



## Mopac cable barriers prove safer than concrete 📺

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KVUE News has learned from a crash test video how exactly the cable barriers between traffic lanes on Mopac keep drivers safe.

The crash test video was taken in January 2006. Shot at 500 frames per second, the video captures a test done on the cable barriers last summer by a Burnet, Texas company called Gibraltar. [KVUE Online Video](#)

[KVUE's Shelton Green reports](#)

"There is no damage to the occupants and you can see [in the video] how stable the vehicle is," said Roberto Ortega Vidaurri of Gibraltar.

According to the Federal Highway Administration it was the fastest product tested and approved in their history.

Vidaurri said that the cable barrier system is safer than concrete systems.

According to research and the video, if a car impacts a concrete barrier - at the speeds that high-tension cable barrier have been shown to withstand - the occupant is in trouble and the vehicle becomes unstable and un-driveable.

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