



**Notice
Virtual Public Meeting
US 87
From 2 Miles North of Glasscock County Line
to 0.45 Mile South of Howard County Line
CSJ: 0069-01-061 and 0069-02-030
Howard and Glasscock Counties, Texas**

The Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) Abilene District is proposing improvements to U.S. Highway 87 (US 87) from 2 miles north of the Glasscock County line to 0.45 mile south of the Howard County line in Howard and Glasscock counties, Texas. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will conduct a virtual public meeting on the proposed project. The virtual meeting will consist of a pre-recorded video presentation and include both audio and visual components. The presentation will be posted online by Monday, Sept. 16, 2024, at 5 p.m., and will remain online for at least 15 days. To view the virtual public meeting, visit www.TxDOT.gov at the date and time indicated above, keyword search "US 87 in Glasscock and Howard counties". If you do not have internet access, you may call Chad Wood at 512-821-2081 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, to ask questions and access project materials during the project development process. Formal comments may be provided by mail or email as explained below.

The existing US 87 roadway consists of four 12-foot-wide travel lanes (two in each direction) with 10-foot-wide paved outside shoulders. Directions of travel are separated by a continuous 16-foot-wide, two-way left-turn lane. The existing right-of-way width varies from 120 to 150 feet. The proposed roadway would include a four-lane divided highway with two access-controlled mainlanes in each direction and two-lane, one-way frontage roads on both sides of the roadway. Mainlanes would be separated by inside shoulders and center median with a single concrete barrier between the shoulders. Diamond interchanges with turnarounds are proposed at Farm-to-Market (FM) 821, FM 461 W and FM 461 E. The frontage roads would be built first and the remaining elements completed later, subject to construction funding. The proposed roadway would become a future part of the Interstate Highway (IH) 27 section in the Ports-To-Plains Corridor, which was designated as a High Priority Corridor on the National Highway System by Congress in 1998.

The proposed project would, subject to final design considerations, require approximately 90 acres of additional right of way from the west side of the roadway and potentially displace approximately nine oil wells, one production facility, and one pipeline station. There are no residences in the project area. 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 Abilene District Office by calling 325-676-6800.

Potential project impacts to any Section 4(f) property, protected under Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966, have not been determined at this time.

The proposed project would involve an action in a floodplain.

Any environmental documentation or studies, 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 the TxDOT Abilene District Office, 4250 N. Clack St., Abilene, Texas 79601.

The virtual public meeting will be conducted in English and Spanish. If you need an interpreter or document translator because English is not your primary language or 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 are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation to attend and participate in the virtual public meeting, please contact Alaisha Montanez, TxDOT Abilene District Public Information Officer, at 325-676-6817 no later than 4 p.m. CT, Sept. 11, 2024. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for TxDOT to arrange.

La reunión pública virtual se llevará 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 reunión pública virtual, por favor póngase en contacto con Alaisha Montanez, Oficial de Información Pública del Distrito de Abilene de TxDOT, al número (325) 676-6817 a más tardar a las 4:00 p. m. del 11 de septiembre de 2024. Tenga en cuenta que es necesario dar aviso con anticipación, ya que algunos servicios y adaptaciones pueden requerir tiempo para que TxDOT los organice.



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Written comments from the public regarding the proposed project are requested and may be submitted by mail to the TxDOT Abilene District Office, 4250 N. Clack St., Abilene, Texas 79601. Written comments may also be submitted by email to US87@icf.com. All comments must be received on or before Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2024. Responses to comments received will be available online at www.txdot.gov once they have been prepared.

If you have any general questions regarding the proposed project the virtual meeting, please contact Chad Wood, P.E. PTOE, Consultant Project Manager, at 512-821-2081 or cwood@emailatg.com.

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.