



Notice

Opportunity for a Public Hearing

US HIGHWAY (US) 69

From Farm-to-Market (FM) 421 to US 96

CSJ: 0200-10-067

Hardin County, Texas

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is proposing improvements to US 69 from FM 421 to US 96 in Hardin County, Texas. The total distance of the project is approximately 1.8 miles. Pursuant to Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, §2.106 this notice is affording an opportunity for a public hearing on the proposed project. 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 16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

The purpose of this project is to reduce congestion by improving mobility and traffic operations. The proposed project would match the roadway section north of FM 421 and provide continuity in traffic operations from the US 69/US 96 split to just north of Walton Road. The project will widen US 69 to a four-lane roadway with a continuous center left-turn lane. Each lane (two in each direction) will be 11-feet wide, the center turn-lane will be 12-feet wide, and the paved shoulders will be 1-foot wide.

All work will occur entirely within existing right-of-way (ROW). No additional ROW or permanent/temporary easement is required; therefore, no displacements or relocations of residences and businesses are necessary.

The project limits are not within a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) designated 100-year floodplain. Waters of the United States, including wetlands, are not anticipated to be impacted by the project.

Environmental studies are currently ongoing. Maps showing the project location and design, environmental information, tentative construction schedules, and other information regarding the project are on file and available for inspection Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the TxDOT Beaumont District Office, located at 8350 Eastex Freeway, Beaumont, Texas 77708.

Any interested person may submit comments or request a public hearing covering the social, economic and environmental effects of the proposed location and design for this project. Comments and requests for a public hearing must be submitted in writing on or before Tuesday, July 3, 2018, to the TxDOT Beaumont District Office, Jason Waldrep, PE, Project Manager, 8350 Eastex Freeway, Beaumont, Texas 77708 or via email at Jason.Waldrep@txdot.gov.