

Project Details

BEAUMONT DISTRICT

Highway/Limits:

The proposed US 96 project extends from RE 255 to Loop 149 in Jasper and Sabine counties, Texas, for a total distance of approximately 7 miles.

Description:

The proposed project would improve safety, connectivity, and mobility by:

- Reconstructing and widening US 96 from a two-lane undivided roadway to a four-lane divided highway with a grassy median
- Including sidewalks and pedestrian facilities where necessary
- Enhancing a critical hurricane evacuation route and support freight growth
- Improving access to and from the East Texas Ports
- Accommodating a projected 52.78% increase in freight traffic by 2053
- Upgrading roadway safety features

Purpose and Need:

To improve safety, increase mobility and meet current design standards for future travel demands stemming from projected population growth and traffic volumes.

Project History:

The US 96 project began with the schematic development in 2019. In November of that year, a Value Engineering Study was conducted to improve quality, minimize cost, simplify construction, enhance safety, and meet environmental goals.

The schematic was modified following the Value Engineering Study and online public engagement began in the Fall of 2020. A MetroQuest survey was conducted with over 550 survey participants who identified their priorities along the corridor, rated the proposed alternatives, and provided input on issues along the corridor. Based on this input, a preferred alternative was identified in 2021 and the project design was refined in 2022.




Estimated Schedule*



*Dates are subject to change and based on available funding.

Questions?

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