

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

DALLAS, HARRIS and TARRANT Counties

MINUTE ORDER

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DALLAS, HOUSTON and FORT WORTH Districts

Transportation Code, §545.0651, authorizes the Texas Department of Transportation (department) to restrict through traffic, by class of vehicle, to two or more designated lanes of traffic on certain portions of the designated state highway system, and requires the Texas Transportation Commission (commission) to adopt rules. The commission adopted these rules, 43 TAC §§25.601-25.604 that became effective on January 8, 2004.

The department, working in conjunction with local jurisdictions developed proposed lane restrictions shown in Exhibit A. In accordance with §25.604(e)(3), the department conducted traffic studies to evaluate the impact of the lane restrictions. In accordance with §25.604(d), the department published notices in the Texas Register for a 30-day comment period and held public hearings in the local jurisdictions on the proposed restrictions. No comments were received at the public hearings or through the mail.

In accordance with Transportation Code §545.601 and 43 TAC §§25.601-25.604, the department is proposing lane restrictions that would establish consistent lane use restrictions applicable to trucks, as defined in Transportation Code, §541.201, with three or more axles, and to truck tractors, also as defined in Transportation Code, §541.201, regardless of whether the truck tractor is drawing another vehicle or trailer. The proposed lane restrictions prohibit those vehicles from using lane one (inside left lane) of controlled access lanes on each side of the highways listed in Exhibit A. The proposed lane restrictions would be in effect 24-hours-a-day, 7-days-a-week, and would allow the operation of those vehicles in a prohibited traffic lane for the purposes of passing another vehicle or entering or exiting the highway.

In accordance with 43 TAC §25.604(h)(2), the executive director may temporarily suspend the lane restriction in an emergency.

The commission, having evaluated the truck lane restriction proposals based on the safety of the traveling public and the factors listed in 43 TAC §25.604(f), finds that the proposed lane restrictions should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the commission that the proposed lane restrictions are approved and shall become effective upon placement of all necessary traffic control devices.

Submitted and reviewed by:

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Director, Traffic Operations Division

Recommended by:

M. D. Behren
Executive Director

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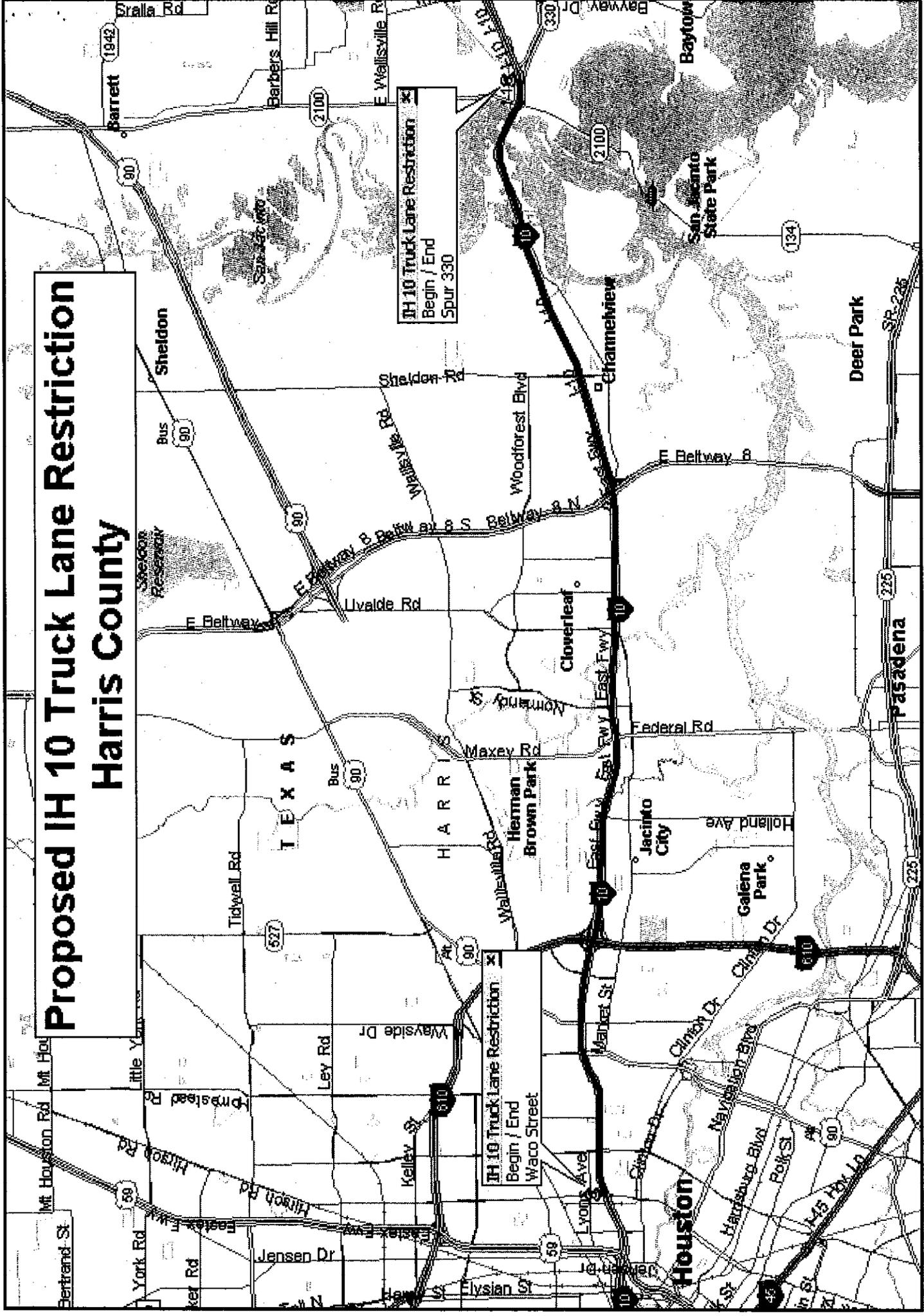
RESTRICTED TRUCK LANES

County	Highway	Limits	Texas Register	Public Hearing
		BEGIN (City)	END (City)	
<i>Dallas District</i>				
Dallas	IH 20	IH 45 (Dallas)	Cedar Ridge Dr. (Duncanville)	September 7, 2005
<i>Houston District</i>				
Harris	IH 10	Waco St. (Houston)	SS 330	August 19, 2005
Harris	US 290	IH 610 (Houston)	Mueschke Rd.	August 19, 2005
<i>Fort Worth District</i>				
Tarrant	IH 30	Collins St. (Arlington)	Hulen St. (Fort Worth)	August 26, 2005

Proposed IH 10 Truck Lane Restriction Harris County

IH 10 Truck Lane Restriction
Begin / End
Spur 330

IH 10 Truck Lane Restriction
Begin / End
Waco Street



Proposed US 290 Truck Lane Restriction Harris County

US 290 Truck Lane Restriction X
Begin / End
Mueschke Road

US 290 Truck Lane Restriction X
Begin / End
IH 610

