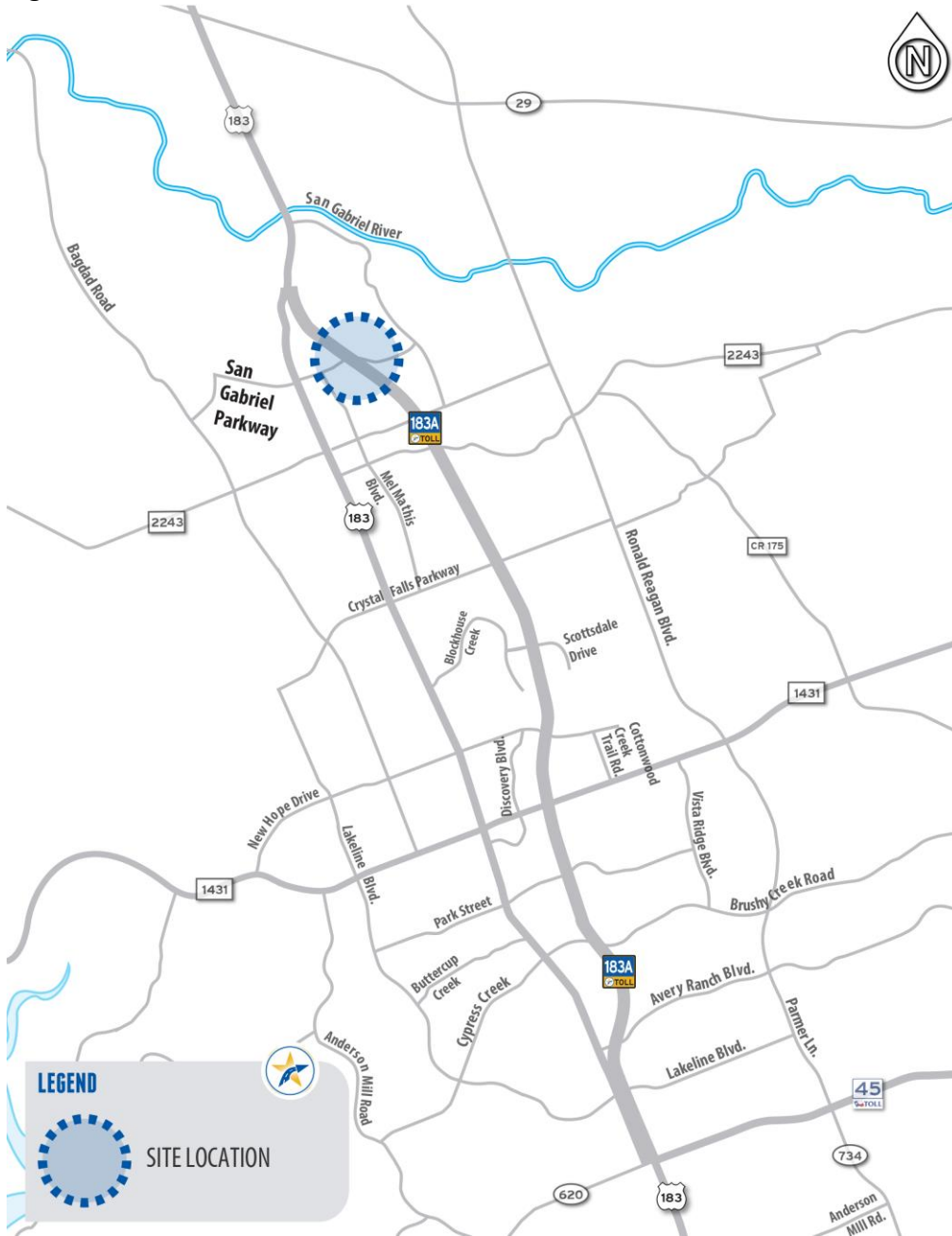
“Safety is always our primary concern at the Mobility Authority,” said Mobility Authority executive director Mike Heiligenstein. “We are pleased to proceed with the activation of this new traffic signal that will ultimately improve safety and traffic flow for the traveling public.”

The Mobility Authority, which operates the 183A Toll Road, determined the need for the new signal following a traffic warrant study. The warrant analysis is a step-by-step process outlined by the State of Texas to determine whether a traffic signal may be installed on Texas roads. It evaluates eight criteria such as physical conditions around the intersection, traffic volume and congestion, pedestrian and school activity, accident history, and other factors that determine whether an intersection warrants a signal. In this case, accident history and peak hour traffic counts at the intersection warrant installation of the new signal. The criteria are used because a traffic signal can, under certain conditions, cause traffic delays or rear-end collisions.

In addition to meeting the criteria of the traffic signal warrant analysis, widespread community support was a factor in the decision. The Mobility Authority received letters of support from the Leander Police Department, the Leander Fire Department, and Williamson County Commissioner Cynthia Long. Approval from the Mobility Authority’s Board of Directors was received on October 28, 2015 to proceed with installation.

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Signal Location:



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About the Mobility Authority

The Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority is a local, independent government agency created in 2002 to improve the regional transportation system in Travis and Williamson Counties. The Mobility Authority implements innovative and sustainable transportation options to enhance quality of life and economic vitality in Central Texas. The Mobility Authority operates 183A Toll in Williamson County and 290 Toll (Manor Expressway) in east Austin and is constructing Express Lanes on MoPac Expressway. For more information about the Mobility Authority, visit www.MobilityAuthority.com.