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Construction Begins for Improvements to 183A & US 183 Intersection

(Austin, Texas) Nov. 19, 2014– The Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority today began construction on improvements to the intersection of US 183 and 183A in Leander. The improvements will facilitate smoother and safer turning movements and will feature a more traditional design for improved access across the southbound lanes. Construction is expected to be complete by fall of 2015.

“The need for improvements has been recognized by the Mobility Authority, TxDOT, the City of Leander, and Williamson County,” said Mike Heiligenstein, Executive Director of the Mobility Authority. “In addition to improving safety for the traveling public, the proposed improvements will allow for improved access to the intersection while increasing the visibility of the approach to the existing “T” intersection.”

The \$5.8 million construction project includes pavement widening, drainage improvements, signal adjustments, and minor new road construction of CR 276. The project also includes access road reconstruction on the west side of the intersection and stub out connection for the future extension of a new street, Bryson Ridge Trail, on the east side of the intersection. The new street will provide access to a new, master-planned community currently under development.

The west side of the highway improvements will incorporate the southbound US 183 west of the intersection where it splits from US 183/183A onto the original US 183 alignment. Additional auxiliary lanes will be added to a portion of southbound 183A and US 183, including turnaround lanes and right turn lanes. US 183 will be widened west of 183A to facilitate smoother and safer turning movements.

The east side of the highway improvements will incorporate the northbound 183A lanes and the US 183 intersection. Right and left turn lanes will be added at the intersection. The US 183 intersection will be constructed with additional lanes between the northbound and southbound lanes, and will feature a more traditional design to allow access across the southbound lanes.

A project information page will be available on the Mobility Authority’s website with detailed lane closure information and project progress. Visit the construction updates page at www.MobilityAuthority.com.

The Mobility Authority and TxDOT entered into a Pass-Through Finance agreement to fund the project. The developer of property abutting the roadway is providing \$1.5 million toward construction costs via a development agreement with the City of Leander.

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 the 183A Toll Road in Williamson County and the 290 Toll Road (Manor Expressway) in east Austin and is constructing Express Lanes on MoPac Expressway. For more information about the Mobility Authority, visit www.MobilityAuthority.com

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