PUBLIC MEETING
SUMMARY REPORT

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO SH 242
IH 45 TO US 59
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

CSJ: 3538-01-032

PUBLIC MEETING
August 26, 2009
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Moorhead Junior High
13475 FM 1485
Conroe, Texas 77306
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PUBLIC MEETING SUMMARY

FM 3083: IH 45 TO LOOP 336

Meeting Date: August 26, 2009
Meeting Location: Moorhead Junior High
13475 FM 1485
Conroe, Texas 77306
Meeting Purpose: To inform the public and stakeholders of the recommended alignment and project limits and to obtain their comments and concerns.
Meeting Format: 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Open house format for public viewing and comment
Attendance: Citizens – 23
Elected Officials – 1 Mayor
TxDOT Staff and Consultants – 18
Media: None present
Houston Community Newspapers – 07/31/2009, 08/16/2009
Conroe Courier – 07/30/2009 08/16/2009
Meeting Summary: The public meeting allowed for comments and questions regarding the recommended alignment, project limits, right-of-way issues, environmental issues, and project implementation time line.

The following is a tabulation of the written comments received as a result of the public meeting:

Issues (Number of comments concerning issue):
Total number of written comments received: 11 written comments

Primarily interested in the project from the following standpoint:
Residential property owner or renter (8)
Business property owner or lessee (1)
Highway user (5)
Other (2): Developer and Mayor of the Town of Woodloch

Primarily interested in the following portion of the project:
IH 45 to Gleneagle Road (1)
Gleneagle Road to Lexington/ Needham (0)
Lexington/ Needham to FM 1314 (1)
FM 1314 to Old Houston Road (0)
Old Houston Road to FM 1485 (0)
FM 1485 to Fire Tower Road (0)
Fire Tower Road to US 59 (0)
All Sections (11)
Highlighted Issues:
In support of the project (1)
Construction Phasing (1)
Property access and Crossovers (6)
Roadway enhancements (1)
Traffic flow and safety concerns (3)
No Comment (2)
PUBLIC MEETING ATTENDEES

Texas Department of Transportation
Courtney Blechle
Stanley Cooper
Lance Olenius
Rachel Snow
Kelly Lark
Tesfaye Mesfin
Eddy Chang
John Elam
King Yuen
Paul Bartholomew
Charles McLachlan
Bharat Patel
Roger Gonzalez
Terri Leeson

TranSystems Corporation
Thomas R. Munson,
Uttam K. Karmaker

Blanton
Dave Severinson
Colleen Harvey
PUBLIC MEETING

Thank you for your interest in this important project.

For more information contact:
Director of Project Development
TxDOT
(713) 802-5255
Purpose of this Meeting
- To inform the public of the recommended alignment and the project limits
- To provide a forum for free exchange of views and concerns on the upcoming project
- To receive public comments

Meeting Format – Open House
No Formal Presentation
- Please Sign In
- Inform Staff of Issues & Concerns
- View Layouts & Exhibits
- Complete Comment Form

Project Description
The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) proposes to expand SH 242 from a two lane roadway to a four lane divided roadway with 12-foot travel lanes, 10-foot shoulders outside, 4-foot shoulders inside, divided median and left-turn lanes. Total project length is approximately 15 miles. No additional right-of-way (ROW) would be needed. Additionally, TxDOT proposes to build an additional bridge over the West Fork of the San Jacinto River and Crystal Creek.

Project Status
The project is not currently funded.

Comments
To be included in the Public Meeting Summary, please obtain a Comment Form and return the form during the meeting or submit it by mail or email on or before September 9, 2009.

Email to: hou-piowebmail@dot.state.tx.us
Mail to: Director of Project Development
Texas Department of Transportation
P.O. Box 1386
Houston, Texas 77251-1386

An electronic version of the public meeting summary will be available on TxDOT’s website before the end of the Fall 2009
NOTAS:

Gracias por su interés en este importante proyecto.

Para obtener más información, comuníquese con:

TxDOT
(713) 802-5255

ASAMBLEA PÚBLICA

Mejoras propuestas para:
SH 242
desde IH 45 hasta US 59
Condado de Montgomery, Texas

Fecha de la asamblea: 26 de agosto de 2009

Hora de la asamblea: 6:00 p. m. a 8:00 p.m.
Lugar: Moorhead Junior High
13475 FM 1485
Conroe, Texas 77306
Objetivo de la asamblea:
- Informar al público sobre la alineación recomendada y los límites del proyecto.
- Ofrecer un foro para el libre intercambio de opiniones e inquietudes acerca de este futuro proyecto.
- Recibir comentarios del público.

Formato de la asamblea: sesión abierta al público
Sin presentación formal.
- Regístrese.
- Informe al personal sobre los temas e inquietudes.
- Observe los diseños y anexos.
- Complete el formulario de comentarios.

Descripción del proyecto
El Departamento de Transporte de Texas (TxDOT) propone ensanchar la carretera SH 242 de dos carriles a una carretera dividida en cuatro carriles de 12 pies, con una banquina externa de 10 pies, una banquina interna de 4 pies, con una separación central dividida y carriles para girar a la izquierda. La longitud total del proyecto es de aproximadamente 15 millas. No se necesitará derecho de paso (ROW) adicional. Además, TxDOT propone construir un puente adicional sobre la bifurcación oeste del río San Jacinto River y Crystal Creek.

Estado del proyecto
Actualmente, el proyecto carece de financiación.

Comentarios:
Para que sus comentarios se incluyan en el resumen de la asamblea pública, busque un formulario de comentarios y preséntelo durante la asamblea o envíelo por correo postal o correo electrónico antes del 9 de septiembre de 2009.

Correo electrónico: hou-piowebmail@dot.state.tx.us
Correo postal: Director of Project Development
Texas Department of Transportation
P.O. Box 1386
Houston, Texas 77251-1386

Una versión electrónica del resumen de la asamblea pública estará disponible en el sitio web del TxDOT antes de la finalización del otoño 2009.
**Public Officials Mailing List**

| The Honorable John Cornyn          | The Honorable Kay Bailey Hutchinson |
| United States Senator             | United States Senator              |
| 5300 Memorial Drive, Suite 980    | 1919 Smith Street; Suite 800       |
| Houston, Texas 77007              | Houston, Texas 77002               |
| The Honorable Tommy Williams      | The Honorable Tommy Williams       |
| State Senator, District 4         | State Senator, District 4          |
| P.O. Box 8069                     | P.O. Box 12068                     |
| The Woodlands, Texas 77387        | Austin, Texas 78711                |
| The Honorable John Otto           | The Honorable John Otto            |
| State Senator, District 18        | State Senator, District 18         |
| P.O. Box 2910                     | P.O. Box 965                      |
| Austin, Texas 78768               | Dayton, Texas 77535                |
| The Honorable Rob Eissler         | The Honorable Rob Eissler          |
| State Senator, District 15        | State Senator, District 15         |
| P.O. Box 2910                     | P.O. Box 9494                     |
| Austin, Texas 78768               | The Woodlands, Texas 77387         |
| The Honorable Garry B. Watts      | The Honorable Ed Rinehart          |
| Mayor                            | Commissioner, Precinct 4           |
| City of Shenandoah               | Montgomery County                  |
| 29811 I-45 North                 | P.O. Box 84                        |
| Shenandoah, Texas 77381           | New Caney, Texas 77357             |
| The Honorable Kevin Brady         | The Honorable C. Brandon Creighton |
| United States Representative     | State Representative, District 16  |
| 200 River Pointe, Suite 304       | 326 ½ Main Street; Suite 110      |
| Conroe, Texas 77304               | Conroe, Texas 77301                |
| The Honorable Pamela Munoz        | The Honorable Charles Cardoza     |
| Mayor                            | Mayor                             |
| City of Patton Village            | City of Woodbranch Village        |
| 16940 Main                        | P.O. Box 804                      |
| Splendora, Texas 77372            | New Caney, Texas 77357             |
| The Honorable Diane Lincoln       | The Honorable Webb K. Melder      |
| Mayor                            | Mayor                             |
| Town of Woodloch                  | City of Conroe                    |
| P.O. Box 1379                     | P.O. Box 3066                     |
| Conroe, Texas 77305               | Conroe, Texas 77305                |
PUBLIC MEETING, CSJ: 3538-01-032

August 26, 2009

Public Official Letter

Texas Department of Transportation
P.O. BOX 1388 • HOUSTON, TEXAS 77251-1388 • (713) 802-5000

July 24, 2009

CERTIFIED MAIL «Certified»

Montgomery County
SH 242: IH 45 to US 59
Control 3538-01-032,
3538-01-035 and 3538-01-036

Dear «FirstName» «LastName»:

Attached is a notice for the upcoming public meeting for the SH 242 widening. The public meeting is being held to present the proposed roadway widening and to seek comments from local officials and citizens. You, or your representative, are cordially invited to attend this meeting. The meeting will be held as follows:

Wednesday, August 26, 2009
Moorhead Junior High
13475 FM 1485 Road
Conroe, Texas 77306
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

We are available to meet with you prior to the public meeting to answer any questions that you may have or to review the proposed project. If you have any questions in the interim, please contact Mr. Pat Henry, P.E., at (713) 802-5241.

Sincerely,

Delvin L. Deenax, P.E.
District Engineer
Houston District

Attachment
cc: Mr. Pat Henry, P.E.

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Adjacent Property Owners Letter

July 26, 2009

<<Owner_Name>>
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RE: SH 242 From IH 45 to US 59 in Montgomery County, Texas
Tract: <<Legal_Description>>

Dear <<Owner_Name>>:

The Houston District of the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), will conduct a public meeting (open format/come and go as you desire) to present the proposed improvements to SH 242 between IH 45 and US 59 in Montgomery County, Texas. The open house meeting will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 26, 2009 at Moorhead Junior High, 13475 FM 1485, Conroe, Texas 77306. The purpose of this meeting is to present the proposed action and project status as well as receive input from the public and answer questions. The proposal consists of widening SH 242 to a four-lane, divided facility between IH 45 and US 59, and adding an additional bridge over the West Fork of the San Jacinto River and Crystal Creek. No right-of-way acquisition is anticipated. TxDOT personnel and members of the project team will be in attendance to answer questions regarding the proposed improvements.

Persons who have special communication, access, or accommodation needs should contact TxDOT's Public Information Office at (713) 802-5072 at least two working days prior to the meeting. TxDOT offices are open Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., excluding federal holidays. The public meeting will be conducted in English. Requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs should also be made at least two working days in advance of the meeting. TxDOT will make all reasonable efforts to accommodate these needs.

All interested parties are invited to attend this meeting to express their views. Written comments relative to the proposed project may be presented at the meeting or submitted to the Director of Project Development, Texas Department of Transportation, P. O. Box 1386, Houston, Texas 77251-1386, at any time on or before September 9, 2009.

For more information concerning the meeting, please contact Dr. Stan Cooper (TxDOT Environmental Specialist) at (713) 802-5244 or Mr. Thomas Munson, PE (Transystems) at (713) 807-4412. Thank you in advance for your interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Thomas Munson, P.E.
Project Manager, TranSystems

See Attachment for Public Meeting Location Maps
PUBLIC MEETING, CSJ: 3538-01-032

August 26, 2009

Public Meeting Location
for Improvements to SH 242 between IH 45 and US 59 in Montgomery County, Texas

Moorhead Junior High
13475 FM 1485
Conroe, Texas 77306
Wednesday, August 26, 2009
6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.
Adjunto, propietarios de propiedad

26 de julio de 2009

<<Owner_Name>>
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<<City>>, <<State>>, <<Zip_Code>>

RE: SH 242 desde IH 45 hasta US 59, Condado Montgomery, Texas
Folleto: <<Legal_Description>>

Estimado <<Owner_Name>>:

El Departamento de Transporte del distrito correspondiente a Houston, Texas (TxDOT) llevará a cabo una reunión pública (abierto al público/puede ingresar y salir a su gusto) para la presentación de las mejoras propuestas a la SH 242 desde IH 45 hasta US 59 en el condado Montgomery, Texas. La reunión abierta al público se llevará a cabo desde las 6:00 p.m. hasta las 8:00 p.m., el miércoles 26 de agosto de 2009 en Moorhead Junior High, 13475 FM 1485, Conroe, Texas 77306. El motivo de esta reunión es el de presentar la acción propuesta y el estado del proyecto, así como también escuchar las ideas del público y responder a sus preguntas. La propuesta consiste en el ensanchamiento de la carretera SH 242 en cuatro carriles con una división central desde la carretera IH 45 hasta la carretera US 59, junto con la construcción de un puente adicional sobre la parte oeste del San Jacinto River y Crystal Creek. No se prevé la adquisición de terrenos. Los miembros y el personal del equipo del proyecto del TxDOT se encontrarán presentes para responder preguntas relativas a las mejoras propuestas.

Aquellas personas con necesidades especiales de comunicación, acceso, o de acomodación deben comunicarse con la Oficina de Información al Público del TxDOT al (713) 802-5072 con al menos dos días hábiles de antelación a la reunión. Las oficinas del TxDOT se encuentran abiertas de lunes a viernes de 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m., excepto los días feriados federales. La reunión pública se llevará a cabo en el idioma inglés. La solicitud de intérpretes u otro tipo de necesidad especial de comunicación también debe realizarse al menos con dos días hábiles de antelación a la reunión. TxDOT realizará todos los esfuerzos razonables para cumplir con estas necesidades.

Todos los interesados están invitados a esta reunión para expresar su opinión. Los comentarios por escrito acerca del proyecto propuesto pueden presentarse durante la reunión, o pueden enviarse por correo a: Director of Project Development, Texas Department of Transportation, P. O. Box 1386, Houston, Texas 77251-1386, en cualquier momento antes del 9 de septiembre de 2009.

Para más información acerca de la reunión, favor de comunicarse con el Roger Gonzales (especialista en medio ambiente del TxDOT) al (713) 802-5244 o con Thomas Munson, ejecutivo encargado del proyecto (PE) (TranSystems) al (713) 807-4412. Les agradecemos su interés en este proyecto.

Atentamente,

Thomas Munson, P.E.
Gerente de proyecto, TranSystems

Ver mapas adjuntos con la ubicación de la reunión pública.
Ubicación de la reunión pública
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Moorhead Junior High
13475 FM 1485
Conroe, Texas 77306
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6:00 pm a 8:00 pm.

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PENNY STOW
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF TEXAS
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES
FEB. 4, 2010
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
SH 242 between IH 45 and US 59

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct a public meeting in an open-house format (no formal presentation) to present proposed improvements to SH 242 between IH 45 and US 59 in Montgomery County, Texas. The meeting will be held as follows:

Wednesday, August 26, 2009
6:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Moorhead Junior High
34747 FM 1485
Conroe, Texas 77306

The purpose of the public meeting is to present information regarding the proposed SH 242 project and solicit public input. The proposal consists of widening SH 242 to a four-lane, divided facility between IH 45 and US 59, and adding an additional bridge over the West Fork of the San Jacinto River and Crystal Creek. No right-of-way acquisition is anticipated. TxDOT personnel and members of the project team will be in attendance to answer questions regarding the proposed improvements.

Exhibits showing the location, design and other information related to the project will be available for viewing at the meeting. These materials are also available for public inspection at the Montgomery County Area Office, 901 N FM 3083 E in Conroe, Texas and at TxDOT’s Houston District Office located at 7600 Washington Avenue in Houston, Texas.

All interested citizens are invited to attend this meeting to express their views, and discuss the project with TxDOT’s representatives. Those interested in attending the meeting who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact the TxDOT’s District Public Information Office at 713-802-5072 at least two business days prior to the meeting. TxDOT’s offices are open Monday through Friday, from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, excluding federal holidays. The meeting will be conducted in English. Any requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs should also be made at least two business days prior to the meeting. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

Written comments relevant to the proposed project may be mailed to: Director of Project Development, Texas Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 1386, Houston, Texas 77251-1386. Comments may also be submitted electronically to hou-pjodemvtexdot.state.tx.us. A meeting summary, as well as responses to any comments received, will be made available online at the TxDOT website before the end of Fall 2009. Written comments submitted electronically or by mail must be post marked on or before September 9, 2009.

July 30, & August 16, 2009
HOUSTON COMMUNITY NEWSPAPERS

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

Personally appeared before the undersigned, a Notary Public within and for said County and State, Christa Grimes, Representative for Tom Stamper,
Publisher of the Conroe Courier, a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Montgomery, State of Texas. Who being duly sworn, states under oath that the report of Legal Notices, a true copy of which is hereto annexed was published in said newspapers in its issue(s) of the

30 day of July, 2009.

and the 16 day of August, 2009

Publisher’s Representative

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25 day of August, 2009

Notary Public

My commission expires on PATRICIA A. CLARK

January 01, 2013
STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

Personally appeared before the undersigned, a Notary Public within and for said County and State. Christa Grimes, Representative for Tom Stamper, Publisher of the Conroe Courier, a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Montgomery, State of Texas. Who being duly sworn, states under oath that the report of Legal Notices, a true copy of which is hereto annexed was published in said newspapers in its issue(s) of the

30 day of JULY, 2009

and the 16 day of August, 2009

Publisher’s Representative

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25 day of August, 2009

Notary Public

My commission expires on
Spanish Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF Montgomery

BEFORE ME, the undersigned notary Public, on this day personally appeared,

Jorge Perez
(name of newspaper representative)

who being by me duly sworn,

(deposes and says that (s) he is the)

Hombre
(title of newspaper representative)
or

El Sol
(name of newspaper)
circulated in Montgomery County, Texas, and is published primarily
(same county as proposed facility)
in Spanish;
(alternative language)

language; that the attached notice was published in said
newspaper on the following date (s):
08-02-09

subscribed and sworn before me this the 10th day of August, 2009

by Jorge Perez
Newspaper Representative’s Signature

Maria Aguilar
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

My commission expires on 09-02-2012
AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE PUBLISHER'S AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF Montgomery

BEFORE ME, the undersigned notary Public, on this day personally appeared,

_____________________________, who being by me duly sworn,
(name of newspaper representative)

deposes and says that (s) he is the ____________________________
(title of newspaper representative)

do the______________________; that this newspaper generally
(name of newspaper)

circulated in Montgomery County, Texas, and is published primarily
(same county as proposed facility)

in Spanish: language; that the attached notice was published in said
(alternative language)

newspaper on the following date (s): 08-14-09

subscribed and sworn before me this the 17th day of August, 2009

by ____________________________
Newspaper Representative’s Signature

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Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

My commission expires on 09/02/2012
EXHIBITS

HARD COPIES OF THE EXHIBITS ARE AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING AT THE
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
HOUSTON DISTRICT OFFICE
7721 WASHINGTON AVENUE
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77007
PUBLIC MEETING PHOTOGRAPHS

PUBLIC MEETING
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COMMENTS RECEIVED
Please complete the appropriate items below:

I am primarily interested in the project from the standpoint of (Please check one):

- Residential property owner or renter
- Business property owner or lessee
- Highway user

[ ] Other (please explain below)

How did you learn about this meeting:

- Newspaper
- Letter
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[ ] Other (Please Explain)

Comments: I am looking forward to this expansion of Hwy 242. Traffic will be so much faster and smoother travelling from I-59 to I-45. Also less accidents on major cross streets with bridges being built.

Please make additional comments on the back.

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Name and Mailing Address (Optional): Brad Ivers

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Comments: Concerned about crossover access to home. Concerned about excessive highway noise. Will there be subsidies for sound barriers? Concerns for proper drainage of rain water.

Please contact me for further concerns.

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Name and Mailing Address (Optional): Roger Casida

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Name and Mailing Address (Optional): ________________________________

Katherine Casida

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[ ] Other (Please Explain) My wife is an Alderman of the town of Woodlawn

Comments: I am concerned for flow of traffic during construction of project. How long project will take, how much money the project will cost, who is going to pay for this project. I am whole hearted against any toll road on SH 242.

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[ ] Other (Please Explain) Email to the town of Wooton Mayor

Comments:

Westbound easement is not big enough. We live on Needham Rd. Too much traffic and I shouldn't need to pay tolls. Prune next 5 ft 242 is not big enough.

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Name and Mailing Address (Optional): Bill Smith

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Name and Mailing Address (Optional): 16647 Payne Rd Conroe TX

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Comments:

Owners Rep for 8800 Acres Tract 1F

Pachtin Engineering Underway

Contact:

Steve Costello

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Name and Mailing Address (Optional): Mayor Diane L. Lincoln
Town of Woodloch P.O. Box 1379 Conroe, TX 77305

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   Ingress/egress ability for residents.

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[✓] Other (Please Explain) EMAIL

Comments:
1. West bound has only 4' shoulder (inside) would like to see min 8'. By your calculations traffic is/will be heavy, bigger shoulder needed for emergency vehicles, accident clearing, etc. especially over S.J. River.
2. Please include intersection warning on west bound for Neenah Rd intersection.
3. Please place "Woodloch" city sign (directional) on SH 242 - East & West bound.

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1. Ramiro Lafuente

Written Comment: I am looking forward to this expansion of Hwy 242. Traffic will be so much faster & smoother traveling from I-59 to I-45. Also less accidents on major cross streets with bridges being built.

Response: Comment noted.

2. Brad Ivers

Written Comment: Concerned about cross-over access to home. Concerned about excessive highway noise. Will there be subsidies for sound barriers? Concerns for proper drainage of rain water. Please cont

Response: Comment noted. The noise analysis identified three (3) noise impacts and determined that noise walls that would achieve the minimum feasible reduction of 5dBA at each these receivers would exceed the reasonable, cost-effectiveness criterion of $25,000. However, if during final design TXDOT or other agency determine the need for noise walls is warranted, they will be constructed. TxDOT will make every effort to insure the occurrence of flooding does not increase as a result of this project.

3. Cynthia Howell

Written Comment: I would like more information regarding whether a noise barrier wall will be built because the noise today in my backyard is unbearable. In addition you are bringing traffic within 42’ of my yard and this concerns me for the safety of my children.

Response: Comment noted. The noise analysis identified three (3) noise impacts and determined that noise walls that would achieve the minimum feasible reduction of 5dBA at each these receivers would exceed the reasonable, cost-effectiveness criterion of $25,000. However, if during final design TXDOT or other agency determine the need for noise walls is warranted, they will be constructed. Currently, no safety conditions have been identified that would be adversely affected by the proposed improvements along SH 242 as they relate to adjacent property owners and children.

4. Roger Casida

Written Comment: No Comment.

Response: No Comment.

5. Katherine Casida

Written Comment: No Comment.

Response: No Comment.
6. Jeff Florence

**Written Comment:** Concerned for flow of traffic during construction of the project, how long project will take, how much money the project will cost. Who is going to pay for this project? I am heartedly against any toll rd on SH 242.

**Response:** Comment noted. The congestion on SH 242 will remain approximately the same during construction because the same number of traffic lanes will be open to traffic that are currently open to traffic today. The majority of the construction occurs outside the existing roadway therefore allowing the existing 2-lanes to remain in service while constructing proposed westbound lanes on the north side. However, intermittent delays are expected due to construction activity at the intersections and crossovers. Special consideration is given to FM 1314 because the existing intersection will be reconstructed to facilitate the SH 242/FM 1314 Overpass. At certain times, FM 1314 may potentially see an increase in congestion as it relates to the SH 242/FM 1314 Overpass Bridge construction and other improvements. The SH 242 project has not been funded therefore the construction time and traffic control plans have yet to be determined. TXDOT will develop traffic control plans such that delays due to construction are limited and have the shortest duration possible. Neither TXDOT nor Montgomery County has any plans to make SH 242 a toll facility.

7. Lynne Florence

**Written Comment:** Westbound easement 4’ is not big enough. We live on Needham Rd. Too much traffic and I shouldn’t need to pay tolls. Bridge near 45 & 242 is not big enough.

**Response:** Comment noted. Existing easements will be reviewed during final design and any changes to the easements will be based on needs and requirements of the final design. The improvements to SH 242 are in response to existing traffic volumes and projected traffic growth along the corridor. The proposed improvements by themselves will not increase traffic, rather it is anticipated that the improvements will help alleviate some of the congestion caused by the existing traffic volumes. Neither TXDOT nor Montgomery County has any plans to make SH 242 a toll facility. The bridge near IH 45 and SH 242 is not within the limits of this project.

8. Bill Smith

**Written Comment:** The people presenting were pleasant and informative. They understood many different issues and seemed to have addressed them all (at least the ones I asked about). Considering that the ROW had been purchased and prepared, this was probably the best format.

**Response:** Comment Noted.
9. Kevin Besheans

Written Comment: Fawn Ridge. I own a commercial driveway 100 feet to the east of the proposed crossover. I need this crossover elongated or moved to accommodate my commercial entrance to the westbound traffic.

Response: Comment noted. Additional coordination with adjacent property owners concerning driveway location and access will occur during the final design phase.

10. Owner Rep for Developer of 880 Acre Tract 1F

Written Comment: Preliminary Engineering Underway. Contact: Steve Costello, PE – 713-783-7788 of Costello Engineering

Response: Comment noted. Additional coordination with adjacent property owners will occur during the final design phase.

11. Mayor Diane L. Lincoln (Town of Woodloch)

Written Comment: 1. Westbound has only 4’ shoulder (inside) would like to see min 8’. By your calculations traffic is/ will be heavy, bigger shoulder needed for emergency vehicles, accident clearing, etc… Especially over S. J. River. 2. Please include intersection warning on westbound for Needham rd intersection. 3. Please place “Woodloch” City Sign (Directional) on SH 242 – East & Westbound. Thank you for this meeting and opportunity for comments.

Response: Comment Noted. The minimum inside shoulder for four-lane divided freeways with a depressed median is 4-feet according to the current TXDOT Roadway Design Manual. However, additional consideration for the width of the shoulders along the westbound lanes will be provided during final design. Consideration for Sign placement and overall signage will occur during final design.