

#### SLIDE 1 - Welcome Slide

Hello and welcome to the public meeting for the Farm-to-Market Road (FM) 2755 project from State Highway (SH) 78 to County Road (CR) 541. This meeting has been convened by the Texas Department of Transportation and is being held to receive and consider comments from the public. We appreciate your interest in this project and thank you for your participation.

Please note, you may pause this presentation at any point to allow more time to review the information.

#### SLIDE 2 - End the Streak

November 7, 2000, was the last deathless day on Texas roadways. That means for 24 years, at least one person has died every single day. We all have a part to play to change that. This message is that reminder — to End the Streak of deaths on Texas highways. We need drivers and passengers to act more responsibly and help us reach our goal of zero deaths by 2050. Texans can play a major role in ending fatal crashes with a few simple driving habits: wear seatbelts, drive the speed limit, put away the phone and other distractions and never drive under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

#### SLIDE 3 – Public Meeting Purpose

You may have attended previous public meetings conducted by TxDOT. However, for the benefit of those who have never attended one, we will explain why and how the Department conducts a public meeting.

A public meeting has four essential purposes:

- 1. To inform the public of the status of planning efforts on the project and present recommendations based on technical analysis performed to date.
- 2. To describe the project to the public including known potential project impacts to the human and natural environment.
- To provide the public an opportunity to view information and express their ideas and concerns at this stage in the planning process while the ability to respond to comments is still flexible, and before location and design decisions are finalized.



4. And finally, to develop a record of public views and participation to accompany recommendations for subsequent decisions.

This public meeting is being held in compliance with both federal and state laws. Documentation of this meeting will be made available for the official record.

#### SLIDE 4 - Viewing Design Schematic and Project Information.

The design schematic and environmental documentation for the FM 2755 Project are available for inspection and reproduction at the Texas Department of Transportation Dallas District Office, located at 4777 East US Highway 80 in Mesquite, Texas, 75150. In addition, the design schematic and the environmental document may be viewed online at www.keepitmovingdallas.com under "Upcoming Public Hearing / Meeting" or the project website <a href="https://www.keepitmovingdallas.com/projects/fm-roads/fm2755">www.keepitmovingdallas.com/projects/fm-roads/fm2755</a>. The information on this website is the same information displayed in this presentation.

#### SLIDE 5 - Project Location

The project limits are from SH 78 to CR 541. The total project length is approximately 1.5 miles and is located within the city of Lavon in Collin County, Texas.

#### SLIDE 6 - Project Purpose and Need

The purpose of the proposed project is to improve mobility and safety by providing a facility that meets current design and safety standards.

The proposed project is needed because FM 2755 from SH 78 to CR 541:

- a) is within an area that is experiencing growth with an anticipated future increase in traffic demand resulting in reduced mobility along FM 2755; and
- b) does not meet current design and safety standards for travel lane widths, shoulders, and geometry.



## SLIDE 7 - Existing Roadway Typical Sections

The existing FM 2755 road consists of a two-lane undivided roadway. Each lane is 11-feet-wide with 2-foot-wide shoulders and a right-of-way varying from 90-feet-wide to 120-feet-wide. There is currently no center median, sidewalks, or shared-use paths along the corridor. Side and cross streets within the project limits include Lake Road and CR 483.

## <u>SLIDE 8 - Proposed Interim Roadway Typical Section</u>

The proposed project will be constructed in phases. The phased interim road consists of widening the existing two-lane roadway into a four-lane facility, with a center median, spanning from SH 78 to CR 541. The proposed improvements include 12-foot-wide travel lanes, a center raised median, 2-foot offset, and 10-foot-wide shared-use paths on each side of the facility. The proposed right-of-way width varies from 120 to 211 feet.

#### SLIDE 9 - Proposed Ultimate Roadway Typical Section

The ultimate proposed roadway for the project consists of widening the existing two-lane roadway into a six-lane facility, with a center median, spanning from SH 78 to CR 541. The proposed improvements include 12-foot-wide travel lanes, a center raised median, 2-foot offset, and 10-foot-wide shared-use paths on each side of the facility. The proposed right-of-way width varies from 120 to 211 feet.

#### SLIDE 10 - Projected Cost and Schedule

The FM 2755 Project Anticipated Ready to let Date is To Be Determined. "Letting" is when TxDOT notifies the construction community that a project is ready to be bid on. Construction on a project begins after the letting process is complete. The total estimated cost for the project is \$75.9 million. The project is not yet funded, and the costs are subject to change. The project cannot let until full funding has been identified; however, right of way acquisition can proceed even if the project is not funded for construction.



# <u>SLIDE 11 – National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Assignment to the Texas Department of Transportation</u>

Prior to December 16, 2014, the Federal Highway Administration, or FHWA, reviewed and approved documents prepared under the National Environmental Policy Act, known as NEPA; however, on December 16, 2014, the Texas Department of Transportation assumed responsibility from FHWA through a Memorandum of Understanding to review and approve certain assigned NEPA environmental documents. This Memorandum of Understanding between TxDOT and FHWA was updated on December 9, 2019. The review and approval process applies to this project. Environmental studies began in 2025 to support an environmental clearance in accordance with NEPA. These environmental analyses are necessary to identify, avoid, minimize and mitigate impacts to the human and natural environment.

## SLIDE 12 - Environmental Constraints Map

The project Environmental Constraints Map is used to help planners and engineers determine the least impactful method to fulfill the Purpose of the project. The full map is available at the in-person meeting and can also be viewed on the project website.

#### SLIDE 13 - Proposed Right-of-Way

The proposed project would, subject to final design considerations, require additional right of way and potentially displace one residence within the project limits. Approximately 14.8 acres of new right-of-way would be required for this project.

Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons and businesses. All right of way acquisitions would be completed in accordance with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended. Brochures, including two booklets titled "The Purchase of Right of Way," and "Relocation Assistance," are also available on the project website. These booklets contain detailed information to inform you of your rights and provide information about the TxDOT right-of-way acquisition process.



## SLIDE 14 - Next Steps and Project Timeline

The project timeline is shown on the screen and can also be viewed on the project website. Following this public meeting, the project design will be refined per public input, environmental studies will be completed, and additional public involvement including a public hearing will be held. If there are no major issues from the environmental analysis that cannot be addressed in a reasonable time frame, final environmental clearance is expected in 2027.

The project anticipated Ready to Let Date is To be Determined. Construction will begin once the project is let. Advancement from phase to phase is contingent upon the outcome of the previous phase and funding availability. Funding has not been identified.

#### SLIDE 15 - Submit Your Comments

Comments will be accepted in a variety of ways as listed on the screen. Comments must be received or postmarked by Friday, July 25, 2025, to be included in the official public meeting record. Following this public meeting, the project team will proceed with the preparation of the schematic design and environmental analysis and documentation. Your comments will be addressed in this document and will be given full consideration in the preparation of the final recommendations and design for FM 2755.

#### SLIDE 16 - "Thank You"

We sincerely appreciate your participation and interest concerning the proposed design of the FM 2755 Project. Your questions, comments and concerns will receive careful consideration.

Thank you, this concludes the presentation.