



CENTRAL TEXAS REGIONAL
MOBILITY AUTHORITY

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Protect Our Water, Protect Our Kids *August Updates from the Mobility Authority*

At the Mobility Authority, we're committed to protecting our environment and ensuring our roads are safe for everyone. This August, we're recognizing National Water Quality Month and reminding our community about Back-to-School safety.

National Water Quality Month



August is [National Water Quality Month](#), a time to reflect on the value of clean water and renew our commitment to protecting it. While water covers more than 70% of Earth's surface, only about 3% is freshwater, and less than 1% is readily accessible for human use. Safeguarding water quality is essential for public health, sustainable development, and securing clean water for generations to come.

As part of our roadway projects, the Mobility Authority incorporates Best Management Practices (BMPs) to protect and improve water quality across Central Texas. These include:

- Stormwater treatment ponds that filter pollutants from roadway runoff before it reaches local streams.
- Temporary construction measures to keep harmful materials out of our waterways.
- Native vegetation plantings that help absorb rainwater, reduce erosion, and provide habitat for wildlife.

While we implement these protective measures in our projects, preserving water quality starts at home and in your neighborhood. Here are a few small actions you can take that make a big difference:

- Pick up after pets to prevent waste from washing into storm drains.
- Use fertilizer without phosphorus to avoid chemical runoff.
- Dispose of medications, paint, oil, antifreeze, trash, and other chemicals properly.
- Volunteer with a local creek or river cleanup event.

Clean water is a shared responsibility and every choice counts.

[Learn More About Water Quality](#)

Back-to-School Safety on the Roads

The majority of Texas students head back to school this August. With class back in session, it's more important than ever to stay alert on the roads. Here are key reminders:

- Slow down in school zones, watch for crossing guards, and obey posted speed limits.
- Yield to school buses, stop when their red lights are flashing and/or a stop arm is extended.
- Keep your eyes on the road and avoid distractions like your cell phone while driving.

Let's work together to ensure every student arrives safely to school and back home.

[Learn More About School Safety](#)

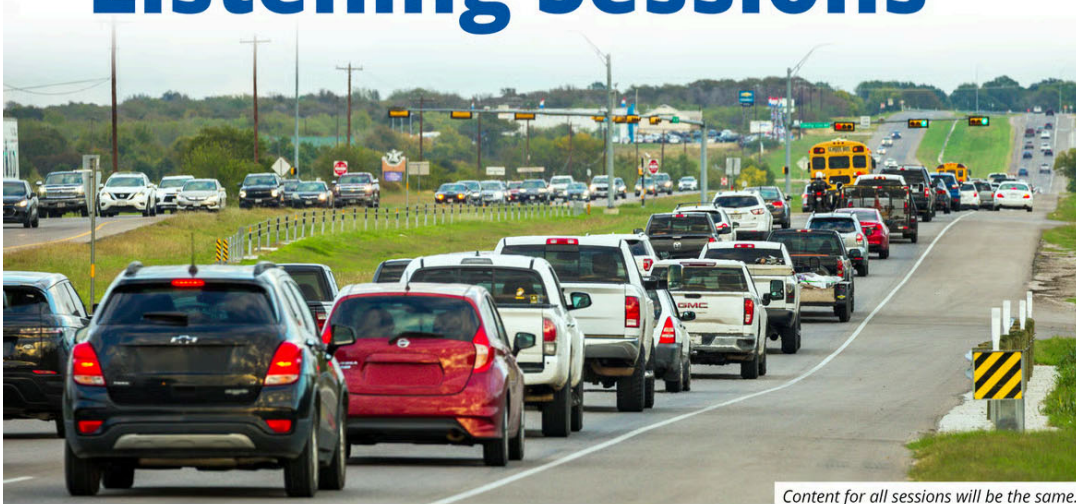
You're Invited:
290 Extension Project Community Listening Session



JOIN US



Community Listening Sessions



Content for all sessions will be the same.

MANOR

9/23/2025, 5:30 – 7 p.m.

Manor Elementary Early Learning Center
12904 Gregg Manor Rd.
Manor, TX 78653

ELGIN

9/25/2025, 5:30 – 7 p.m.

Austin Community College:
Elgin Campus, Bldg. 1000
1501 US 290
Elgin, TX 78621

ONLINE

Beginning 9/9/2025

Visit the project site at 290ExtensionProject.com to participate virtually until **10/10/2025**.

We Want to Hear from You

The Mobility Authority is considering improvements to US 290 between SH 130 and SH 95 South to increase mobility and safety along this highly congested corridor. The [290 Extension Project](#), an environmental study and schematic design, is officially underway. The project will evaluate the possible extension of the 290 Toll from its current end point near SH 130 in Travis County farther east to SH 95 South in Bastrop County, covering approximately 15 miles. The study will also evaluate non-tolled improvements to cross streets and bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

Join us at an upcoming Community Listening Session to share your input on the future of US 290. Your feedback can drive change.

Virtual

Tuesday, September 9 – Friday, October 10, 2025
290ExtensionProject.com

Manor

Tuesday, September 23, 2025
5:30 – 7:00 PM
Manor Elementary Early Learning Center

12904 Gregg Manor Rd.
Manor, TX 78653

Elgin

Thursday, September 25, 2025

5:30 – 7:00 PM

Austin Community College: Elgin Campus (Building 1000)

1501 US-290 W

Elgin, TX 78621

**Attend the session that works for you, the content will be the same.*

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Thank you for joining us in protecting Central Texas's water and roads. Whether you're helping keep our waterways clean or driving safely during the school year, your efforts make our community stronger.

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