



SMITH COUNTY ROAD IMPROVEMENT BOND PROPOSITIONS
November 2017 & November 2021 Elections

REVIEW AND ANALYSIS OF VOTER APPROVED PROJECTS

February 20, 2025

Smith County Road Bonds Current Issues



- Phase 1 Bond – 175 Mile discrepancy between Approved Projects and delivered Improvements (without \$3.5m supplemental funding)
- Phase 2 Bond – 183 Mile potential slippage between projected completion dates and delivered improvements (Including \$10m supplemental funding)
- Multiple definitions of “Improvement” definitions and categories
- No apparent standards for completed projects and/or project management
- Completed projects already showing deterioration
- Lack of transparency in reporting, scheduling and financials
- Lack of reporting on Bond proceeds, payments and balances

Smith County Road Bonds – Time Line

Date	Activity
• July, 2010	Operational Review of R&B Conducted with Recommendations
• 2015	Atkins Engineering Hired to assess road condition - \$98M Estimated
Aug, 2017	Frank Davis issues 1 st draft of 6-year plan
2017	Commissioners Court appropriates \$10m for additional repairs beyond proposed PH 1 bond tranche. Transfers from Reserves
Nov, 2017	Voters approve \$39.5m bond for PH 1 improvements
Oct, 2018	Commissioners Court appropriates \$3.5m for incremental projects
Sep, 2020	PH 1 project work begins, Year 1 of 3-year plan
Nov, 2021	Voters approve \$45m bond for PH 2 improvements
Sep, 2023	PH 1 project closed down with 204.5 miles completed of 379.5 planned
Oct, 2024	PH 2 project work begins, Year 1 of 3-year plan with 282.2 miles planned
Sep, 2026	PH 2 project work estimated completion

PHASE 2 BOND - PROPOSED PROJECTS (Report Dated Jan 19, 2023)

SMITH COUNTY PHASE 2 ROAD BOND ACTUAL VS PROPOSED

SMITH COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE C.I.P.

PHASE 2 BOND - APPROVED

ROAD NO.	PCT NO.	CAT.	FROM	TO	MILES	FY-4		FY-5		FY-6		
PHASE 2 - YEARLY TOTALS						282.216	\$ 17,696,214	90.851	\$ 19,995,458	101.383	\$ 17,816,155	89.981
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FUNDING SUMMARY	
BOND PROCEEDS:	\$45.0M
Supplemental Funds:	\$10.0M
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$55.0M

PHASE 2 BOND - ACTUAL PROJECTS (Report Dated Jan 6, 2025)

SMITH COUNTY PHASE 2 BOND SUMMARY

MILEAGE SUMMARY	
BOND PROJECTED:	282.2 Miles
Actual Completed	99.1 Miles
Shortfall	183.1 Miles

PHASE 2 PROGRAM	PROGRAMMED		COMPLETED		UNDER CONTRACT		IN PLANNING	
	MILES	COSTS	MILES	COSTS	MILES	COSTS	MILES	COSTS
ROADWAY RECONSTRUCTION	62.364	\$ 18,650,000	59.438	\$ 20,916,887	17.077	\$ 4,877,695	21.370	
STABILIZATION & HMAC OVERLAY	112.257	\$ 26,550,000						
HMAC OVERLAY	107.595	\$ 9,050,000	39.641	\$ 2,247,000				
BRIDGE REPLACEMENT (2 SITES)		\$ 1,250,000						
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES								
TOTAL PHASE 2	282.216	\$ 55,500,000	99.079	\$ 23,163,887	17.077	\$ 4,877,695	21.370	\$ -

Extract of Phase 2 Road Bond Approved Projects in Precinct 1

148	1	B	FM 346	FM 2493	0.436					\$ 39,205	0.436
165	1	B	CR 167	CR 168	0.322	\$ 28,977	0.322				
165	1	B	FM 2493	Toll 49	0.758	\$ 68,182	0.758				
166	1	B	Baggett Rd.	End	0.644					\$ 57,955	0.644
167	1	B	CR 165	CR 178	0.720	\$ 64,773	0.720				
172	1	A2	FM 2493	FM 346	1.572			\$ -	1.572		
173	1	B	CR 152	FM 344	0.890	\$ 80,114	0.890				
178	1	B	Toll 49	CR 168	1.705	\$ 152,400	1.705				
178	1	A	FM 2868	CR 168	1.989			\$ 546,875	1.989		
178	1	B	CR 168	Toll 49	0.473	\$ 42,614	0.473				
188	1	A2	FM 346	FM 344	1.610	\$ 442,708	1.610				
192	1	B	Toll 49	Hwy. 155 South	1.345			\$ 121,023	1.345		
223	2	A	CR 246	CR 227	2.538					\$ 697,917	2.538

Extract of SC Commissioner Court Agenda Meeting Date: 2/11/2025

6. Consider and take necessary action to authorize the Purchasing Department to advertise, solicit, and receive sealed bids for the following:

- a. RB-17-25 Seal Coat Program,
- b. RB-18-25 Road Improvements to CR 178 (FM 2868 to CR 168), and
- c. RB-19-25 Road Improvements to CR 411 (IH 20 to FM 849).

Slippage Example

- CR178 Planned completion in FY25 in 1/19/2023 Plan Request for Bids just submitted on 2/11/2025