

OVERVIEW

TxDOT is developing plans to improve US 77 from FM 2440 in Giddings to SH 21 in Lee County, Texas. The purpose of the project is to improve mobility, safety, and operational efficiency. The proposed project is approximately 8 miles in length.

Along the project limits, the existing roadway is a four-lane, undivided highway. Potential improvements include constructing turnarounds and converting US 77 from an undivided roadway to a divided roadway with a variable-width median that would separate the northbound and southbound travel lanes. The proposed roadway would consist of two travel lanes in each direction with a grassy median in the middle.

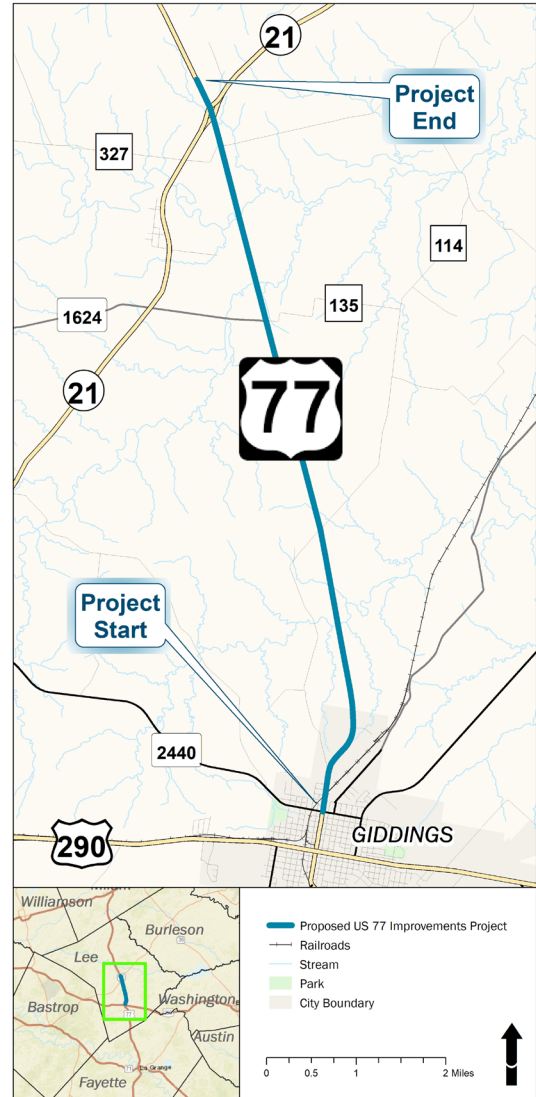
US 77 is designated as a hurricane evacuation route and part of the TxDOT Texas Highway Freight Network.

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

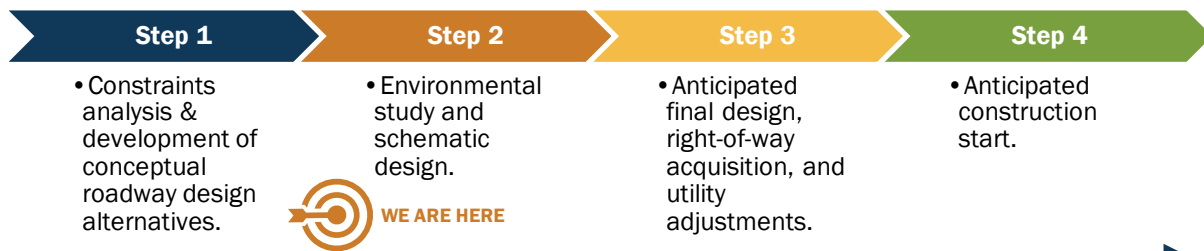
- Widen to a four-lane, divided highway with a grassy median.
- Add a 10-foot shared-use path on the west side of US 77 from West Independence Street to Giddings High School.
- Construct/replace twin bridges at Nails Creek, Elm Creek, West Yegua Creek and West Yegua Creek Relief.
- Construct an **Restricted Crossing U-turn (RCUT)** intersection at CR 114. An **RCUT** is an innovative intersection design to improve safety. Turning movements for drivers entering or crossing US 77 are modified to reduce conflict points.
- Construct acceleration and deceleration lanes at CR 327.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

TxDOT is gathering input from the public regarding the proposed project and will conduct stakeholder and public engagement during the project process. Advancement to right-of-way acquisition, utility adjustments, detailed design, and project construction is contingent upon the results of the environmental process and funding availability.



Anticipated Project Milestones *This timeline is approximate and subject to change.



Ongoing Public Involvement

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.

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