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FM 407 Project Public Hearing

From Bill Cook Road to FM 1830

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SLIDE 1 – Welcome

Hello and welcome to the Public Hearing for FM 407 Widening Project from Bill Cook Road to FM 1830 presented by the Texas Department of Transportation, or TxDOT. This hearing has been convened by the Texas Department of Transportation in partnership with Denton County and is being held to receive and consider comments from the public. Please note you may pause this presentation at any point to allow more time to review the information.

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SLIDE 2 – Drive Like a Texan

Drive like a Texan is all about saving lives. It's a reminder for everyone in Texas to treat each other with a little bit of the kindness, respect, and neighborly spirit we're famous for, especially on the road. By showing courtesy and care behind the wheel the same way we would in person, we can make our roads safer for all.

Kind - It's that simple. Treat others the way you want to be treated. Say thanks by giving a small wave, or just a friendly nod.

Courteous - Courtesy isn't just about being polite in person. Show respect by letting others merge, giving plenty of space, and practicing patience on the road. Small actions save lives.

Safe - The most important part of any journey is arriving safely. Not only do you keep yourself safe, but you also help protect every driver, passenger, biker, and pedestrian sharing the road.

Travis Campbell Welcome Video



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3 – Travis Campbell, P.E. Welcome Video

I'm Travis Campbell, Director of Transportation Planning and Development for the TxDOT Dallas district. Thank you for joining us as we conduct this virtual public event. Understanding how our projects impact communities is important to TxDOT. The following presentation will provide instruction on how you can connect with us and provide vital input about this project. We will continue to work closely with stakeholders, communities and the public as we move forward. Thank you for your time and interest in improving our transportation system and we look forward to receiving your comments.

Public Hearing Purpose

A public hearing has four essential purposes:

- Inform the public of project status and present recommendations.
- Describe the project so the public can determine how they may be affected.
- Provide the public the opportunity to review information and provide input.
- Develop a record of public participation.

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SLIDE 4 – Public Hearing Purpose and Changes to Public Hearing Protocol

You may have attended previous public hearings conducted by TxDOT.

For the benefit of those who have never participated before, we will explain why the Department conducts a public hearing.

A public hearing has four essential purposes:

1. Inform the public of the status of planning on the project and present the recommendations based on studies performed to date.
2. Describe the project so those attending can determine the project's potential to affect their lives and property.
3. Provide the public an opportunity to see information and provide feedback.
4. And finally, to develop a record of public views and participation to accompany recommendations for subsequent decisions.

This public hearing is being held in compliance with both federal and state laws.

Following this hearing, the Department will proceed with the preparation of the final environmental documentation. Your statements and comments will be addressed in this document and will be given full consideration in the preparation of the final recommendation and design for the FM 407 project.

Project Information

Project Limits:

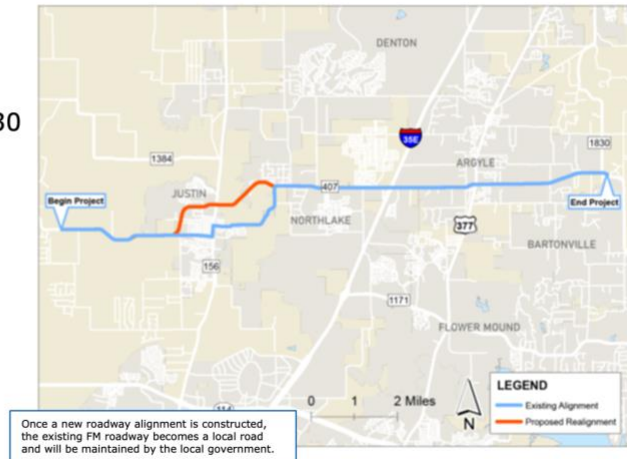
FM 407 From Bill Cook Road to FM 1830

Project Length:

Approximately 11.5 miles

County:

Denton County



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SLIDE 5 – Project Information

The FM 407 project limits are from Bill Cook Road to FM 1830. The total project length is approximately 11.5 miles and is located in Denton County, Texas. The project limits are shown on the map.

Purpose and Need

Purpose:

To reduce congestion and enhance mobility on FM 407 from Bill Cook Road to FM 1830.

Need:

The current capacity of FM 407 within the project limits is inadequate to meet current and future anticipated population trends, resulting in congestion, and reduced east-to-west mobility.

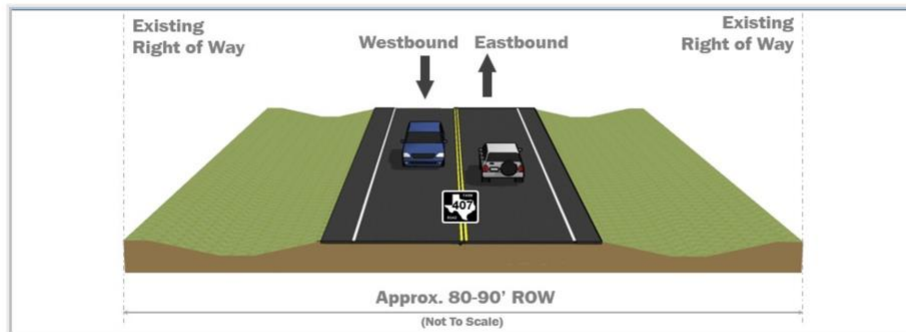
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SLIDE 6 – Project Purpose and Need

The purpose of the FM 407 project is to reduce congestion and enhance mobility on FM 407 from Bill Cook Road to FM 1830.

The proposed project is needed because the current capacity of FM 407 within the project limits is inadequate to meet current and future anticipated population trends, resulting in congestion, and reduced east-to-west mobility.

Existing FM 407



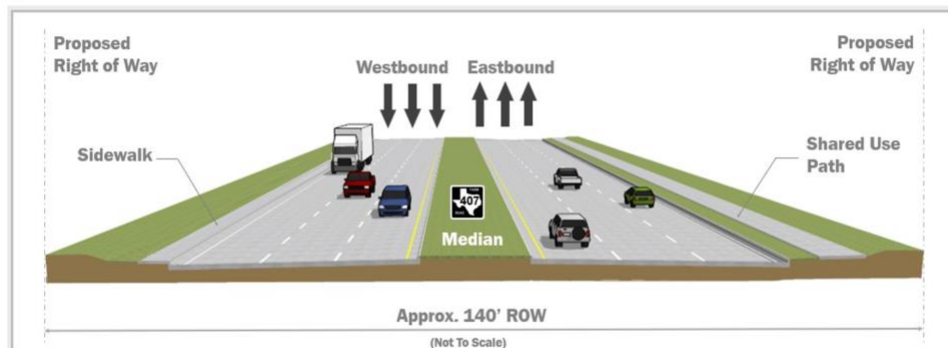
- Mainly consists of two 11- to 12-foot-wide rural lanes and 2- to 3-foot-wide shoulders
- No center median
- Open drainage ditches
- At-grade railroad track crossings at FM 156 and US 377

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SLIDE 7 – Existing Facility

The existing FM 407 typical roadway section within the project limits mainly consists of two 11- to 12-foot-wide rural lanes and 2- to 3-foot-wide shoulders with no center median, and open drainage ditches. The existing FM 407 right-of-way (ROW) width varies along the corridor from 80 to 90 feet wide. There are also at-grade railroad track crossings at FM 156 and US 377.

Proposed FM 407



- Ultimate urban 6-lane roadway composed of 12-foot-wide lanes, 18-foot-wide median, 12-foot-wide left turn lanes, and curb and gutter (in-ground) drainage
- Shared use path and sidewalk accommodating bicyclists and pedestrians
- Grade separated railroad track crossing at FM 156

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SLIDE 8 – Proposed Facility

The proposed roadway would consist of an urban 6-lane roadway with 12-foot-wide lanes, an 18-foot-wide median which would accommodate 12-foot-wide left turn lanes, and curb & gutter (in-ground) drainage. A shared-use path and a sidewalk would be included to accommodate bicyclists and pedestrians. A grade separation would be created at the railroad track crossing located at FM 407 and FM 156.

The proposed ROW varies along the corridor and is generally 140-foot-wide.

Projected Schedule and Cost

Anticipated Ready to Let Date*

To Be Determined

Estimated Construction Cost

\$349 Million

*Project is currently unfunded for construction and cannot let until funding is identified.

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SLIDE 9 – Projected Cost and Schedule

The FM 407 Widening Project's 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 construction cost for the project is approximately \$349 million. The project is currently unfunded for construction and cannot let until funding is identified; however, right of way acquisition can proceed even if the project is not funded for construction.

This concludes the project information and design portion of the presentation. The next few slides will provide an overview of the environmental evaluation for the proposed FM 407 Widening Project.

Review and Approval of the Environmental Document National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Assignment

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 July 17, 2025, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

La revisión ambiental, consultas y otras acciones requeridas por las leyes ambientales federales aplicables para este proyecto, están siendo o han sido realizadas por TxDOT de conformidad con la Reglamentación 23, Sección 327 del Código de Estados Unidos y un Memorando de Entendimiento con fecha del 17 de julio de 2025, ejecutado por la FHWA (Administración Federal de Carreteras) y TxDOT.

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SLIDE 10 – National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Assignment to the Texas Department of Transportation

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 July 17, 2025. The review and approval process applies to this project.

Environmental studies were conducted for the proposed FM 407 project to support an environmental clearance in accordance with NEPA. These environmental analyses are necessary to identify, avoid, and minimize effects to the human and natural environment.

Notices for this public hearing were advertised in the Denton Record-Chronicle and the Cross Timbers Gazette, and on the TxDOT.gov website under “Hearings and Meetings Schedule” and on www.keepitmovingdallas.com under “Public Hearings/ Meetings”. The TxDOT Public Information Office also prepared a news media release to advertise the public meeting. The TxDOT roadway design schematics are available on the project website at www.keepitmovingdallas.com/FM407DentonCounty.

Environmental Review – Resources and Topics Evaluated

Environmental technical report prepared for the proposed project assess potential impacts to the following resource categories:



SLIDE 11 – Environmental Review / Impacts Addressed

The technical documentation for this project addresses the potential environmental impacts identified during the preliminary engineering of the proposed project. These areas of potential impacts included natural, social, and cultural resources. This slide shows a list of all resources that were evaluated during the environmental analyses. The following slides include a summary of those findings.

Environmental Review – Resources

Traffic Noise:

- Preliminary noise mitigation analysis results: one non-continuous noise barrier is proposed.
- Final decision to construct will be made after polling of all benefited receptors and receptors adjacent to the proposed wall.
- Noise barrier height may vary from 8 to 12 feet high.

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SLIDE 12 – Environmental Review / Resources

A Traffic Noise Analysis was accomplished in accordance with TxDOT's (and FHWA approved) Guidelines for Analysis and Abatement of Roadway Traffic Noise. Based on the analysis, one non-continuous noise barrier is proposed; the final decision will be made after polling of all benefited receptors and receptors adjacent to the proposed wall. Noise barrier height may vary from 8 to 12 feet high.

This project will involve regulated activity in jurisdictional waters and therefore will require authorization under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

Environmental Review – Right of Way (ROW)

- Approximately 161 acres of new ROW would be required.
- Displacements include six residences.
- All ROW acquisition would be completed in accordance with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended.

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SLIDE 13 – Environmental Review / Right-of-Way

A total of approximately 161 acres of additional right-of-way would be required to complete the proposed improvements. Displacements include six residences. No public facilities such as recreational facilities, churches, schools, or cemeteries, would be displaced as a result of the construction of the proposed project.

All right-of-way acquisition 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 TxDOT right-of-way acquisition process.

Project Timeline



SLIDE 14 – Project Timeline

The public comment period for the proposed project ends May 15, 2026. Following this hearing, documentation of this public hearing will be reviewed by TxDOT for final environmental clearance and design approval. If there are no major issues arising from this hearing that cannot be addressed in a reasonable time frame, final environmental clearance is expected by Summer 2026. Advancement from phase to phase is contingent upon the outcome of the previous phase and funding availability.

As mentioned earlier, the project’s Ready to Let Date is to be determined. This concludes the environmental evaluation portion of the presentation.

How to Submit Your Comments

Please **submit your comments** regarding this public hearing **using any of the methods listed.**

Comments **must be received or postmarked on or before Friday, May 15, 2026**, to be included in the public hearing summary.

For general questions about the project, please contact the project manager:

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Online Comment Form

www.KeepItMovingDallas.com/FM407DentonCounty



QR Code Comments



Mail-In Comments

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Mesquite, Texas, 75150



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(214) 997-3338

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SLIDE 15 – Public Comments

Comments will be accepted in a number of ways as shown on the screen. If you would like to leave a verbal comment, please call the number listed.

Comments must be received or postmarked by May 15, 2026, to be part of the official public hearing record. All substantive comments and questions will be fully considered and responded to in the project record and made part of the final environmental document for this proposed project. This document will then be made available for public review online at the project website.



Thank you!

This concludes the presentation.

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SLIDE 16 – “Thank You for your Interest” / Hearing is now Adjourned

We sincerely appreciate your participation and interest in the FM 407 Widening Project. Your questions, comments and concerns will receive careful consideration. This concludes the presentation.

Thank you very much.