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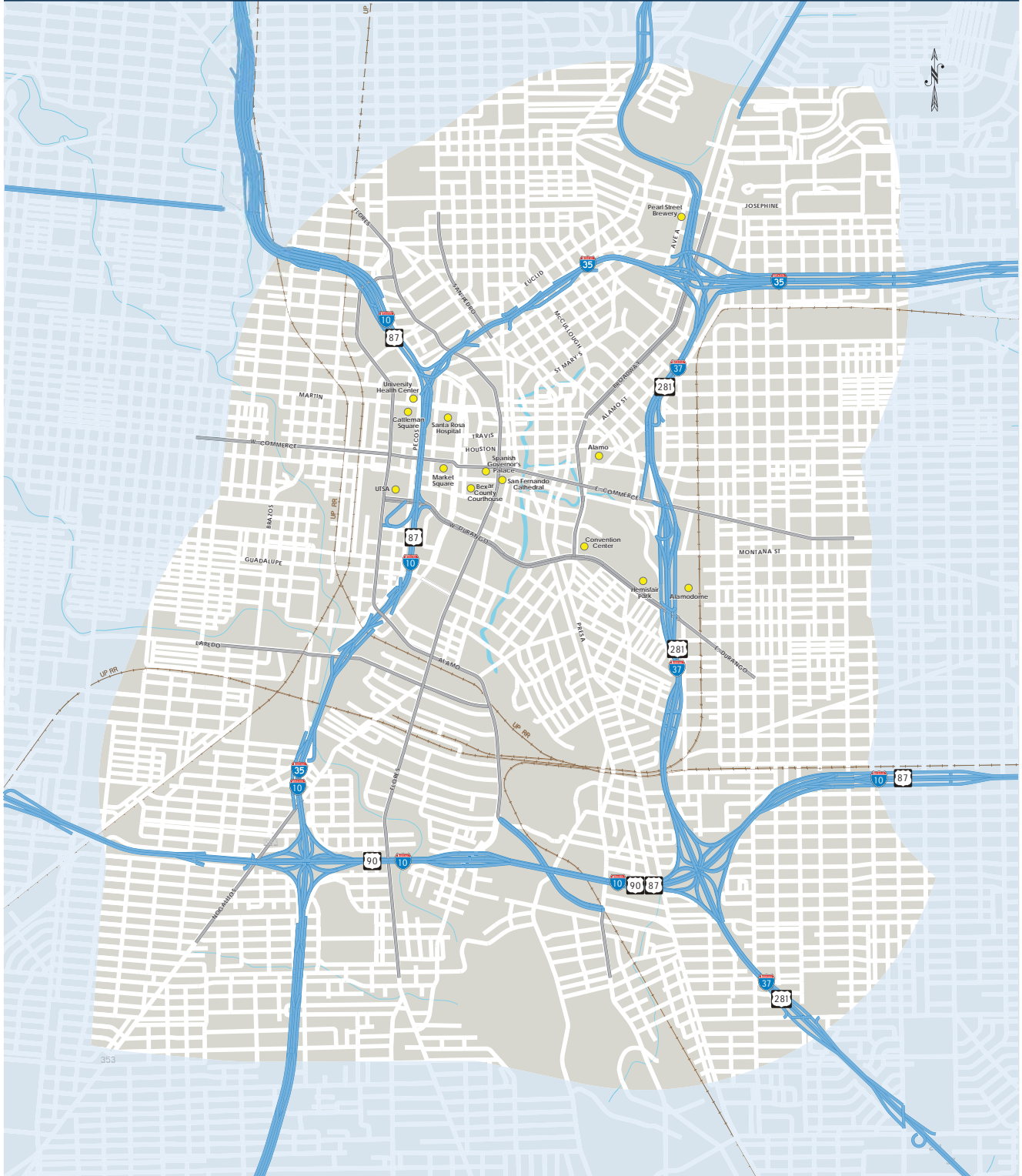
**I-35 CENTRAL
PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL LINKAGES
STUDY**



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STUDY AREA

I-35 CENTRAL PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL LINKAGES (PEL) STUDY



ITS



Real Time Travel Info



Park & Ride



Telecommute



Off-Peak Travel



Ride Share

Travel Smarter.
Reduce Traffic.



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I-35 PEL

Historic Resources

- Study Area
 • National Register Property
 ■ National Register District
 □ City Historic Landmark Site
 □ Cemetery
 ■ City Historic District
 ■ National Register District



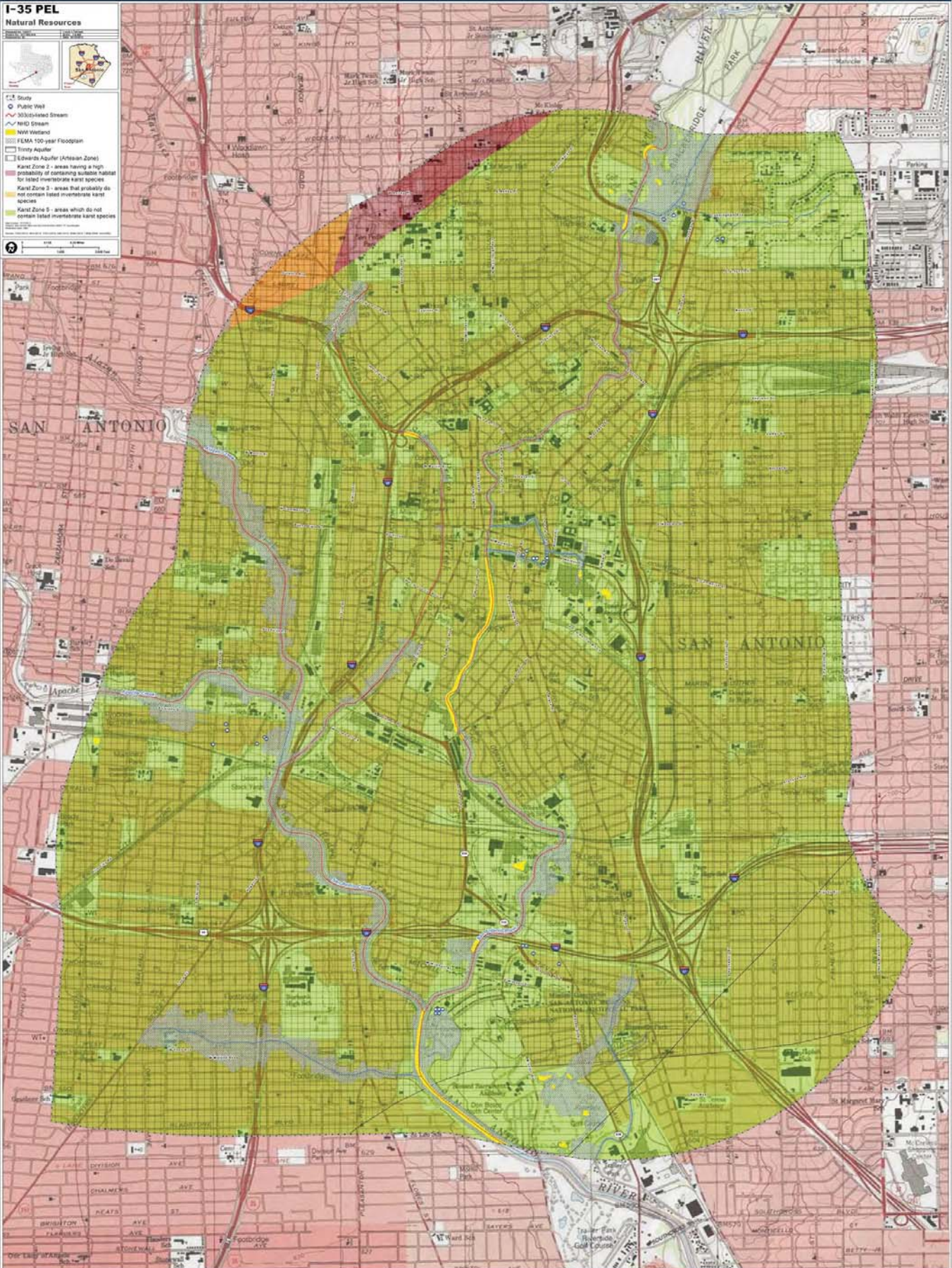
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2	Alamo National Bank	25	Caney, George Washington, Library and Auditorium	39	Garca Garcia House	47	Prosper Hill Missionary Baptist Church	61	St. Mark's Episcopal Church		
3	Alamo National Bank Building	26	Central Trust Company Building	40	Guadalupe Company Building	48	Saint Anthony Hotel	62	Stacker Brothers Building		
4	The Alamo	27	Church of Nuestra Señora de la Candelaria y Guadalupe / San	41	Guenther, Carl Wilmar, House	49	San Antonio Casino Club Building	63	Stevens Building		
5	Alamo Theater	28	Fernando Cathedral	42	Guiter Hotel	50	San Antonio Drug Company	64	The Keller		
6	Barnes-Laird House	29	City of San Antonio Municipal Auditorium	43	Hart, A. H., House	51	San Antonio Loan and Trust Building	65	Thiele House and Thiele Cottage		
7	Barr Building	30	City Public Service Company Building	44	The Heuser	52	San Antonio US Post Office and Courthouse	66	UHL, Gustav, House and Store		
8	Beau Courty Courthouse	31	Clegg, S. B., House	45	Hays Street Bridge	53	San Antonio Water Works Pump Station No. 2	67	Urbaine Academy		
9	Betham, James Butler, Elementary School	32	Shenard, Emil, House	46	Hedger, James and Ann, House	54	Schneider Youth House	68	Vogel, Bert, Conrath		
10	Brady Building - Empire Theater	33	The Fairmount Hotel	47	Helmans Building / West End Drug Store	55	Scottish Rite Cathedral	69	Wright, L. E., House		
11	Builders Exchange Building	34	First National Bank of San Antonio	48	International & Great Northern Railroad Passenger Station	56	Old Lane Star Brewery	70	Ximenes Chapel		
12	Burns Building	35	Fourth Ward School	49	Jacobs Restaurant	57	Old Lane Star Brewery (Boundary Increase)				
				50		58	Southern Pacific Railroad Passenger Station				

HISTORIC RESOURCES



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Natural Resources



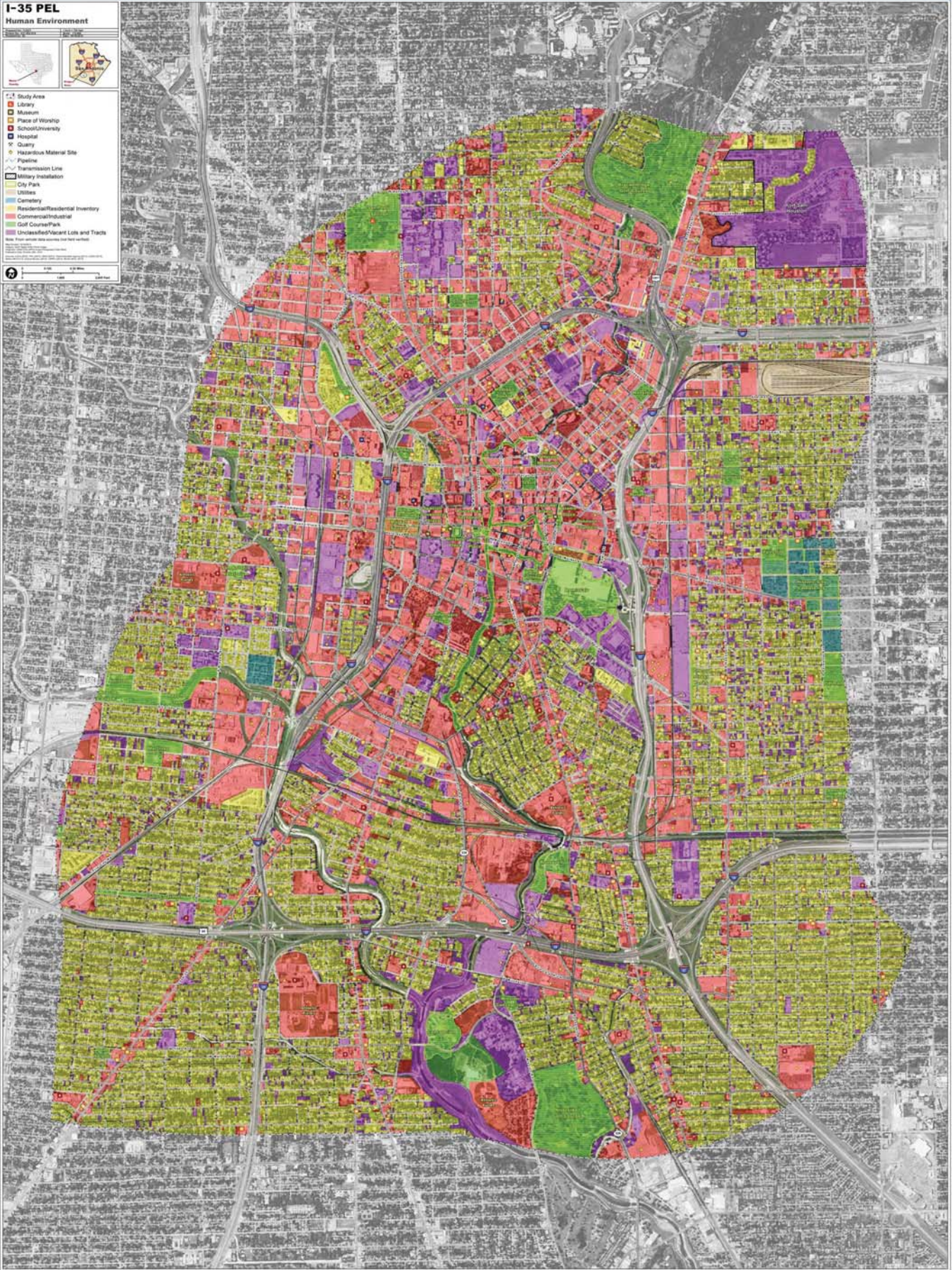


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Human Environment

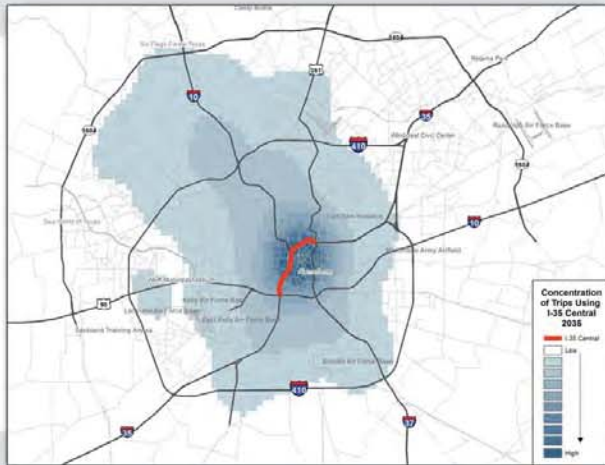
- Study Area
- Library
- Museum
- Place of Worship
- School/University
- Hospital
- Quarry
- Hazardous Material Site
- Pipeline
- Transmission Line
- Military Installation
- City Park
- Utilities
- Cemetery
- Residential/Residential Inventory
- Commercial/Industrial
- Golf Course/Park
- Unclassified/Vacant Lots and Tracts

Scale: 0 0.5 1.0 Miles





Where is I-35 Central Traffic Going?



Concentration of trips that use I-35 Central (Year 2035)

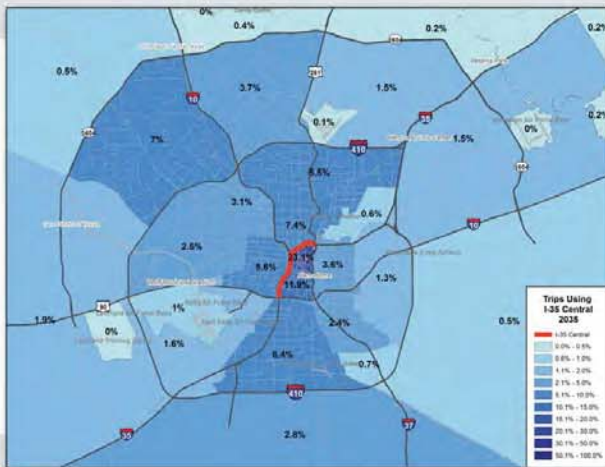
Highest proportion of trips originate and are destined around the downtown and along I-10 West.



Percent of trips going downtown that use I-35 Central (Year 2035)

Proportion of Downtown Destined Trips that use I-35 between I-37 and US 90.

25% of trips from areas directly north and south
25% of trips from areas along I-10 West
25% of trips from areas along US 90 West



Number of trips that use I-35 Central by Region Sector (Year 2035)

Proportion of trips that use I-35 Central.

Largest proportion of trips generated in the region are on the west side.



What Happens if Nothing is Done?



Highest concentration of congestion on surrounding freeways.

Most severe congestion along I-35 and I-10 approaching from the northwest.

Cross street congestion in close proximity to freeways:

- Alamo Street
- Buena Vista Street
- Cesar Chavez Blvd.
- Martin Street
- San Pedro Avenue



I-35 PEL CONCEPTUAL STRATEGIES

No Build

No improvements are made in this scenario.

Travel Options

*Travel Options offer just that: **options** - to drivers that can help to reduce traffic on our roads. Think Ride Sharing, Off-Peak Travel, or ITS, to name a few.*

Connecting Arterial Improvements

Improved Signal Timing and Intersection Upgrades

Capacity is increased by building elevated sections above existing roadway, or by tunneling under.

Added Capacity/ Expansion of I-35

Truck-Only Lanes

Operational Improvements

Re-designation of I-35

An option that will 're-designate' I-35 from a primary through-route for traffic, making it more of a local/business route for commuters and Central San Antonio-bound traffic.

RAIL

Multi-modal connectivity

HOV/TRANSIT



TRAVEL OPTIONS

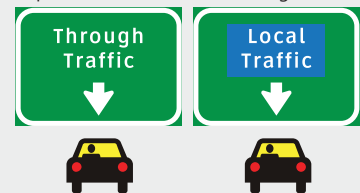


There are many minor improvements, generally within the existing right-of-way, that can enable the existing system to operate more efficiently and safely.

Transportation System Management

Improved Signing

Advance guide signing can help separate local traffic from through traffic.



Other improvements might include:

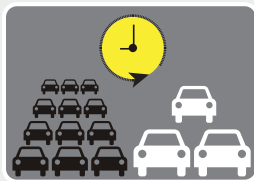
Ramp Modifications

Geometric Improvements

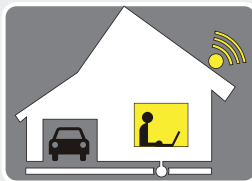
Auxiliary Lane Additions

Traffic Demand Management

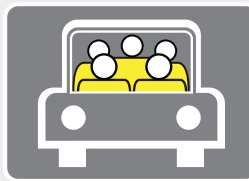
Traffic Demand Management is the application of strategies and policies to reduce travel demand, specifically that of single-occupancy private vehicles, or to redistribute this demand in space and time.



Off-Peak Travel



Telecommuting



Ride Sharing

Downtown employer-based programs may include Commute Programs, In-House Ride-Matching, Transit Pass Subsidies, or Alternative Work Hours.

Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) focuses on advanced technologies that enable drivers to operate vehicles with greater knowledge about existing traffic conditions, e.g., during lane closures or unplanned incidents.

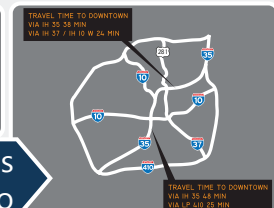
Intelligent Transportation Systems



Cameras monitor traffic conditions



Built-in navigation system alerts



Advance Message Signs and Real Time Travel Info




ReDESIGNATION



With the changes to land use and overall corridor function, the I-35 corridor could be 're-designated' as a local or business route rather than a corridor used as a through-route. Through the improvements identified in this study, I-35 Central may evolve from a "through" facility to a "local or alternate" facility.

How does a "Re-Designation" Alternative work?

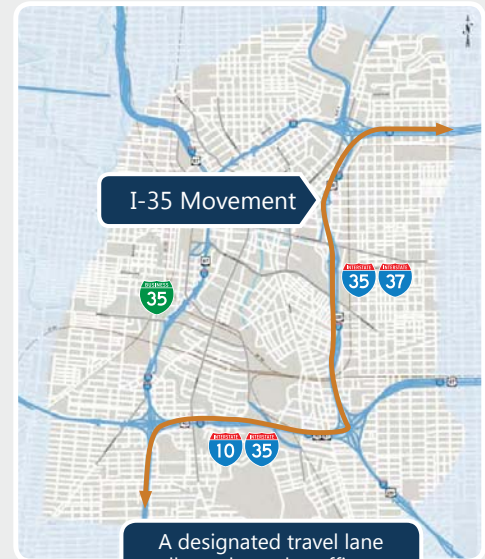
- 1 Re-designate I-37 (north of I-10 to I-35) 
- 2 Create a dual I-10 and I-35 designation for east-west traffic south of downtown 
- 3 Separate local traffic from through movements 
- 4 Improve interchanges to accommodate continuous movement at higher speed 

These alternatives can result in improvements in corridor operation.

Reduce travel time through San Antonio

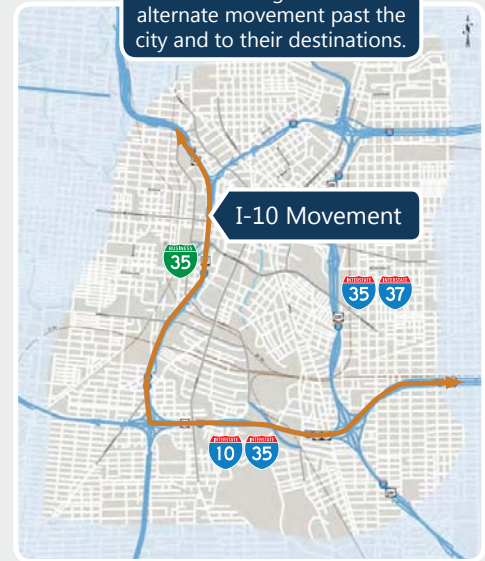
Continuous I-35 and I-10 movements with appropriate access

Minimize weaving segments



I-35 Movement

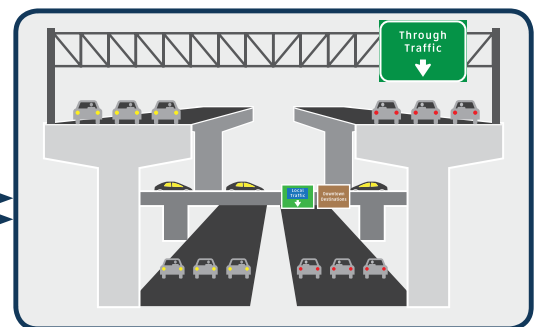
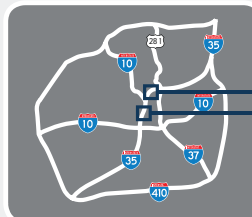
A designated travel lane allows through traffic an alternate movement past the city and to their destinations.



I-10 Movement

Upper & Lower Decks

Further separate traffic by directing through traffic to the upper deck and local traffic to the lower deck.

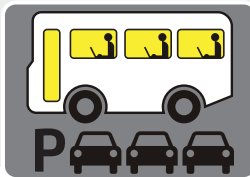




HOV/TRANSIT

Park & Ride

Park & Ride (or incentive parking) facilities provide connections to public transit that allow commuters and other people headed downtown to leave their vehicles and transfer to a bus or carpool for the remainder of the journey.



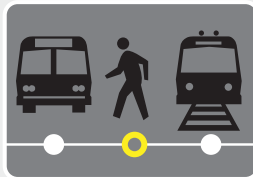
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Number of Park & Rides currently available to San Antonio Commuters.

Park & Rides are used by commuters going to work, by other riders transferring from one route to another, and for special event services.

Crossroads
Ellis Alley
Elmendorf
Randolph Blvd.

University
Parkhills
Blossom
SeaWorld



Transit Centers

Transit Centers often offer enclosed waiting areas with restrooms, vending machines and staff to assist riders. Customers using transit systems converge at these 'hubs' to take advantage of route-to-route transfers and access to more destinations.

Bicycle storage and enhanced transit information such as real-time departure signs are also usually found at Transit Centers.

Ingram
Kel-Lac
Madla Transit Center
South Texas Medical Center
Northstar Transit Center

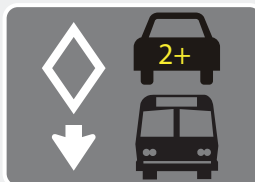
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Number of Transit Centers currently available to San Antonio Commuters.

A combination of possible HOV lanes could feed downtown San Antonio, thereby decreasing travel times on multiple routes and offering a more reliable trip time downtown.

HOV/Managed Lanes

A managed lane, or high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lane, is a restricted traffic lane reserved at peak travel times or longer for exclusive use of vehicles with two or more passengers. *Managed/HOV lanes may also be called carpool or transit lanes.*





Evaluating the Strategies

Goals and Objectives

The "Evaluation Criteria" shown here will be used to help determine **the next steps** in the I-35 PEL Study.

Safety



Does the alternative **reduce crashes** on I-35?

Public Support

What level of **public support** is the alternative likely to have?



Economic



Does the alternative **support economic development**?

Mobility

Does the alternative **reduce congestion** on I-35 through the study area?



Alternate Routes

Does the alternative... encourage use of other routes?

Vehicle Miles Traveled (vmt)

reduce vehicle miles traveled?

Vehicle Hours Traveled (vht)

reduce travel time?

Environmental Impacts

What are the potential **environmental impacts** of the alternative?

Land Use

Cultural Resources

Wetland/Water Resources

Vegetation and Wildlife Habitats



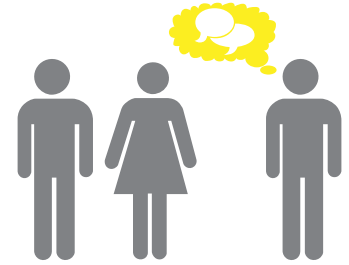


What Comes Next?

Consider

community input

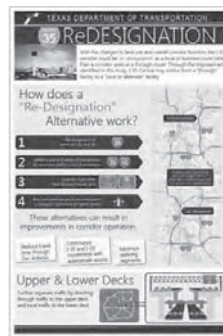
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Continue collecting and considering community input throughout the study.

Conduct

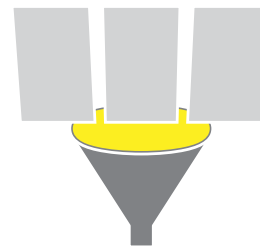
an **initial screening** of alternatives.



Refine

the alternatives.

Continue screening refined alternatives.



Consider

viable alternatives to **move forward** for further study.

