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Alves Lane Improvement Project Kicks Off with Public Information Meeting and Groundbreaking Ceremony

New Braunfels, Texas – The City of New Braunfels is inviting residents to attend a public information meeting on the Alves Lane Improvement project, from 6:30 to 8:30 in the evening, on Tuesday, January 9th at Canyon Middle School, 2014 FM 1101 in New Braunfels. In addition to basic project information, the meeting will highlight the design elements of the project as well as the proposed schedule and work phases.

Citizens are also invited to attend the groundbreaking ceremony for the project on Thursday, January 11th at 11:00 a.m. The event will be held at 233 Alves Lane near the intersection of Seminole Drive.

The street and drainage improvement project is a part of the City of New Braunfels 2013 Bond Program, approved by voters in May 2013. The project reconstructs Alves Lane from SH-46 to Barbarossa Road in order to improve drainage on a street that connects multiple residential and commercial areas. The street improvements include a three-lane roadway with sidewalks on both sides of the road. These improvements will also assist with relieving some congestion on SH-46.

In October 2013, City Council approved a contract with M&S Engineering for preliminary design services and approved the contract for final design in December 2014. This project is being administered as a joint bid with New Braunfels Utilities (NBU). In October 2017, City Council approved a contract with Capital Excavation for the construction of the drainage, roadway, and utility improvements. Project completion is anticipated in the spring of 2020.

The total construction budget for the project is \$10.2 million, \$8.5 million of which is funded by the 2013 Bond Program for the drainage and street improvements, and \$1.7 million by NBU for the water and wastewater improvements.

"NBU continues to be a great partner and we are excited to begin the drainage, roadway and utility infrastructure upgrades that will be constructed with this project. Our partnership with NBU on these joint projects has significantly benefited the process and resulted in substantial savings for the citizens of New Braunfels and NBU's rate payers," said Bryan Woods, Assistant City Manager.