

TXDOT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Interstate 35 West (I-35W) Frontage Roads from Eagle Parkway to State Highway (SH) 114 in Denton County, Texas CSJ: 0081-13-041

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct a Public Hearing on Tuesday, July 14, 2015, at the Northwest High School Cafeteria/Student Union Area, 2301 Texan Drive, Justin, Texas 76247. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to present the proposed roadway improvements for I-35W from Eagle Parkway to SH 114 in Denton County, Texas, and to receive public comment. Displays will be available for viewing at 6:00 P.M. with the formal hearing commencing at 7:00 P.M.

The existing facility within this section of I-35 is a four-lane divided roadway with two 12-foot lanes in each direction with shoulders ranging in width from 4-to 10-feet in width, and no frontage roads. The existing I-35 roadway facility has a typical right of way (ROW) width of 300-feet.

The proposed project would include the construction of one way frontage roads, two lanes in each direction, both northbound and southbound, consisting of a 14-foot outside lane and one 12-foot inside lane, with 2-foot wide curb offsets each. The proposed project would also include the reconstruction and relocation of exit and entrance ramps for the project area. A five-foot wide sidewalk would be provided along the proposed northbound and southbound frontage roads. The proposed sidewalks would meet ADA design criteria. The proposed project would be constructed in two phases: Phase I – construct 2-lane southbound frontage road with ramp modifications; and, Phase II – construct 2-lane northbound frontage road with ramp modifications. The purpose of the proposed project is to provide system linkage along I-35W in this part of northwest Forth Worth, Texas. The length of the proposed project is approximately 2.2 miles. The proposed improvements would require approximately 27.2 acres of additional right of way and 0.1 acres of drainage easement. No residential or commercial property displacements or relocations would be required. The proposed project includes work within a FEMA-designated 100-year floodplain. The hydraulic design for the proposed project would be in accordance with current TxDOT and FHWA design policies and standards.

The maps and drawings reflecting the project's location and geometric design will be displayed at the Public Hearing. Environmental documentation for the project will also be available for inspection at the hearing. These and other information about the proposed project are available for public inspection and duplication at the TxDOT Dallas District Office located at 4777 E. Highway 80, Mesquite, Texas 75150, and on-line at www.keepitmovingdallas.com under Upcoming Public Hearing/Meeting.

All interested persons are invited to attend this Public Hearing to obtain information about the project and to express their views. Persons requiring special communication or accommodation needs should contact the TxDOT Dallas District Public Information Officer at (214) 320-6100 at least two (2) working days prior to the Public Hearing. Because the Public Hearing will be conducted in English, any request for language interpreters or other special communication needs should also be made at least two (2) working days prior to the Public Hearing. Every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs will be made.

All interested persons are invited to attend this Public Hearing. Verbal and written comments from the public regarding this project are encouraged and may be presented for a period of 10 calendar days following the hearing. Written comments may be submitted either in person or by mail to the TxDOT Dallas District Office, Mr. Jim Dobbins, 4777 East US Highway 80 Mesquite, Texas, 75150. All written comments must be postmarked on or before Friday, July 24, 2015 to be included in the official public hearing record.

For additional information please contact Mr. Nelson Underwood, P.E., TxDOT Dallas District, via phone (214) 320-6628, or e-mail: Nelson.Underwood@TxDOT.gov.

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 16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.