



Public Meeting

FM 3097 (Horizon Road) Project
From Tubbs Road to FM 549

Rockwall County, Texas
November 16, 2023



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Public Meeting Purpose



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



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Project Location



Farm-to-Market Road (FM) 3097 (Horizon Road)

- **Project Limits:** From Tubbs Road to FM 549
- **Project Length:** Approximately 1.9 miles



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Project Purpose and Need



Purpose:

The purpose of the proposed project is to improve mobility and safety by widening FM 3097 (Horizon Road) to a four-lane roadway divided by a raised median.

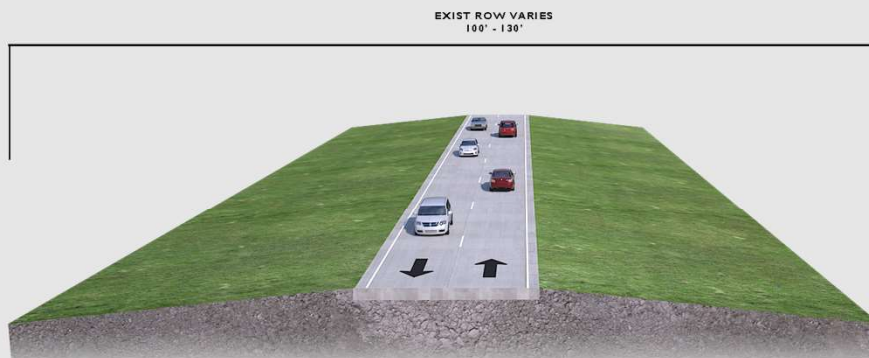
Need:

The proposed project is needed to meet the increasing transportation demands caused by rapid suburban development in surrounding areas. In addition, the proposed project is needed to improve operational efficiency and safety for vehicles traveling on FM 3097 (Horizon Road).

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Existing Typical Section



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Proposed Typical Section

PROPOSED ROW VARIES
100' - 320'

- A 12-foot-wide left turn lane would be provided, as appropriate

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Projected Schedule and Cost

Anticipated Environmental Approval
Early 2025

Anticipated Ready to Let*
Spring 2028

Estimated Construction Cost
\$43 Million

*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.

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



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 9, 2019, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

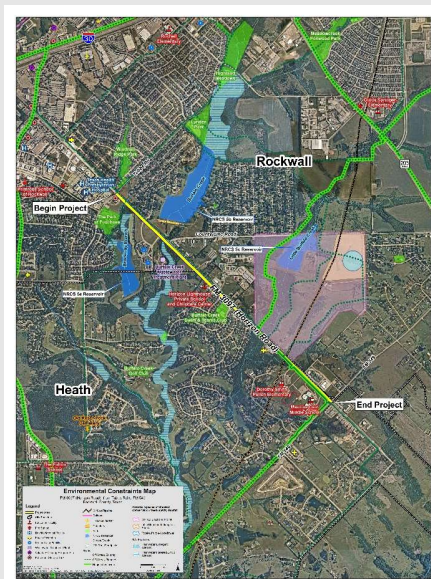
La revisión ambiental, consultas y otras acciones requeridas por las leyes ambientales federales aplicables para este proyecto, están siendo o han sido realizadas por TxDOT de conformidad con la Reglamentación 23, Sección 327 del Código de Estados Unidos y un Memorando de Entendimiento con fecha del 9 de diciembre de 2019, ejecutado por la FHWA (Administración Federal de Carreteras) y TxDOT.



Environmental Constraints Map



Note: The full-size map is available to view at the in-person and virtual public meetings.





Right-of-Way



Proposed Right-of-Way

Approximately 8.4 acres of new right-of-way are anticipated for the proposed project. No displacements are anticipated. Identified right-of-way needs may change pending final design.

All right-of-way acquisition would be completed in accordance with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Policies Act of 1970, as amended.



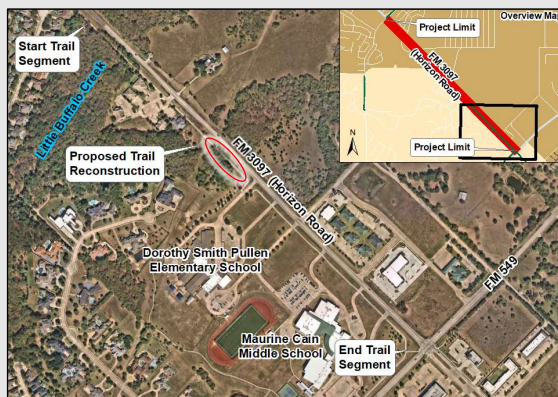
Environmental Review – Section 4(f)




City of Heath Trail System


The proposed project is anticipated to affect a portion of existing trail in the City of Heath that is protected under Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966. The trail is adjacent to FM 3097 (Horizon Road) from Little Buffalo Creek to FM 549.

- The proposed project would reconstruct a portion of the trail across the tributary of Little Buffalo Creek to accommodate a proposed culvert extension.
- The use of this land is considered minimal and TxDOT anticipates making a Section 4(f) *de minimis* determination for this use.





Project Timeline



**Fall
2022**


- Begin Schematic Development

**Fall
2023**

- Begin Environmental Studies

**November
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**Summer
2024**

- Schematic Approval

**Early
2025**

- Environmental Clearance
- ROW Acquisition Begins

**Spring
2028**

- Anticipated Construction Let Date


**Tentative and subject to change*

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We Request Your Feedback




Please submit your comments using any of the four methods below by **Friday, December 1, 2023**, to be included in the Public Meeting Summary.



Comment Online


Click the provided link on the website

<http://www.keepitmovingdallas.com/projects/fm-roads/fm3097>




Email Us

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Mail-in Comments

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Questions about the project? Please contact TxDOT Project Manager, Kibru Andargie, P.E. at Kibru.Andargie@txdot.gov.

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