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APPENDIX 0: Biological Resources



ADDENDUM JULY 2023

APPENDIX O - BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES - FEIS Preferred Alternative/Blue Alternative

US 380 MCKINNEY – Coit Road to FM 1827, Collin County CSJs 0135-02-065 and 0135-15-002; Dallas District

PURPOSE OF ADDENDUM:

Following the two public hearings conducted for the DEIS including recommendation of the Blue Alternative (A+E+C) as the Preferred Alternative in February 2023, modifications to the Preferred Alternative/Blue Alternative were made to address ongoing coordination with the City of McKinney, the Town of Prosper, NTMWD, and in consideration of public input. While the development of the 95% Geometric Design Schematic for the Blue Alternative resulted in minor modifications in some areas to accommodate drainage improvements and address utility conflicts, **Figure 1** illustrates areas where more substantial changes in the proposed ROW were made (requiring more or less ROW) as compared to the 60% Geometric Design Schematic for the Blue Alternative evaluated in the DEIS. The specific design changes made to the Blue Alternative are listed in Section 5.0 of the ROD, in the Summary of the Final Environmental Impact Statement, and in Section 2.4 of the FEIS. The resulting changes in impacts are captured in the FEIS.

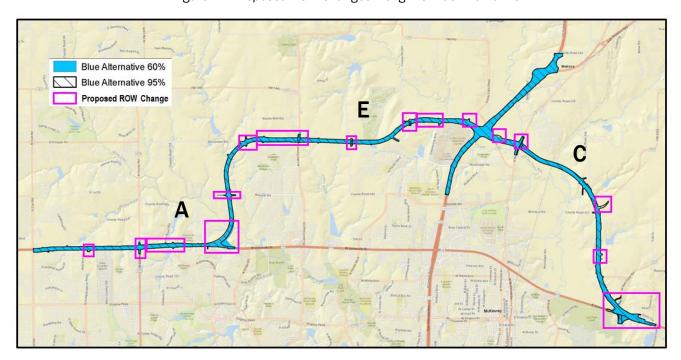


Figure 1 - Proposed ROW Changes Along the Blue Alternative

EFFECTS OF THE MODIFICATIONS MADE TO THE BLUE ALTERNATIVE FOLLOWING THE PUBLIC HEARINGS

Changes to the Blue Alternative (A+E+C) resulted in minor changes in the types of habitats impacted as presented in **Figure 2**.

Figure 2: Blue Alternative EMST Changes Following the Public Hearings

BLUE AL	TERNATIVE (A+E+C) W/SPUR		
Veg_ID	EMST Common Name	DEIS (acres) Based on 65% Geometric Design Schematic (July 2022)	FEIS (acres) Based on 95% Geometric Design Schematic (May 2023)
1102	Edwards Plateau: Live Oak Motte and	0.0	2.5
904	Fdwards Plateau: Oak - Hardwood Slone	0.1	0.0
1103	Fdwards Plateau: Deciduous Oak -	1.5	1.5
1104	Edwards Plateau: Oak - Hardwood Motte and	3.5	1.5
1107	Edwards Plateau: Savanna Grassland	15.7	17.9
1802	Central Texas: Floodolain Live Oak Forest	0.1	0.1
1803	Central Texas: Floodplain Hardwood -	0.0	0.0
1804	Central Texas: Floodplain Hardwood Forest	93.8	90.7
1807	Central Texas: Floodplain Herbaceous	13.4	14.9
1902	Central Texas: Riparian Live Oak Forest	0.0	0.0
1904	Central Texas: Riparian Hardwood Forest	14.5	15.2
1905	Central Texas: Riparian Evergreen Shrubland	0.0	0.0
1907	Central Texas: Riparian Herbaceous	1.9	1.7
207	Blackland Prairie: Disturbance or Tame	184.9	180.7
9000	Barren	12.8	12.9
9004	Swamp	0.0	0.0
9104	Native Invasive: Deciduous Woodland	102.4	103.6
9307	Row Crops	153.9	161.3
9410	Urban High Intensity	25.2	27.1
9411	Urban Low Intensity	472.3	464.9
9600	Onen Water	2.9	2.9
	Total ROW	1.098.9	1.099.3

The changes made to the proposed ROW for the Blue Alternative would not change the findings made to date. In response to the request by TPWD, the Invasive Species BMP was added to the list of TPWD BMPs to be implemented for the Blue Alternative. The Dewatering BMP was also added to the list of TPWD BMPs. All other TPWD BMPs previously considered would remain valid for the Blue Alternative.

According to the May 2023 USFWS-TPWD Texas Freshwater Mussel Survey Protocol (https://www.fws.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2023 Texas Freshwater Mussel Survey Protocol O. pdf) the group 5 streams are "where no federally or state-listed freshwater mussels occur, but mussels are known to occur; or perennial streams where it is anticipated that live freshwater mussels may occur, but presence or diversity have not been confirmed." If all crossings are Group 5 or ungrouped, then no-effect determinations apply for federally listed mussels. Using the protocol, the streams crossing the Project Area were classified as group 5 streams.



ADDENDUM 09-DECEMBER-2022

APPENDIX O - BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES - Proposed ROW Change

US 380 MCKINNEY - Coit Road to FM 1827, Collin County CSJs 0135-02-065, 0135-03-053, 0135-15-002; Dallas District

PURPOSE OF ADDENDUM:

Changes were made to the proposed right-of-way (ROW) limits for the US 380 McKinney project in the 60% Geometric Schematic Design submittal made on 1-JUL-2022. A copy of that submittal is included in Appendix B of this DEIS. This addendum describes where the changes occurred and summarizes how those changes affected the impacts and findings disclosed in the previously approved technical reports that make up the project appendices. The revised impacts to water features based on the proposed ROW changes are disclosed in the DEIS.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED ROW CHANGE

To streamline and accelerate the NEPA process for this project, technical studies were initiated at an early stage in schematic development. Initial technical report submittals were based on the proposed ROW established in JUN-JUL-2021, with progressive modifications made through NOV-2021. The JUL-2022 Geometric Schematic Design submittal reflects the continued refinement of the alternatives and consideration of input received during the MAR-2022 public meeting and ongoing coordination with the City of McKinney, Collin County, and the North Texas Municipal Water District.

The JUL-2022 submittal made adjustments to the proposed ROW limits throughout the length of the proposed alignments to account for drainage, access, and geometric improvements. Areas connecting to existing and planned roadway projects, under the direction of the City of McKinney, have also been included on the schematics and will still be under refinement into the FEIS. A design decision at the crossing of SH 5 in proximity of the East Fork Trinity River also added improvements within the existing ROW extending farther along SH 5 than was previously reviewed.

Figure 1: Proposed ROW Change - November 2021 to July 2022

Build Alternative	November 2021 Proposed ROW (Acres)	July 2022 Proposed ROW (Acres)	Change in Proposed ROW (Acres)
PURPLE ALTERNATIVE W/O SPUR	1,047.7	1,113.9	66.2
PURPLE ALTERNATIVE W/ SPUR	1,069.1	1,133.1	64.0
BLUE ALTERNATIVE W/O SPUR	1,042.0	1,083.5	41.5
BLUE ALTERNATIVE W/ SPUR	1,081.3	1,098.9	17.6
BROWN ALTERNATIVE W/O SPUR	1,010.3	1,056.4	46.1
BROWN ALTERNATIVE W/ SPUR	1,049.5	1,071.8	22.3
GOLD ALTERNATIVE W/O SPUR	1,015.9	1,086.8	70.9
GOLD ALTERNATIVE W/ SPUR	1,037.4	1,106.0	68.6

Illustration of the July 2022 Proposed ROW Changes



EFFECTS OF THE JULY ROW CHANGE ON BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES ANALYSES AND FINDINGS

Figures 2 through **5**, summarize the changes in the field verified EMST vegetation types within the proposed ROW for the four Build Alternatives. All stream and river crossings and forested areas (including those identified as potential mussel and bat habitats), water features, and floodplain/floodway areas would still be bridged to the extent practicable.

The changes in ROW anticipated for any of the Build Alternatives would not change the findings made to date. All TPWD BMPs previously considered would remain valid for all Build Alternatives.

Figure 2: Purple Alternative EMST Proposed ROW Change – November 2021 to July 2022

PURPLE ALTERNATIVE (A+E+D)												
		W/C) Spur	W/	Spur							
Veg_ID	EMST Common Name	November 2021 Proposed ROW (Acres)	July 2022 Proposed ROW (Acres)	November 2021 Proposed ROW (Acres)	July 2022 Proposed ROW (Acres)							
1102	Edwards Plateau: Live Oak Motte and Woodland	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1							
904	Edwards Plateau: Oak - Hardwood Slope Forest	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0							
1103	Edwards Plateau: Deciduous Oak - Evergreen Motte and Woodland	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5							
1104	Edwards Plateau: Oak - Hardwood Motte and Woodland	3.3	3.5	3.3	3.5							
1107	Edwards Plateau: Savanna Grassland	15.4	15.7	15.4	15.7							
1802	Central Texas: Floodplain Live Oak Forest	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1							
1803	Central Texas: Floodplain Hardwood - Evergreen Forest	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3							
1804	Central Texas: Floodplain Hardwood Forest	97.2	98.7	101.4	103.1							
1807	Central Texas: Floodplain Herbaceous Vegetation	28.2	27.4	28.2	27.6							
1902	Central Texas: Riparian Live Oak Forest	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0							
1904	Central Texas: Riparian Hardwood Forest	10.9	12.1	10.9	12.1							
1905	Central Texas: Riparian Evergreen Shrubland	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5							
1907	Central Texas: Riparian Herbaceous Vegetation	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3							
207	Blackland Prairie: Disturbance or Tame Grassland	107.9	114.4	109.2	115.8							
9000	Barren	13.3	12.8	13.3	12.8							
9004	Swamp	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0							
9104	Native Invasive: Deciduous Woodland	62.8	67.2	62.8	67.2							
9307	Row Crops	258.8	268.2	261.2	270.3							
9410	Urban High Intensity	30.7	40.6	40.7	49.2							
9411	Urban Low Intensity	413.2	447.1	416.7	449.7							
9600	Open Water	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4							
	Total ROW	1,047.7	1,113.9	1,069.1	1,133.1							

Figure 3: Blue Alternative EMST Proposed ROW Change – November 2021 to July 2022

BLUE ALTERNATIVE (A+E+C)											
		W/C	Spur	W/	Spur						
Veg_ID	EMST Common Name	November 2021 July 2022 Proposed Proposed ROW (Acres) ROW (Acres) Proposed ROW (Acres) Proposed ROW (Acres) 0.0 0.0 0.0		November 2021 Proposed ROW (Acres)	July 2022 Proposed ROW (Acres)						
1102	Edwards Plateau: Live Oak Motte and Woodland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0						
904	Edwards Plateau: Oak - Hardwood Slope Forest	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1						
1103	Edwards Plateau: Deciduous Oak - Evergreen Motte and Woodland	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5						
1104	Edwards Plateau: Oak - Hardwood Motte and Woodland	3.3	3.5	3.3	3.5						
1107	Edwards Plateau: Savanna Grassland	15.4	15.7	15.4	15.7						
1802	Central Texas: Floodplain Live Oak Forest	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1						
1803	Central Texas: Floodplain Hardwood - Evergreen Forest	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0						
1804	Central Texas: Floodplain Hardwood Forest	90.7	93.7	92.7	93.8						
1807	Central Texas: Floodplain Herbaceous Vegetation	13.0	13.4	20.0	13.4						
1902	Central Texas: Riparian Live Oak Forest	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0						
1904	Central Texas: Riparian Hardwood Forest	13.7	14.5	13.7	14.5						
1905	Central Texas: Riparian Evergreen Shrubland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0						
1907	Central Texas: Riparian Herbaceous Vegetation	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9						
207	Blackland Prairie: Disturbance or Tame Grassland	173.9	177.8	175.2	184.9						
9000	Barren	13.3	12.8	13.3	12.8						
9004	Swamp	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0						
9104	Native Invasive: Deciduous Woodland	96.4	101.3	97.5	102.4						
9307	Row Crops	147.9	150.3	170.5	153.9						
9410	Urban High Intensity	25.9	25.2	26.9	25.2						
9411	Urban Low Intensity	442.7	469.2	446.2	472.3						
9600	Open Water	2.4	2.5	3.2	2.9						
	Total ROW	1,042.0	1,083.5	1,081.3	1,098.9						

Figure 4: Brown Alternative EMST Proposed ROW Change – November 2021 to July 2022

BROWN ALTERNATIVE (B+E+C)												
		November 2021 Proposed ROW (Acres) July 2022 Proposed ROW (Acres) November 2021 Proposed ROW (Acres) 2.5 0.9 2.5 0.9 2.8 0.9	Spur									
Veg_ID	EMST Common Name	Proposed ROW (Acres) ROW (Acres) Proposed ROV			July 2022 Proposed ROW (Acres)							
1102	Edwards Plateau: Live Oak Motte and Woodland	2.5	0.9	2.5	2.8							
904	Edwards Plateau: Oak - Hardwood Slope Forest	0.9	2.8	0.9	2.8							
1103	Edwards Plateau: Deciduous Oak - Evergreen Motte and Woodland	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5							
1104	Edwards Plateau: Oak - Hardwood Motte and Woodland	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0							
1107	Edwards Plateau: Savanna Grassland	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.5							
1802	Central Texas: Floodplain Live Oak Forest	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2							
1803	Central Texas: Floodplain Hardwood - Evergreen Forest	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0							
1804	Central Texas: Floodplain Hardwood Forest	79.4	81.6	81.3	81.7							
1807	Central Texas: Floodplain Herbaceous Vegetation	15.4	15.5	22.5	15.5							
1902	Central Texas: Riparian Live Oak Forest	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.5							
1904	Central Texas: Riparian Hardwood Forest	14.2	15.4	14.2	15.4							
1905	Central Texas: Riparian Evergreen Shrubland	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0							
1907	Central Texas: Riparian Herbaceous Vegetation	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9							
207	Blackland Prairie: Disturbance or Tame Grassland	200.5	197.9	201.8	205.0							
9000	Barren	13.3	12.8	13.3	12.8							
9004	Swamp	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3							
9104	Native Invasive: Deciduous Woodland	96.6	103.2	97.7	104.4							
9307	Row Crops	152.5	168.4	175.0	172.0							
9410	Urban High Intensity	20.1	18.7	21.1	18.7							
9411	Urban Low Intensity	388.8	410.6	392.2	413.7							
9600	Open Water	4.9	5.0	5.7	5.4							
	Total ROW	1,010.3	1,056.7	1,049.5	1,071.8							

Figure 5: Gold Alternative EMST Proposed ROW Change – November 2021 to July 2022

GOLD ALTERNATIVE (B+E+D)											
Veg_ID		W/0	Spur		Spur						
Veg_ID	EMST Common Name	November 2021 Proposed ROW (Acres)	July 2022 Proposed ROW (Acres)	November 2021 Proposed ROW (Acres)	July 2022 Proposed ROW (Acres)						
1102	Edwards Plateau: Live Oak Motte and Woodland	2.5	2.8	2.5	2.8						
904	Edwards Plateau: Oak - Hardwood Slope Forest	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9						
1103	Edwards Plateau: Deciduous Oak - Evergreen Motte and Woodland	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5						
1104	Edwards Plateau: Oak - Hardwood Motte and Woodland	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0						
1107	Edwards Plateau: Savanna Grassland	16.5	16.5	16.5	16.5						
1802	Central Texas: Floodplain Live Oak Forest	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2						
1803	Central Texas: Floodplain Hardwood - Evergreen Forest	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3						
1804	Central Texas: Floodplain Hardwood Forest	85.9	86.6	90.1	90.9						
1807	Central Texas: Floodplain Herbaceous Vegetation	30.6	29.5	30.6	29.6						
1902	Central Texas: Riparian Live Oak Forest	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.5						
1904	Central Texas: Riparian Hardwood Forest	11.5	12.9	11.5	12.9						
1905	Central Texas: Riparian Evergreen Shrubland	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5						
1907	Central Texas: Riparian Herbaceous Vegetation	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3						
207	Blackland Prairie: Disturbance or Tame Grassland	134.5	134.5	135.8	135.9						
9000	Barren	13.3	12.8	13.3	12.8						
9004	Swamp	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3						
9104	Native Invasive: Deciduous Woodland	63.0	69.1	63.0	69.1						
9307	Row Crops	263.6	286.4	266.0	288.4						
9410	Urban High Intensity	24.8	34.0	34.9	42.6						
9411	Urban Low Intensity	359.0	388.4	362.5	391.1						
9600	Open Water	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9						
	Total ROW	1,015.9	1,086.8	1,037.4	1,106.0						

APPENDICES

Appendix 0-1: Species Analysis Spreadsheet

Project Name: US 380

County	Taxon	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat	Suitable Habitat Present?	Explanation for determination regarding suitable habitat	Federal Status	Effect/Take Determination for Federally Listed Species	State Status	Impact Determination for State-Listed Species	Explanation for Effect/Take and/or Impact Determination	Presence/ Absence survey conducted?
Collin	Birds	Black Rail	Laterallus jamaicensis	Black rails are year-round residents of the central and upper coast and migrants in the eastern part of the state. The species nests in salt, brackish, and freshwater marshes, pond borders, wet meadows, and wetlands with hydrophytic grass species. Water depth is an important and key habitat component, as the species typically is found where water is less than two to four centimeters deep. Other significant habitat factors may include vegetation density, distance to open water, and water regime stability. Nesting typically occurs in the highest sections of the marsh, which have mesic to hydric soils and are flooded by only the highest tides. Nests are built in areas with saturated or shallowly flooded soils and dense vegetation on damp ground, on mat of previous year's dead grasses, or over shallow water. In salt or brackish marshes, typical habitat includes dense stands of cordgrasses (<i>Spartina</i> sp.), spikegrasses (<i>Distichlis</i> sp.), and needlerush (<i>Juncus</i> sp.), or, in more upland saltbush communities along marsh edges. Typical freshwater habitat includes species such as cattail (<i>Typha</i>) and bulrush (<i>Scirpus</i> sp.). Non-breeding habitat is thought to be similar to breeding habitat.	N/A	In Texas, the Black Rail breeds and winters in high quality coastal marsh and prairie. The project area is outside the breeding and wintering ranges of this species. Suitable habitat for migratory Black Rails may be present; however, any use of that habitat would be incidental and ephemeral.	Т	No effect or take	Т	No impact	The project area does not contain suitable breeding or wintering habitat for the Black Rail. Any use of potential migratory stopover habitat within the project area would be incidental and ephemeral.	N
Collin	Birds	Least Tern - Migratory	Sternula (=Sterna) antillarum	The interior population (subspecies athalassos) of the Least Tern nests on bare or sparsely vegetated sand, shell, and gravel beaches, sandbars, islands, and salt flats associated with inland rivers and reservoirs. It occasionally nests on man-made structures such as sand and gravel pits or gravel rooftops. Preferred habitat includes sand and gravel bars within a wide unobstructed river channel, or open flats along shorelines of lakes and reservoirs. Colony sites can move annually, depending on landscape disturbance and vegetation growth at established colonies. It is known to nest at three reservoirs along the Rio Grande River, on the Canadian River in the northern Panhandle, and along the Red River.	N/A	The project area is outside the breeding and wintering range of this species. Although suitable stopover habitat may be present, Least Tern is not expected to regularly occur and any use of this habitat would be incidental.	_	N/A	E	No impact	The project area does not contain suitable breeding or wintering habitat for the Least Tern.	

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Collin	Birds	Piping Plover - Migratory	Charadrius melodus	This migratory species overwinters in Texas, where it occurs on beaches, ephemeral sand flats, barrier islands, sand, mud, algal flats, washover passes, salt marshes, lagoons, and dunes along the Gulf Coast and adjacent offshore islands, including spoil islands in the Intracoastal Waterway. Algal flats appear to be the highest quality habitat because of their relative inaccessibility and their continuous availability throughout all tidal conditions. Sand flats often appear to be preferred over algal flats when both are available, but large portions of sand flats along the Texas coast are available only during low or very low tides and are often completely unavailable during extreme high tides or strong north winds. Beaches appear to serve as a secondary habitat to the flats associated with the primary bays, lagoons, and inter-island passes. Beaches are rarely used on the southern Texas coast, where bayside habitat is always available, and are abandoned as bayside habitats become available on the central and northern coast.	N/A	The list of federally threatened and endangered species indicates that based on the project location within the migratory route, effects to Piping Plover only need be considered for wind energy projects. The project area is outside the breeding and wintering range of this species. Although suitable stopover habitat may be present, Piping Plover is not expected to regularly occur and any use of this habitat would be incidental.	Т	No effect or Take	T	No impact	The project is not a wind energy project within the migratory route and does not contain suitable breeding and wintering habitat for the Piping Plover.	N

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С	collin	Birds		Calidris canutus rufa	The species is a winter resident and migrant in Texas. It is primarily found in marine habitats such as sandy beaches, salt marshes, lagoons, mudflats of estuaries and bays, and mangrove swamps during winter months. It primarily occurs along the Gulf coast on tidal flats and beaches and less frequently in marshes and flooded fields. It has occasionally been observed along shorelines of large lakes and freshwater marshes.	N/A	The list of federally threatened and endangered species indicates that based on the project location within the migratory route, effects to Red Knot only need be considered for wind energy projects. The project area is outside the breeding and wintering range of this species. Although suitable stopover habitat may be present, Red Knot is not expected to regularly occur and any use of this habitat would be incidental.	Т	No effect or Take	Т	No impact	The project is not a wind energy project within the migratory route and does not contain suitable breeding and wintering habitat for the Red Knot.	N

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Coun	ty	Taxon	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat	Suitable Habitat Present?	Explanation for determination regarding suitable habitat	Federal Status	Effect/Take Determination for Federally Listed Species	State Status	Impact Determination for State-Listed Species	Explanation for Effect/Take and/or Impact Determination	Presence/ Absence survey conducted?
Colli	1	Birds	White-faced Ibis	Plegadis chihi	The species is found in the Western Gulf Coastal Plains ecoregion of Texas. Preferred habitat includes freshwater wetlands, marshes, ponds, rivers, irrigated land, and sloughs, but it occasionally forages in brackish or saltwater marshes. It nests in marshes in low trees, on the ground in bulrushes (Scirpus sp.) or reeds, or on floating mats.	Υ	Edges of creeks, small ponds, wet meadows, and flooded cropland would provide suitable habitat in the project area and vicinity for this species during migration. Such habitat was observed during field visits in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021 by Derek Green.	-	N/A	Т	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area for the White- faced Ibis. Bird BMPs would be implemented.	N

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Collin	Birds	Whooping Crane	Grus americana	The species breeds in Canada and winters on the Texas coast at Aransas National Wildlife Refuge. During migration it typically stops to rest and feed in open bottomlands of large rivers and marshes but, like other waterbirds, it may also utilize flooded croplands, playas, large wetlands associated with lakes, small ponds, and various other aquatic features. Typical migration habitat includes sites with good horizontal visibility, water depth of 30 centimeters or less, and minimum wetland size of 0.04 hectare for roosting.	Y	The project lies at the edge of the Whooping Crane migration corridor within the zone that encompasses 95 percent of known sightings. Suitable stopover habitat, such as flooded croplands, dry croplands, emergent wetlands, and small ponds were observed in the project area and vicinity by Derek Green during the August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021 field visits.	E	No effect or take	Ε	No impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area for the Whooping Crane. Migratory stopover occurrence would be incidental and ephemeral.	N

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Collin	Birds	Wood Stork		The species breeds in Mexico, and nesting sites have not been recorded in Texas since 1960. However, post-breeding migrants disperse into Texas in the summer. Foraging habitat includes freshwater prairie ponds, flooded pastures or fields, ditches, and other shallow standing water with an open canopy, occasionally including brackish wetlands. The species typically roosts communally in tall snags, sometimes in association with other wading birds (i.e. active heronries).	Y	Edges of creeks with an open canopy, small ponds, flooded meadows, and flooded cropland would provide suitable habitat in the project area and vicinity for this species during post-breeding migration. Such habitat was observed during field visits in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021 by Derek Green.	_	N/A	Т	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area for the Wood Stork. Bird BMPs would be implemented.	N

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Collin	Insects	Monarch Butterfly		Found statewide. Adults are found in a variety of habitats including native prairies, pastures, open woodlands and savannas, desert scrub, roadsides, and other habitats with abundant nectar plants, including urbanized areas. Although adults may be present year round, they are primarily encountered between March and November, and are most commonly observed in the summer and fall during breeding and migration. Caterpillars are found on various species of the family Asclepiadaceae (occasionally treated as a subfamily of Apocynaceae). Common host plants in Texas include milkweeds (Asclepias spp.) milkweed vines (Matelea spp.), climbing milkweed (Funastrum spp.), swallowworts (Cynanchum spp.) and Anglepod (Gonolobus suberosus). Caterpillars are most frequently observed between April and September."	Y	Prairie, grassland, pastureland, open woodland, and roadside habitats were observed in the project area during field visits by Derek Green in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021. Milkweed was also observed in the project area. Several recent sightings of the monarch butterfly have been recorded from the McKinney area and from the project vicinity – for example Erwin Park (iNaturalist, 2022).	С	May affect	l	N/A	The project may affect the monarch butterfly. While TxDOT is a Partner in the Nationwide Candidate Conservation Agreement for Monarch Butterfly on Energy and Transportation Lands, the project involves new location and would not be completed before FY 2024, when USFWS intends to propose listing. If this species is proposed for listing during the life of this project, the effects to monarch butterflies will be reevaluated to determine the appropriate course of action, which may include conference or consultation with USFWS.	N

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Collin	Mammals	Tricolored Bat	Perimyotis	In Texas, Tricolored Bats may be found year round. In the spring, summer, and fall they primarily nest on leaves or bark of live and dead trees, or epiphytic vegetation such as Spanish moss (<i>Tillandsia usneoides</i>). They may also roost among ferns and crevices on limestnoe and sandstone bluffs and cliffs during this time. From late winter to early spring they may roost in culverts, abandoned buildings, and large hollow trees. In central Texas caves serve as important roost sites. Tricolored bats typically roost alone or in small groups. During the winter they may go into periods of torpor during colder temperatures however they will emerge to feed on warm evenings. Foraging habitat consists of open woodlands, riparian corridors, and forest edge.	N/A	A habitat assessment was not performed for this species.	PE	Undetermined	_	N/A	Suitable habitat may be present within the project area. Effects to the species are currently undetermined. The Tricolored bat has been proposed as a federally andangered species, and consultation with USFWS is not required at this time. If the species is listed, effects to the Tricolored Bat will be re-evaluated to determine the appropriate course of action which may include consultation with the USFWS.	N

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Collin	Mollusks	Louisiana Pigtoe		Freshwater mussel currently found in the Sabine, Neches, and Trinity River basins in Texas. The species occurs in streams to medium-sized rivers with moderate flow. In Texas, the species has only been documented occurring in relatively shallow lotic waters with preferable substrate being sand and sand with gravel and silt. It is not generally known to tolerate impoundments.	Y	Rutherford Branch, Gentle Creek, Wilson Creek, Stover Creek, Honey Creek, and East Fork Trinity River may provide habitat for this species, as determined by Derek Green during field visits in August 2020, June-July 2021, and September 2021. Many of the stream crossings were not verified in the field because right-of-entry was not granted. Perennial streams were delineated by HDR, Inc.	_	N/A	Т	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area, and the Freshwater Mussel BMPs would be implemented. See additional information in Addendum tab.	N

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Collin	Mollusks	Texas Fawnsfoot	Truncilla macrodon	A freshwater mussel that is currently limited to the Brazos, Colorado, and Trinity River basins in Texas. The species occupies large streams to medium rivers and is intolerant of impoundment. Little is known about the species due to lack of representative specimens, however it is thought that the species prefers protected areas near shore in water with a moderate current over mud, sandy mud, and gravel substrates. It is also found in perennial irrigation canals for rice.	Υ	Rutherford Branch, Gentle Creek, Wilson Creek, Stover Creek, Honey Creek, and East Fork Trinity River may provide habitat for this species, as determined by Derek Green during field visits in August 2020, June-July 2021, and September 2021. Many of the stream crossings were not verified in the field because right-of-entry was not granted. Perennial streams were delineated by HDR, Inc.	PT	May affect	Т	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area, and the Texas fawnsfoot may be affected. Freshwater Mussel BMPs would be implemented. If this species is fully listed during the life of this project, the effects to Texas fawnsfoot would be reevaluated to determine the appropriate course of action, which may include conference or consultation with USFWS.	N

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Collin	Mollusks	Texas Heelsplitter	amphichaenus	A freshwater mussel currently known from the Trinity, Neches, and Sabine River basins. The species occurs in small streams to medium rivers with sand or mud substrate. It is found in flowing water but not in riffles or shoals. It prefers quiet waters and can be found in reservoirs.	Y	Rutherford Branch, Gentle Creek, Wilson Creek, Stover Creek, Honey Creek, and East Fork Trinity River may provide habitat for this species, as determined by Derek Green during field visits in August 2020, June-July 2021, and September 2021. Many of the stream crossings were not verified in the field because right-of-entry was not granted. Perennial streams were delineated by HDR, Inc.	_	N/A	T	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area, and the Freshwater Mussel BMPs would be implemented. See additional information in Addendum tab.	N

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Collin	Reptiles	Alligator Snapping Turtle	Macrochelys temminckii	Occurs in East Texas where it inhabits perennial water bodies such as the deep water of rivers, canals, lakes, and oxbows, along with swamps, bayous, and ponds near deep running water. Preferred habitat is usually in water with a mud bottom and abundant aquatic vegetation, but the species may use sand-bottomed creeks.	Y	Suitable habitat is present in an SCS reservoir, a pond just northeast of the US 380-Airport Drive intersection, Rutherford Branch, Wilson Creek, Stover Creek, Honey Creek, and East Fork Trinity River.	PT	May affect	Т	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. Species-specific BMPs would be implemented and include the following: 1) Minimize impacts to wetland and riverine habitats, 2) Aquatic Amphibian and Reptile BMP, and 3) Water Quality BMP. If this species is fully listed during the life of this project, the effects to alligator snapping turtle would be reevaluated to determine the appropriate course of action, which may include conference or consultation with USFWS.	N

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Collin	Reptiles			The species is found in semi-arid open areas with scattered vegetation comprised of bunchgrass, cacti, yucca, mesquite, acacia, juniper, or other woody shrubs and small trees commonly found in loose sandy or loamy soils.	N	The loose sandy or loamy soils with cacti/yucca/bunchgra ss vegetation associated with this species were not observed in the project area during field visits in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021 by Derek Green.	-	N/A	Т	No impact	No suitable habitat is present in the project area	N

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						habitat	1	Species			Determination	conducted?
Collin	Mollusk	Louisiana Pigtoe	Pleurobema riddellii	Freshwater mussel currently found in the Sabine, Neches, and Trinity River basins in Texas. The species occurs in streams to medium-sized rivers with moderate flow. In Texas, the species has only been documented occurring in relatively shallow lotic waters with preferable substrate being sand and sand with gravel and silt. It is not generally known to tolerate impoundments.	Y	According to USFWS' Species Status Assessment Report (February, 2022) and the Mussels of Texas, the current distribution for this species does not include Collin County. Furthermore, this species does not show up on USFWS' IPaC for this project, although it is on TPWD's RTE list for Collin County. Historically, Rutherford Branch, Gentle Creek, Wilson Creek, Stover Creek, Honey Creek, and East Fork Trinity River provided habitat for this species and may still do so. However, according to the 2023 Mussel Protocol Stream Groups, all	PT	No effect	T	No impact	Historically suitable habitat is present in the project area. However, according to the 2023 Mussel Protocol Stream Groups, all these streams are Group 5 (streams where no federally- or statelisted freshwater mussels occur, but mussels are known to occur; or perennial streams where it is anticipated that live freshwater mussels may occur, but presence or diversity have not been confirmed).	N

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Collin

Mollusk

Texas Fawnsfoot Truncilla macrodon

Rutherford Branch, Gentle Creek, Wilson Creek, Stover Creek, Honey Creek, and East Fork Trinity River may provide habitat for this species, as determined by Derek Green during field visits in August 2020, June-July 2021, and September 2021. Many of the stream crossings were not verified in the field because right-of-entry was not granted. Perennial streams were delineated by HDR, Inc. However, according to the 2023 Mussel Protocol Stream Groups, all these streams are Group 5 (streams where no federally- or state-listed freshwater mussels occur, but mussels

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Prepared Date: 06/22/2023

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Collin	Amphibian	Southern crawfish frog	Lithobates areolatus areolatus	Terrestrial and aquatic: The terrestial habitat is primarily grassland and can vary from pasture to intact prairie; it can also include small prairies in the middle of large forested areas. Aquatic habitat is any body of water but preferred habitat is ephemeral wetlands (TPWD, 2022).	Y	Grasslands in the project area could provide terrestrial habitat, while creeks, other waterbodies, and wetlands in the project area could provide habitat for reproduction. Such habitat was observed during field visits in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021 by Derek Green.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. Species-specific BMP would be implemented and include the following: 1) Minimize impacts to wetland habitats including isolated ephemeral pools, 2) Aquatic Amphibian and Reptile BMP, 3) Terrestrial Amphibian and Reptile BMP, 4) Water Quality BMP, and 5) Vegetation BMP.	N
Collin	Amphibian	Strecker's chorus frog	Pseudacris streckeri	Terrestrial and aquatic: Wooded floodplains and flats, prairies, cultivated fields and marshes. Likes sandy substrates (TPWD, 2022).	Y	Wooded floodplains in the project area could provide terrestrial habitat, while creeks, other waterbodies, and wetlands in the project area could provide habitat for reproduction. Such habitat was observed during field visits in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021 by Derek Green.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. Species-specific BMPs would be implemented and include the following: 1) Aquatic Amphibian and Reptile BMP, 2) Terrestrial Amphibian and Reptile BMP, 3) Water Quality BMP, and 4) Vegetation BMP.	N

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Collin	Amphibian		Anaxyrus woodhousii	This species uses a wide variety of terrestrial habitats, including forests, grasslands, and barrier island sand dunes; it requires aquatic habitats for reproduction, which are equally varied (TPWD, 2022).		Forested areas and grasslands in the project area could provide terrestrial habitat, while creeks, other waterbodies, and wetlands in the project area could provide habitat for reproduction. Such habitat was observed during field visits in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021 by Derek Green. Several records in vicinity of project (TPWD, 2021; iNaturalist, 2022).	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. Species-specific BMPs would be implemented and include the following: 1) Aquatic Amphibian and Reptile BMP, 2) Terrestrial Amphibian and Reptile BMP, 3) Water Quality BMP, and 4) Vegetation BMP.	N

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Collin	Bird	I Raid eagle	Haliaeetus leucocephalus	Found primarily near rivers and large lakes; nests in tall trees or on cliffs near water; communally roosts, especially in winter; hunts live prey, scavenges, and pirates food from other birds (2022).		Recent sightings have been reported for this species from several waterbodies, including Towne Lake and Lavon Lake, in the vicinity of the project (eBird, 2022; iNaturalist, 2022). An inactive nest is located along the East Fork Trinity River approximately 1 mile southeast of the project area. An adult bald eagle was observed carrying nesting material by BMcD ecolgists Derek Green and Gary Newgord on March 31, 2021. The nest is thought to be farther east of the inactive nest. The closest potential roosting habitat in the project area is approximately 2.5 miles northeast of the nest along the East Fork Trinity River (Segment D). However, the trees in this area may be too far from large waterbodies.	May impact	Roosting habitat occurs in the project area at the crossing of the East Fork Trinity River on Segment D. TxDOT would comply with the BGEPA and implement the Bird BMP.	N

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Collin	Bird	Chestnut-collared longspur	Calcarius ornatus	Occurs in open shortgrass settings, especially in patches with some bare ground. Also occurs in grain sorghum fields and Conservation Reserve Program lands (TPWD, 2022).	Y	"ROW Crops" were commonly observed in the project areaduring field visits by Derek Green in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021. After harvesting, these areas provide the shortgrass settings interspersed with bare ground favored by this species during the winter. Some areas containing "Central Texas: Floodplain Herbaceous Vegetation" and "Blackland Prairie: Disturbance or Tame Grassland" that were observed during the site visits would also provide habitat.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. The Bird BMP would be implemented.	N
Collin	Bird	Sprague's pipit	Anthus spragueii	The county distribution for this species includes geographic areas that the species may use during migration. Time of year should be factored into evaluations to determine potential presence of this species in a specific county. Habitat during migration and in winter consists of pastures and weedy fields (AOU 1983), including grasslands with dense herbaceous vegetation or grassy agricultural fields. (TPWD, 2022).	Y	Suitable wintering habitat, such as pastures, weedy fields, grasslands with dense herbaceous vegetation, or grassy agricultural fields was observed in the project area during field visits by Derek Green in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. The Bird BMP would be implemented.	N

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Collin	Bird	Western burrowing owl	Athene cunicularia hypugaea	Open grasslands, especially prairie, plains, and savanna, sometimes in open areas such as vacant lots near human habitation or airports; nests and roosts in abandoned burrows (TPWD, 2022).	Y	Suitable wintering habitat, such as open grasslands and savannas, was observed in the project area during field visits by Derek Green in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. The Bird BMP would be implemented.	N
Collin	Crustacean	A cave obligate isopod	Caecidotea bilineata	A spring obligate. Caecidotea bilineata is known only from non-cave groundwater habitats in deposits of Cretaceous age. It is presumably a phreatobite. Fine-scale habitat requirements unknown (TPWD, 2022).	Y	Cretaceous-age deposits (Austin Group [Kau]) occur in the project area.	May impact	Suitable habitat may be present in the project area. Aquatic Invertebrate BMP would be implemented.	N
Collin	Crustacean	Parkhill prairie crayfish	Procambarus steigmani	Burrower in long-grass prairie; all animals were collected with traps, thus there is no knowledge of depths of burrows; herbivore; crepuscular, nocturnal (TPWD, 2022).	Y	During a site visit in August 2020 by Derek Green, crayfish burrows/chimneys were observed in the project area in a grassland (EMST "Floodplain Herbaceous Vegetation"). Given the recent sightings of the Parkhill prairie crayfish in the McKinney area (iNaturalist, 2022) and that the only other prairie crayfish in Texas (Procambarus gracilis) occurs in a county bordering Oklahoma, the burrows were likely those of the Parkhill prairie crayfish.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. The Crayfish BMP would be implemented.	N

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Collin	Mammal	Big brown bat	Eptesicus fuscus	Any wooded areas or woodlands except south Texas. Riparian areas in west Texas (TPWD, 2022).	Y	Suitable woodland habitat was observed in the project area during field visits by Derek Green in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. Bat BMP would be implemented.	N
Collin	Mammal	Eastern red bat	Lasiurus borealis	Red bats are migratory bats that are common across Texas. They are most common in the eastern and central parts of the State, due to their requirement of forests for foliage roosting. West Texas specimens are associated with forested areas (cottonwoods). These bats are highly mobile, seasonally migratory, and practice a type of "wandering migration." Associations with specific habitat is difficult unless specific migratory stopover sites or wintering grounds are found. Likely associated with any forested area in East, Central, and North Texas but can occur Statewide (TPWD, 2022).	Y	Suitable woodland habitat was observed in the project area during field visits by Derek Green in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. Bat BMP would be implemented.	N
Collin	Mammal	Eastern spotted skunk	Spilogale putorius	A generalist; open fields, prairies, croplands, fence rows, farmyards, forest edges, and woodlands. Prefers wooded, brushy areas; tallgrass prairies (TPWD, 2022).	Y	Open fields, prairies, croplands, fence rows, farmyards, forest edges, and woodlands were observed in the project area and vicinity during field visits by Derek Green in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021. Has been recorded from the project vicinity (TPWD, 2021).	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. General Design and Construction BMP would be implemented.	N

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Collin	Mammal	Hoary bat	Lasiurus cinereus	Hoary bats are highly migratory, high-flying bats that have been noted throughout the State. Females are known to migrate to Mexico in the winter, males tend to remain further north and may stay in Texas year-round. Commonly associated with forests (foliage-roosting species) but are also found in unforested parts of the State and lowland deserts. Tend to be captured over water and large, open flyways (TPWD, 2022).	Y	Suitable woodland habitat was observed in the project area during field visits by Derek Green in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. Bat BMP would be implemented.	N
Collin	Mammal	Long-tailed weasel	Mustela frenata	Includes brushlands, fence rows, upland woods and bottomland hardwoods, forest edges and rocky desert scrub. Usually live close to water (TPWD,2022).	Y	Suitable woodland habitat and fence rows were observed in the project area and vicinity during field visits by Derek Green in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. General Design and Construction BMP would be implemented.	N

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Collin	Mammal	Mountain lion	Puma concolor	Generalist; found in a wide range of habitats Statewide. Found most frequently in rugged mountains and riparian zones (TPWD, 2022).	Y	Known to occur in the project area (landowner showed BMcD ecologist Derek Green cell phone photos of mountain lion footprints [scaled against his hand] on his property along Honey Creek during a site visit on August 24, 2020). This animal was passing through the area and was observed farther east at a later date. Riparian and woodland habitat along Wilson Creek, Honey Creek, and East Fork Trinity River, among others, in the project area may provide a travel corridor.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. General Design and Construction BMP would be implemented.	N
Collin	Mammal	Muskrat	Ondatra zibethicus	Found in fresh or brackish marshes, lakes, ponds, swamps, and other bodies of slow-moving water. Most abundant in areas with cattail. Dens in bank burrow or conical house of vegetation in shallow vegetated water (TPWD, 2022).	Y	Emergent wetlands and ponds were observed in the project area during field visits by Derek Green in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021. Wilson Creek, Honey Creek, and East Fork of the Trinity River, and other creeks also occur in the project area.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. General Design and Construction BMP, Water Quality BMP, and Vegetation BMP would be implemented.	N

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Collin	Mammal		Sylvilagus aquaticus	Inhabits poorly drained river bottoms and coastal marshes (Schmidly and Bradley, 2016). Primarily found in lowland areas near water including: cypress bogs and marshes, floodplains, creeks, and rivers (TPWD, 2022).	Y	Flooded bottomland forests were observed within the project area during field visits by Derek Green in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. General Design and Construction BMP would be implemented.	N
Collin	Mammal	Western hog- nosed skunk	Conepatus leuconotus	Habitats include woodlands, grasslands, and deserts to 7,200 feet; most common in rugged, rocky canyon country (TPWD, 2022).	Y	This species has been recorded from Collin County (Schmidly and Bradley, 2016) and from the project vicinity (TPWD, 2021). Wooded areas and grasslands were observed in the project area during field visits by Derek Green in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021 and would provide habitat.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. General Design and Construction BMP would be implemented.	N
Collin	Reptile	Eastern box turtle	Terrapene carolina	Eastern box turtles inhabit forests, fields, forest-brush, and forest ecotones. In some areas they move seasonally from fields in spring to forest in summer (TPWD, 2022).	Y	Several records of this species occur in the vicinity of the project (iNaturalist, 2022). Wooded areas and grasslands observed in the project area during field visits by Derek Green in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021 would provide habitat.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. The Terrestrial Reptile BMP and Vegetation BMP would be implemented.	N

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Collin	I Rentile	_	Ophisaurus attenuatus	Habitats include open grassland, prairie, woodland edge, open woodland, oak savannas, longleaf pine flatwoods, scrubby areas, fallow fields, and areas near streams and ponds, often in habitats with sandy soil (TPWD, 2022).	Y	Grasslands and woodlands were observed in the project area during field visits by Derek Green in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021 and may provide habitat; however, the soils may not be sandy enough.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. The Terrestrial Reptile BMP and Vegetation BMP would be implemented.	N
Collin	i kentile	_	Thamnophis sirtalis annectens	Terrestrial and aquatic. Habitats include the grasslands and modified open areas in the vicinity of aquatic features, such as ponds, streams, or marshes. Damp soils and debris for cover are thought to be critical (TPWD, 2022).	Y	Several records of this species occur in the vicinity of the project (TPWD, 2021; iNaturalist, 2022). Grasslands and aquatic features such as creeks, ponds, and wetlands were observed in and near the project area during field visits by Derek Green in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021 and would provide habitat.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. The Terrestrial Reptile BMP and Vegetation BMP would be implemented.	N

SPECIES ANALYSIS SUMMARY (SGCN) Project Name: US 380

CSJ(s): 0364-04-051, 0047-05-058, 0047-10-002

County	Taxon	Common Name	Scientific Name	Habitat	Suitable Habitat Present?	Explanation for determination regarding suitable habitat	Impact Determination for SGCNs	Explanation for Impact Determination	Presence/ Absence survey conducted?
Collin	Reptile	Timber (canebrake) rattlesnake	Crotalus horridus	Swamps, floodplains, upland pine and deciduous woodland, riparian zones, and abandoned farmland. Limestone bluffs, sandy soil, or black clay. Prefers dense ground cover e.g., grapevines, palmetto (TPWD, 2022).	Y	Bottomland and upland hardwood forest, riparian areas, and agricultural lands were observed in and near the project area during field visits by Derek Green in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021 and would provide habitat.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. The Terrestrial Reptile BMP and Vegetation BMP would be implemented.	N
Collin	Plant		Crataegus viridis var. glabriuscula	In mesic soils of woods or on edge of woods, treeline/fenceline, or thicket. Above/near creeks and draws, in river bottoms. Flowering Mar-Apr; fruiting May-Oct (TPWD, 2022).	Y	Wooded areas and creeks observed in the project area during field visits by Derek Green in August 2020, June/July 2021, and September 2021.	May impact	Suitable habitat is present in the project area. Rare Plant BMP would be implemented.	N

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Appendix 0-2: Species Analysis Form



Project Name: US 380 McKinney

CSJ(s): 0135-02-065, 0135-15-002, 0135-03-053

County(ies): Collin

Date Analysis Completed: April 28, 2023

Prepared by: Derek Green

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried-out by TxDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 9, 2019, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

I. Endangered Species Act

Select the appropriate statement below based on the determinations recorded in the completed project-specific species analysis spreadsheet:

\boxtimes	This project does <u>not</u> require consultation with or authorization from the USFWS or NMFS under the Endangered Species Act.
	This project requires consultation with or authorization from the USFWS or NMFS unde the Endangered Species Act.

For a project that requires federal authorization or approval, if the completed project-specific species analysis spreadsheet indicates, "May affect," for any species, then consultation with the USFWS is required under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the second checkbox above must be checked.

For more information regarding the Endangered Species Act, see **ENV's Endangered Species Act Handbook**.

II. TPWD Coordination

Select the appropriate statement below:

This project requires a new environmental assessment (EA) or environmental impact statement (EIS), and therefore must be coordinated with TPWD under the 2021 TxDOT/TPWD MOU.
This project involves a re-evaluation of an EA or EIS that was previously coordinated with TPWD and triggers for re-coordination were met, therefore the re-evaluation must be coordinated with TPWD under the 2021 TxDOT/TPWD MOU.
This project involves a re-evaluation of an EA or EIS that was previously coordinated with TPWD and triggers for re-coordination were not met, therefore the re-evaluation will <u>not</u> be coordinated with TPWD under the TxDOT/TPWD MOU.



This project is a categorical exclusion (CE)-level project; therefore coordination with TPWD under the 2021 TxDOT/TPWD MOU is not required; however, it will be coordinated with TPWD under the 2021 TxDOT/TPWD MOU at the TxDOT district's discretion.
This project is a categorical exclusion (CE)-level project; therefore coordination with TPWD under the 2021 TxDOT/TPWD MOU is not required and it will <u>not</u> be coordinated with TPWD under 2021 TxDOT/TPWD MOU at the TxDOT district's discretion.

For any project that will be coordinated with TPWD, complete the **Documentation of Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Best Management Practices Form**.

For more information regarding TPWD Coordination, see **ENV's Guidance: TPWD Coordination Under the 2021 Memorandum of Understanding**.

III. Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (BGEPA)

Select the appropriate statement below:

\boxtimes	This project is <u>not</u> within 660 feet of an active or inactive Bald or Golden Eagle nest. Therefore, no coordination with USFWS is required.
	This project <u>is</u> within 660 feet of an active or inactive Bald or Golden Eagle nest; however, construction activities within 660 feet will <u>not</u> occur during the nesting season and the project <u>will</u> adhere to the National Bald Eagle Management Guidelines of 2007 Therefore, no coordination with USFWS is required.
	This project <u>is</u> within 660 feet of an active or inactive Bald or Golden Eagle nest, <u>and</u> construction within 660 feet <u>will</u> occur during the nesting season or the project will <u>not</u> adhere to the National Bald Eagle Management Guidelines of 2007. Therefore, coordination with USFWS to obtain a Non-Purposeful Take Permit is required.

For more information regarding BGEPA, see Section 7.0 of ENV's Ecological Resources Handbook.

IV. Migratory Bird Protections

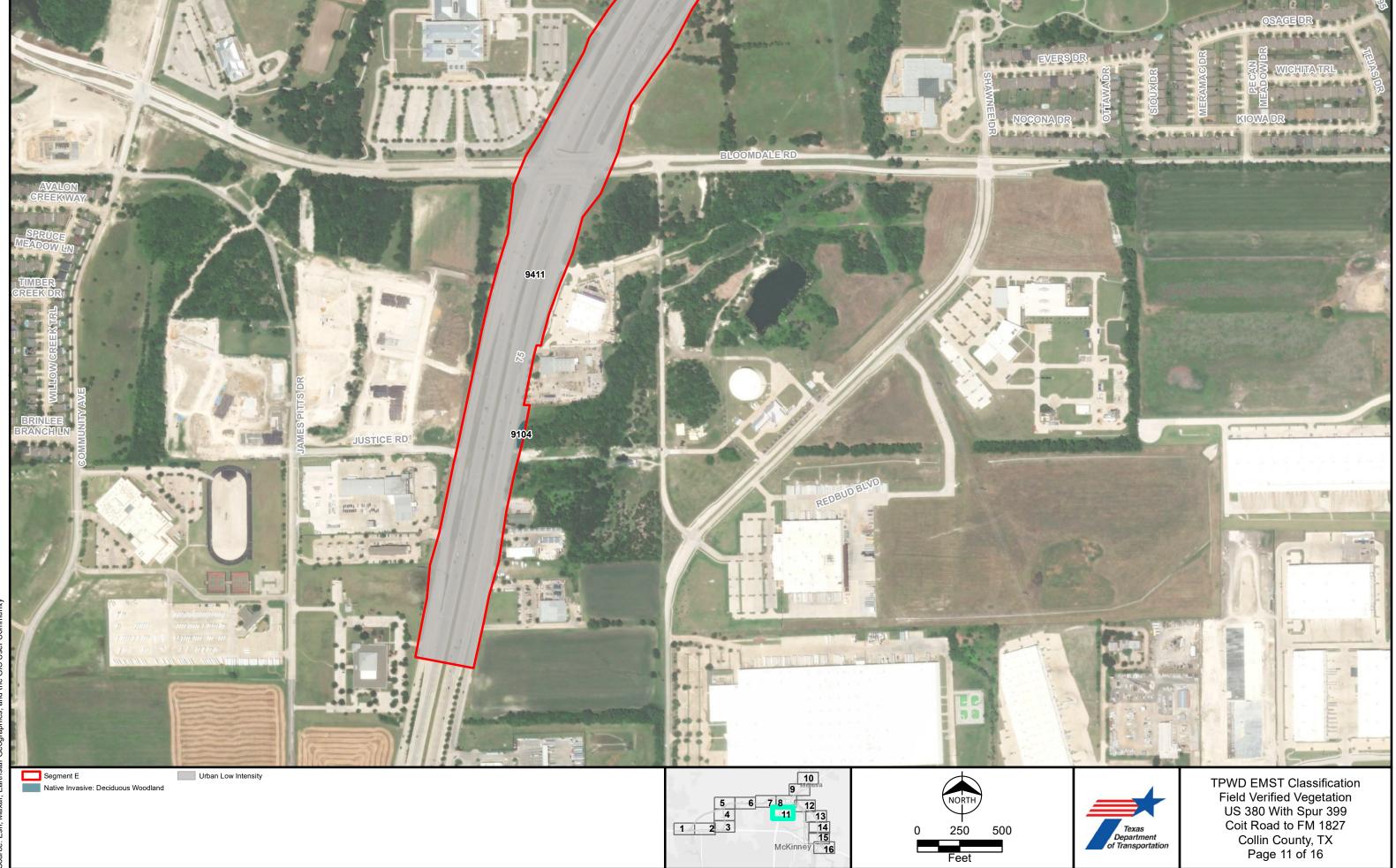
This project will comply with applicable provisions of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) and Texas Parks and Wildlife Code Title 5, Subtitle B, Chapter 64, Birds. It is the department's policy to avoid removal and destruction of active bird nests except through federal or state approved options. In addition, it is the department's policy to, where appropriate and practicable:

- use measures to prevent or discourage birds from building nests on man-made structures within portions of the project area planned for construction, and
- schedule construction activities outside the typical nesting season.

For more information regarding migratory bird protections, see ENV's Guidance: Avoiding Migratory Birds and Handling Potential Violations and Section 3.0 of ENV's Ecological Resources Handbook.

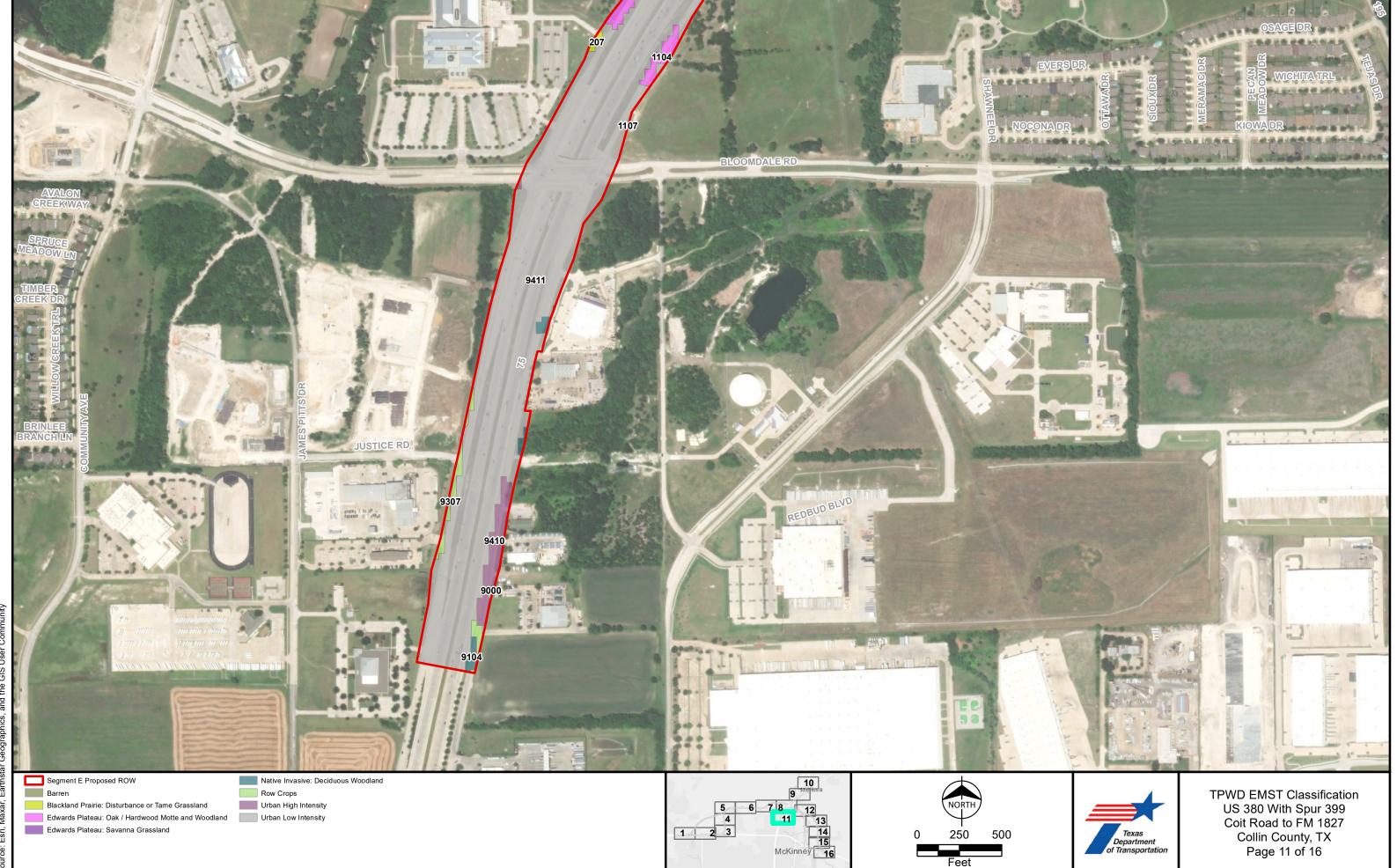
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