

## TxDOT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING IH30 CSJs: 1068-04-153, -154, -156

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), will conduct a Public Hearing on Tuesday, June 26, 2012, for the proposed improvements to Interstate Highway (IH) 30 in Dallas County, Texas. The proposed project limits extend along IH 30 for approximately 1.3 miles from Cockrell Hill Road to east of Westmoreland Road located in Dallas.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to present the anticipated social, economic, and environmental effects of the proposed project. The Public Hearing will be held at the Lakewest Family YMCA located at 3737 Goldman, Dallas, TX 75212. Prior to the Public Hearing, an Open House will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., to allow for questions and review of project exhibits. TxDOT staff will be available to answer questions during the Open House. The formal Public Hearing presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m. followed by a public comment period.

The proposed improvements would include the construction of eastbound and westbound frontage roads along IH 30 between Cockrell Hill Road and Westmoreland Road. IH 30 would remain a controlled-access facility with access to the mainlanes at designated locations. Access to mainlanes from the frontage roads and local cross streets would be facilitated through entrance and exit ramps.

The existing right-of-way (ROW) of IH 30 between Cockrell Hill Road and Westmoreland Road is typically 400 feet in width. Approximately 3.3 acres of additional ROW is anticipated to be needed to accommodate the proposed improvements. The additional ROW would be acquired as 15 to 70-foot wide strips on both sides of the existing ROW along portions of the proposed project. No residential or commercial property displacements or relocations would be required. Finally, the proposed project would not adversely affect wetlands or the 100-year floodplain.

The proposed project's environmental document along with maps and drawings showing the location and geometric design will be presented at the Public Hearing. This information is also available for public inspection and reproduction at the TxDOT Dallas District Office, located at 4777 East Highway 80, Mesquite, Texas 75150 and on-line at <u>www.keepitmovingdallas.com</u> under Upcoming Public Hearing. Information concerning the TxDOT Relocation Assistance Program, benefits and services for displacements as well as information about the tentative schedules for ROW acquisition and construction may be obtained from the TxDOT Dallas District Office.

All interested persons are invited to attend this Public Hearing. Persons requiring special communication or accommodation needs should contact the TxDOT Dallas District Public Information Office at (214) 320-6100 at least two (2) working days prior to the Hearing so appropriate arrangements can be made. Because the Hearing will be conducted in English, any request for language interpretation or other special communication needs should also be made at least two (2) working days prior to the Hearing days prior to the Hearing. Every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs will be made.

Verbal and written comments from the public regarding the proposed project may be presented at the Public Hearing. Written comments submitted after the Public Hearing may be presented either in person or by mail to:

Mr. Robert Hall, P.W.S., C.F.M. TxDOT Dallas District Environmental Coordinator P.O. Box 133067 Dallas, Texas 75313-3067

Written comments submitted after the Public Hearing must be postmarked on or before Friday, July 6, 2012, to be included in the Public Hearing record. For additional information please contact Mr. Robert Hall at 214-320-6157 or <u>Robert.Hall@TxDOT.gov</u>