

# US 69 WOODVILLE-COLMESNEIL RELIEF ROUTE

## Project Overview

### Proposed Project Limits

The TxDOT Beaumont District is proposing to construct a US 69 relief route from approximately one mile south of Black Creek to approximately one mile south of Recreational Road (RR) 255 in Tyler County. US 69 is a south-north highway that runs from Port Arthur to Denison, TX and is designated as a hurricane evacuation route.

### Proposed Improvements

The approximate 25-mile proposed project would include a new location roadway. The ultimate roadway south of US 190 would generally include two 12-foot travel lanes in each direction, a northbound 13-foot outside shoulder to be used as a hurricane evacuation lane, a southbound 10-foot outside shoulder, and two-lane frontage roads in each direction that would require approximately 400 feet of right-of-way (ROW) width. The ultimate roadway north of US 190 would generally include two 12-foot travel lanes in each direction, a northbound 13-foot outside shoulder to be used as a hurricane evacuation lane, and a southbound 10-foot outside shoulder that would require approximately 300 feet of ROW width. Bicycle and pedestrian accommodations would be considered throughout the project.

### Proposed Purpose and Need

The purpose of the US 69 project is to provide a relief route to support safe and efficient south/north movement of people and goods between Colmesneil and Warren.

What problems are we trying to address?

- Provide a south-north evacuation route for the growing population of Southeast Texas
- Improve safety by providing a relief route to reduce congestion on existing US 69
- Address demand from freight traffic
- Provide an alternate/secondary route from south of Warren to north of Colmesneil

### Proposed Project Schedule\*

- Virtual Public Meeting with In-Person Options – Oct. 2023
  - Woodville Public Meeting: Tuesday, Oct. 24, 2023
  - Warren Public Meeting: Thursday, Oct. 26, 2023
- Draft Preliminary Design and Draft Environmental Assessment – Fall 2024
- Public Hearing – Winter 2024
- Environmental Decision – Spring 2025
- Begin ROW Acquisition
- Finalize Design and Begin Phased Construction\*\*

\*This project schedule and dates are tentative and subject to change.  
 \*\* This project could be constructed in phases depending on funding.

## Questions or Comments

### How to Submit Comments

To be a part of official record, comments must be received or postmarked by **Friday, Nov. 10, 2023**, and may be submitted at the public open house meetings, by mail, email or online to:

- MAIL:** TxDOT Beaumont District  
 US 69 Woodville-Colmesneil Relief Route  
 8350 Eastex Freeway Beaumont, TX 77708
- EMAIL:** [bmtprojects@txdot.gov](mailto:bmtprojects@txdot.gov)
- ONLINE:** [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov) and search: US 69 Woodville-Colmesneil Relief Route

### Provide Your Feedback: Visit the Online Engagement Site

View the proposed alternatives, take our survey and provide your comments by visiting our online engagement site starting Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2023. Visit [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov) and search: **US 69 Woodville-Colmesneil Relief Route** or scan the QR code below.

## Study Area Map

