



**TxDOT Public Hearing on Improvements to SH 286
February 28, 2019**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), Corpus Christi District will hold a public hearing to provide information and gather comments on a proposed project to improve State Highway (SH) 286 from Farm-to-Market (FM) 43 to south of FM 2444 in Nueces County. The proposed project is approximately 3.2 miles long and is located southwest of the City of Corpus Christi. TxDOT is proposing to convert this section of SH 286 from a two-lane undivided highway to a four-lane divided urban highway, with a future option of becoming a six-lane highway if needed. The proposed right-of-way (ROW) would be 400 feet in width and would require approximately 102 acres of new ROW. The existing ROW is approximately 100 feet wide.

The proposed project would displace five single-family residences and non-residential/non-commercial structures. Businesses would not be displaced. Information about the TxDOT Relocation Assistance Program, benefits and services for displacees, as well as information about the tentative schedules for ROW acquisition and construction can be obtained from the TxDOT district office at the address listed below. Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons.

Portions of the proposed project area are located within the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) 100-year floodplain, which is defined as the zone with a one percent chance of a flood event occurring in any given year. The hydraulic design for the proposed improvements would be in accordance with current TxDOT and Federal Highway Administration design policies and procedures. The project would not increase the base flood elevation without coordination and approval from the appropriate FEMA Floodplain Administrator. Approximately 0.14 acre of potential jurisdictional waters of the U.S. was identified within the project limits. Anticipated impacts would be authorized under U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Nationwide Permit 14.

The proposed project is needed to accommodate anticipated future growth in the area, to provide connectivity to other roadways in the region, improve safety, and facilitate access to major evacuation routes.

Date: Thursday, February 28, 2019
Format: 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Open house
6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Formal public hearing with presentation and public comment session
Location: TxDOT Corpus Christi District Office, Building 2,
1701 S. Padre Island Drive, Corpus Christi, TX 78416

The public hearing will be conducted in English. Anyone interested in attending the hearing who has special communication or accommodation needs, or needs an interpreter, is encouraged to call (361) 808-2461. Requests should be made at least two days prior to the public hearing. Every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate special needs.

Environmental studies, maps of the study corridor, and exhibits will be available at the hearing. This information will also be available for review by appointment Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the TxDOT Corpus Christi District Office at the above address. To schedule an appointment, please contact Kimberly Amy at 361- 808-2509. Project information can also be viewed by visiting www.txdot.gov and searching for SH 286.



Verbal and written comments may be submitted at the hearing; written comments may be submitted by mail to the TxDOT Corpus Christi District, Aaron Arroyo, P.E., Project Manager, 1701 S. Padre Island Drive, Corpus Christi, TX 78416, or electronically to aaron.arroyo@txdot.gov. Written comments must be postmarked or submitted electronically by Wednesday, March 15, 2019.

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.

For additional information about this hearing, contact Aaron Arroyo at (361) 808-2461 or by email at aaron.arroyo@txdot.gov.