



DISTRICT BICYCLE PROGRAM

TxDOT Dallas District Public Hearing
Bicycle Use on the State Highway System



May 6, 2021

Virtual Public Hearing in Response to Public Health

TxDOT is conducting this virtual public hearing to minimize in-person contact.

This virtual public hearing and its website provide the same information as a live hearing:

- Project information
- Process for submitting comments
- Key contacts

Share Facts About COVID-19

Know the facts about coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) and help stop the spread of rumors.

FACT 1 Diseases can make anyone sick regardless of their race or ethnicity.

People of Asian descent, including Chinese Americans, are not more likely to get COVID-19 than any other American. Help stop fear by letting people know that being of Asian descent does not increase the chance of getting or spreading COVID-19.

FACT 2 Some people are at increased risk of getting COVID-19.

People who have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19 or people who live in or have recently been in an area with ongoing spread are at an increased risk of exposure.

FACT 3 Someone who has completed quarantine or has been released from isolation does not pose a risk of infection to other people.

For up-to-date information, visit CDC's coronavirus disease 2019 web page.

FACT 4 You can help stop COVID-19 by knowing the signs and symptoms:

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath

Seek medical advice if you

- Develop symptoms

AND

- Have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19 or if you live in or have recently been in an area with ongoing spread of COVID-19.

FACT 5 There are simple things you can do to help keep yourself and others healthy.

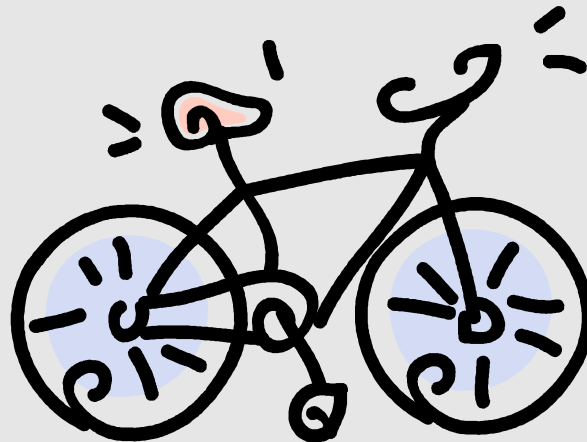
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing; going to the bathroom; and before eating or preparing food.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.



For more information: www.cdc.gov/COVID19

Purpose of the Public Hearing

The purpose of the public hearing is to provide information on the bicycle plans, policies, and programs for the TxDOT Dallas District and NCTCOG, and to receive public comment.



Public involvement activities are conducted in accordance with the requirements codified in:

- Texas Administrative Code (TAC) at 43 TAC 2.101 to 2.110 and 43 TAC 1.5 – Public Participation and Public Hearings
- 43 TAC 25.55 – Comment Solicitation on Bicycle Road Use
- Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 23 CFR Part 771 for federal projects

Planning and Designing Bicycle Facilities

■ Connectivity

- Mobility 2045 by the Regional Transportation Council
 - Adopted by City Council, Regional MPO, local commission, and/or Texas Transportation Commission
 - Generally identifies preferred bicycle route(s), potential deficiencies, and future planned bicycle facilities

■ Standards and Guidelines

- TxDOT Roadway Design Manual (July 2020)
- AASHTO
 - Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities (2012)
- NACTO
 - Urban Bikeway Design Guide (2014)
- TxMUTCD (2011)
 - Pavement Markings and Signage



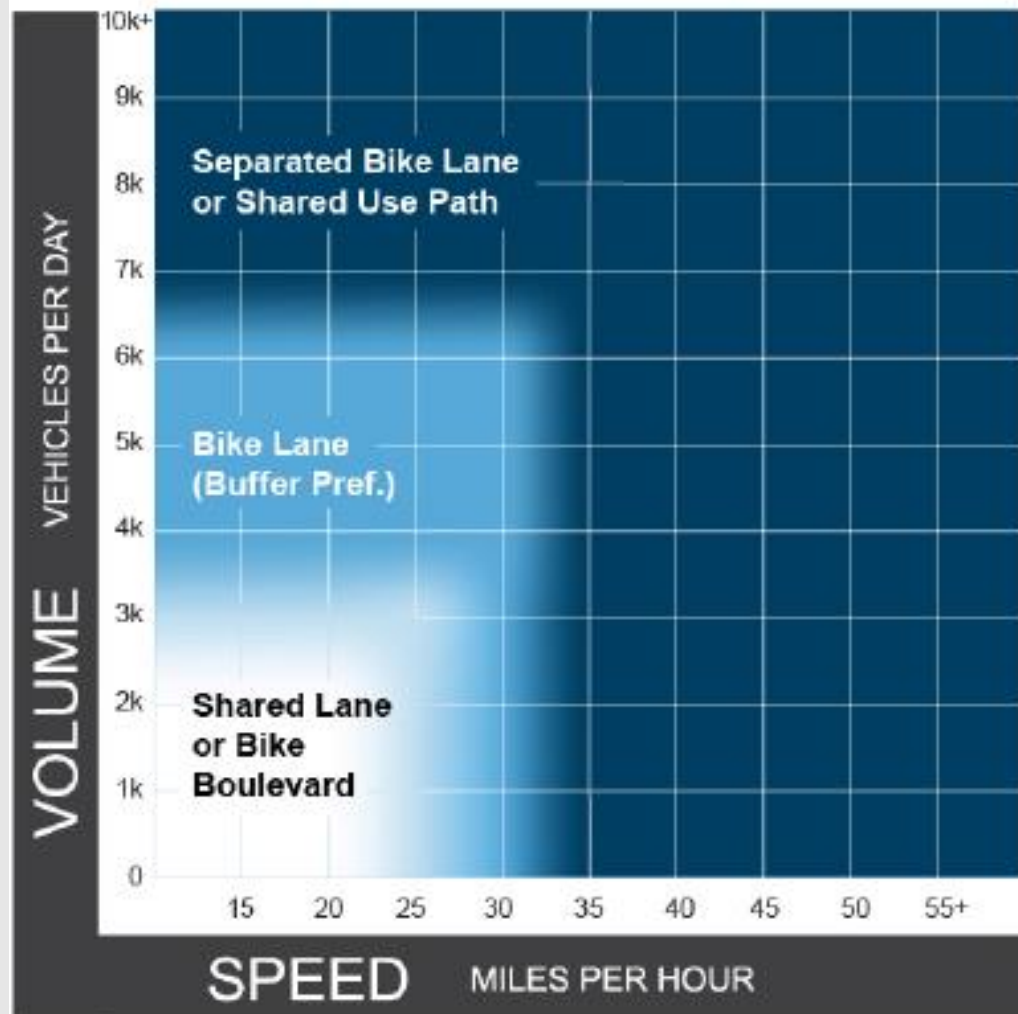
TxDOT's Policy – Urban, Urban Core, Suburban, and Rural Towns

- TxDOT design guidelines for bicycle and pedestrian facilities updated in April 2021
- New construction, reconstruction, or widening projects:
 - Provide the recommended bicycle accommodation based on traffic volumes and speed
 - Accommodations should be designed to meet TAS / ADAAG requirements
- Projects involving bridge replacement, bridge deck replacement, or bridge rehabilitation:
 - Provide 5-foot minimum clear space (4-foot shoulder and 1-foot offset measured to the toe of the barrier). Where feasible, desirable shoulder widths should be used.
 - For roadways identified on the Texas Bicycle Tourism Trails Example Network, provide preferred 10-foot (minimum 8-foot) shoulder width



TxDOT's Policy – Urban, Urban Core, Suburban, and Rural Towns

Recommended Bicycle Facility Selection for Urban, Urban Core, Suburban, and Rural Town Context



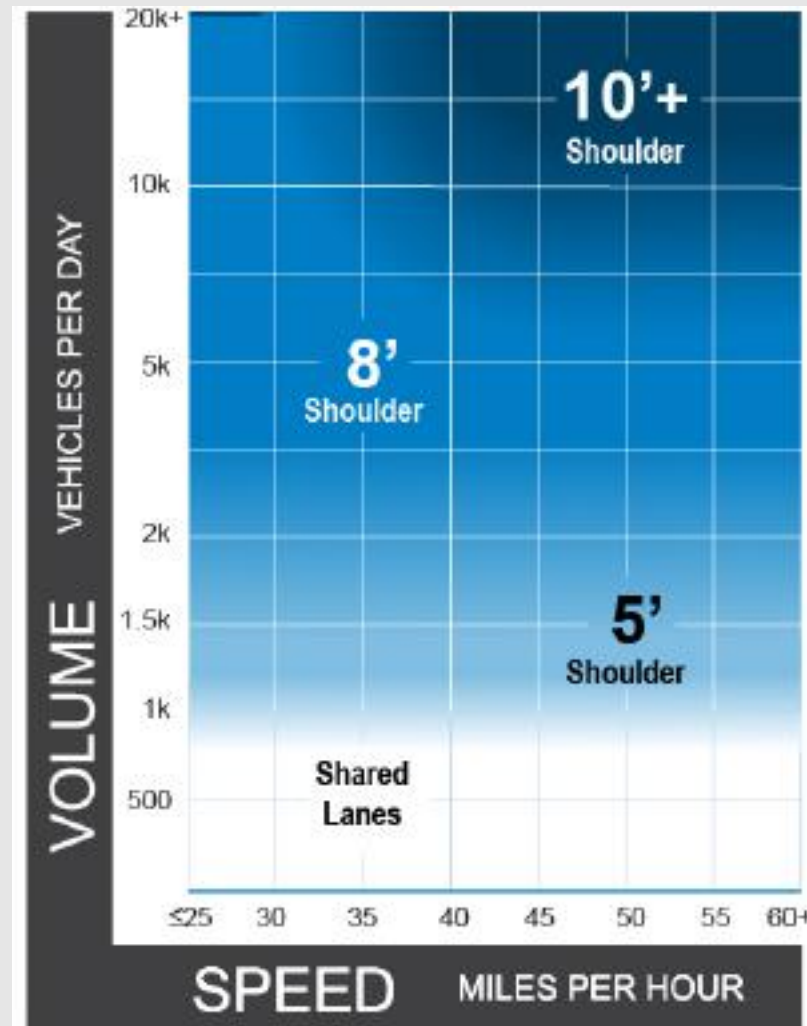
TxDOT's Policy – Rural Areas (Excludes Rural Towns)

- New construction, reconstruction, or widening projects:
 - When scoping process and environmental studies indicate a need for bicycle accommodations, provide the recommended bicycle accommodation
 - In some cases, a shared use path or other locally preferred facility type may be identified during stakeholder outreach
 - Roadways indicated in TxDOT's Bicycle Tourism Trails Study should be designed with a minimum 8-foot shoulder, a shared use path, or another locally preferred facility type
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Recommended Bicycle Facility Selection for Rural Context



TxDOT Bicycle Accommodation Information

The screenshot shows the TxDOT website's 'Bicycle and Pedestrian' section. The header includes the TxDOT logo, 'TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION', and the tagline 'Connecting You With Texas History'. Navigation links for 'A-Z Site Index', 'Contact Us', and 'Español' are in the top right. A search bar is also present. Below the header, a secondary navigation bar lists 'Inside TxDOT', 'Get Involved', 'Media Center', 'Projects', 'Forms & Publications', 'Administration', 'Districts', and 'Divisions'. The main content area is titled 'Bicycle and Pedestrian' and features four featured articles: 'Planning & Designing', 'Know Before You Go', 'Funding Opportunities', and 'Coordination'. To the right of these articles is a 'Looking for These?' section with links to 'Bikeway Maps', 'Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee', 'TxDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Count Program', and 'Contact Us'. The footer contains four columns of links: 'Inside TxDOT', 'Get Engaged', 'What We Do', and 'Connect With Us'.

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Bicycle and Pedestrian

Planning & Designing
Get guidance on the development of bicycle and pedestrian facilities in Texas.

Know Before You Go
Find out what laws apply to bicyclists and pedestrians and where to find maps and other resources.

Funding Opportunities
Learn about funding opportunities for bicycle and pedestrian projects.

Coordination
Learn what TxDOT is doing to support walking and bicycling throughout the state.

Looking for These?

- Bikeway Maps
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
- TxDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Count Program
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TxDOT bicycle accommodation information can be found at the following website:

<https://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/modes-of-travel/bicycle.html>

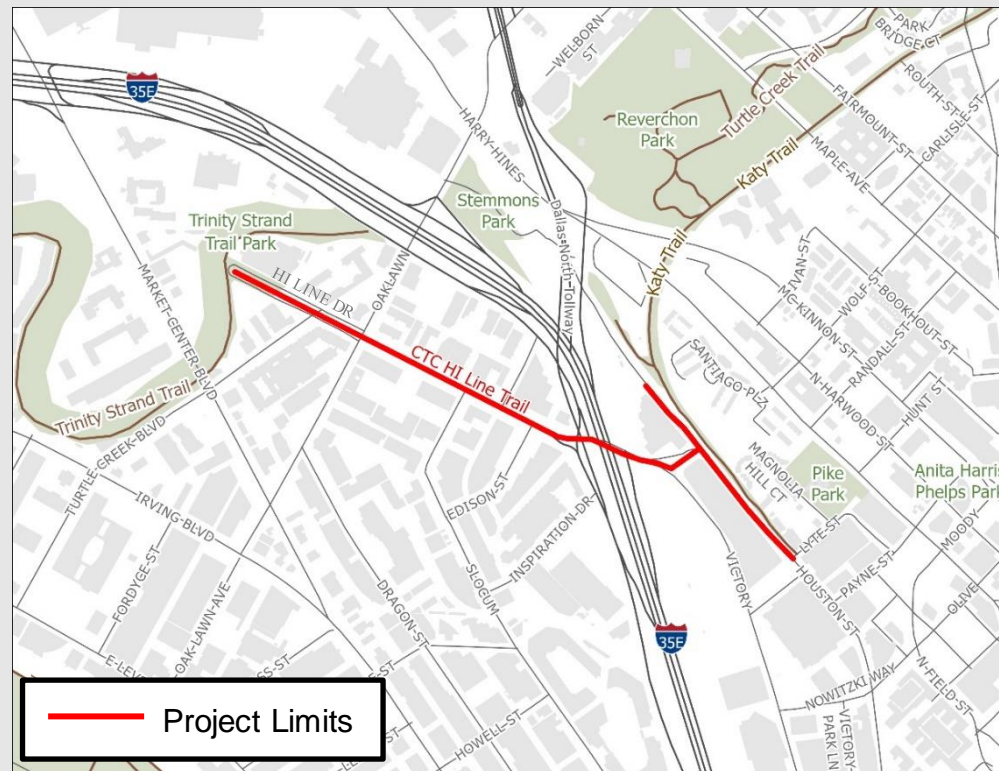
TxDOT Dallas District Projects

- Projects funded, designed and constructed in partnership with the City of Dallas
- Projects will proceed to letting and construction following the public hearing comment period and environmental clearance



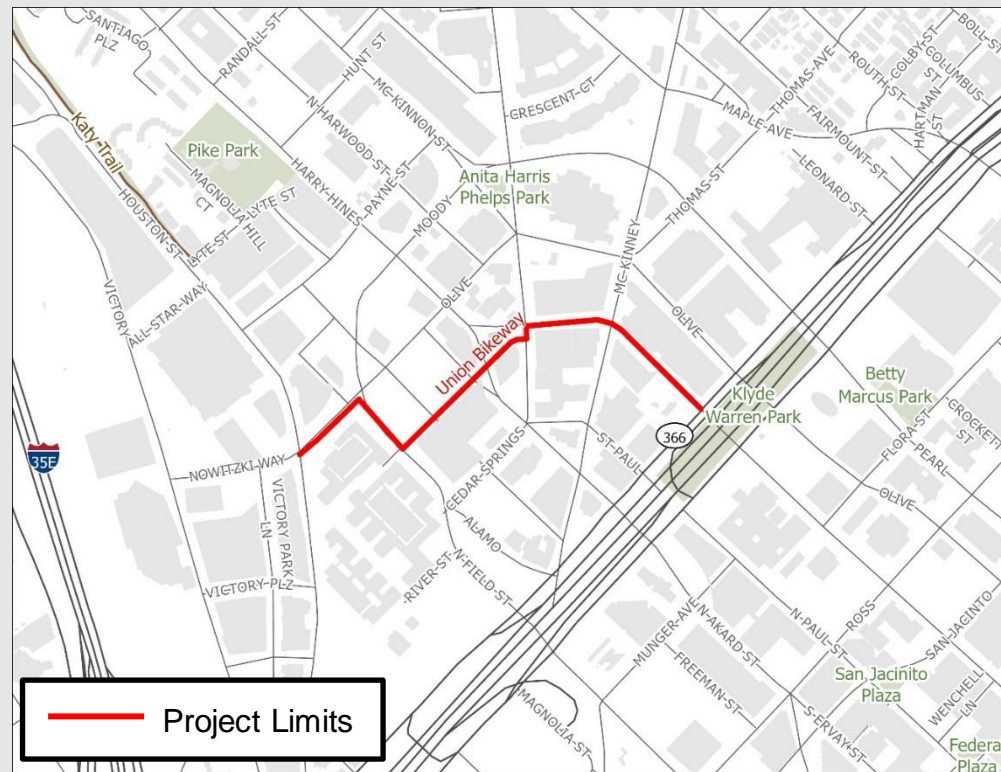
City of Dallas CTC Hi Line Trail

- CSJ: 0918-47-296
- Focus Area: Central Dallas in Dallas County
- Project limits: Circuit Trail connector/Katy Trail extension from Katy Trail to Trinity Strand Trail
- Project description: Bicycle and pedestrian improvements
- Approximate length: 1 mile
- Let year: 2021
- Approximate completion date:
Early 2023
- Funding source: Federal and Local
- Approximate cost: \$18.8 million
- Bicycle/Pedestrian Accommodations:
 - Bike lanes
 - Shared use paths



City of Dallas Union Bikeway

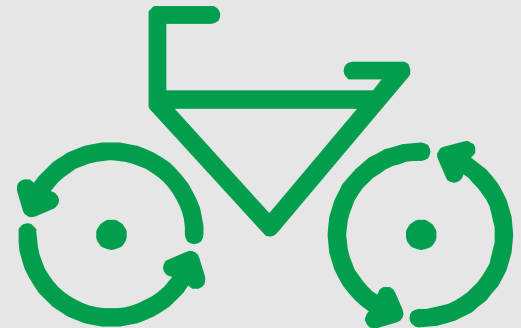
- CSJ: 0918-47-210
- Focus Area: Downtown Dallas in Dallas County
- Project limits: From Union Bikeway connector;
Houston St to N Harwood St at Woodall Rodgers Freeway
- Project description: Bicycle and pedestrian improvements
- Approximate length: 0.5 mile
- Let year: 2021
- Approximate completion date:
Summer 2022
- Funding source: Federal and Local
- Approximate cost: \$1 million
- Bicycle/Pedestrian Accommodations:
 - Bike lanes
 - Sidewalks



TxDOT - Dallas District Staff

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How to Submit Public Comments

All feedback must be provided by **Friday, May 21, 2021** to be included in the official record.



ONLINE

<http://www.keepitmovingdallas.com>

- Fill out an online form
- Download a comment form and send by email or mail



MAIL

TxDOT - Dallas District / APD
Attn: Melissa Meyer
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Mesquite, Texas 75150-6643

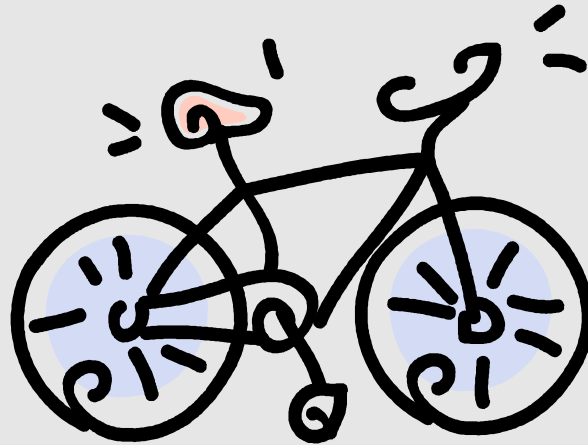


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COMMENT BY
VOICEMAIL
(833) 933-0441

For general questions about the presentation, the projects presented, or the District's Bicycle Program, please contact Melissa Meyer at Melissa.Meyer@txdot.gov or (214) 319-3506.

Thank You!

Thank you for your interest and input!



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