## TxDOT NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING SH 276 from SH 205 to FM 549 / Corporate Crossing CSJ: 1290-02-017

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct a Public Meeting on Thursday, March 6, 2014, for the proposed improvements to State Highway 276 (SH 276) in Rockwall County, Texas. The project limits extend from State Highway 205 (SH 205) to Farm-to-Market 549 (FM 549) / Corporate Crossing.

The purpose of the Public Meeting is to present the proposed roadway improvements within this 1.9-mile long section of SH 276. The Public Meeting will be an "open house" format and will be held on Thursday, March 6, 2014 at the Rockwall County Library, 1215 E. Yellowjacket Lane, Rockwall, Texas 75087 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. TxDOT staff and its consulting engineers will be available in an informal setting to answer questions during the meeting.

The proposed project is needed to address an expected increase in traffic, to conform to local planning efforts, and to provide safer operating conditions between two major intersections (SH 205 with SH 276 and I-30). Upon completion, SH 276 would accommodate one 11-foot-wide travel lane and one 14-foot-wide shared use lane in each direction, a 40-foot-wide median with 1-foot curb offsets, and 5-foot-wide sidewalks offset from back of curb on each side of the roadway. The proposed section would also accommodate an ultimate six-lane facility. This future section would consist of four 11-foot-wide travel lanes, two 14-foot-wide shared use lanes, and an 18-foot-wide raised median. Five-foot-wide sidewalks would remain on both sides of the roadway. At various cross streets, a 10-foot-wide left-turn bay would be provided in the median. Drainage improvements include replacing the existing side ditches with a curb and gutter section. Approximately 6 acres of additional ROW and easements would be needed to accommodate the proposed roadway and drainage improvements. No residential or commercial property displacements or relocations would be required.

The maps and drawings reflecting the project's location and geometric design will be displayed at the Public Meeting. This and other information about the proposed project are available for public inspection and duplication at the TxDOT Dallas District Office located at 4777 E. Highway 80, Mesquite, Texas 75150, the TxDOT Rockwall/Kaufman County Area Office located at 2750 S. Washington, Kaufman, Texas 75142, and on-line at www.keepitmovingdallas.com under Upcoming Public Meeting.

All interested persons are invited to attend this meeting to obtain information about the project and to express their views. Persons requiring special communication or accommodation needs should contact the TxDOT Dallas District public information officer at (214) 320-6100 at least two (2) working days prior to the Public Meeting. Because the Public Meeting will be conducted in English, any request for language interpreters or other special communication needs should also be made at least two (2) working days prior to the Public Meeting. Every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs will be made.

Written and verbal comments from the public regarding the proposed project may be presented at the Public Meeting. Comments may be presented for a period of 10 days after the meeting. Written comments can be submitted to:

Mr. Tim Wright
TxDOT Dallas District Environmental Specialist
4777 E. US Highway 80
Mesquite, TX 75150-6643

Written comments submitted after the Public Meeting must be hand-delivered or postmarked on or before March 17, 2014, in order to be included in the public record. For additional information please contact Nancy Peron, P.E., TxDOT Dallas District, via phone (214) 320-6245, or e-mail: Nancy Peron@TxDOT.gov.