

C2.06 – Water Transmission Line





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Project Overview

• A 10-mile, 30 in High-density polyethylene (HDPE) potable water transmission line (WTL) in Caldwell County will be designed with the goal of meeting the growing demand in the area. The project is designed to deliver 11.5 million gallons per day (MGD) and incorporates elevated and groundwater storage tanks along with pump stations.

Constraints and Standards

Route Selection

- Minimize disruptions to cemeteries, private property, and sensitive habitats
- Prioritize existing right-of-way use to limit new land acquisition

Pipe Material Selection

- Consider corrosion resistance and mechanical strength
- Evaluate long-term maintenance and lifecycle costs

Installation Methods

- Use open-cut trenching in rural, less developed areas for costeffectiveness
- Employ horizontal directional drilling (HDD) and microtunneling in urban or sensitive zones

Geotechnical Conditions

- Soil conditions
- Buoyancy evaluations

Hydraulic Constraints

- Evaluate fluid velocity
- Used Hazen-Williams equations to estimate friction losses

Environmental Impact

- Mitigate soil erosion and water pollution with BMPs (e.g., silt fences, sediment basins)
- Protect endangered species and restore habitats post-construction

Regulatory Compliance

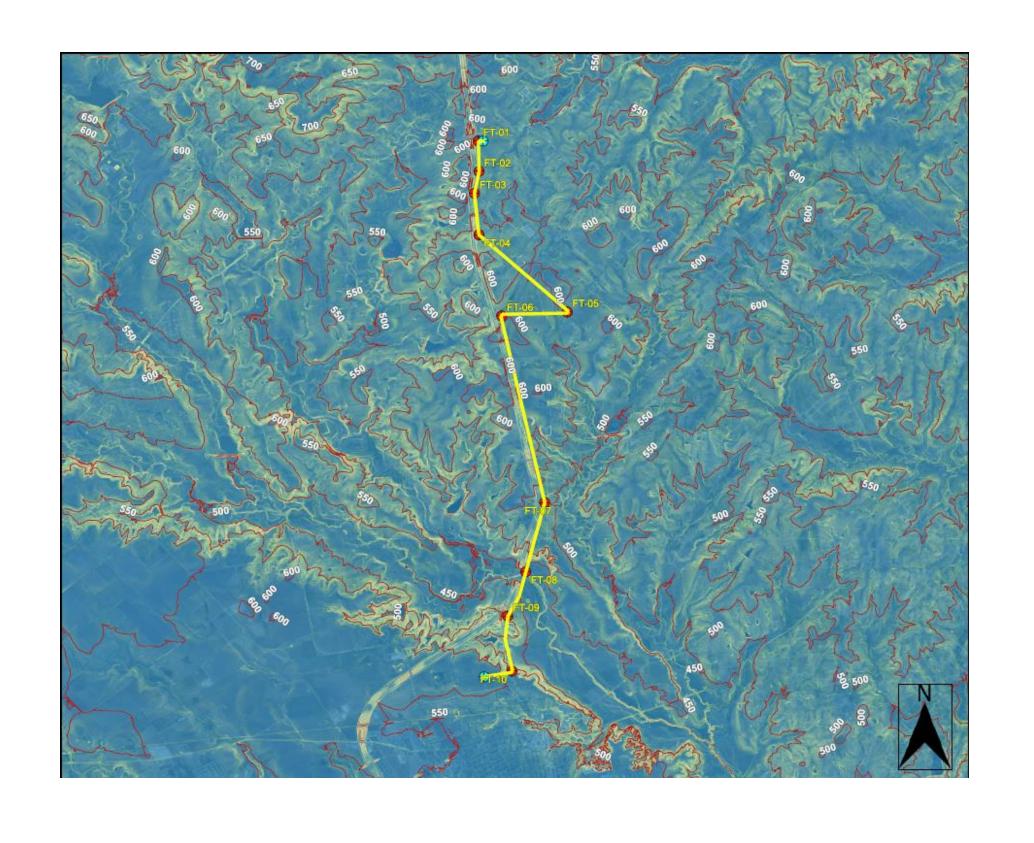
- Align with TCEQ and EPA standards (e.g., TAC 290, ANSI/NSF 61)
- Referred to City of Lockhart Construction Standards (2020) and City of Austin's Utilities Criteria Manual (2025)

Route Selection



Previous Alternative	Chosen Alternative	
Route: Delta	Route: Delta	
Material: 24" HDPE	Material: 30" HDPE	
Capacity: 11.5 MGD	Capacity: 11.5 MGD	
Velocity: 5.66 fps	Velocity: 3.63 fps	

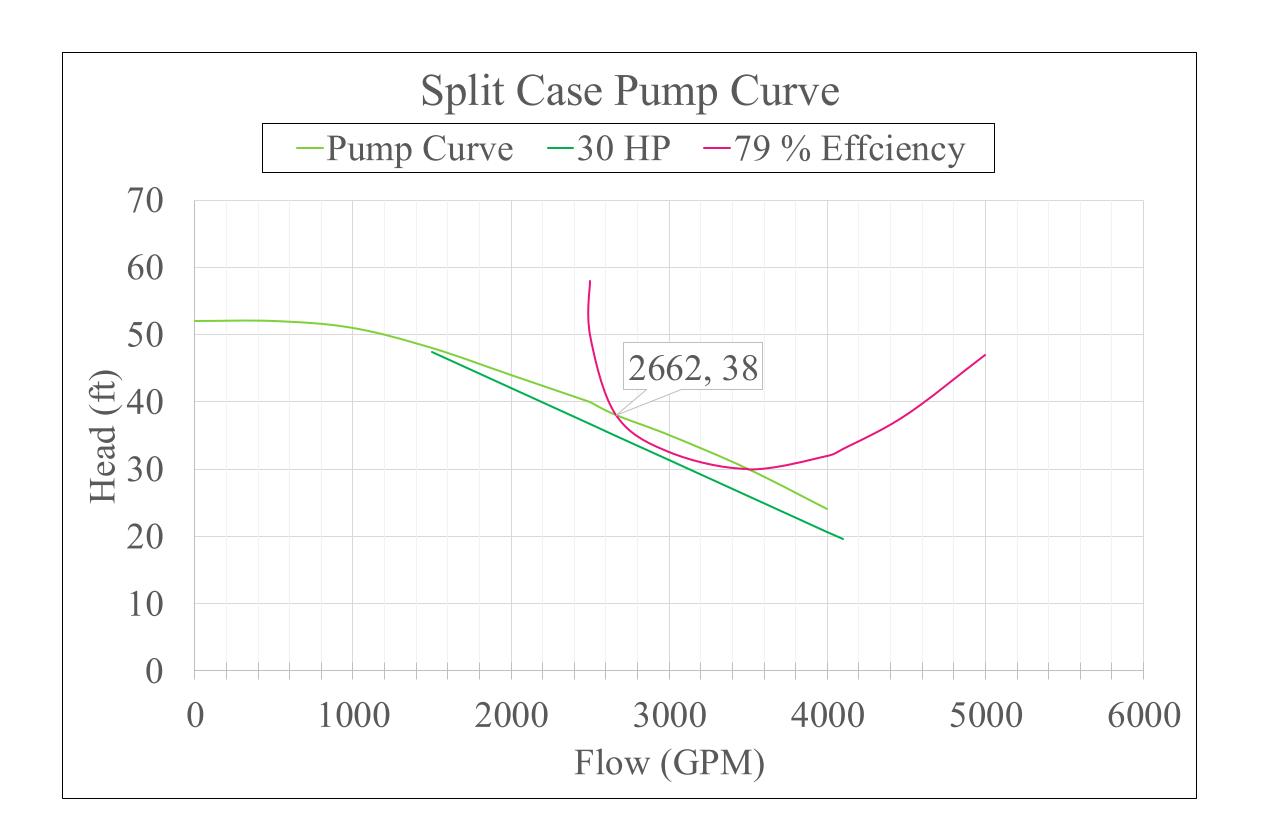
Route Delta – Slope Analysis Map



Cost Analysis

Capital Cost Analysis - HDPE		
Item	Description	Cost
1	Reports	\$12,000
2	Site Investigations	\$1,002,700
3	Soil Laboratory Investigation	\$170,100
4	Engineering and Technical Expenses	\$179,500
5	Labor and Machinery	\$2,670,000
6	Material and Installation	\$75,770,000
7	Contingency	10%
Total Cost		\$79,800,000
Total Cost w/ Contingency		\$87,800,000

Booster Pump Station



- Three Pump Parallel Configuration
- 34 HP Pumps
- 2,662 GPM thru each pump