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Miguel “Mike” Arellano, P.E., is the Deputy District Engineer for TxDOT Austin District with 28 years of transportation engineering experience. He earned a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the University of Texas at Austin in 1997.

Mike started his career at TxDOT in the Materials and Pavement section of the Construction Division, specializing in geotechnical engineering. In 2006, he became the Division’s Materials and Pavement engineer, designing innovative asphalt overlay specifications and developing a risk-based asset management system.

In 2014, Mike became the Austin District Maintenance Engineer, later advancing to Director of Maintenance and then to be the first Director of Operations, following the merge of Maintenance and Traffic Operations. In September 2019, Mike was promoted to serve as Deputy District Engineer.

Mike leads emerging transportation and sustainability technology projects, including the Texas SMART Track with UT Austin and various regional transportation technology initiatives, and he was recognized by the Texas A&M Transportation Institute with the prestigious Gibb Gilchrist award in 2021. He has also spearheaded humanitarian efforts, like the award-winning Austin District Initiative to Address Homelessness and the Esperanza Community project.