

Notice Draft Environmental Assessment Available for Public Review and Public Hearing Farm-to-Market (FM) 2514 (Parker Road) From East of Lavon Parkway to Brown Street CSJs: 2679-03-015 and 2679-03-016 Collin County, Texas

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Dallas District will hold a public hearing regarding the proposed widening of Farm-to-Market (FM) 2514 (Parker Road) from East of Lavon Parkway to Brown Street in the City of Wylie and the Town of St. Paul, and unincorporated areas in Collin County, Texas. The project length is approximately 3.34 miles. This notice advises the public that the draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and technical reports are available for public review and that TxDOT will be conducting a public hearing on the proposed project. The hearing will be held on **Thursday**, **January 11**, **2018 at Frank McMillan Junior High School cafeteria**, **1050 Park Boulevard**, **Wylie**, **Texas 75098**. Displays will be available for viewing at 6:00 p.m. with the formal hearing starting at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the hearing is to present the planned improvements and to receive public comment on the project.

The proposed project would reconstruct and widen an existing two-lane roadway to a four-lane (ultimately six-lane) urban divided highway. The proposed improvements would require right-of-way (ROW) acquisition of approximately 16.23 acres, including easements. Total existing and proposed ROW is approximately 63.76 acres. Five-foot sidewalks would be constructed on both sides of the roadway. Lavon Parkway and Brown Street are logical termini for the roadway improvements and this project would have independent utility. Noise barrier is proposed along FM 2514 in the Valley Mills Dr./ Millstone Dr. area of the Harvest Bend neighborhood. Based on preliminary calculations, a two-section noise barrier would be placed along the FM 2514 ROW and reduce noise levels. Four properties were determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) within the project limits. The proposed Build Alternative would not pose adverse effects to the four historic properties; however, new ROW would be acquired from each parcel on which the historic properties stand, thus constituting direct effects to each historic property. The direct effect to each historic property constitutes a *de minimis* Section 4(f) use. The proposed project would potentially displace 1 resident. Information about the TxDOT Relocation Assistance Program, benefits and services for displaces, as well as information about the tentative schedules for ROW acquisition and construction, can be obtained from the TxDOT Dallas District Office at the address listed below. Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons and businesses.

The draft EA, maps showing the project location and design, tentative construction schedules, and other information regarding the project are on file and available for inspection Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the TxDOT Dallas District Office located at 4777 E. Highway 80, Mesquite, Texas 75150, and online at www.keepitmovingdallas.com under "Public Hearings/Meetings", and www.txdot.gov under "Hearings and Meetings Schedule." This information also will be available for inspection at the hearing on **Thursday**, **January 11**, **2018**. Verbal and written comments from the public regarding the project are requested and may be presented at the hearing, or submitted in person or by mail to Ms. Denise Lunski, P.E., Texas Department of Transportation Dallas District Office, 4777 E. US Highway 80, Mesquite, TX 75150. Comments must be received on or before **Friday**, **January 26**, **2018** to be part of the official hearing record.

The hearing will be conducted in English. Persons interested in attending the hearing who have special communication or accommodation needs, such as the need for an interpreter, are encouraged to contact the TxDOT Dallas District Public Information Office at (214) 320-4480. Requests should be made at least two days prior to the hearing. Every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate these needs. If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the hearing, please contact Ms. Denise Lunski, P.E. at (214) 320-6154 or by email at Denise.Lunski@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.

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