



Notice

Draft Environmental Assessment and Virtual Public Hearing with In-Person Option

STATE HIGHWAY (SH) 105 SOUR LAKE
From 0.1 miles East of State Highway 326 to Pine Island Bayou
CSJs: 0339-04-036
Hardin County, Texas

TxDOT is proposing to improve SH 105 from 0.1 miles east of SH 326 to Pine Island Bayou in Hardin County, Texas. This notice advises the public that a draft environmental assessment (EA) is available for public review and that TxDOT will be conducting a virtual public hearing with in-person option on the proposed project. **The virtual public hearing will consist of a pre-recorded video presentation and will include both audio and visual components. The presentation will be posted online by Thursday, November 13, 2025, at 6 pm and will remain online until at least Monday, December 15, 2025.** To view the virtual public hearing, go to the following web address at the date and time indicated above: www.txdot.gov and use keyword search "SH 105 Sour Lake". If you do not have internet access, you may call 409-892-7311 between the hours of 8 am and 5 pm, Monday through Friday, to ask questions and access project materials during the project development process. You can also scan the Quick Response (QR) code shown below to access the project website directly from a mobile phone or tablet.

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. In person attendees will be able to view the same presentation delivered in the virtual public hearing, which will be playing on a screen, 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, November 13, 2025, from 6 pm to 8 pm at Sour Lake Elementary School Cafeteria, 1055 SH 326, Sour Lake, TX 77659.**



The approximately 7.3-mile proposed project would provide enhanced traffic operations, improved safety, and upgraded drainage. TxDOT is proposing to reconstruct and expand the existing two-lane undivided highway to a five-lane undivided highway, with new isolated raised center medians, three new detention basins, three new bridges, and improve multiple intersecting streets and driveway locations. The proposed project would require approximately 144.7 acres of additional ROW and 1.1 acres of temporary construction easements.

The proposed project would, subject to final design considerations, require additional right of way, and potentially displace zero (0) residences and six (6) 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 409-892-7311.

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

The draft EA, 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 am and 5 pm at the TxDOT Beaumont District Office, 8350

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 July 17, 2025, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

Eastex Freeway, Beaumont, TX 77708. Please call 409-892-7311 if you need assistance viewing materials concerning the proposed project. Project materials are also available online at www.txdot.gov and use keyword search "SH 105 Sour Lake". These materials will also be available in hard copy form for review at the in-person option.

The virtual public hearing with 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 with in-person option, please contact Tanya Avila, Beaumont District Public Information Officer, at 409-898-5745 no later than 4 pm central time, Friday, November 7, 2025. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for the TxDOT to arrange.

La audiencia pública con opción presencial 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 y participar en la exhibición pública, por favor póngase en contacto con Tanya Avila, Beaumont District Public Information Officer, al número 409-898-5745 a más tardar a las 4 pm hora central, viernes 7 Noviembre, 2025. Por favor sepa que es necesario dar aviso con anticipación, ya que algunos servicios y adaptaciones pueden requerir tiempo para que TxDOT los organice.

Written comments from the public regarding the proposed project are requested and may be submitted by mail to the TxDOT Beaumont District Office, 8350 Eastex Freeway, Beaumont, TX 77708. Written comments may also be submitted by email to BMTprojects@txdot.gov. **All written comments must be received on or before** Monday, December 15, 2025. Additionally, members of the public may call 210-570-9576 and verbally provide testimony from 6 pm on Thursday, November 13, 2025, until 11:59 pm on Monday, December 15, 2025. Responses to written comments received and public testimony provided will be available online at www.txdot.gov and use keyword search "SH 105 Sour Lake" once they have been prepared. Please reference CSJ 0339-04-036.

If you have any general questions regarding the proposed project or virtual public hearing with in-person option, please contact Rawetts Baaheth Sr., Project Manager, 409-892-7311, and BMTprojects@txdot.gov.