

= Farm to Market Road 1957 =

Farm to Market Road 1957 (FM 1957) , is a Farm to Market Road in the U.S. state of Texas . Located in Medina and Bexar counties , the 15 @. @ 983 @- @ mile @- @ long (25 @. @ 722 km) highway serves as an arterial street through the growing western suburbs of San Antonio . FM 1957 is known as Potranco Road within Bexar County , and is legislatively defined as Urban Road 1957 (UR 1957) east of Loop 1604 .

The modern routing of this highway was originally defined in 1954 . Since then , FM 1957 's western terminus has been extended to FM 471 near Rio Medina , and the entire routing along Culebra Road was transferred to FM 3487 . Before the current routing was established , FM 1957 was also the designation for a highway in Borden County from 1951 to 1954 , now part of FM 1610 .

= = Route description = =

FM 1957 begins at FM 471 near Rio Medina , as a two @- @ lane country road . It then traverses mostly rural , undeveloped land , before reaching the Bexar ? Medina county line , where it becomes Potranco Road . In far western Bexar County , Potranco Road travels through recently built , patchy , residential developments . Development becomes somewhat heavier after the highway passes State Highway 211 (SH 211) , but FM 1957 still displays mostly rural characteristics until the highway reaches Loop 1604 , at which point it enters the San Antonio city limits . Now five lanes wide , with two lanes in each direction and a center turn lane , the legislative definition of FM 1957 becomes UR 1957 ; however , Potranco Road remains signed as FM 1957 .

The highway continues eastward , serving residential developments , commercial outlets , and John Paul Stevens High School . It intersects with SH 151 , where development once again becomes patchy . The most notable development along this stretch of Potranco is a National Security Agency data center . State maintenance ends at an intersection with FM 3487 (Culebra Road) , slightly west of Interstate 410 (I @- @ 410) . Potranco Road continues as a city street until Ingram Road .

= = History = =

= = = Previous designation = = =

FM 1957 was formerly designated as a highway in Borden County , defined in 1951 . This road traveled from U.S. Highway 180 near Gail to a nearby school , a distance of 8 @. @ 5 miles (13 @. @ 7 km) . The former FM 1957 was combined with FM 1610 in 1954 .

= = = Current designation = = =

The present @- @ day FM 1957 was defined in 1954 . The original routing was along Culebra Road from its intersection with Grissom Road (FM 471) to Potranco Road , which it followed to the Medina County line , a distance of 13 @. @ 8 miles (22 @. @ 2 km) . The highway gained a 0 @. @ 1 @- @ mile (0 @. @ 16 km) spur connection to Loop 13 (present @- @ day I @- @ 410) in 1956 . The following year , FM 1957 was extended to its present western terminus , at FM 471 near Rio Medina . This added 5 @. @ 3 miles (8 @. @ 5 km) to the highway . In 1988 , the entire routing along Culebra Road was transferred to the newly created FM 3487 . The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) started defining urban roads in 1995 , at which time the segment of FM 1957 east of Loop 1604 , measuring 5 @. @ 4 miles (8 @. @ 7 km) , was transferred to the newly defined UR 1957 . Despite the change in legal definition , UR 1957 continues to be signed as FM 1957 . FM 3487 was removed from the state highway system on December 18 , 2014 .

= = Junction list = =

