

Level of Analysis



	Regional	Planning NBOL Study	Preliminary Design	Implementation
Data Gathering	Published Data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Published Data, Stakeholder Input, Windshield Surveys, Aerial Survey, Community Work Group (CWG), Technical Work Group (TWG) 	On the Ground Surveys	Permitting & Design
Agency Coordination	Informal Agency Coordination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preliminary Design Conference (PDC) Meeting with FHWA and TxDOT Env; Agency Coordination Conference (ACC), TWG 	Official Agency Coordination	Permitting and Mitigation Approval
Time Frame	Up to 20 years or more	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two year study following up on loop concept originated in 1964 	10 years per project	1-4 years per project
Funding	Financially Constrained	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Funding Identified 	Specific Funding Sources Identified	Construction Funding Identified
NEPA Compliant Document	Not Mandatory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Baseline Mapping per NEPA Guidelines, Technical Memorandum, Agency Coordination and Public Involvement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Categorical Exclusion, Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Statement 	Approval of NEPA Documentation
Design Criteria	Assumptions Based on Planning Principles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assumptions Based on Planning Principles, input from PDC and ACC 	Basic Design Elements	Detailed Design Criteria
Need	Identify Need and Receive Public Input to Re-define Need	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need per City of New Braunfels Thoroughfare Plan, Comal County, ACC, Public Meeting #1, CWG, TWG – Early public comments supported need 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Re-evaluate Need and Re-inject Public Input to Determine Need 	Design Project Based on Needs Identified
Public Involvement	No Specific Mandates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Listing Provided on Public Involvement Efforts Handout 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opportunity for Public Hearing or Public Hearing 	Continued Coordination and Construction Information
Goal	Identify a Corridor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify Corridor for ROW preservation, set corridor width, Segments of Independent Utility, Facility Type and Follow NEPA Guidelines 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alternatives Analysis and Consider No-Build Scenario, ROW Mapping 	Acquire ROW and Construct