

Notice Final Environmental Assessment Available for Public Review

CONFLANS ROAD From Valley View Lane to State Highway (SH) 161 CSJ: 0918-45-812 Dallas County, Texas

Pursuant to Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, §2.108, this notice advises the public that a final environmental assessment (EA) is available for public review for the proposed Conflans Road project from Valley View Road to SH 161 in Dallas County, Texas. The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried-out by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 16, 2014, and executed by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and TxDOT.

The existing Conflans Road is a major collector in the westernmost southwest portion of Irving, which terminates at SH 161. The proposed improvements would extend existing Conflans Road on new location roadway and bridge structure. The total distance of the project is 0.881 mile. The proposed bridge structure would cross over Bear Creek. The proposed roadway would consist of a four-lane divided facility within a variable right-of-way (ROW) width of approximately 116 feet to 310 feet. The westbound section of the roadway would consist of a 12-foot wide inside lane, a 14-foot wide outside shared use lane, and a five-foot wide sidewalk. The eastbound section of the roadway would consist of a 12-foot wide inside lane, a 14-foot wide outside shared use lane, a five-foot wide buffer, and a 12-foot wide shared use path. A 17-foot wide raised median is proposed. The proposed bridge would consist of a four-lane divided facility within a ROW width of approximately 116 feet with an overall bridge width of approximately 96 feet. The westbound section of the bridge would consist of a 12-foot wide travel lane, a 14-foot wide shared use lane, a six-foot wide sidewalk directly behind curb and a one-foot traffic rail. The eastbound section of the bridge would consist of a 12-foot wide inside lane, a 14-foot wide outside shared use lane, and one-foot wide railings on each side of the 10-foot wide shared use path. Approximately 16.34 acres of new ROW and 6.49 acres of temporary easements would be required for the proposed project. Although additional ROW and easements are required, no residential or non-residential structures would be displaced. Information concerning services and benefits available to affected property owners and information about the tentative schedule for ROW acquisition may be obtained from the district office at the address listed below.

The proposed project crosses the 100-year floodplain associated with Bear Creek and its tributary. The proposed project would permanently impact 1,085 linear feet (0.24 acre) of the intermittent tributary to Bear Creek and approximately 7.86 acres of Crosstimbers Woodland and Forest and 1.32 acres of Riparian vegetation.

Copies of the approved final EA, the Public Hearing Transcript for the May 15, 2018 public hearing, the Public Hearing Summary and Analysis Report, which includes the Responses to Public Comments, and the certification of public involvement for this project, are available for public inspection and duplication Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at TxDOT Dallas District Office, 4777 E. Highway 80, Mesquite, TX 75150 and online at <u>www.keepitmovingdallas.com under Public Hearings/Meetings</u>. Pursuant to 23 CFR 771.119(h), TxDOT will issue a finding of no significant impact (FONSI) for this project no sooner than 30 days after the issuance of this notice of availability. For further information, please contact Ms. Rakhshanda Mahar, P.E., Project Manager at the TxDOT Dallas District Office by phone at 214-320-6244 or email at <u>Rakhshanda.Mahar@txdot.gov</u>.

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