

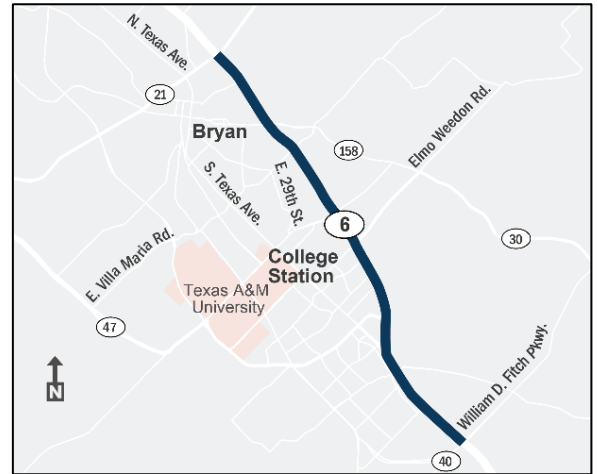


NOTICE

Virtual Public Meeting SH 6 Central BCS Expansion Project From SH 21 to SH 40 (William D. Fitch Parkway) Brazos County CSJ: 0049-12-110, Etc.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), in partnership with the Bryan-College Station Metropolitan Planning Organization, is holding a virtual public meeting to share project updates and receive additional public input on proposed improvements to SH 6 (Earl Rudder Freeway) from SH 21 to SH 40 (William D. Fitch Parkway) in Brazos County, Texas. TxDOT is proposing improvements along SH 6 that would enhance safety, relieve congestion, and improve mobility. The project would also provide bicycle and pedestrian accommodations. Proposed improvements and interchange concepts at major intersections were previously presented at the SH 6 Public Meeting held on Dec. 2, 2019. Based on further technical evaluation and public input, TxDOT has refined the project and will present the updated design in this virtual public meeting.

This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting an online virtual public meeting on the proposed project. The virtual meeting will be available on **Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 3 p.m.** To log onto the virtual public meeting, go to the following web address at the indicated date and time: www.txdot.gov, keyword search "SH 6 Central BCS".



Project staff will give a pre-recorded project presentation with both audio and visual components. Please note the presentation will not be available on the website until the time and date listed above. The virtual public meeting will remain available online through the comment period deadline of Thursday, May 27, 2021. If you do not have internet access, you may call Mark Poage, P.E., TxDOT Project Manager, at (979) 778-9655 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, to ask questions throughout the project development process. Formal comments may be provided by mail or email as explained below.

SH 6 is a major north-south corridor in the Bryan/College Station area and serves as a major commuter route for residents, employees, and university students. Additionally, SH 6 provides regional connectivity for residential, commercial, educational, and industrial uses throughout Brazos County. Currently, SH 6 consists of two main lanes in each direction with frontage roads, intermittent auxiliary lanes, and limited sidewalks and bicycle accommodations. Proposed improvements include expanding the main lanes from four to six lanes (three in each direction), improving auxiliary lane configurations, adding collector-distributor lanes at selected locations for safer and more efficient merging, improving interchanges for more efficient traffic flow, and providing shared use paths for bicycles and pedestrians.

The proposed project would, subject to final design considerations, require additional right of way and potentially require minimal displacements. Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons and businesses. Information concerning services and benefits available to affected property owners, and information about the tentative schedule for right-of-way acquisition and construction can be obtained from the TxDOT district office by calling (979) 778-9607.

Any maps and drawings showing the project location and design, tentative construction schedules, and other information regarding the proposed project are available online at www.txdot.gov, keyword search "SH 6 Central BCS".

The virtual public meeting 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, 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 view and participate in the virtual public meeting, please contact Bob Colwell, Bryan District Public Information Officer, at (979) 778-2165 no later than 4 p.m. CT, Friday, May 7, 2021. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for TxDOT to arrange.

Written comments from the public regarding the proposed project are requested, and may be submitted by mail to the TxDOT Bryan District Office, Attn: Mark Poage, 2591 N. Earl Rudder Freeway, Bryan, TX 77803. Written comments may also be submitted by email to sh6centralbcs@txdot.gov. All comments must be received on or before **Thursday, May 27, 2021**.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the virtual meeting, please contact Mark Poage, P.E., TxDOT Project Manager at (979) 778-9655 or by email at sh6centralbcs@txdot.gov.

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 Dec. 9, 2019, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.