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### **Railroad Quiet Zones Phase II Construction Scheduled**

**New Braunfels, TX** – Beginning October 23<sup>rd</sup>, additional work on Phase II of the Railroad Quiet Zones project will begin at the Hickory Avenue, Grape Avenue and Old Austin Road crossings. The work will move along rail lines through the end of December with construction of necessary median improvements at the remaining crossings: Live Oak Avenue (Mainline No. 1 & No. 2), Krueger Avenue and Gruene Road.

Phase II consists of roadway improvements and mill-and-overlay construction for the roadway/rail crossings along Union Pacific Rail Road (UPRR) Mainline No. 1 from Walnut Avenue to N. Live Oak Avenue, along UPRR Mainline No. 2 from Herry Place to Krueger Avenue and the Gruene Road crossing on UPRR Mainline No. 1. Phase II of the Railroad Quiet Zones Project began construction September 8, 2014 at Guenther Avenue, Herry Place and the Santa Clara Crossings.

The City is adding safety measures to local railroad crossings that will allow train engineers to refrain from blowing their horns as they travel through New Braunfels. Once construction at all of the above mentioned crossings is complete, the City will file a Notice of Establishment with Union Pacific Railroad and the Federal Railroad Administration. Following the approval of the Notice of Establishment, the train engineers will have 21 days to stop routinely sounding their horns. However, the train engineers can still sound their horns at anytime for safety concerns.

Efforts to make New Braunfels a “Quiet Zone City” have been in cooperation with the Federal Railroad Administration, Union Pacific Railroad, and the Texas Department of Transportation.

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