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NORTHWEST AUSTIN CIVIC ASSOCIATION

# Annual Town Hall Meeting

May 1, 2019

6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

*St. Matthew's Episcopal Church*

*Huffman Hall*



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# NWACA Committees



Civic Engagement

Crime and Safety

Finance

Membership

Parks

Tree, Wildlife, & Environment

Communications

Events

History

Nominations

Sponsorship

Wildfire

Zoning & Transportation



# 2018-2019 Accomplishments

- ✓ Expanded Our Association Boundaries to Serve the Neighborhoods Northward to Hwy. 183
- ✓ 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Fourth of July Parade
- ✓ First Annual NWACA Night Out
- ✓ First Annual Day in the Park
- ✓ Groundbreaking of the Loewy Family Playground at Murchison Pool
- ✓ Facilitated Replacement of North Cat Mountain Sign
- ✓ Held Fall Election Forum
- ✓ Held Fall and Spring Waste Collection Events
- ✓ Promoted Fall Garage Sales
- ✓ Provided Oak Wilt Education and Signage
- ✓ Provided Firewise Evaluations for Neighbors
- ✓ Provided Wildfire Education
- ✓ Maintained Constable Patrol Program
- ✓ Served as Liaison for Neighbors with City and County Agencies







# Agenda

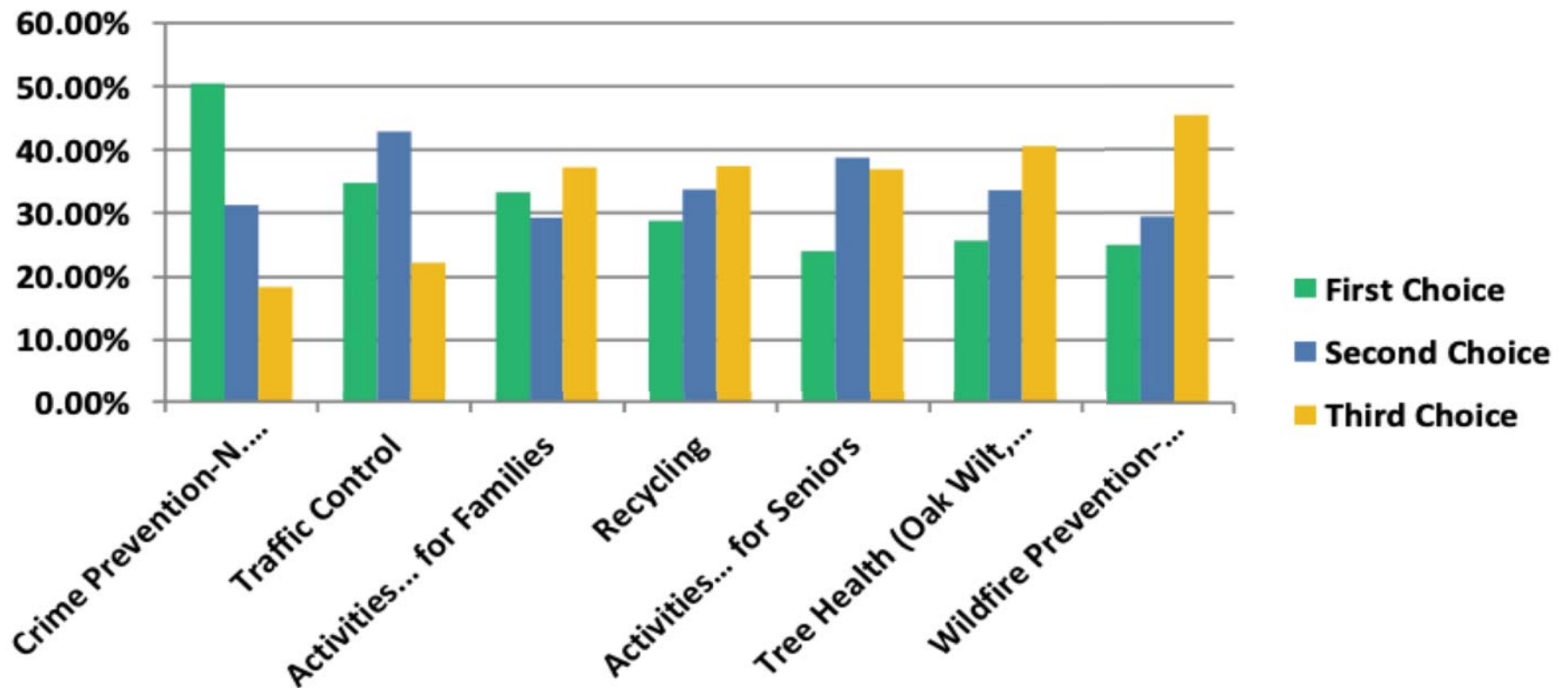


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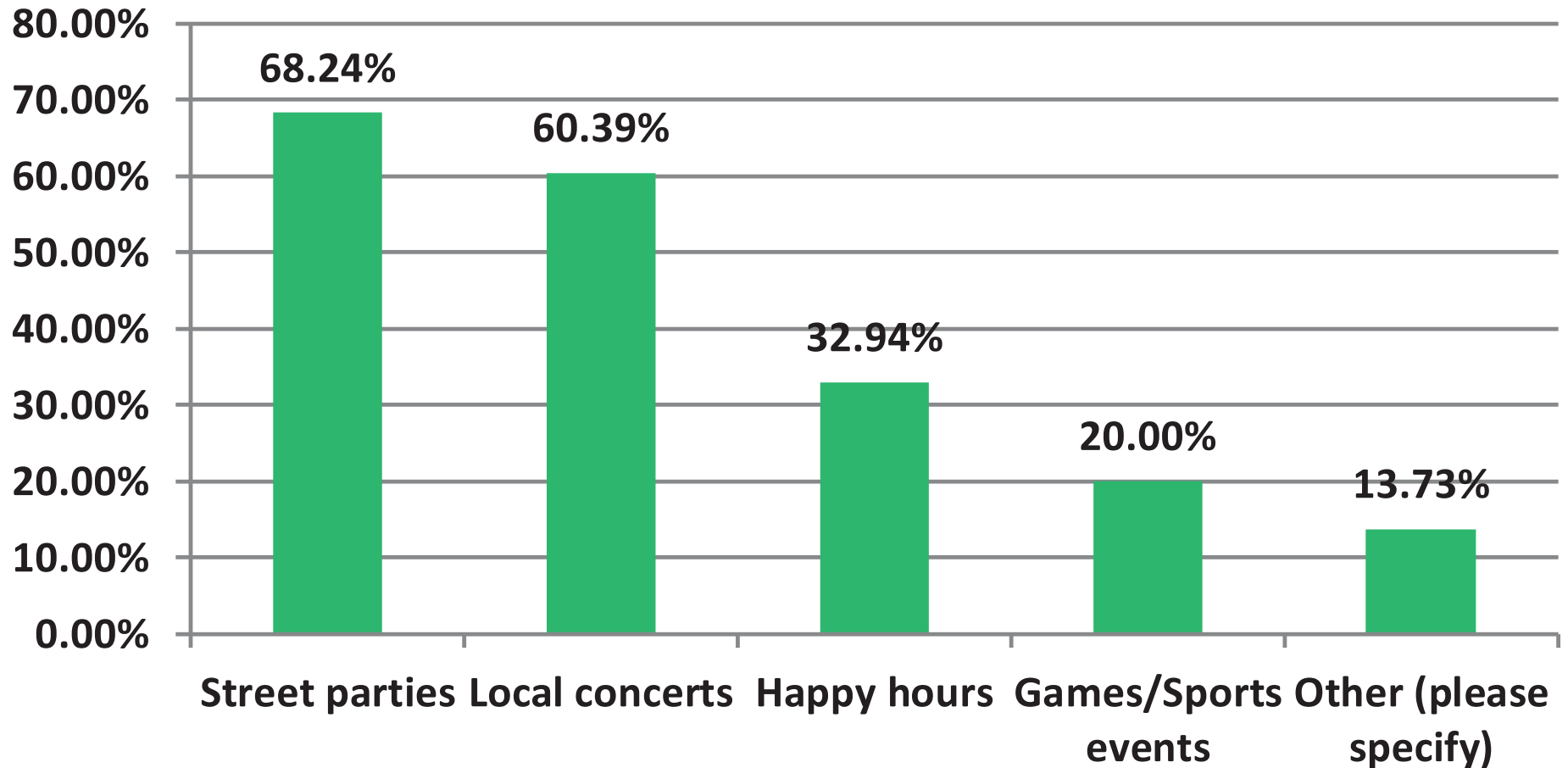
6:30 p.m.	Welcome, Intro of Board
6:35 p.m.	City Council, District 10
6:45 p.m.	Austin Police Department
6:55 p.m.	District 4 Board Member, AISD
7:05 p.m.	Travis County Constable, Pct. 2
7:15 p.m.	Austin Fire Department
7:35 p.m.	NWACA Environmental Committee
7:45 p.m.	NWACA Fourth of July Parade
7:50 p.m.	TxDOT
7:55 p.m.	Q & A with Agencies
8:10 p.m.	Tables

# 2019 Neighborhood Survey

What areas do you think are most important for NWACA to work on in the coming year?



# Requested New Events











JOIN NWACA FOR OUR 1<sup>ST</sup> COMMUNITY



**Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup>**

**South end of Randall's parking lot 6-8pm**

**Bring your lawn chairs, listen to some great music,  
visit with your neighbors and first responders! ★**

*Featuring*

**Randall's, Sweet Caroline's and Torchys Tacos**

**LIVE MUSIC** from the School of Rock  
**PERFORMANCES** from Shirley McPhail School of Dance and Journey Martial Arts

**Vehicles from the Austin Police Department, Austin Fire Department,  
Texas Department of Public Safety, AISD Police Department and more**



**National Night Out Giveaways**



*Additional Details*

Registration kits for National Child ID will be available.



Prizes will be awarded to elementary school winners of the National Night Out poster contest  
Plus service hours for middle school and high school volunteers are available for those that help with setup and supervision  
Volunteers contact [nwacainfo@gmail.com](mailto:nwacainfo@gmail.com) for more information

★ **Please park across the street at the First Presbyterian Church** ★

**Special thanks to our Event Sponsors:**

**PLATINUM** Randall's • Mesa Plaza, Ltd. • School of Rock • PostNet • Journey Martial Arts  
The Turquoise Table • Austin Yard Cards

**GOLD** Sweet Caroline's • Torchys Tacos • Shirley McPhail School of Dance  
First Presbyterian Church • YPW Spanish Immersion School

**SILVER** Central Barbershop



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NORTHWEST AUSTIN  
CIVIC ASSOCIATION

















National Night Out  
Sept 29th  
Randalls on mesa 6-8 pm



Vivian L.

National Night  
Out Saturday  
September 29  
Randalls on mesa  
6-8 pm



Julia J.

National  
Out Saturday  
boy



Mags T.

1st grade





**DANCE!**  
NOW REGISTERING - AGES 2-92  
SMSDANCE.COM 512.345.1284

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**The Austin Diagnostic Clinic**  
Imaging Center

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# Join NWACA for a Day in the Park



Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>

Murchison Middle School Fields

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual NWACA Kickball Games-Just Show Up to Play!

## LOEWY LAW FIRM

HELPING INJURED TEXANS



1:30 p.m. Recreational/Family Game  
2:15 p.m. Competitive Game  
3:30 p.m. Groundbreaking for Loewy Family Playground at Murchison Pool.



Great Live Music and Performances, *plus* First Responders!

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PROPERTIES AUSTIN



St. Matthew's  
EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL

4:00 p.m. School of Rock  
4:45 p.m. Journey MA  
5:00 p.m. Shotguns Ready Band  
5:45 p.m. SMSD  
6:10 p.m. Anderson HS Jazz Band



ANDERSON  
TROJAN BAND



Cash Concessions  
No Glass Allowed • Smoking Prohibited





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**Contact the District 10 Office!**

**Phone: (512) 978-2110**

**Email: [District10@austintexas.gov](mailto:District10@austintexas.gov)**







Assistant Chief Todd Smith  
Officer Darrell Grayson



## **Contact Information:**

**Officer Darrell Grayson 4600**

**Phone: 512 974-5242**

**[Darrell.Grayson@AustinTexas.Gov](mailto:Darrell.Grayson@AustinTexas.Gov)**





**SIGN UP TO BE A BLOCK CAPTAIN!**

Connie Lundgren, NWACA Neighborhood Watch Chair

Contact: [nwacainfo@gmail.com](mailto:nwacainfo@gmail.com)

**Austin ISD**  
**Kristin Ashy**  
**Trustee, District**  
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Constable Adan Ballesteros  
Sergeant Sam Lindsey



# What Does a Constable Do?

## ***Enforce State Laws***

*Our office works closely with all law enforcement agencies throughout Travis County, surrounding counties and the State of Texas on all warrants of arrest.*

## ***Build Better Communities***

*Travis County Constable Precinct 2 is focused on **Community-Supported Policing** in an effort to build better communities by creating positive environments of interaction and volunteerism. Each member of our team is responsible for engaging with the community, promoting citizen interaction, and providing a positive role model for your children. Likewise, the community, in sharing Constable Ballesteros' vision for a better community, has a stake in the outcome, and is encouraged to participate and get involved.*



# Pilot Program

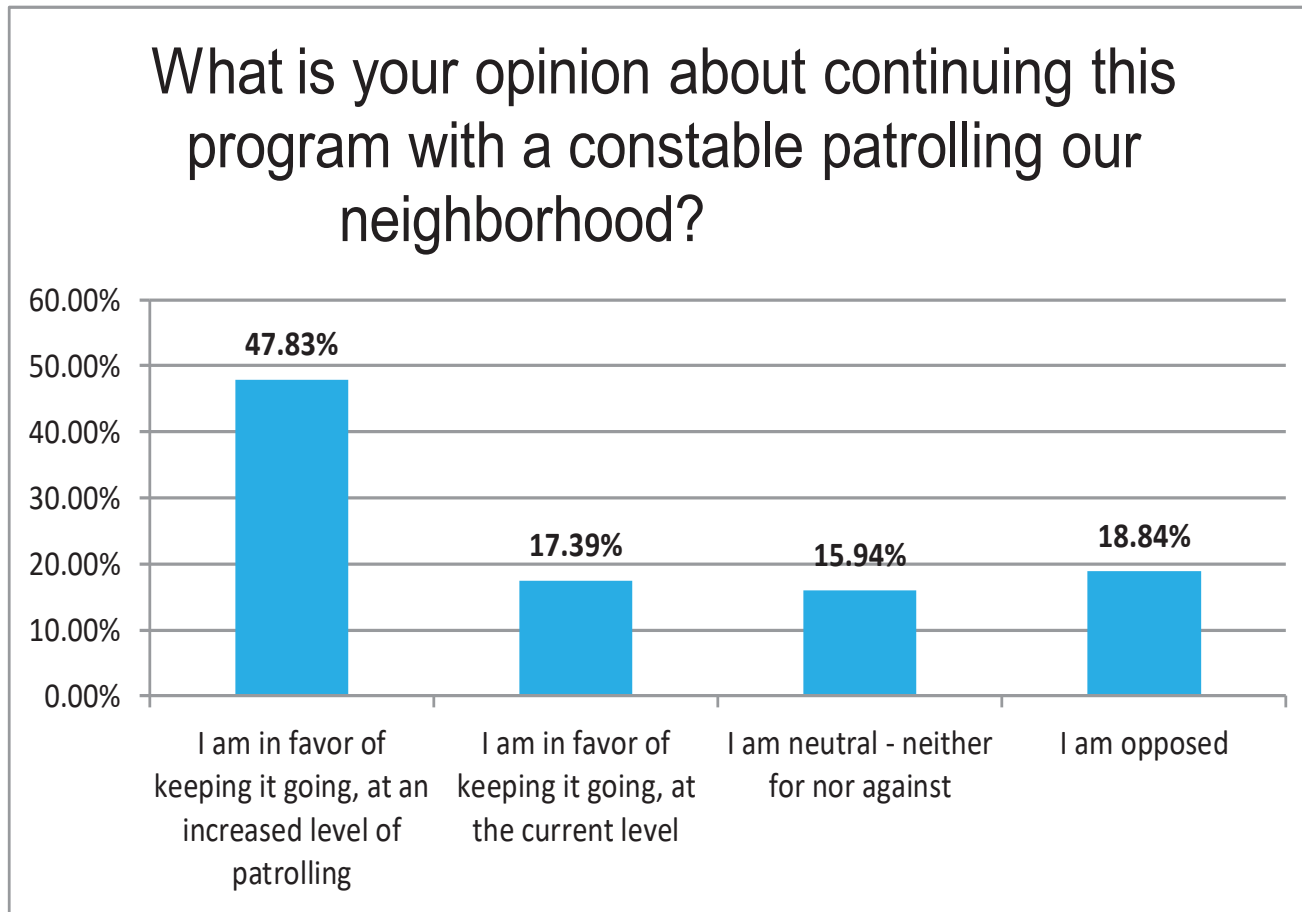


- Started July, 2017
- Travis County Constable, Precinct 2
- Our officer: Sgt. Sam Lindsey
- General flow
  - Patrols several times per week
  - 15-25 hours per month at \$45/hour+\$25/vehicle
  - Focuses on speeding, stop sign violations on major streets and around schools
  - Assists APD as needed, when in the area

# The Surveys Say...

- May 2017 Survey, before pilot
  - Helped select locations to focus on
  - Indicated interest in running the pilot
- October 2017 Survey, during pilot
  - Showed some impact on driver behavior
  - Indicated interest in continuing the program
- July 2018 Survey
  - Showed increased interest in continuing the program
  - Showed interest in raising dues and accepting donations to continue program
- April 2019 Survey
  - Showed increased interest in impact on driver behavior
  - Showed increased interest in continuing the program

# July Constable Survey – 2018

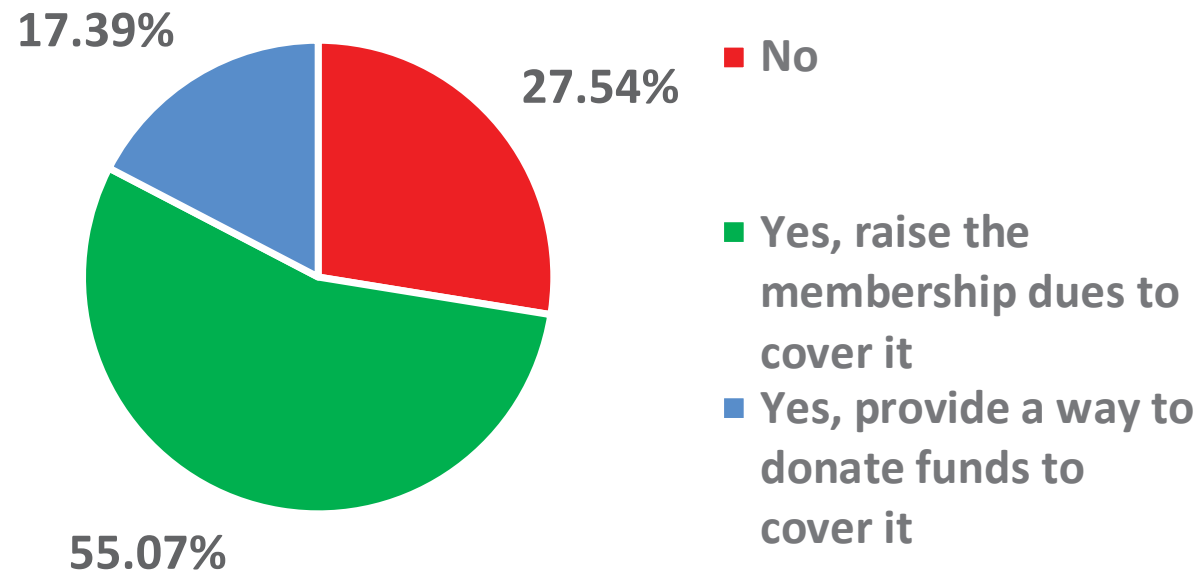


# 2018 Summary Data

2018 Summary Constable Report								
					Enforcement Summary			
Month	Days Patrolled	Traffic Stops	Violations	Total Duty Hours	Moving Violations	Non-Moving Violations	Other Zip Codes	78731 - 78759 Zip Codes
January	7	27	31	14	27	4	17	10
February	2	6	6	4	6	0	2	4
March	8	17	20	15	17	4	9	7
April	6	13	19	12	6	8	7	6
May	5	15	17	10	3	2	9	6
June	5	14	15	10	0	1	7	7
July	2	8	8	4	4	0	1	7
August	7	13	15	14	2	1	4	9
September	5	10	10	10	0	0	6	4
October	2	0	0	4	0	2	0	2
November	3	6	7	7	0	2	6	0
December	1	3	5	2	0	2	2	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>63</b>
							<b>52.6%</b>	<b>47.4%</b>



# Should NWACA Fund a Constable?



Go to [www.nwaca.org](http://www.nwaca.org) to DONATE!

# Preparing for Wildfires in Austin

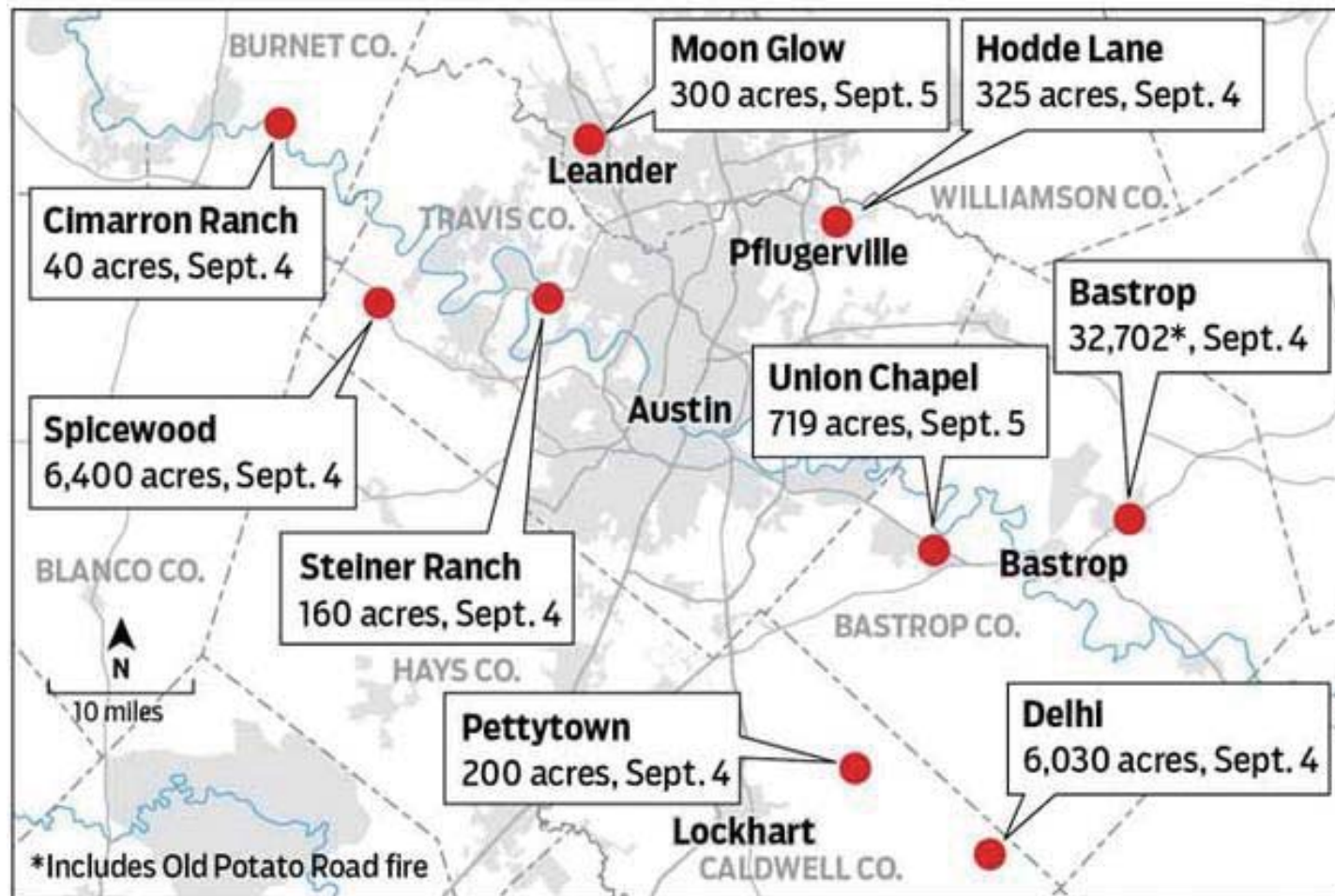


Battalion Chief Josh Portie  
Austin Fire Department

61% of the structures in  
Austin  
and  
67% of the structures in  
Travis County  
are in the  
Wildland Urban Interface

## Major Labor Day weekend fires in Central Texas

The Bastrop Complex fire was one of nine fires that burned almost 47,000 acres and destroyed more than 1,800 homes and other structures.



Source: Texas Forest Service

Robert Calzada/American-Statesman







# **FIRE DEPT RESPONSE**

Structural Triage

Structural Prep

Limited Resources

Less than 25 resources available during Labor Day (Normally around 135)

# LESSONS LEARNED

Embers are our enemy!!

Good House Keeping

Community planning and effort













# LESSONS LEARNED-EMBERS

Gutters

Attic vents

Patio Furniture

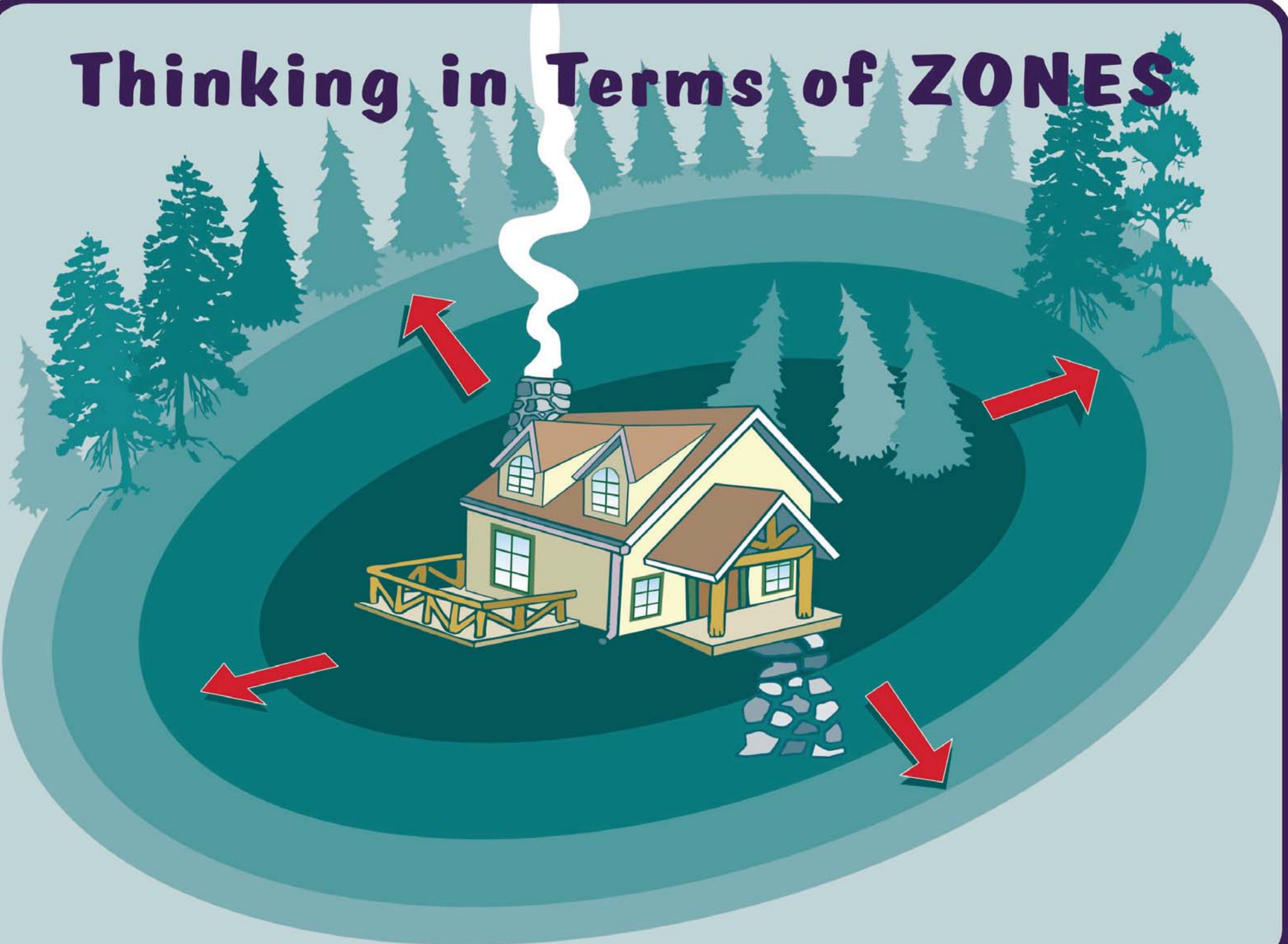
Unenclosed Decks

No Defensible Space

Wooden Privacy Fences



# Thinking in Terms of ZONES



# Foundation to 30 Feet

The primary space adjacent to your home.













# Community Effort







# WHAT IS THE COA DOING?

COA Wildfire Taskforce

WUI Code?

Wildfire Awareness Campaign

# PREPARING TODAY ... FOR TOMORROW

## 7th Annual Wildfire Community Preparedness Symposium



**WILDFIRE  
DIVISION**



**MAY 3, 2019**



9:00 AM-3:00 PM



Asian American  
Resource Center  
8401 Cameron Rd  
Austin TX 78754

Wildfires are a fact of life in Texas,  
but we are not powerless against them.

**REGISTER  
NOW**

Learn About

Wildfire risk evaluation

Austin's wildfire risk

Wildfire preparedness

Tips to protect your home & community NOW

© Austin Fire Department

### Contact

Linda Haynie

📞 512.974.1222

✉ [linda.haynie@austintexas.gov](mailto:linda.haynie@austintexas.gov)

Free admission (seating limited)

Continental breakfast and lunch provided

Register online: [www.ATXFIRE.com](http://www.ATXFIRE.com)





**Be a Part of the Solution**  
**Adopt Firewise Communities/USA**  
**Josh.Portie@austintexas.gov**  
**(512)974-0290**

# Wildfire Simulation

- Two scenarios to be examined now
  - Northern end of NWACA – sparks from 360 into Steck Valley Greenbelt
  - Southern end of NWACA – fire in the canyon
- Third scenario at the Wildfire Committee table later
  - Mount Bonnell Road, near Bright Leaf Nature Preserve
- Also... sign up for a free home wildfire safety evaluation
- If interested in becoming an evaluator, let us know!



Oak Wilt, Waste Collection, Dog Poop, Oh My!

NWACA's Tree, Environment, & Wildlife  
Committee Happenings



**PREVENT OAK WILT**

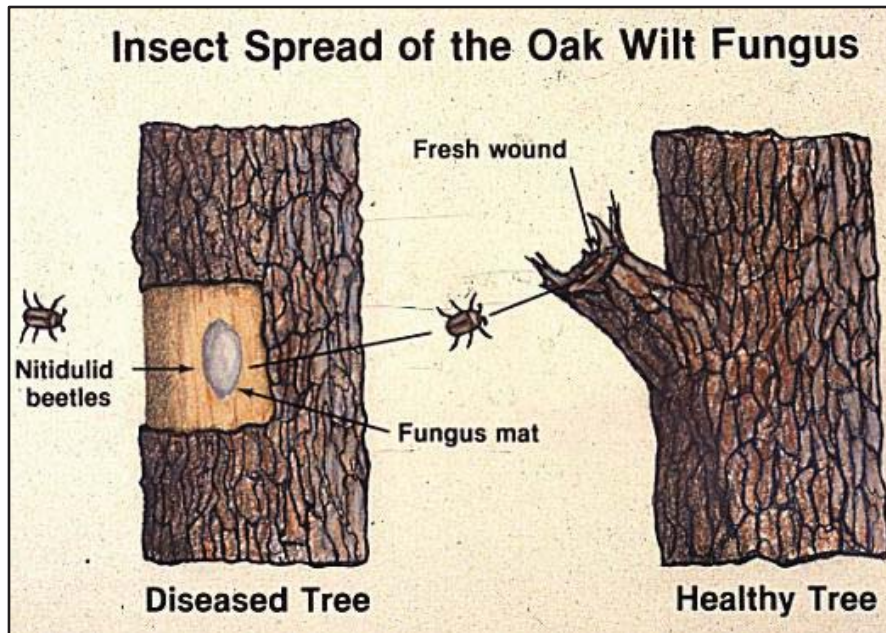
**DON'T PRUNE  
FEB-JUNE**



OAK WILT CARRIER BEETLE PEAK SEASON  
NWACA.ORG

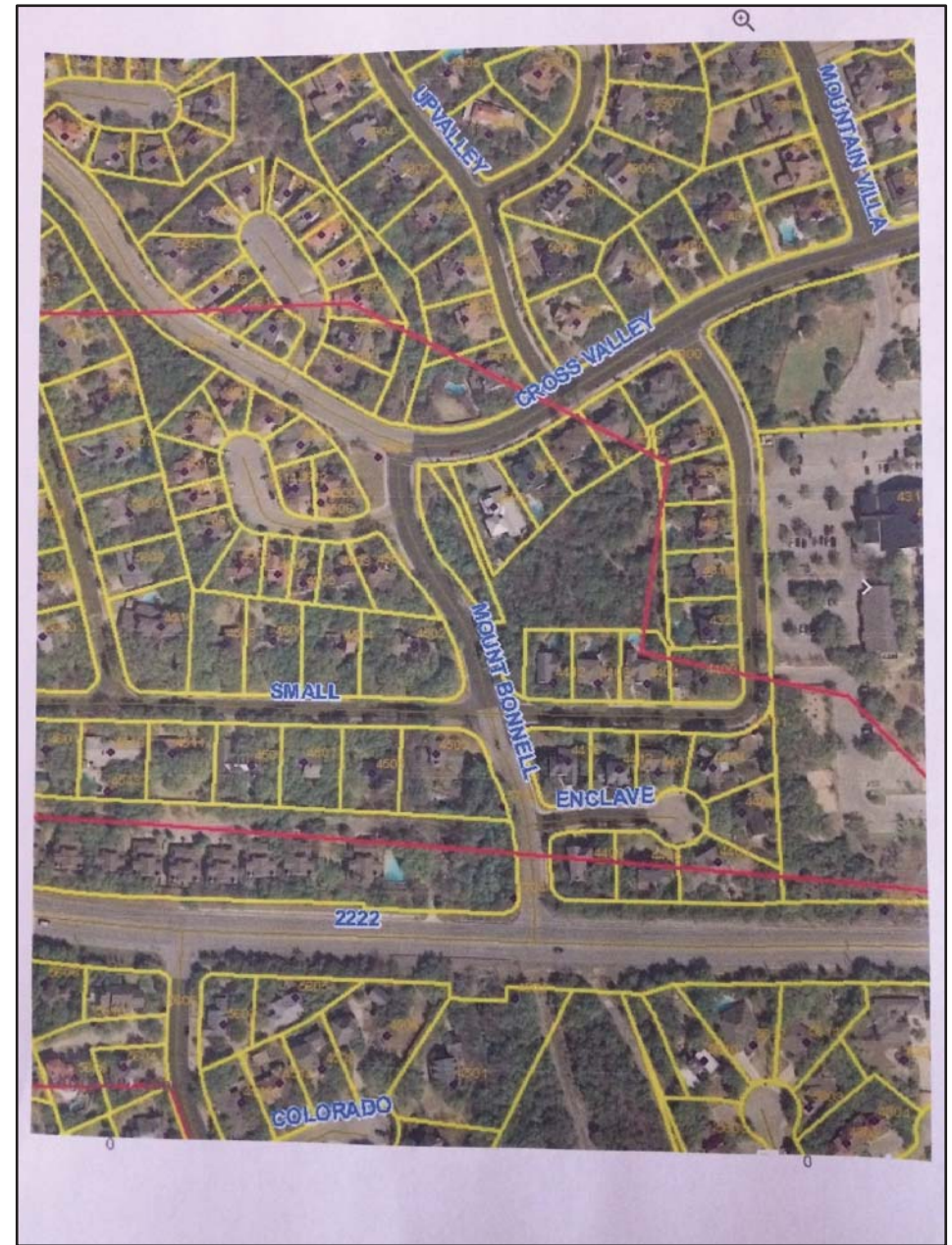
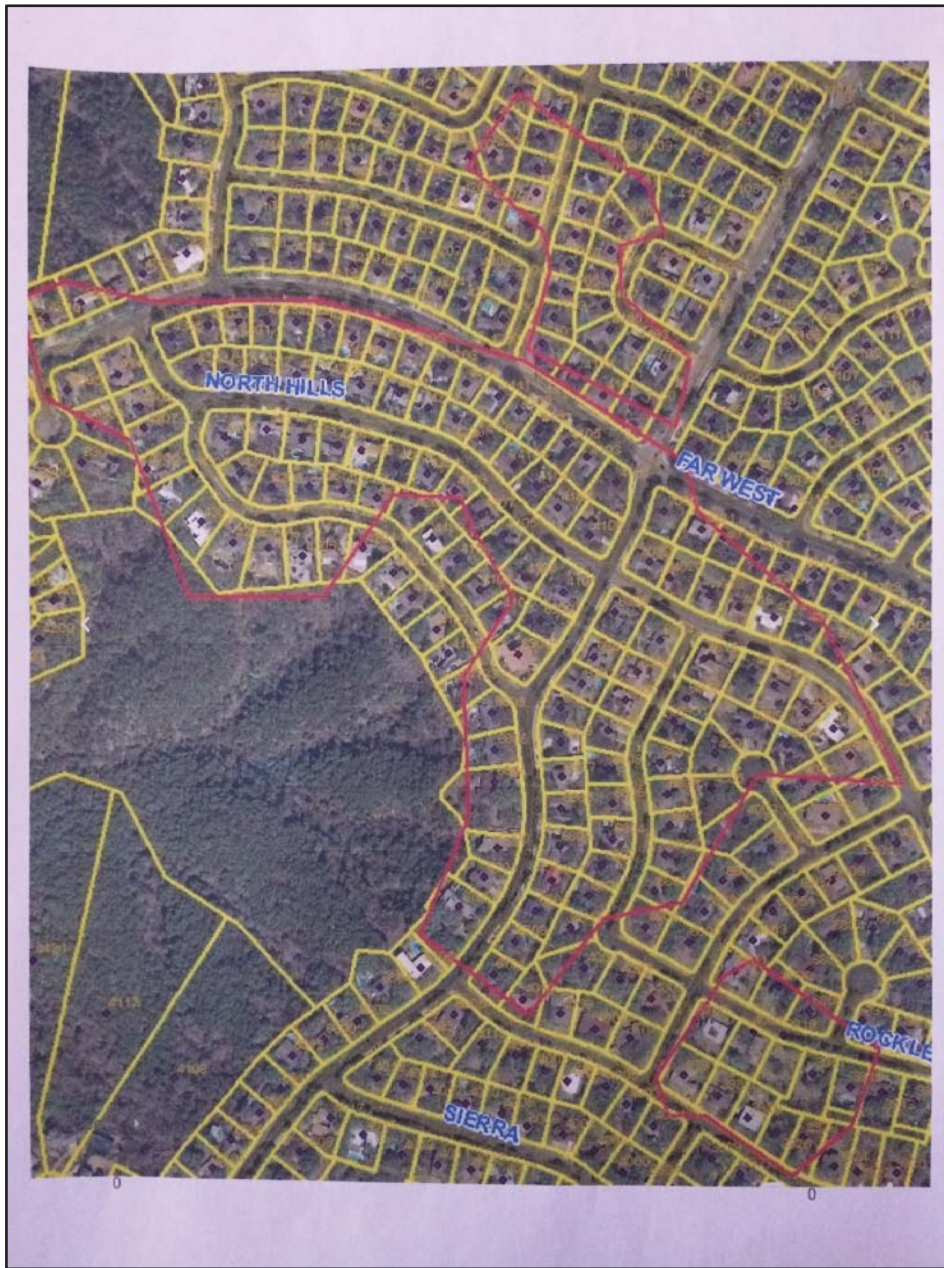


# How does it spread?

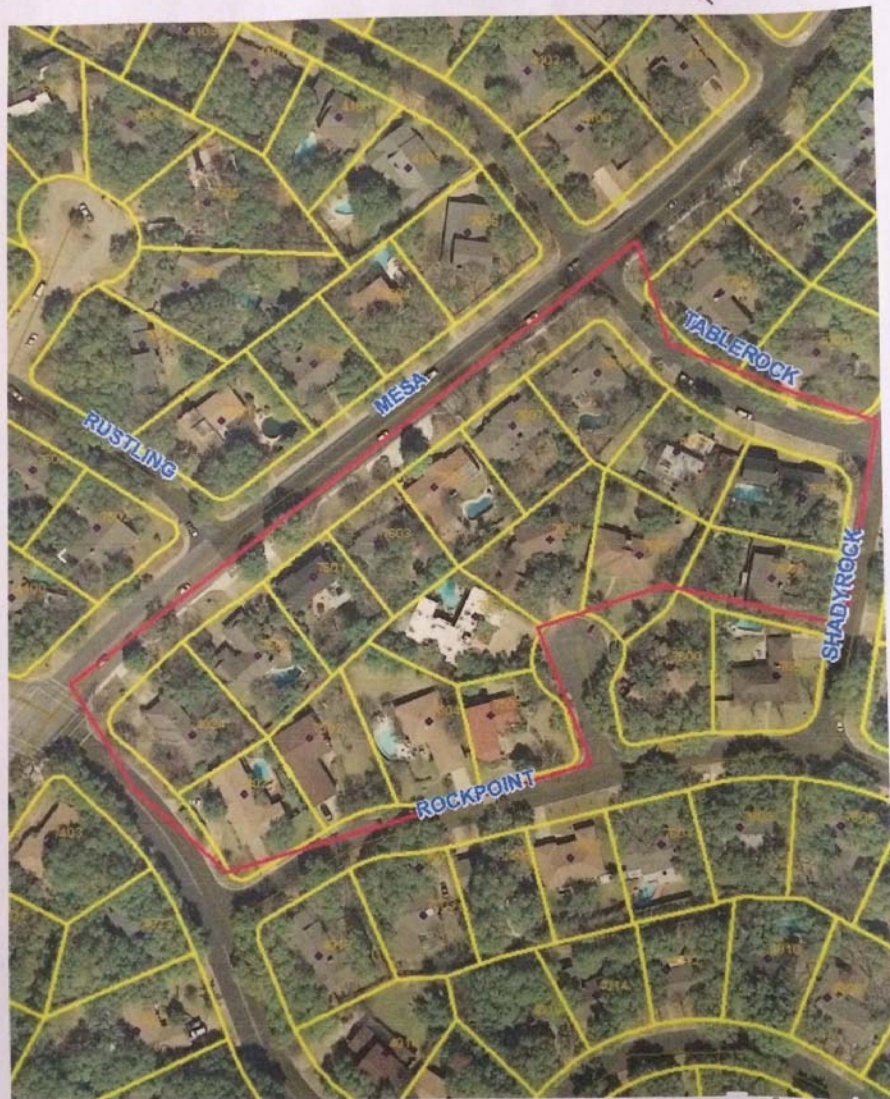


- Beetles and other vectors carry fungal spores from infected trees to fresh, open wounds on healthy oaks
- Tree-to-tree spread of pathogen through interconnected or grafted root systems, once an oak wilt center becomes established









# What can YOU do about it?

## PREVENTION

- Resident education (Best Practices)
- Proper pruning (FEB thru JUNE)
- Proper firewood usage
- Optimize COA Impact Activities (AE pruning, SWS brush pickups)
- Plant trees other than Live Oaks or Red Oaks
- Employ Certified Arborists – also, check Better Business Bureau

FREE \$0  
PLAN AHEAD

## RESPONSE ACTION

- Trenching
- Inject Infected tree
- Remove Infected tree (especially Red Oaks)

EXPENSIVE  
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# Plan Ahead for Pruning

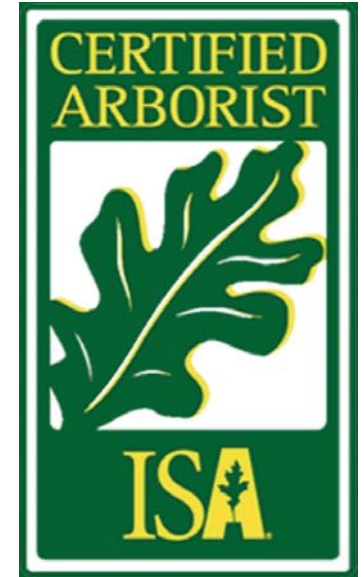
**P**revent **O**ak **W**ilt

***PLAN AHEAD - PRUNE***

***NOV thru JAN***

- ***Beetles Inactive***
- ***Dormant Season***
- ***Coldest Months***

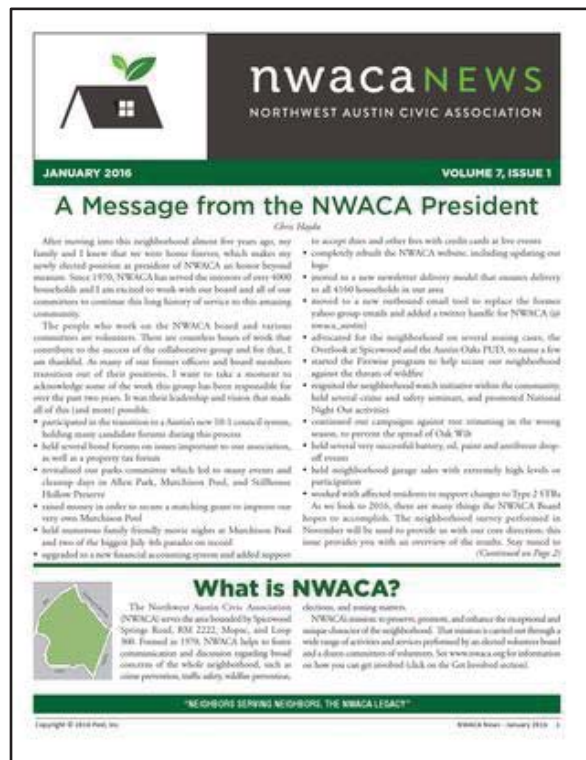
# Manage your **landscape** **companies** and use **certified arbori**



- <http://texasoakwilt.org/find-a-vendor/certified-arborists>



# Learn about oak wilt and tell your neighbors



NWACA Oak Wilt Reimbursement Request		
Date		
Homeowner Requesting Reimbursement		
Property Location		
Contact Information (Phone, Email)		
Oak Wilt Infection Description		
Proposed Work Description		
Vendor and Proposed Fee (if more than one, list them and indicate which was chosen)		
Requested Reimbursement (up to 40% of vendor fee, with a cap of \$1000)		
<b>Approvals Required:</b>		
<b>Item</b>	<b>Confirmed? Yes/No; Notes</b>	<b>Date</b>
Vendor is TFS Oak Wilt Certified Vendor		
Work plan approved by COA Oak Wilt Arborist		
NWACA Tree and Environment Committee		
NWACA Board		
<b>Attachments Required:</b> Vendor Proposal(s)		
<b>Submit Request to:</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If by U.S. Mail: NWACA Tree and Environment Committee P.O. Box 26654 Austin, TX, 78755</li> <li>If by email: <a href="mailto:nwacainfo@gmail.com">nwacainfo@gmail.com</a></li> </ul>		
<b>Notes:</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requests must be submitted in advance of any work done.</li> <li>NWACA-approved requests for reimbursement will be paid to property owner after work has been completed and vendor final invoice has been submitted.</li> </ul>		

# Live Oak symptoms



- Veinal Necrosis (brown veins)
- Leaf vein turns brown while rest of leaf remains green
- Leaves may remain on tree or fall to ground



## Red Oak symptoms



- Leaves turn pale green then brown – remain attached for weeks
- Color change can begin on one branch and quickly engulf tree
- Red Oak trees generally die within 4-6 weeks

**Bring us your stuff!**





## NWACA Annual Collection Event

**Fall BOPA Event**



**Spring – Electronics & Styrofoam**



## Other Committee Happenings





# Come See Us and Ask Questions!

Joanie Arrott

Tree, Environment, & Wildlife Committee  
Northwest Austin Civic Association (NWACA)

<http://nwaca.org>

# NWACA July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade & Freedom Festival





# Parade Details

- Far West Blvd Route
  - Starting at Waterline Road
  - Finishing at Chimney Corners
- Veterans Participation
- Float Contest
- T-shirts







# Freedom Festival

- EPOCH Coffee & next door parking lot
- Music, games, food, and fun!





# All we need is *YOU!*



★ NWACA NEIGHBORHOOD ★

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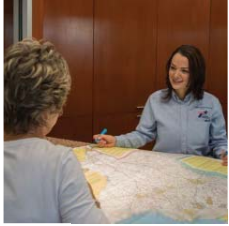
# JULY 4TH PARADE

9:00 AM • Visit [NWACA.org](http://NWACA.org) for Parade Route, Float Contest, Freedom Festival, and more!

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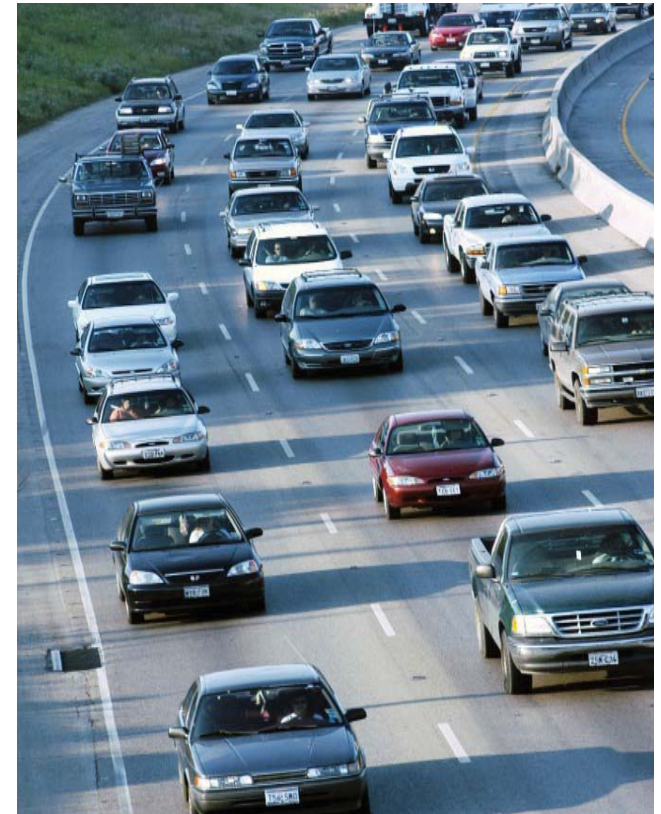


TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



## LOOP 360 PROGRAM

Bruce Byron, Public Engagement Officer

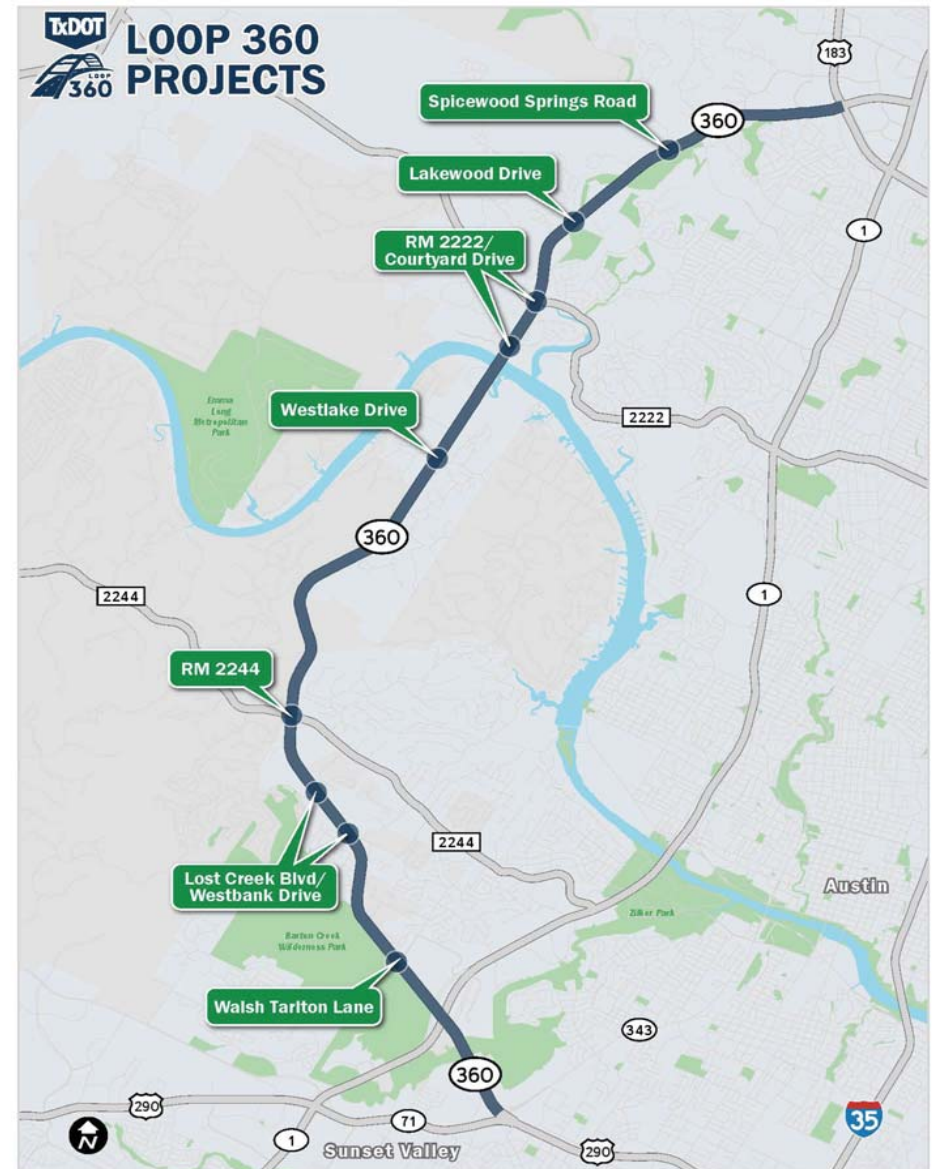


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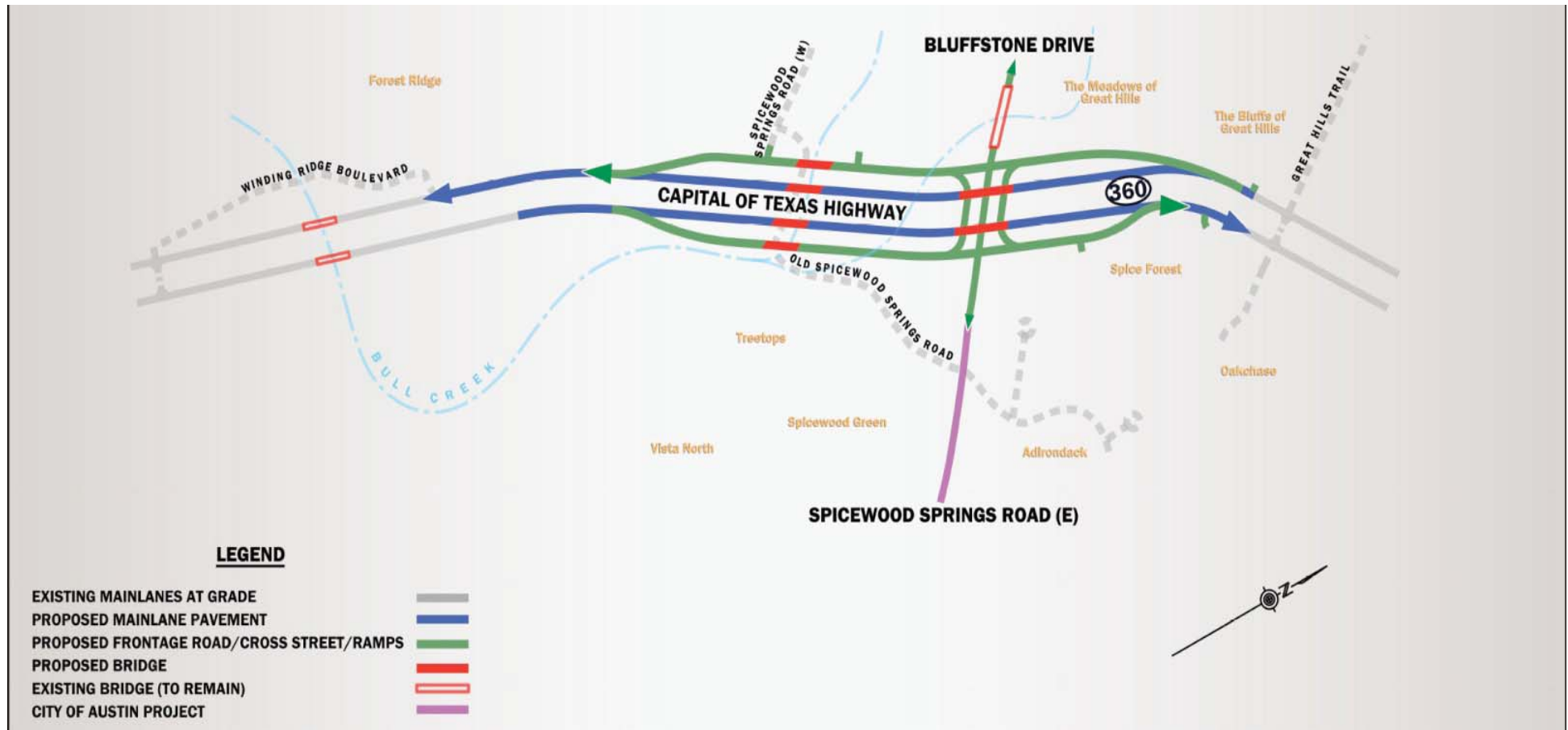
# About the Loop 360 Program

- Program purpose:  
Upgrade multiple intersections to improve mobility and safety along the corridor.
- Projects include:
  - Westlake Drive
  - Spicewood Springs Road
  - Lakewood Drive
  - Courtyard Drive/RM 2222
  - Walsh Tarlton Lane
  - Lost Creek Boulevard/Westbank Drive
  - RM 2244



# Spicewood Springs Road

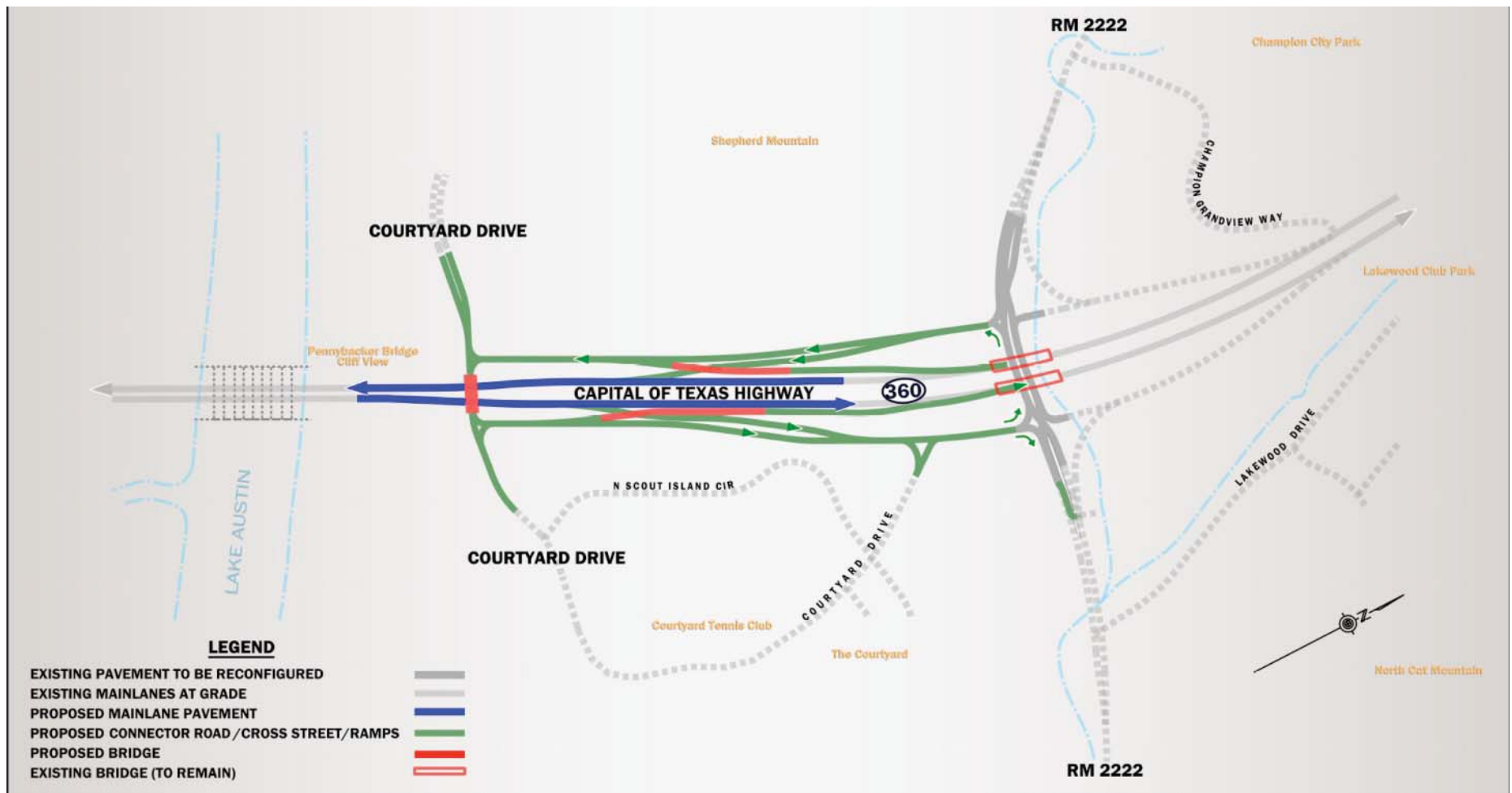
- Existing mainlane signal at Spicewood Springs Road (E)/Bluffstone Drive replaced with mainlane overpass with non-signalized U-turns.
- Existing signal at Spicewood Springs Road (W) and existing crossover at northern intersection of Loop 360 at Winding Ridge Boulevard removed.





# Courtyard Drive/RM 2222

- Existing interchange at RM 2222 reconfigured to a diverging diamond intersection.
- Existing mainlane signal at Courtyard Drive replaced with mainlane underpass.
- Northbound exit ramp replaced with northbound braided ramps.
- Southbound entrance ramp replaced with southbound braided ramps.



## **Upcoming Public Events:**

**Spicewood Springs Road/Lakewood Drive  
Public Workshop Likely: June 2019**

**Courtyard Drive/RM 2222  
Public Hearing: Late 2019/Early 2020**

**For more information, visit our website:  
[Loop360Project.com](http://Loop360Project.com)**



# Stay in Touch



Members:



Join our *Closed Facebook Group* for NWACA members *only*



Sign up NWACA Notes: Weekly email for members

Not a Member:



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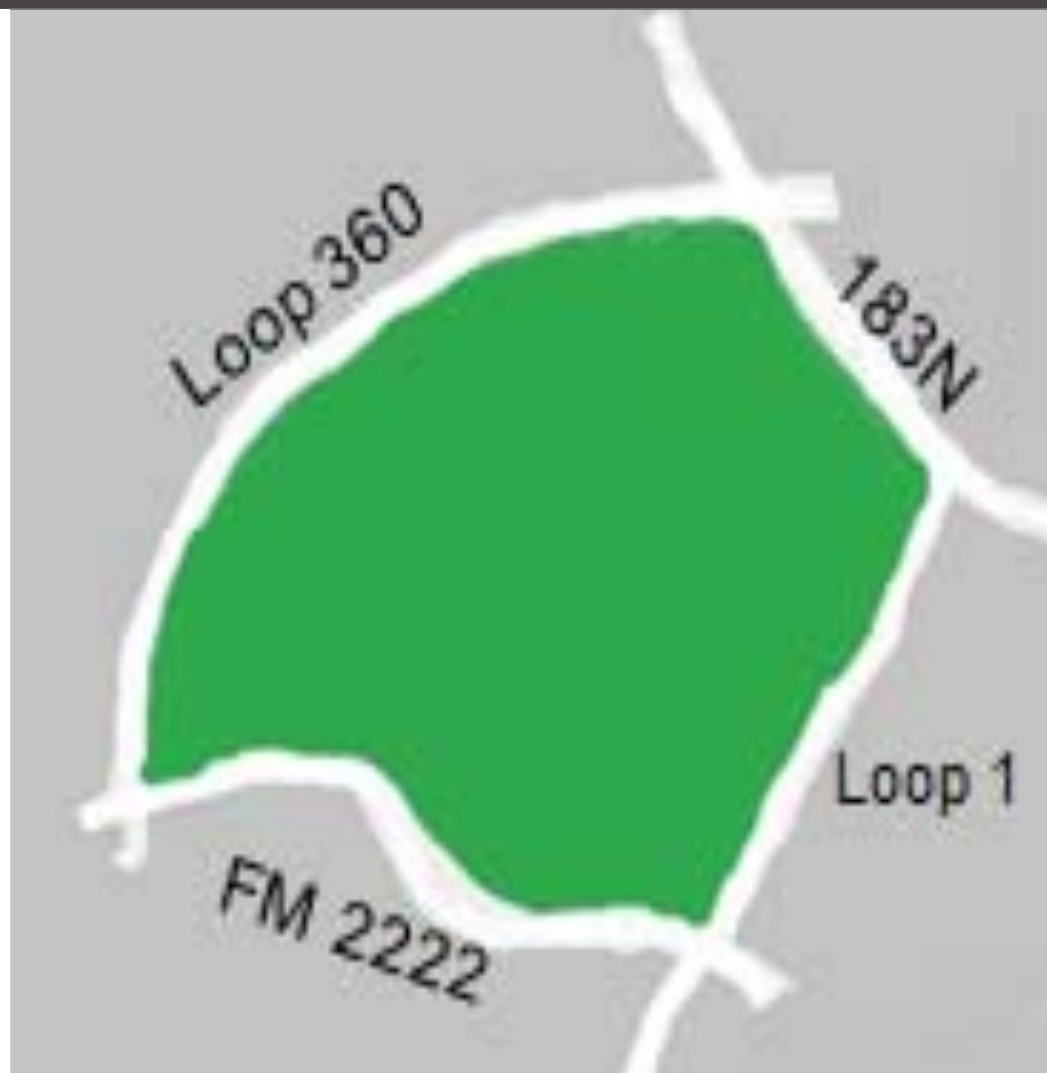


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