



**Notice
Virtual Public Hearing with In-Person Option**

**US 287
From US 67 to BUS 287
CSJs: 0172-05-127; 0172-13-008**

Ellis County, Texas

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is proposing improvements to US 287 from US 67 to BUS 287 north of Waxahachie, approximately 8.3 miles, in Ellis County, Texas. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting an online virtual public hearing on the proposed project with an in-person option.

In-Person Hearing

**Thursday, Aug. 15, 2024, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Presentation at 6 p.m.
Midlothian Conference Center
Bluebonnet II Room
1 Community Circle Dr., Midlothian, TX 76065**

Virtual Hearing*

**Thursday, Aug. 15, 2024, at 5 p.m. through
Friday, Aug. 30, 2024, at 11:59 p.m.
www.keepitmovingdallas.com/projects/us-highways/US287MidlothianEast
*Not a live event**

The virtual hearing will consist of a pre-recorded video presentation and will include both audio and visual components. The public hearing materials will be posted online by Thursday, Aug. 15, 2024 at 5 p.m., and will remain online until Friday, Aug. 30, 2024 at 11:59 p.m. If you do not have internet access, you may call 214-320-4431 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, to ask questions and access project materials during the project development process.

Additionally, TxDOT is providing an in-person option for individuals who would like to participate in person instead of online. **The in-person option will be held in an open house format with a live presentation at 6 p.m.** In-person attendees will be able to review hard copies of project materials, ask questions of TxDOT staff and/or consultants, and leave written comments. **The in-person option will be held on Thursday, Aug. 15, 2024 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Midlothian Conference Center - Bluebonnet II Room, 1 Community Circle Dr., Midlothian, TX 76065.**

Proposed improvements include constructing new two-lane northbound and southbound US 287 frontage roads with ten-foot shared-use paths for bicyclists and pedestrians on both sides, new access ramps and new grade separated interchanges.

The proposed project would, subject to final design considerations, require approximately 44.6 acres of additional right of way and potentially displace two non-residential structures. Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons and businesses. Information about the TxDOT Relocation Assistance Program and services and benefits for those displaced and other affected property owners, as well as information about the tentative schedule for right-of-way acquisition and construction, can be obtained from the TxDOT district office by calling 214-320-6675 or visiting the project website.

The proposed project would involve construction in wetlands. The proposed project would involve an action in a floodplain.

Any environmental documentation or studies, any maps and drawings showing the project location and design, tentative construction schedules, and other information regarding the proposed project are on file and available for inspection Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at TxDOT Dallas District Office, 4777 East US Hwy 80, Dallas, TX 75150. Please call 214-320-4431 to schedule an appointment. Project materials are also available online at www.keepitmovingdallas.com/projects/us-highways/US287MidlothianEast. These materials will also be available in hard copy form for review at the in-person option.

The virtual public hearing and in-person option will be conducted in English. If you need an interpreter or document translator because English is not your primary language or you have difficulty communicating effectively in English, one will be provided to you. If you have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can be made to accommodate most needs. If you need interpretation or translation services or you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation to attend and participate in the virtual public hearing or in-person option, please contact the TxDOT Dallas District Public Information Office, at 214-320-4480 no later than 4 p.m. , Monday, Aug. 12, 2024. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for TxDOT .

La audiencia pública virtual y la opción presencial se llevarán a cabo en inglés. Si usted necesita un intérprete o un traductor de documentos porque su idioma principal no es el inglés o tiene alguna dificultad para comunicarse eficazmente en inglés, se le proporcionará uno. Si usted tiene alguna discapacidad y necesita ayuda, se pueden hacer arreglos especiales para atender la mayoría de las necesidades. Si usted necesita servicios de interpretación o traducción o usted es una persona con alguna discapacidad que requiera una adaptación para asistir a y participar en audiencia pública virtual o la opción presencial, por favor póngase en contacto con TxDOT Dallas District Public Information Office, al número 214-320-4480 a más tardar a las 4 p.m., lunes, 12 de agosto de 2024. Por favor sepa que es necesario dar aviso con anticipación, ya que algunos servicios y adaptaciones pueden requerir tiempo para que TxDOT los organice.

Comments from the public regarding the proposed project are requested and may be submitted by mail to the TxDOT Dallas District Office, Attn: Jordan Mrayyan, P.E., 4777 East US Hwy 80, Mesquite, TX 75150 or by email to Jordan.Mrayyan@txdot.gov. Members of the public may also call (214) 531-4940 to leave verbal comments. **All comments must be received on or before Friday, Aug. 30, 2024.** Responses to comments received will be available online at www.keepitmovingdallas.com/projects/us-highways/US287MidlothianEast once they have been prepared.

If you have any general questions regarding the proposed project or virtual hearing or in-person option, please contact Jordan Mrayyan, P.E., TxDOT Project Manager at 214-320-4431 or Jordan.Mrayyan@txdot.gov.

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.