



March 20, 2025

Welcome!

Public Meeting

Pre-Recorded Presentation

State Spur 394

From I-35E to FM 877

CSJ: 2921-01-010

Ellis County, Texas

SLIDE 1 – Welcome Slide

Hello and welcome to the Public Meeting for State Spur 394 from I-35E to FM 877 in Waxahachie, Texas. This meeting has been convened by the Texas Department of Transportation 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 project information.



Texas Department of Transportation

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HELP #EndTheStreakTX

End the streak of daily deaths on Texas roadways.

TxDOT.gov (Keyword: #EndTheStreakTX)

#EndTheStreakTX Toolkit

SLIDE 2 – Help End the Streak

November 7, 2000, was the last deathless day on roadways in Texas. That means for over two decades, 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. So please do your part and share this message with your friends and family.

Public Meeting Purpose

A public meeting has four essential purposes:

1. Inform the public of the planning status for the project and to present recommendations based on studies to date.
2. Describe the project so the public can determine the project's potential to affect their lives and property.
3. Provide the public with an opportunity to express their views in a stage of the planning process before location and design decisions are finalized.
4. To develop a record of public views and participation to accompany recommendations for subsequent decisions.

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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, I 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 to present the recommendations based on studies performed to date.
2. To describe the project to the public including known potential project impacts to the human and natural environment.
3. 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.

Project Background and Description

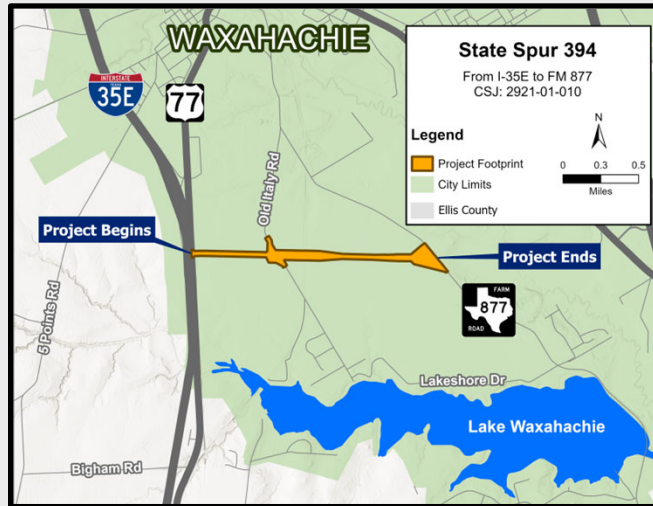
State Spur 394 Project Limits:

From I-35E to FM 877 in Ellis County, Texas.

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Project Length:

Approximately 1.7 miles



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SLIDE 4 – Project Background and Description

TxDOT is proposing to construct a new 1.7-mile roadway from I-35E to FM 877, which intersects Old Italy Road, in Ellis County, Texas.

Project Purpose and Need

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The purpose of the project is to accommodate future traffic and to improve mobility and connectivity between I-35E and FM 877.

Project Need:

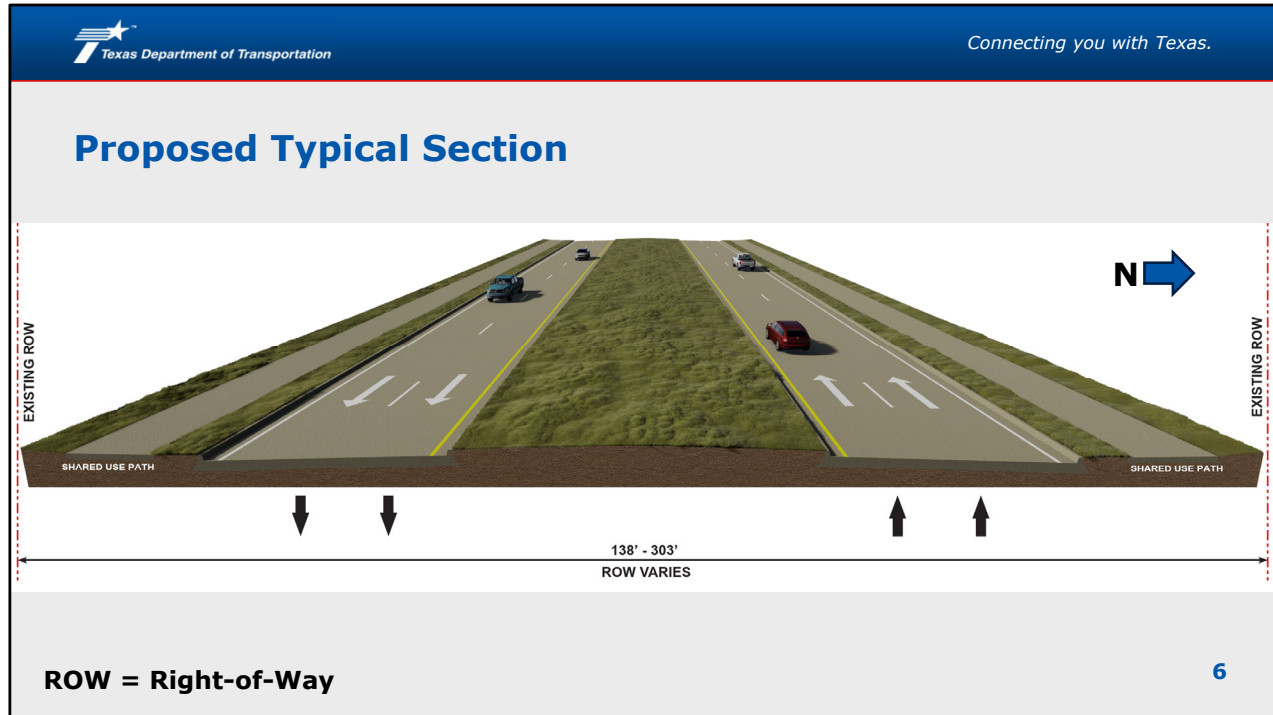
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SLIDE 6 – Proposed Roadway Typical Section

The proposed State Spur 394 road has four 12-foot-wide main lanes, a 34-foot-wide grass median, 2-foot-wide outside shoulders, 10-foot-wide bicycle and pedestrian facilities on both sides of the road, and curb and gutter drainage facilities. The proposed State Spur 394 right-of-way width ranges from 138-ft to 303-ft wide throughout the length of the project.

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Project Cost and Schedule



Anticipated Ready to Let Date
February 2026

*Estimated Total Construction Cost**
\$33 Million

*Project is currently fully funded.

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SLIDE 7 – Projected Cost and Schedule

The State Spur 394 Project is anticipated to be Ready to Let by February 2026. “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 entire project is approximately \$33 million. The project is fully funded for construction.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

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.

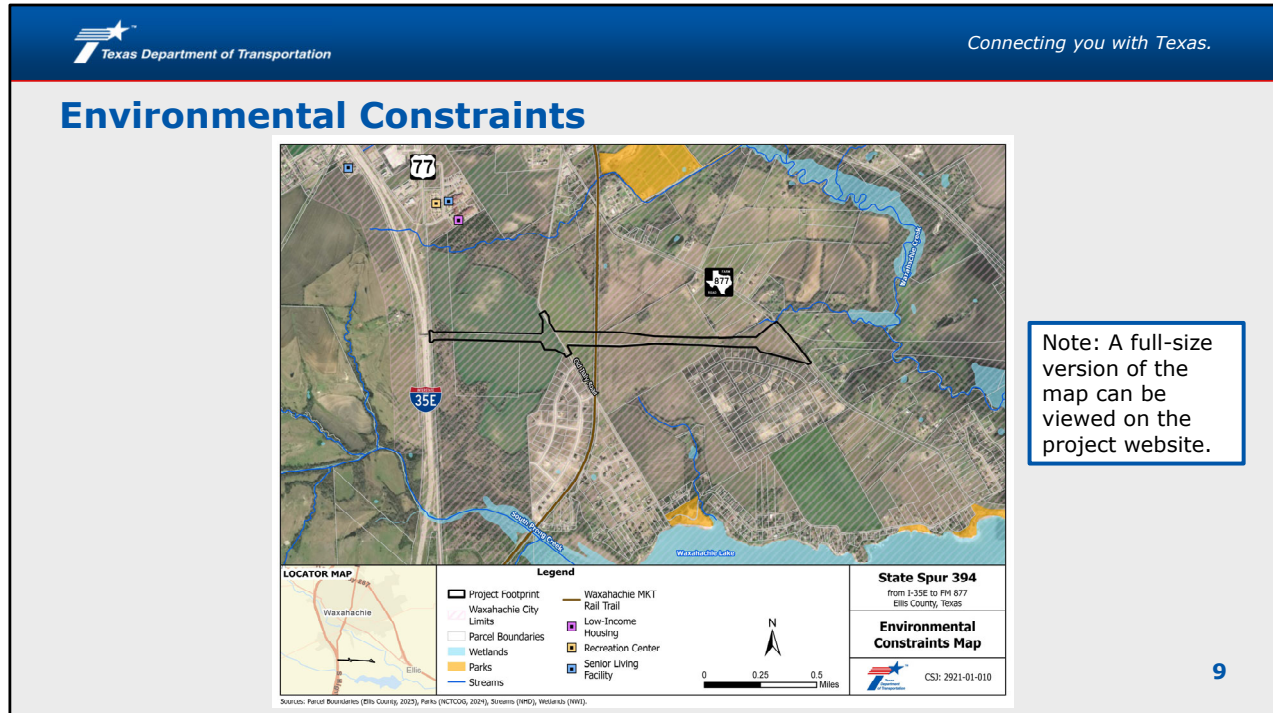
La revisión ambiental, consultas y otras acciones requeridas por las leyes ambientales federales aplicables para este proyecto están siendo o han sido, llevado a cabo por TxDOT-en virtud de 23 U.S.C. 327 y un Memorando de Entendimiento fechado el 9 de diciembre del 2019, y ejecutado por la FHWA y TxDOT.

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SLIDE 8 – National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Assignment to TxDOT

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 apply to this project.

Environmental studies are being conducted for the proposed State Spur 394 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 environments.



SLIDE 9 – 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 can be viewed on the project website. In the case of State Spur 394, some of the major known constraints include stream crossings, a recreational trail near the project limits, and agricultural lands. Environmental studies for this project are ongoing.

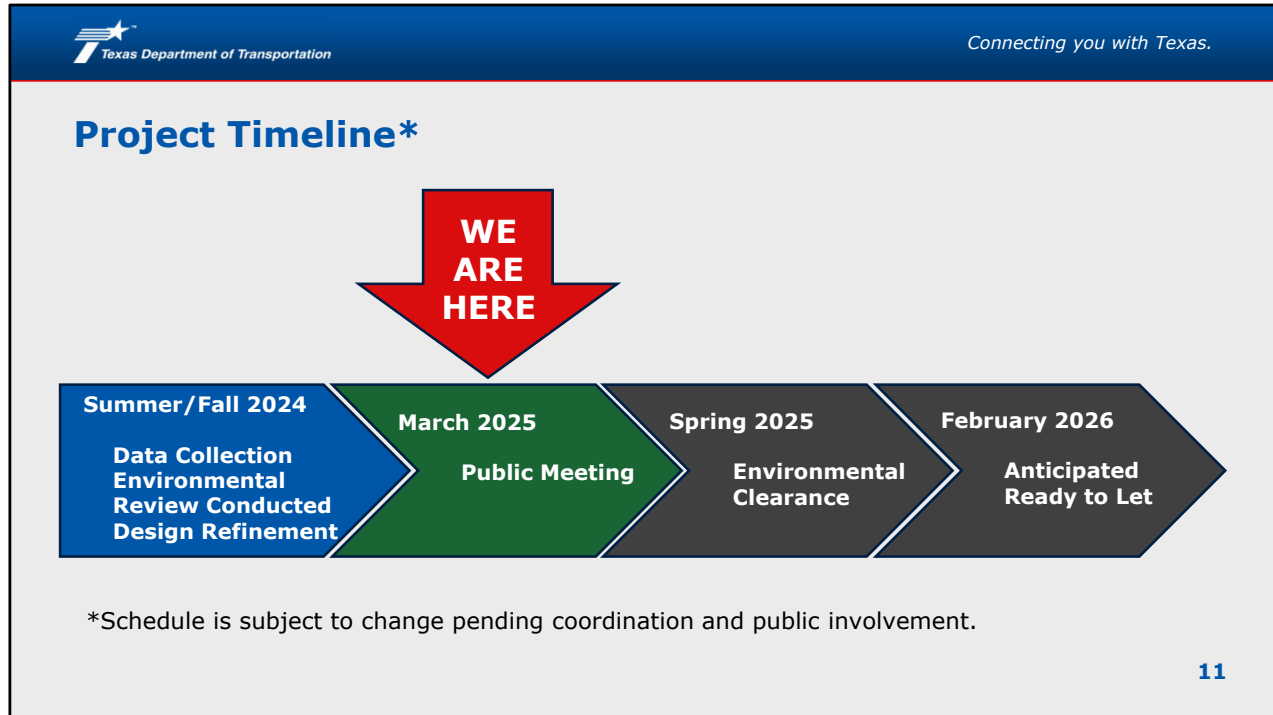
Right-of-Way (ROW)

- The proposed project does not require ROW acquisition.
- There are no potential residential or commercial displacements.

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SLIDE 10 – Right-of-Way

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SLIDE 11 – Project Timeline

The public comment period for the proposed project ends on Friday, April 4, 2025. Following this public meeting, TxDOT will continue developing the detailed schematic design and will environmentally clear the project in Spring 2025. Final design and construction would occur after that point. As mentioned earlier, the project has an anticipated Ready to Let date of February 2026. Please note that this timeline is subject to change pending coordination and public input.


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Comments

Please submit your comments regarding this Public Meeting using any of the methods below.

Comments must be received or postmarked on or before Friday, April 4, 2025, to be included in the Public Meeting Summary.

For general questions about the presentation or the project, please contact TxDOT Project Manager, Kevin Brosam, at Kevin.Brosam@txdot.gov



Comment online
Visit the following link:
www.keepitmovingdallas.com/projects/other/SS394



Email comments
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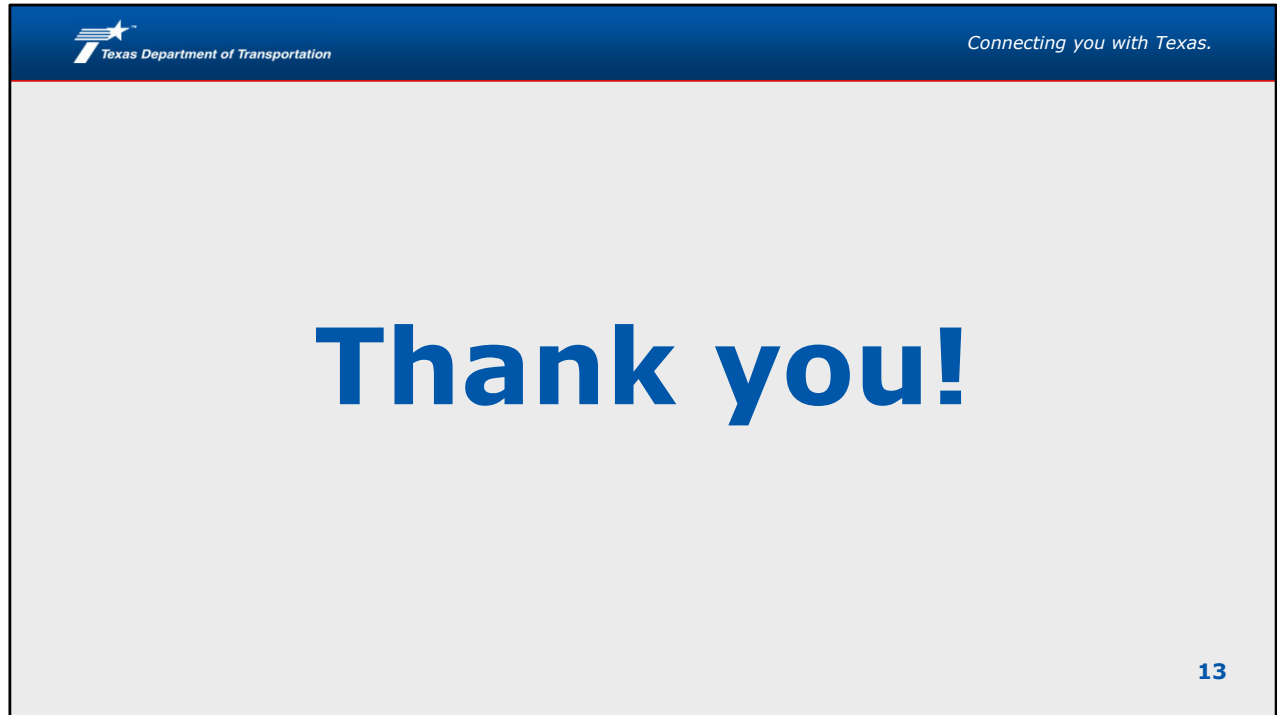


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SLIDE 12 – How to Comment

Comments will be accepted in a variety of ways as shown on this slide. Comments must be received or postmarked by Friday, April 4, 2025, to be included in the official public meeting record. Responses to comments received will be posted on the public meeting website once they are prepared.



SLIDE 13 – “Thank You”

We sincerely appreciate your participation and interest concerning the proposed design of the State Spur 394 Project. Your questions, comments and concerns will receive careful consideration.

Thank you for participating!