



Arts and Cultural Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, June 17, 2026 6:00 PM
Kyle City Hall, Minerva Falcon Community Room,
100 W. Center Street, Kyle, TX 78640

I. Call Meeting to Order and Roll Call

II. Approval of Minutes

1. Consider approval of the Arts and Cultural Board May 20, 2026 meeting minutes.
(Item Presenter: Will Atkinson, Parks Planning & Project Manager)
[Exhibit 1 - Minutes](#)

III. Citizen Comment Period with Arts and Cultural Board

The Arts and Cultural Board welcomes comments from Citizens. Those wishing to speak are encouraged to sign in before the meeting begins. Speakers may be provided with an opportunity to speak during this time period on any agenda item or any other matter concerning Arts and Cultural Board business, and they must observe the three-minute time limit.

IV. Staff Reports and Presentations

2. Receive a report, hold a discussion, and provide staff feedback regarding the Kohler's Crossing Bridge art work.
(Item Presenter: Will Atkinson, Parks Planning & Project Manager)
[Exhibit 1 - Staff Memo](#)
[Exhibit 2 - Presentation](#)
3. Receive a report, hold a discussion, and provide staff feedback regarding general updates on department announcements, public art and cultural related items, procedures, maintenance, and projects, such as the traffic box art program, tiny art gallery, and the Kohler's Bridge.
(Item Presenter: Will Atkinson, Parks Planning & Project Manager)
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V. Adjourn

One or more members of the board may participate in the meeting by videoconference pursuant to Section 551.127, Texas Government Code, provided that a quorum of the board will be present at Kyle City Hall.

NOTE: There may be a quorum of the City Council of Kyle, Texas present at the meeting who may participate in the discussion. No official action will be taken by the City Council members in attendance.

Posted this 11th day of June, 2026, prior to 10:00 a.m.

ARTS AND CULTURAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The Arts and Cultural Board met in a regular scheduled meeting on May 20, 2026 at Kyle City Hall with the following present:

Board Chair Melissa Spence
Board Member Rose Burke
Board Member Andrea MacRae
Board Member Anabel Gomez
Board Member Jackson Bennett
Board Member Raechel Moose
Chris Escoto, City Employee non-voting liaison
Tamara Aquino, City Employee non-voting liaison
Will Atkinson City Employee non-voting liaison

I. Call Meeting to Order and Roll Call

Board Chair Spence called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M. Board Chair Spence, Board Member Gomez, Board Member Burke, Board Member MacRae, Board Member Bennett, and Board Member Moose were present. A quorum was present.

Board Member Burke made a motion to excuse Board Vice Chair Melendez Ruiz's absence. Board Member Gomez seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

II. Approval of Minutes

1. Consider approval of the Arts and Cultural Board March 18, 2026 meeting minutes.

(Item Presenter: Tamara Aquino, Business & Strategic Planning Manager, Parks & Recreation)

Board Member MacRae made a motion to approve the minutes from March 18, 2026. Board Member Burke seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

III. Citizen Comment Period with Arts and Cultural Board

Board Chair Spence opened citizen comments at 6:03 P.M. Business and Strategic Planning Manager Tamara Aquino introduced the new board members, Board Member Bennett and Board Member Moose. Each shared why they applied to be on the Arts and Cultural Board. With no one else wishing to speak, Board Chair Spence closed citizen comments at 6:04 P.M.

IV. Staff Reports and Presentations

2. Receive a report, hold a discussion, and provide staff direction regarding creation and approval of the annual public art project list.

(Item Presenter: Will Atkinson, Parks Planning & Project Manager)

Parks Planning & Project Manager Will Atkinson presented the report. After the board members discussed, they would like to see the following options to consider for funding: local artist sale program, a large-scale community engagement art event, traffic box art, theatre productions, and

artistic elements along the Vybe Trail. There was also discussion of highlighting Kyle's history when possible. No action taken.

3. Receive a report, hold a discussion, and provide staff direction regarding the tiny art showcase program.

(Item Presenter: Will Atkinson, Parks Planning & Project Manager)

Parks Planning & Project Manager Will Atkinson presented the report. No action taken.

4. Receive a report, hold a discussion, and provide staff feedback regarding general updates on department announcements, public art and cultural related items, procedures, maintenance, and projects, such as the roundabout art, traffic box art program, tiny art gallery, and the public art master plan.

(Item Presenter: Aimee Garcia, Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation)

Parks Planning & Project Manager Will Atkinson presented the report. No action taken.

V. Adjourn

With no other agenda items to discuss, Board Member Gomez made a motion to adjourn. Board Member MacRae seconded the motion. Motion passed 6 - 0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 P.M.

Melissa Spence, Board Chair

Prepared by:
Tamara Aquino



Arts and Cultural Board Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation
FROM: Will Atkinson, Parks Planning & Project Manager
MEETING: June 17, 2026

SUBJECT:

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and provide staff feedback regarding the Kohler's Crossing bridge art work.

SUMMARY:

Staff will provide general updates and reports on the following as detailed below.

- Concrete Panel Art for the Kohler's Crossing Bridge

OPTIONS:

Provide staff feedback and recommend option

RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

STAFF CONTACT:

Name: Will Atkinson
Title: Park Planning & Project Manager
Email: watkinson@cityofkyle.com
Phone: 512-985-8877

Kohlers Crossing Grade Separation

Transportation & Public Works

Overview

- **Background**
- **Schematic**
- **Installation Locations**
- **Artwork**
- **Complexity**
- **Construction Cost Estimate**
- **Recommendation**

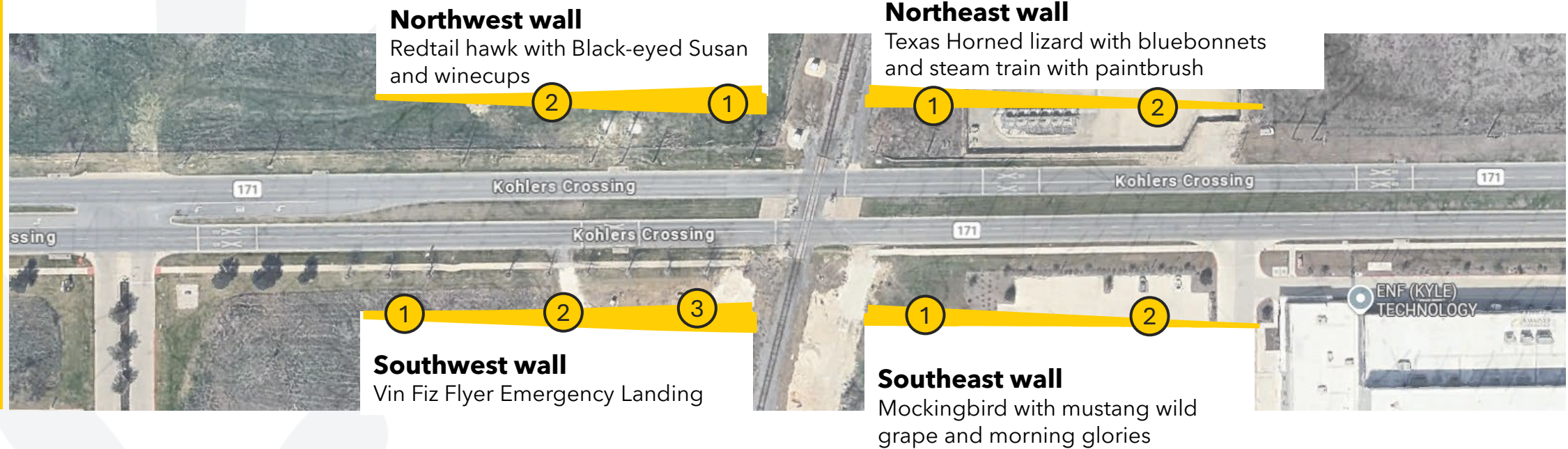
Background



- Future 4-lane bridge with Vybe Trail to cross Kohler's Crossing at UPRR.
- Starts at north entrance of ACC campus and extends east to Marketplace Avenue.
- Will include concrete art panels on all 4-sides of the bridge.
- Construction anticipated to be let the Summer of 2028
- Cost anticipated to be \$35-\$37 million
- **Council consideration on July 7, 2026**

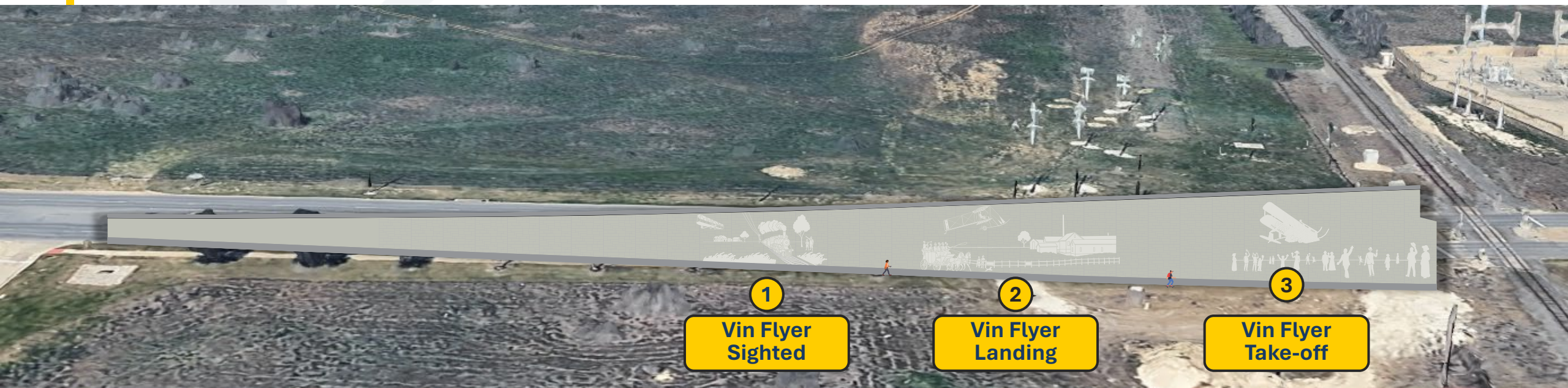


Installation Locations (Primary Alternative)



Southwest Wall

Flight of the Vin Flyer



Eastbound →
Looking north

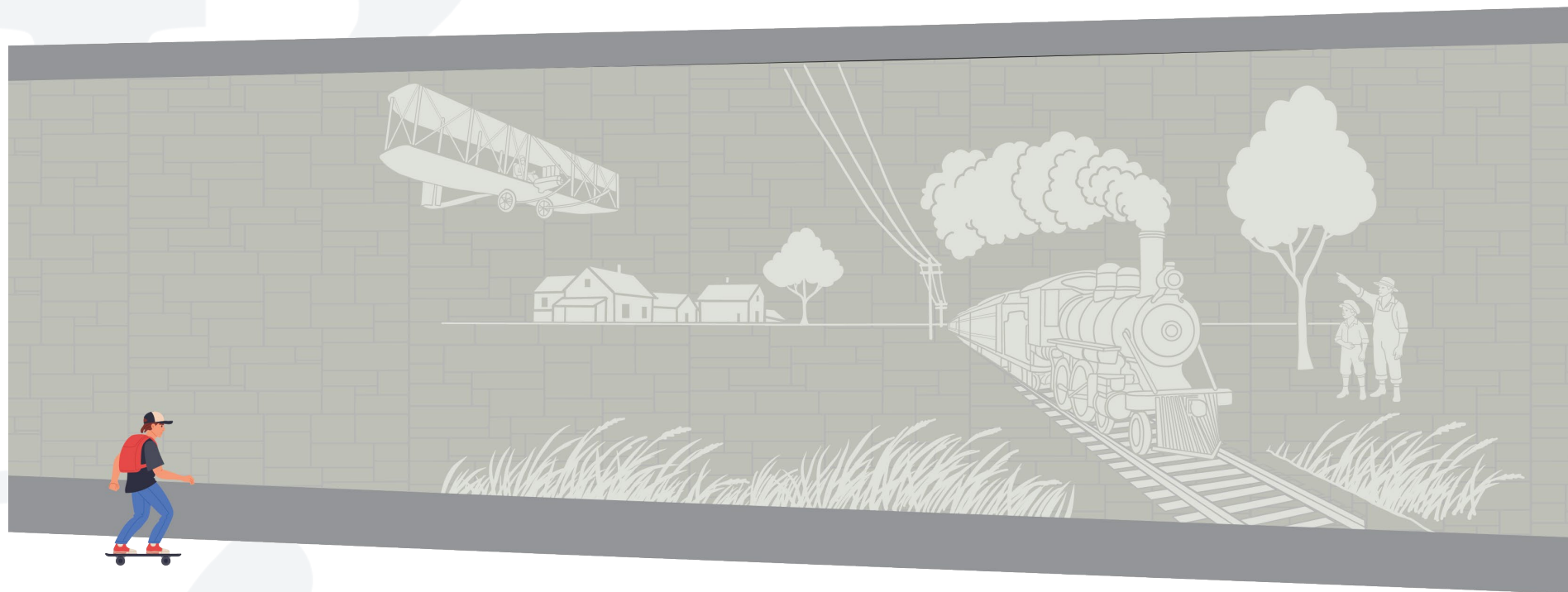
Southwest Wall

Vin Flyer Sighted

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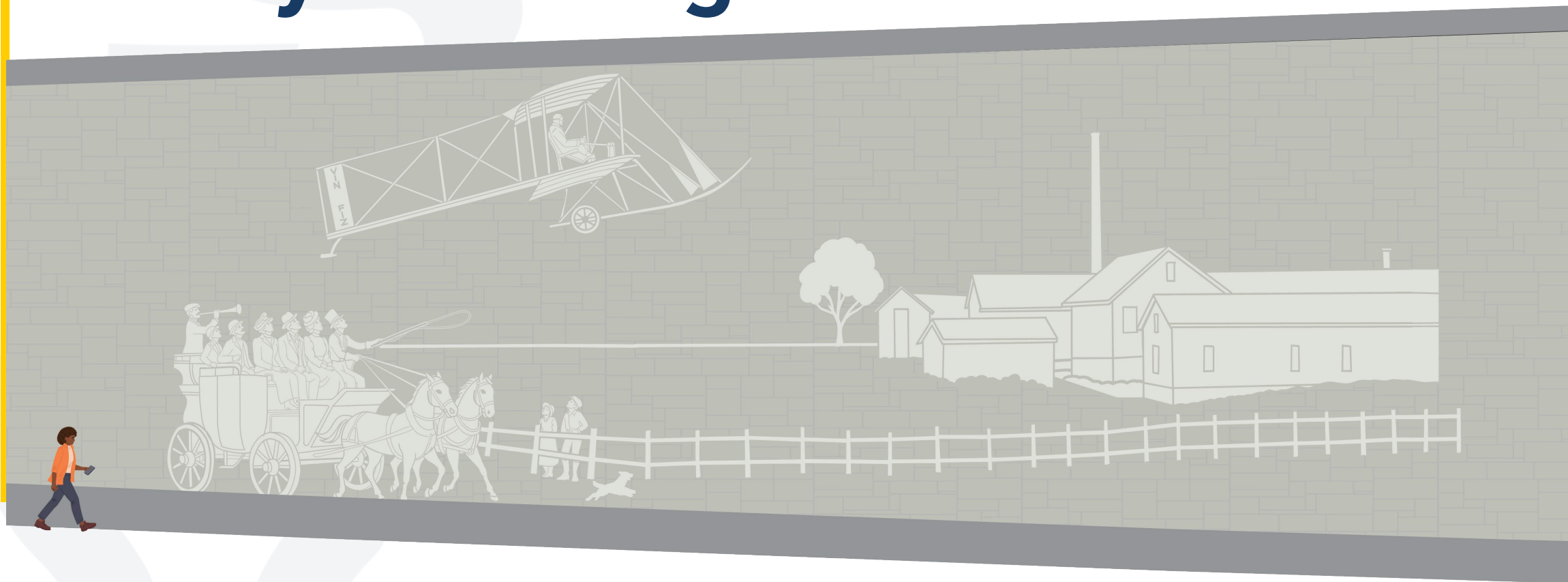


Installation Length: ~40'

Eastbound →
Looking north

Southwest Wall Vin Flyer Landing

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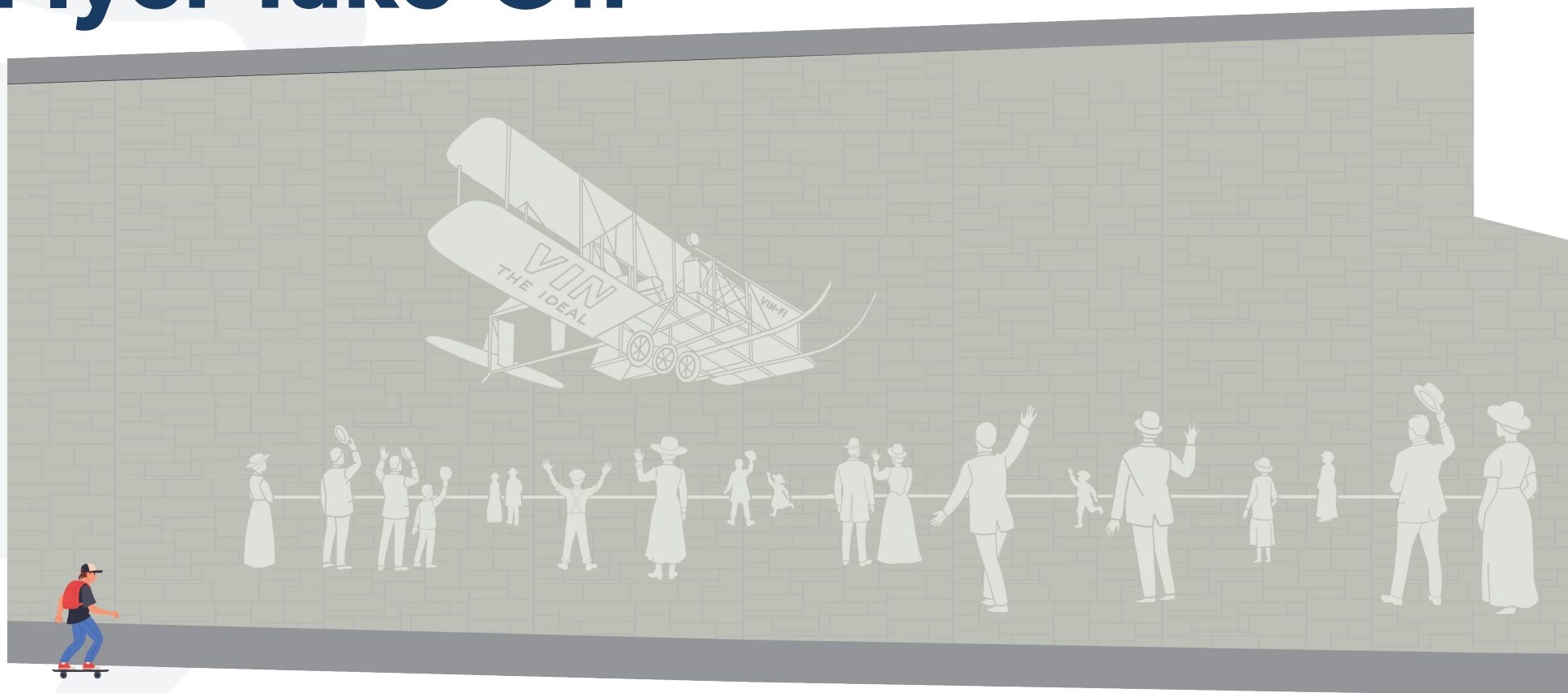


Installation Length: ~60'

Eastbound →
Looking north

Southwest Wall

Vin Flyer Take-Off



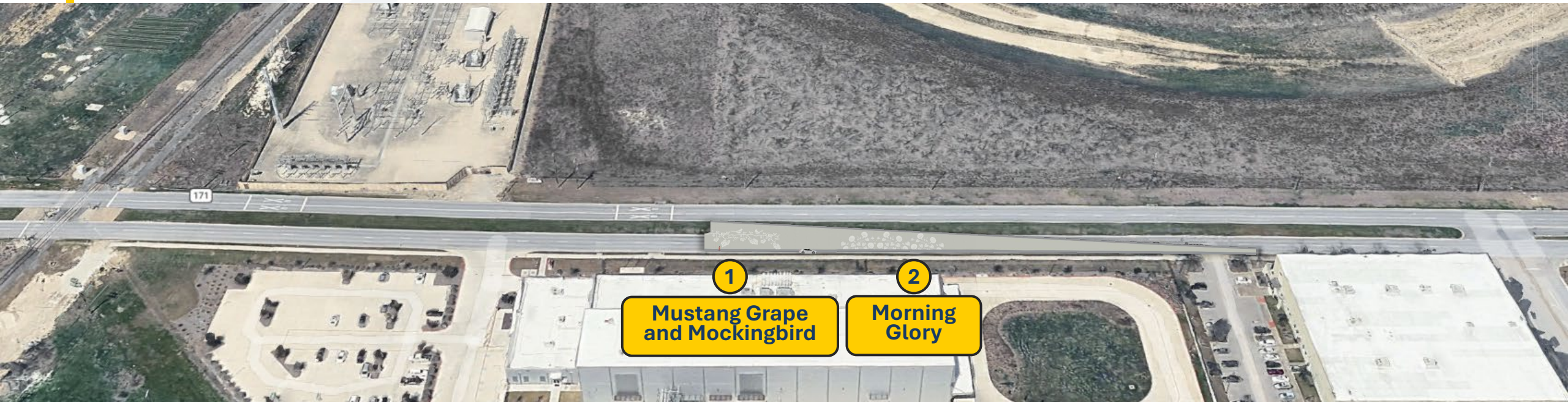
Installation Length: ~65'

Eastbound →
Looking north

Southeast Wall (looking north)



Mockingbird with mustang grape and morning glory



Eastbound →
Looking north

Southeast Wall

Mustang Grape and Mockingbird



Installation Length: ~65'

Mustang Grape (*Vitis mustangensis*)
Northern Mockingbird (*Mimus polyglottos*)

Eastbound →
Looking north

Southeast Wall

Morning Glory



Installation Length: ~90'

Morning Glory (*Ipomoea cordatotriloba*)

Eastbound →
Looking north



Northeast Wall (looking south)

Texas horned lizard, bluebonnets and steam train with paintbrush



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Steam Train
with Paintbrush

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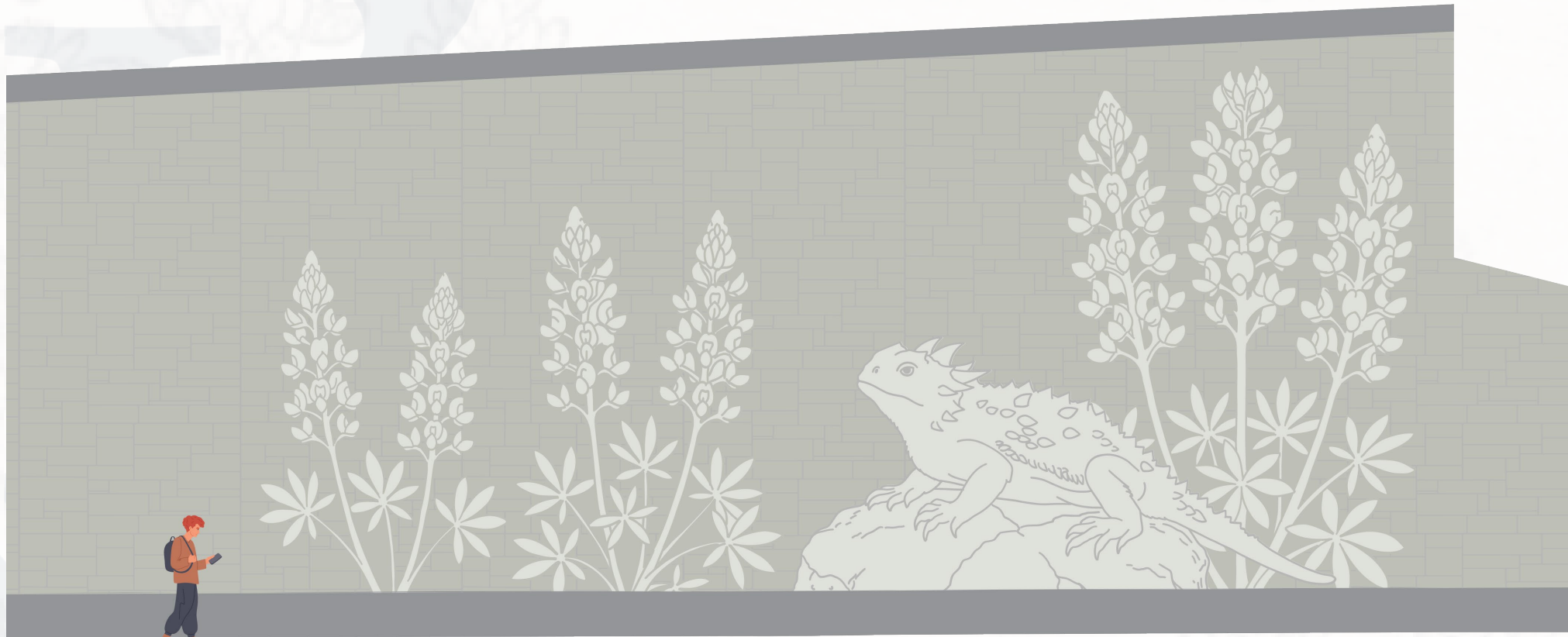
Texas Horned Lizard
and Bluebonnets

Northeast Wall

Texas horned lizard and bluebonnets

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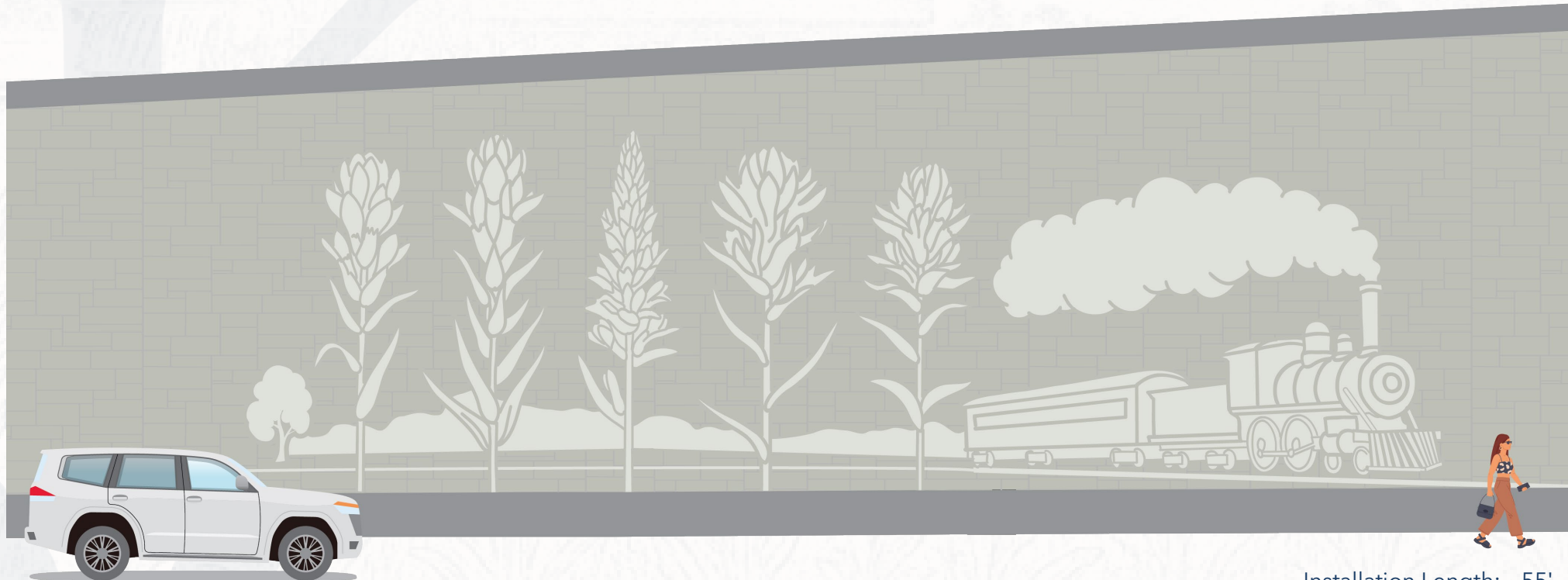
Installation Length: ~50'

Texas bluebonnet (*Lupinus texensis*)
Texas horned lizard (*Phrynosoma cornutum*)

Westbound →
Looking south

Northeast Wall

Steam train with paintbrush



Installation Length: ~55'

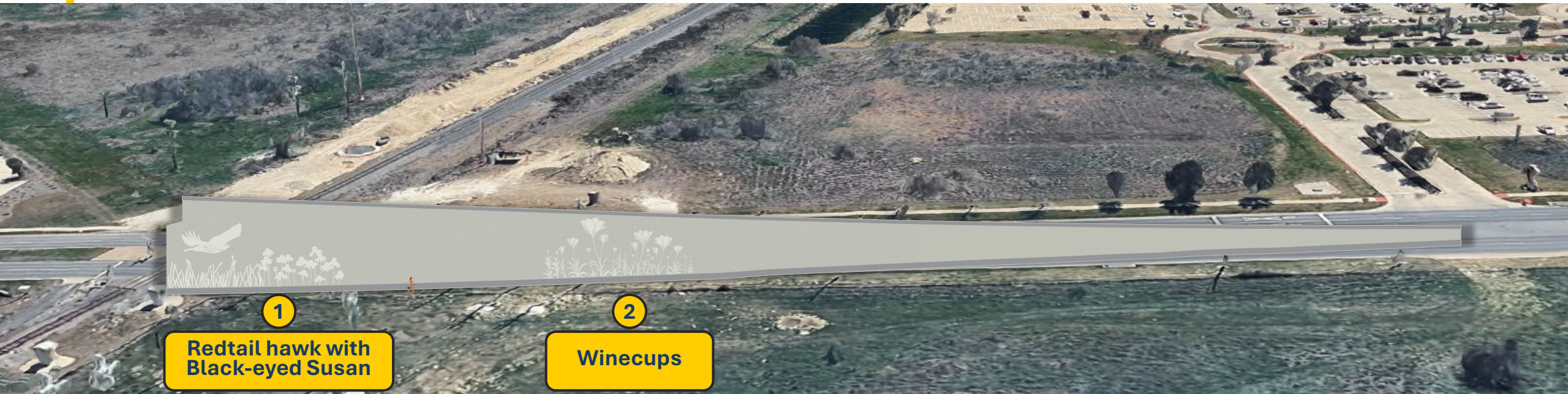
Texas Indian Paintbrush (*Castilleja indivisa*)

Westbound →
Looking south



Northwest Wall (looking south)

Winecups, Redtail hawk with Black-eyed Susan



Northwest Wall

Redtail hawk and Black-eyed Susan



Installation Length: ~55'

Black-eyed Susan (*Rudbeckia hirta*)
Redtail hawk (*Buteo jamaicensis*)

Westbound →
Looking south

Northwest Wall **Texas Winecups**



Installation Length: ~55'

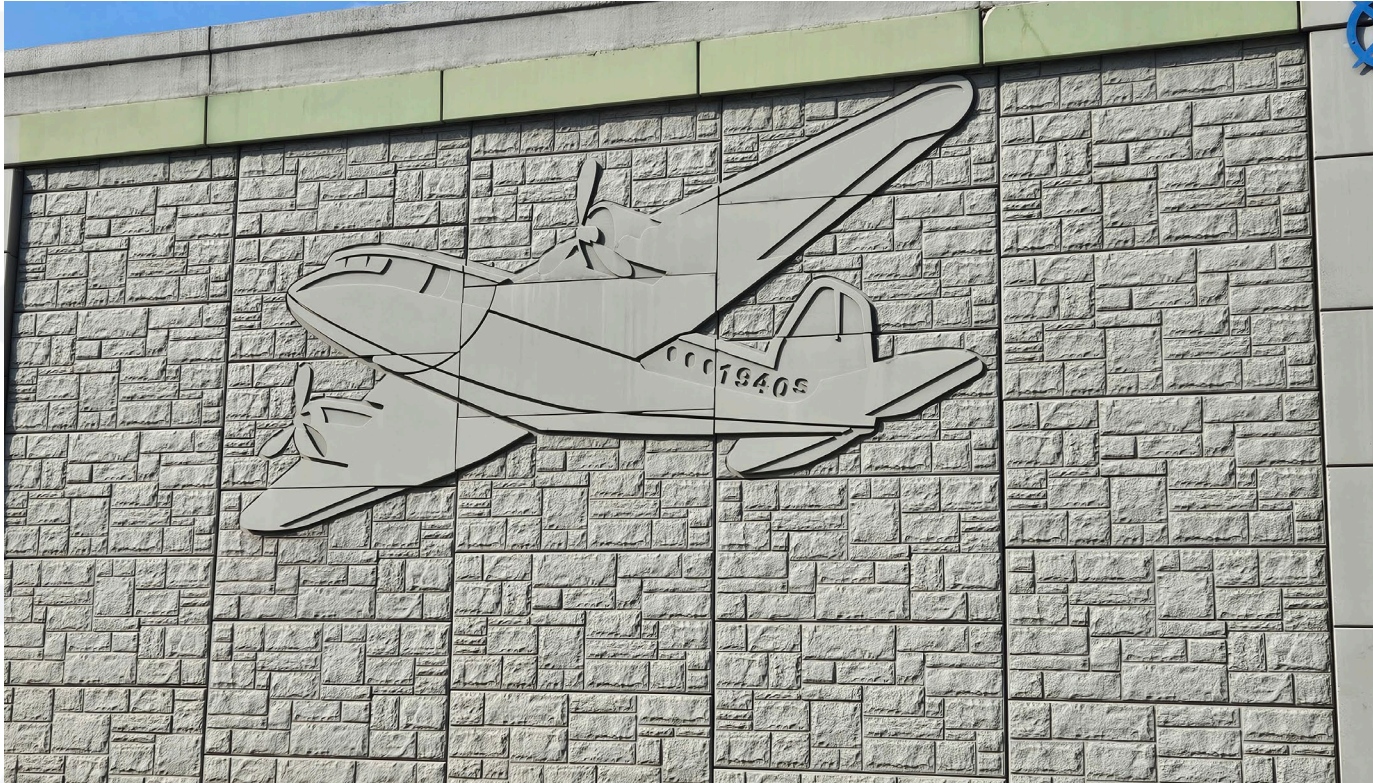
Texas Winecup (*Callirhoe leiocarpa*)

Westbound →
Looking south

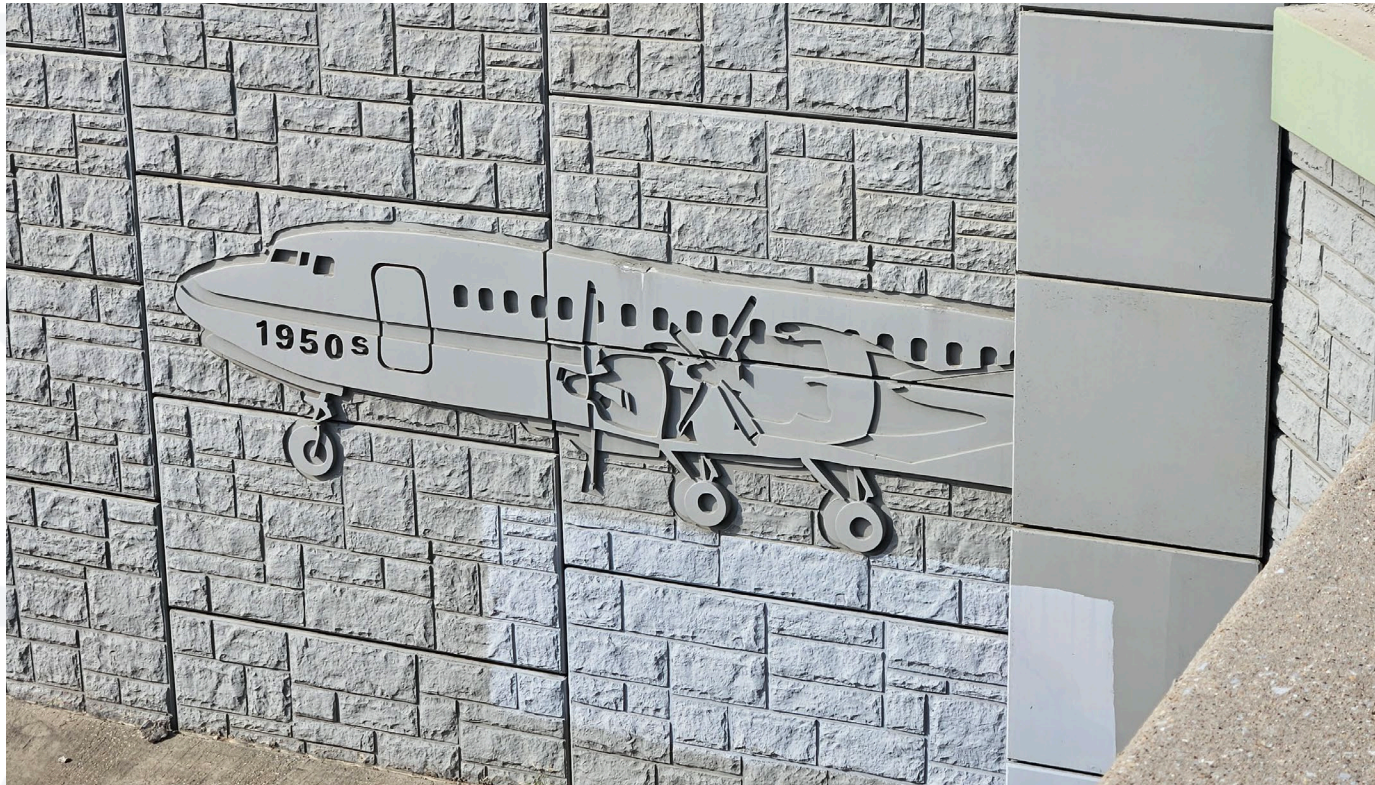
Complexity 1



Complexity 2



Complexity 3



Secondary Alternative

Single image per wall

Installation Locations



Northwest wall

Redtail hawk with Black-eyed Susans

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Northeast wall

Texas Horned lizard with bluebonnets

1

Southwest wall

Vin Fiz Flyer Emergency Landing

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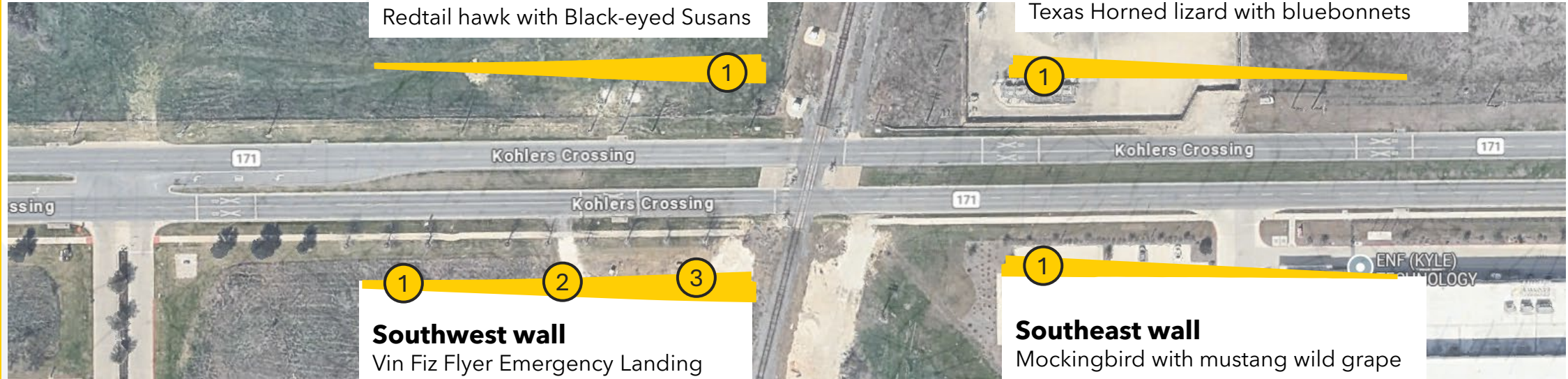
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Southeast wall

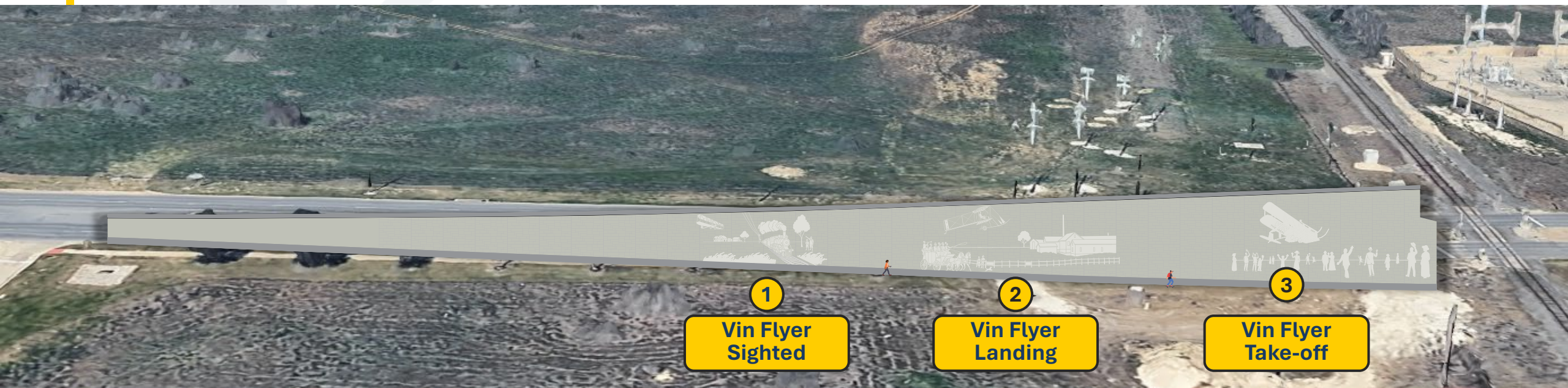
Mockingbird with mustang wild grape

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Southwest Wall

Flight of the Vin Flyer



Eastbound →
Looking north

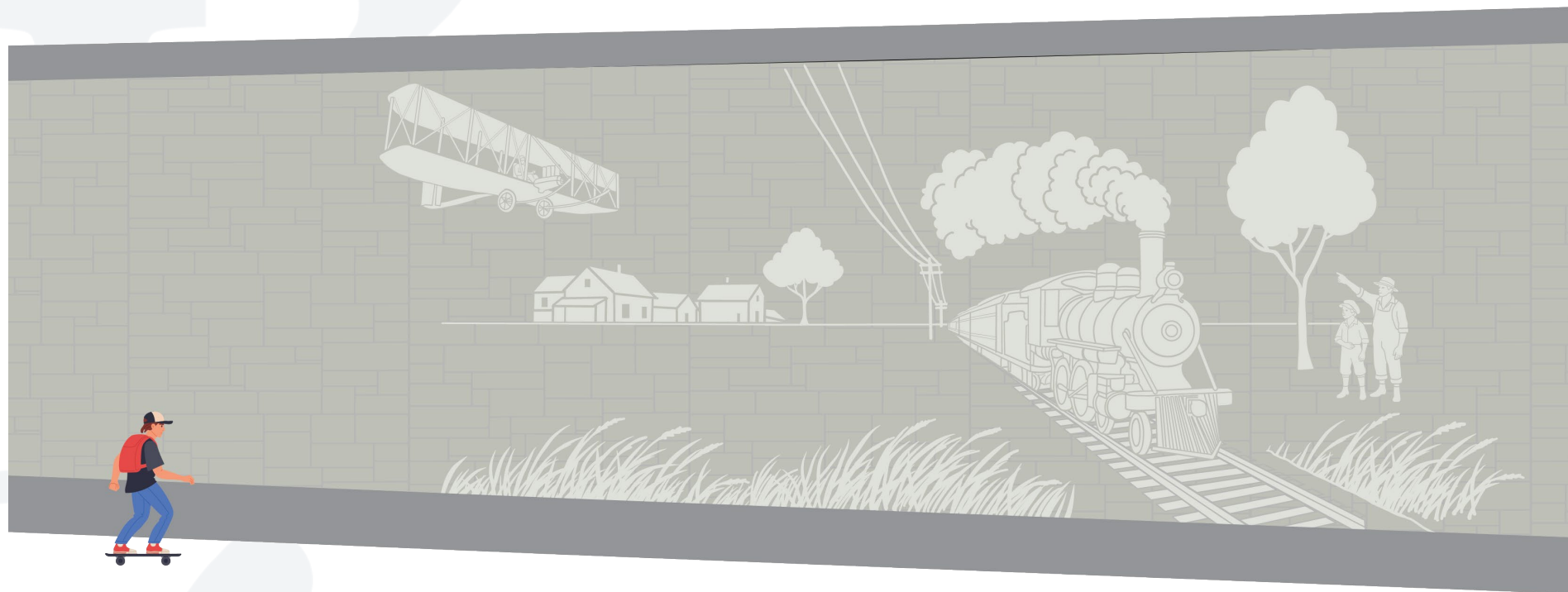
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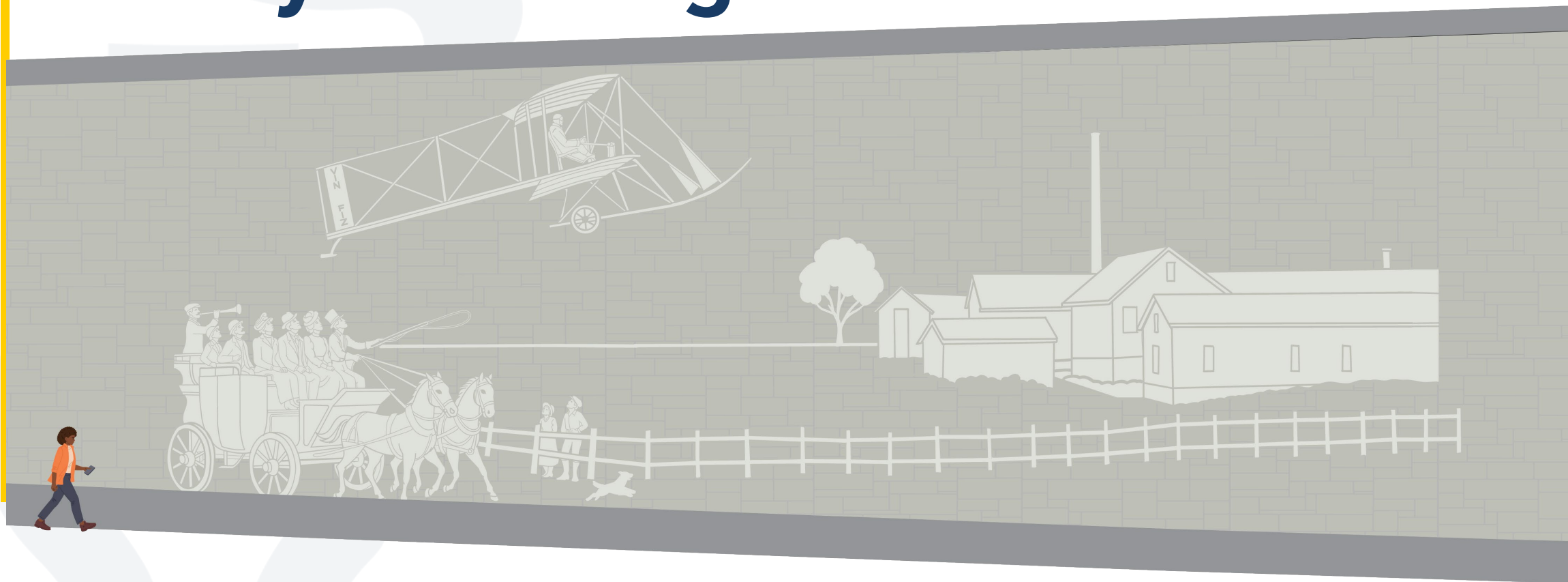
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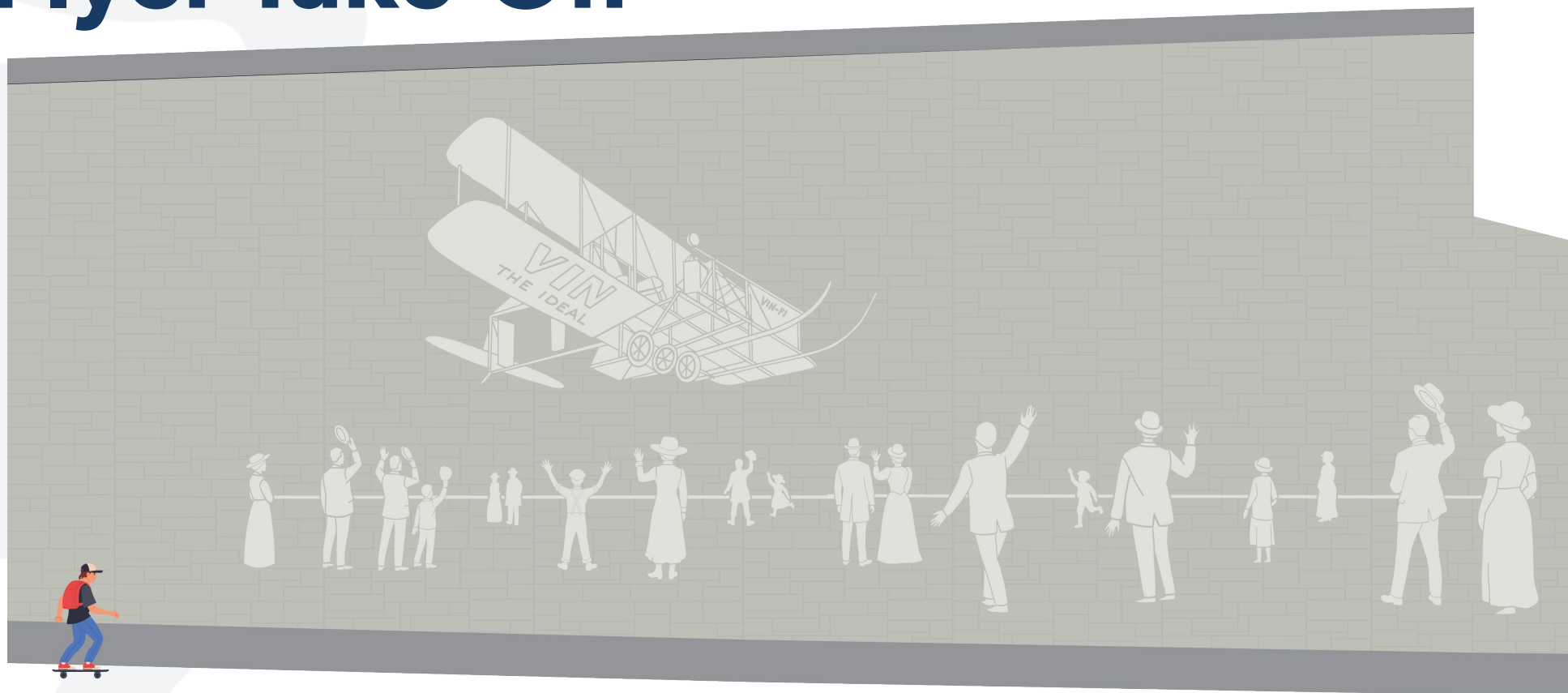


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Southwest Wall

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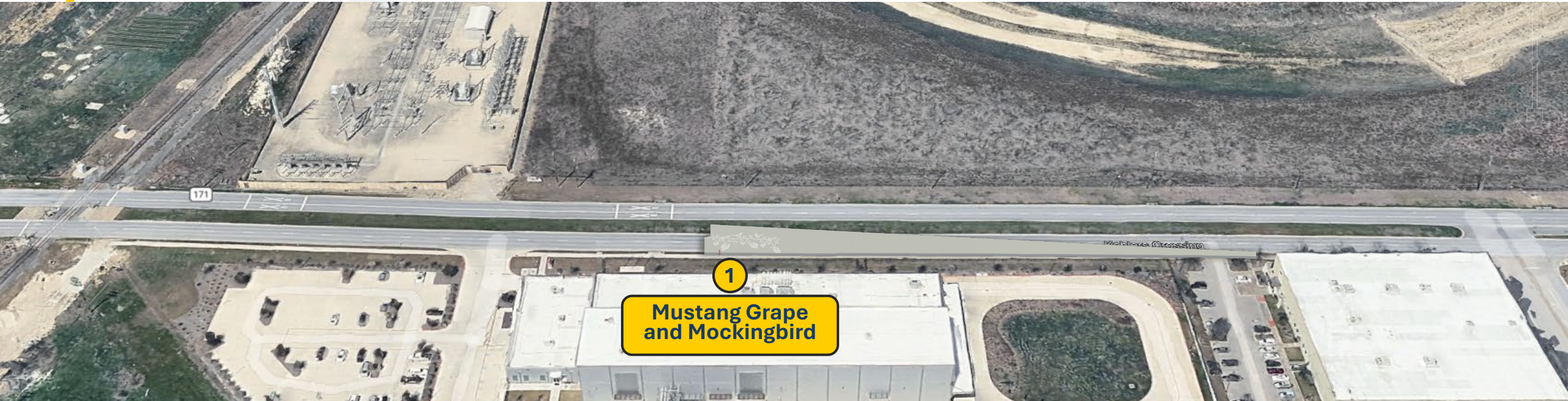


Installation Length: ~65'

Eastbound →
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Southeast Wall (looking north)

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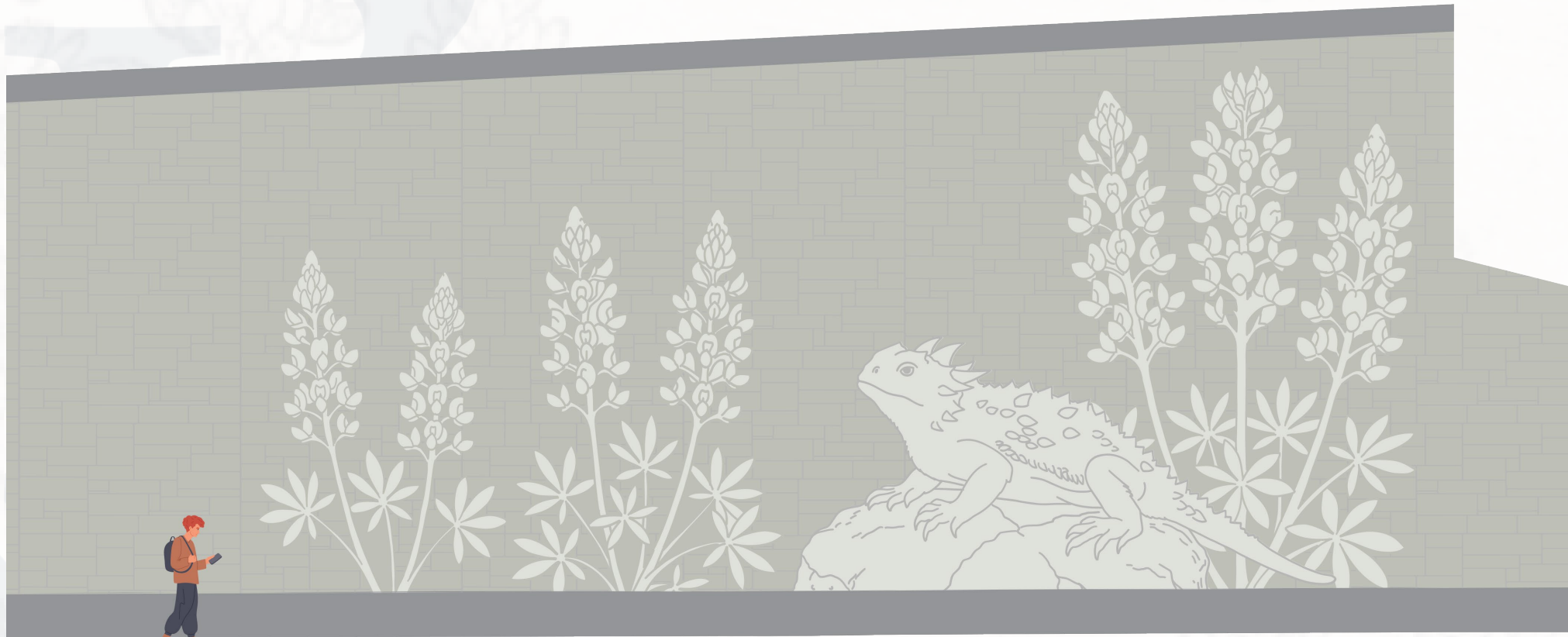
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Texas horned lizard, bluebonnets



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Redtail hawk and Black-eyed Susans



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Construction Cost Estimate



- Primary Alternative - Estimated Cost for MSE Wall Panel Imagery - \$351,000.00 (1.01% of Total Estimated Construction Cost*)
- Secondary Alternative - Estimated Cost for MSE Wall Panel Imagery - \$231,000.00 (.66% of Total Estimated Construction Cost*)

* Construction cost estimate as reported on the 60% PSE construction cost prepared for FRA Grant.

Recommendation



- Option 1: Approve artwork as presented
- Option 2: Approve alternative design as presented
- Option 2: Do not approve artwork

Staff recommends Option 1.



Questions?



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- Kohler's Bridge

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RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

STAFF CONTACT:

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Monthly Report

Arts and Cultural Board - May Report



Overview

- Traffic Box Art Program
- Tiny Art Gallery Boxes
- Kohlers Bridge
- Questions and Feedback

Traffic Box Art Program

- Status: **Resumed**
- Staff will pick program back up at the beginning of the school year in August.
- No additional updates at this time.

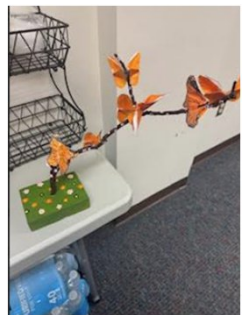
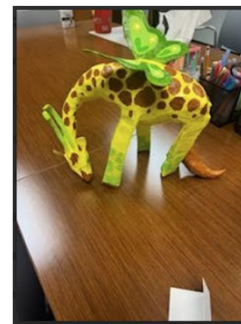


Tiny Art Gallery Box



Status: **In Progress**

- Artwork received as of 6/2/26
- Updating lighting for interior of the display cases
- Updated time frame for display is July – September 2026

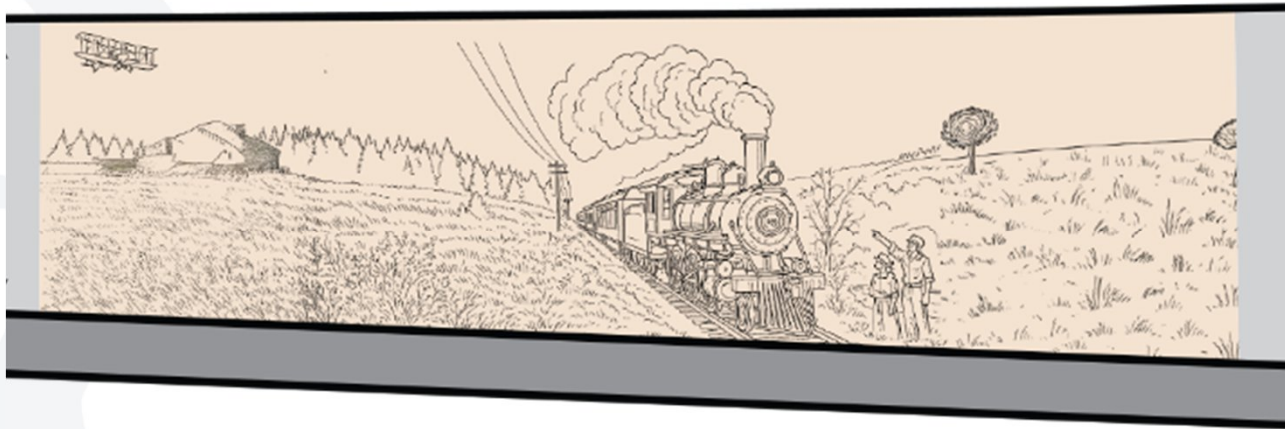




Kohlers Bridge

Status: In Progress

- Item will be presented at City Council on July 7, 2026.
- See the Kohler's Crossing presentation



Questions/Feedback
