I just wanted to take a moment and update the residents of Hays County on projects that are have been completed, ones that are in construction, and those that are in the planning stage.

*Pass-Through Finance Projects*

- **FM 1626 North Project**
- **Activities for 04/06/2015 to 04/18/2015**

  - RM 967 to Jerry’s Lane will have construction activity related to paving, topsoil, and ditch prep.
  - Jerry’s Lane to McKinnon Loop will have construction activity related to paving, topsoil, and ditch prep.
  - McKinnon Loop to the Travis County Line will have construction activity related to paving, topsoil, seeding, bridge coating, and ditch prep.
  - Travis County Line to Brodie Lane will have construction activity related to paving, signal work at Bliss Spillar, topsoil, driveways, ditch prep, and placement of small signs.
  - The paving activities will create a moderate impact to traffic in some areas. All other activities will have a minimal impact to traffic.
Yarrington Bridge Project

Construction activities for the week of 3/29/2015 – 4/4/2015 are listed below:

- OHL continued excavation and embankment for the northbound and southbound frontage road realignments.
- OHL formed and poured the abutment backwall for the west end of the south to north turnaround bridge.
- OHL formed and poured columns between the I-35 northbound and southbound mainlanes for the north to south turnaround bridge.
- Texas Highway Walls resumed setting panels for MSE Wall 2 along the southbound mainlanes, south of Yarrington.
- OHL swept and vacuumed roads for dust and debris control.

Anticipated activities for next week are as follows:

- OHL will continue excavation and embankment for the northbound and southbound frontage road realignments.
- Subcontractor Breda will place and tie reinforcing steel for the deck of the new Yarrington Bridge.
- OHL will form the cap for the north to south turnaround bridge.
- Texas Highway Walls will continue setting panels for MSE Wall 2 along the southbound mainlanes, south of Yarrington.
- OHL will continue sweeping and vacuuming of roads for dust and debris control.

FM 1626 South Project

- The design and environmental phases of this project continue to move forward.
- A public hearing has been scheduled for May 5th, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., at the Elm Grove Elementary Cafeteria.
*TXDOT Partnership Projects*

- **Buda Truck Bypass**
  - The design process has begun.
  - The development and approval of the environmental documentation process is progressing with the County, TXDOT, and FHWA.
  - Preliminary schematic is nearing completion.

- **FM 2001 Realignment**
  - Schematic design is underway.
  - There is a map showing the proposed alignment at the Buda Substation. Please call in advance if you would like to look at the map. 512-262-2091

- **FM 150 from I-35 to Arroyo Ranch Road**
  - The nature and character study is underway.
  - **A public meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 14th, at the Hays High School Cafeteria from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.**
  - Final design and construction are pending due to the need to locate a funding source.

- **FM 967 Widening from Cole Springs Rd. to FM 1626**

- **Please find below a summary of the activities for the week of 3/29/2015 – 4/4/2015:**

  - Capital graded ditches, prepared subgrade and placed and processed flex base from FM 1626 to Dove Drive.
  - Capital paved Driveway 4 at St. Elizabeth’s Church.
  - Capital began laying out curb in various areas from FM 1626 to Dove Drive.
  - Capital began forming safety end treatments (SETs) for driveway culverts.
  - Verizon relocated on utility lines.
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- Anticipated activities for next week are as follows:
  - Capital will continue with grading, preparing subgrade and placing flex base in various locations.
  - Capital will continue placing driveway culvert SETs.
  - Capital will begin placing concrete storm sewer pipe.
  - Capital will begin forming and pouring concrete sidewalks.
  - Capital will remove the metal beam guardrail on the south side of the road near FM 1626 and begin subgrade work in that area.
  - Verizon will continue relocating utility lines.

*Precinct 2 Completed Projects*

- Lakewood Dr. Bridge
- RM 967 at Ruby Ranch Left Turn Lane
- SH 21 at High Rd. Turn Lanes
- SH 21 at FM 2001 Turn Lanes
- I-35 Frontage Rd. Project
- FM 150 Realignment

*SH 45 SW Project*

- TXDOT has executed the Record of Decision.
- This allows the project to go to final design and begin construction.
  - For detailed information, please visit the SH 45 SW website, at www.sh45sw.com

*Proposition 12 Projects*

- Proposition 12 projects to improve conditions on I-35, in Precinct 2

Bridge Construction Activities for 04/06/2015 to 04/17/2015
- RM 150/Center St. will have construction activities related to base, abutment rock backfill, rail foundation, and form and pour the approach slab.
- FM 1626/Kyle Parkway will have construction activity related to excavation, lime treat subgrade, place base, and form approach slab.
- CR 132/Robert S. Light will have construction activity related to retaining walls, pouring sidewalk, and rub and patch rail.
- FM 2001 will have construction activity related to installation of pull boxes and cables.

**Ramp Construction Activities 04/06/2015 to 04/17/2015**

- Ramp 4 southbound, between, FM 2001 and Robert S. Light will have no construction activity at this time.
- Ramp 5 northbound exit ramp, between Robert S. Light (CR 132) and FM 2001 will have construction activity related to paving, metal beam guard fence, and installation of small signs.
- Ramp 5 southbound entrance ramp, between Robert S. Light (CR 132) and FM 2001 will have construction activity related to paving and installation of small signs.
- Ramp 6 northbound entrance ramp, between Robert S. Light (CR 132) and Kyle Crossing (CR 210) will have construction activity related to paving.
- Ramp 6 southbound exit ramp, between Robert S. Light (CR 132) and Kyle Crossing (CR 210) will have construction activity related to paving.
- Ramp 7 northbound exit ramp, between Robert S. Light (CR 132) and Kyle Crossing (CR 210) will have construction activity related to paving.
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*TXDOT Projects*

- TXDOT is discussing a turn lane of FM 2770 in front of the softball/soccer fields.

* Projects in the Works*

- **Dacy Lane Phase II from Bebee Road to Windy Hill**
  - Design and limited right-of-way acquisition has begun.

- **Hillside Terrace Septic Project**
  - This project is in design.

- **Leisure Woods Drainage Project Phase II**
  - Hays County forces are working on the improvements at this time.

- **Onion Creek Flood Study**
  - This flood study is currently underway. Maps have been made available to my office. If you would like an electronic copy you may contact Jennifer Scott at 512-262-2091 or via email at Jennifer.scott@co.hays.tx.us.

Please pass this information on to your friends and neighbors. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve as your Hays County Precinct 2 Commissioner. If you have any questions, please contact my office at 512-262-2091.

Thank you,
Mark Jones
Commissioner
Precinct 2