



Notice
Draft Environmental Assessment and
Virtual Public Hearing with In-Person Option
FARM TO MARKET ROAD (FM) 1387
From North Midlothian Parkway to FM 664
CSJs: 1394-02-027, 1394-01-002
ELLIS County, Texas

TxDOT is proposing to widen and reconstruct FM 1387 from North Midlothian Parkway to FM 664 in Ellis County, Texas. This notice advises the public that a draft environmental assessment (EA) is available for public review and that TxDOT will be conducting a virtual public hearing on the proposed project with an in-person option. **The virtual hearing will consist of a pre-recorded video presentation and will include both audio and visual components. The materials will be posted online by Thursday, August 22, 2024, at 5 p.m., and will remain online for at least 15 days.** To view the virtual public hearing, go to the following web address at the date and time indicated above: www.keepitmovingdallas.com/projects/fm-roads/fm1387. **Please note the virtual hearing is not a live event and can be viewed at your convenience.** If you do not have internet access, you may call (214) 320-6628 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, to ask questions and access project materials during the project development process.

In addition, TxDOT is providing an option for individuals who would like to participate in person instead of online. **The in-person option will be held in an open house format from 5 to 7 p.m. with a live presentation about the proposed project at 6 p.m. at the Longbranch Community Baptist Church, 200 Longbranch Road, Midlothian, TX 76065.** In-person attendees will be able to review hard copies of project materials, ask questions of TxDOT staff and/or consultants, and leave comments.

The proposed project consists of the reconstruction, realigning, and widening of FM 1387 from North Midlothian Parkway to FM 664 for approximately 5.8 miles. Improvements would include the expansion of the existing two-lane rural roadway to a four-lane urban roadway (ultimate six-lanes) with a raised median to provide additional capacity and improve safety. Improvements would consist of 12-foot-wide travel lanes, a 10-foot-wide shared-use path on the north side and a five-foot sidewalk on the south side of the roadway. The proposed ROW width will range from 115 feet to 350 feet wide. The proposed project passes through the eastern portion of the City of Midlothian and Ellis County, Texas.

The proposed project would, subject to final design considerations, require additional right of way and potentially displace 10 residences along the FM 1387 corridor west of Longbranch Road. Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons and businesses. Information about the TxDOT Relocation Assistance Program and services and benefits for those displaced and other affected property owners, as well as information about the tentative schedule for right-of-way acquisition and construction, can be obtained from the TxDOT district office by calling (214) 320-6675 or visiting the project website.

The proposed project would involve construction in wetlands and the proposed project would involve an action in a floodplain.

The draft EA, any maps and drawings showing the project location and design, tentative construction schedules, and other information regarding the proposed project will be on file and available for inspection by appointment Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the TxDOT Dallas District Office at 4777 East US Highway 80, Mesquite, TX 75150-6643 starting August 22, 2024. Please call (214) 320-6628 to make an appointment. Project materials will also be available online on the project website beginning on Thursday, August 22, 2024, at 5 p.m. These materials will also be available in hard copy form for review at the in-person hearing.

The virtual and in-person public hearing will be conducted in English. If you need an interpreter or document translator because English is not your primary language or you have difficulty communicating effectively in English, one will be provided to you. If you have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can be made to accommodate most needs. If you need interpretation or translation services or are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation to attend and participate in the virtual or in-person hearing, please contact the TxDOT Dallas District Public Information Office, at (214) 320-4480 no later than 4 p.m., Monday, August 19, 2024. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for TxDOT to arrange.

La audiencia pública FM 1387 se llevará a cabo en inglés. Si necesita un intérprete o traductor de documentos porque su idioma principal no es el inglés o tiene dificultades para comunicarse eficazmente en inglés, se le proporcionará uno. Si tiene una discapacidad y necesita ayuda, se pueden hacer arreglos especiales para satisfacer la mayoría de las necesidades. Si requiere servicios de interpretación o traducción o es una persona con una discapacidad que requiere una adaptación para asistir y participar en la audiencia pública FM 1387, comuníquese con la Oficina de Información Pública de TxDOT, al número (214) 320-4480, a más tardar las 4 p.m. hora central, antes del lunes 19 de Agosto de 2024. Tenga en cuenta que se requiere aviso previo ya que algunos servicios y adaptaciones pueden requerir tiempo para que TxDOT los organice.

Comments from the public may be submitted by mail to the TxDOT Dallas District Office, Attention: Nelson Underwood, P.E., 4777 East US Highway 80, Mesquite, TX 75150-6643 or by email to Nelson.Underwood@txdot.gov. Verbal comments may be submitted by calling (817) 381-2473. All comments must be postmarked or received by 11:59 p.m., Friday, September 6, 2024.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or virtual hearing or in-person option, please contact the TxDOT project manager, Nelson Underwood, P.E., by phone at (214) 320-6628, or by email at 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 9, 2019, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.