



FUTURE I-69 CORRIDOR

The projects included in this MTP update not only encompass thematic priorities such as improving system safety, reducing congestion, and improving state of good repair, but also locational specific priorities. One such major priority for the region is to develop projects to upgrade specific state routes to interstate standards throughout the MPA for designation to the future I-69 corridor.



TxDOT created an Advisory Committee for I-69 in 2008 comprised of volunteers from I-69 corridor communities, to advise TxDOT on I-69 issues and priorities, as well as to engage regional and local stakeholders on I-69 status and project development.

Victoria County Judge Ben Zeller is on the TxDOT I-69 Advisory Committee Alliance for I-69 Texas. The following guiding principles were established to provide guidance to the committee:

- I-69 is critical to Texas.
- Achieve interstate designation as quickly as possible.
- Maintain public input as an essential part of all future work.
- Maximize the use of existing highways while seeking to reduce program costs and impacts to private property.
- Address safety, emergency evacuations and emergency response needs.
- Pursue flexibility and efficiencies in design and construction requirements.
- Encourage initiatives that will supplement limited highway funds.

The TxDOT Yoakum District, the MPO and all its planning partners have been working diligently to plan, program, and implement projects contributing to the future interstate corridor. **\$88,670,074** worth of projects have been let in Victoria County on US 59 between 2009 and 2019 as part of preparations for the future interstate. Figure 8-1 shows the amounts spent on these projects by funding category over this time period and Table 8-2 shows the specific projects over that same time period.

FIGURE 8-1: US 59 PROJECTS' COSTS 2009 - 2019 BY CATEGORY

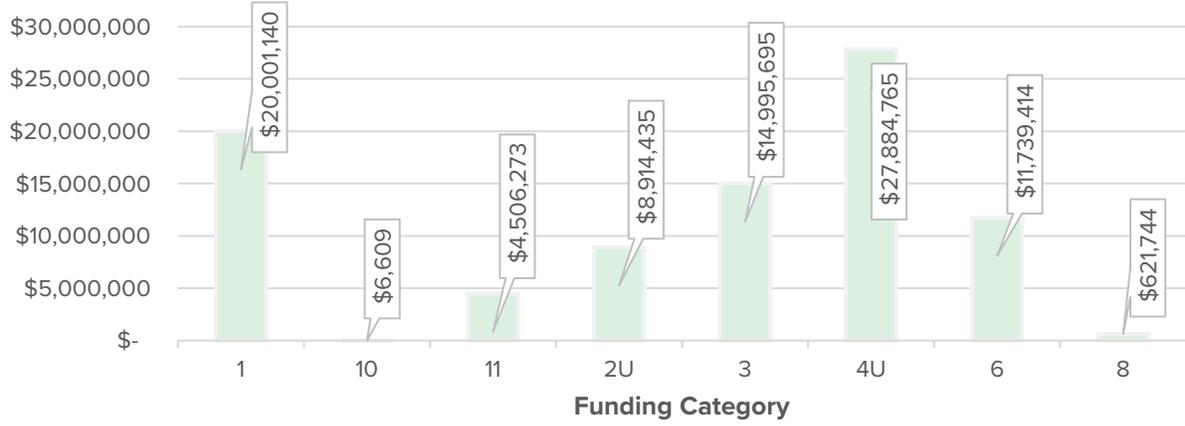




TABLE 8-1: HISTORICAL US 59 PROJECTS; 2009 - 2019

CSJ	Limits From	Limits To	Description	Let Date	Total Cost in YOY
0088-05-086	At Guadalupe River Bridge	South of Victoria	Extend Bridges	03/2009	\$3,913,301
0088-04-068	Us 77 Overpass	Goliad County Line	Seal Coat	10/2011	\$485,407
0088-05-089	0.02 Mi. North of Loop 463	0.03 Mi. North of Us 87	Construct Frontage Roads	05/2013	\$14,995,695
0088-05-090	0.28 Mi. South of Us 87	0.25 Mi. North of Us 87	Replace Bridges and Approaches	07/2013	\$7,826,113
0088-05-087	0.105 Mi. West of Bu 59-T	.396 Mi. West of Loop 463 In Victoria	ACP Overlay	02/2014	\$1,504,543
0088-05-088	Spur 91 (Frontage Rd Only)	Bu 59-T (Frontage Rd Only)	Seal Coat	10/2014	\$399,788
0088-05-093	Spur 91	0.157 Mi. North of FM 446	ACP Overlay	04/2015	\$2,446,596
0089-01-090	0.4 Mi. East of FM 1686	Jackson C/L	ACP Overlay	04/2016	\$7,280,415
0088-05-092	1.26 Mi North of Us 87	1.73 Mi North of Us 87	Construct 4-Lane Overpass at The Intersection of Hanselman Road	10/2016	\$8,914,435
0088-04-069	Us 77	Goliad C/L	Seal Coat	11/2016	\$376,764
0088-05-094	2.00 Mi N of Spur 91	Spur 91	Install Median Barrier	07/2017	\$330,601
0088-05-097	Us 77	FM 446	Install Median Barrier	07/2017	\$291,142
0088-05-091	Loop 463	Spur 91	ACP Overlay	02/2018	\$7,345,013
0088-04-070	Bu 59t	Goliad C/L	ACP Overlay	04/2018	\$4,506,273
0088-05-085	0.5 Mi S of FM 1686	SL 463	Upgrade to Rural Freeway	05/2018	\$27,884,765
0089-01-091	Us 59	Us 59 (NB & Sb Frontage Roads)	Seal Coat(Frontage Roads Only)	11/2018	\$162,612
0088-05-101	On Us 59	.	Emergency Repair-FHWA ER	01/2019	\$6,609

Projects that were scored for prioritization and inclusion in this MTP update (as discussed in Chapter 4) resulted in the ranking shown in Table 8-1. The ranking of these projects is the result of a continuous, comprehensive, and collaborative process between TxDOT Yoakum District, MPO staff, and MPO committees. TIP and UTP projects are the result of previous planning and needs assessment efforts. Projects listed in these documents are, for the most part programmed for specific years of expenditure and have planned, or obligated funding tied to them already.

The project development and ranking process carried out as part of this MTP update is an integral part of identifying candidate projects for development into future TIPs, UTPs, as well as future MTP updates. Project priority and project delivery are not synonymous. Funding availability, projects costs, as well as the need for right of way acquisition and environmental analysis affect the project delivery process. A number 1 ranked project is not always delivered first due to the complexities involved in programming and delivering the project.

The MPO Policy Advisory Committee, Temporary Technical Advisory Committee, MPO staff, and the TxDOT Yoakum district, as well as community planning partners and decision makers, recognize the economic impacts and value inherent in investments contributing to this priority and have contributed significantly towards this goal.

I-69 Main Lane Project was ranked number 1

TABLE 8-2: RANKED PROJECTS

Rank	Project Name	MAP ID
1	I-69 Main Lane Project (Telferner to County Line) ♦	457
2	Boulevard Houston Hwy	451
3	Ball Airport Extension Underpass (at Loop 463)	453
4	Capacity to US 77 Loop (River Bridge to 59) ♦ *	405
5	Loop 463 Frontage Road Turnaround and Frontage Road Extension	458
6	Sidewalks on Main Street (Loop 463, E, SW)	454
7	FM 236 Widening Upgrade *	404
8	Capacity to US 77 S (to Refugio) ♦	402
9	US 87 N Capacity Corridor Study (Loop 463 to Nursery)	403
10	Loop 463 East Sidewalks	456
11	Port Overpass at FM 1432	401

♦ **I-69 project**

* Project in 2020 UTP

Figure 8-2 illustrates the full plan of projects included in this MTP update, with the projects contributing to the future I-69 corridor highlighted.



This plan represents just under \$379 million in investments towards I-69 Designation in Victoria County.

FIGURE 8-2: HIGHLIGHTED I-69 PROJECTS

