



Notice of a Virtual Public Meeting

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Virtual Public Meeting
SH 361 and the SH 361/SH 35/US 181 Interchange
CSJ: 0180-10-080
San Patricio County, Texas**

The Texas Department of Transportation is conducting a feasibility study to identify concepts for SH 361 and the SH 361/SH 35/US 181 Interchange in and around the cities of Gregory, Portland, and Ingleside in San Patricio County, Texas. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting an online, virtual public meeting on the proposed study. The virtual meeting will be available online from 4 p.m. Monday, March 1, 2021 to 4 p.m. Monday, March 15, 2021. To log on to the virtual public meeting, go to www.txdot.gov between March 1 and March 15 and enter keyword "[SH 361](#)." TxDOT will provide a pre-recorded presentation that will include both audio and visual components. Please note that the presentation will not be available on the website until the time and date listed above. For anyone that may not have internet access, please call Jason Alvarez at (361) 808-2495 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, in order to ask questions or access study materials that will be presented at the meeting. Formal comments may be provided by mail or email as explained below.

The purpose of the feasibility study is to develop concepts to improve connectivity and operations along SH 361 and the SH 361/SH 35/US 181 interchange. Concepts that will be presented at the virtual public meeting focus on improving traffic congestion and safety due to the current SH 361/SH 35/US 181 interchange configuration, ramp locations, driveway and cross-street access, and the fluctuating traffic demand due to local industry growth. The study area encompasses about 3,340 acres and is in and around the cities of Gregory, Portland, and Ingleside. This is part of a larger study to improve the SH 361 corridor in San Patricio County from the SH 361/SH 35 interchange to just west of FM 1069.

Goals of the proposed improvements are to:

- Manage traffic congestion and delay for future year conditions.
- Reduce traffic delays associated with railroad crossings.
- Provide direct connections for heavy traffic movements.
- Reduce frequency and severity of crashes.
- Improve hurricane evacuation routes.

Environmental constraints maps and drawings showing the study location and proposed concepts will be posted online at www.txdot.gov, keyword "[SH 361](#)," as available.

The virtual public meeting will be available in English and Spanish. TxDOT makes every reasonable effort to accommodate the needs of the public. 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 are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation to participate in the virtual public meeting, please contact Linda Vela at (210) 349-3273, no later than Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2021. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for TxDOT to arrange.

TxDOT requests written comments from the public regarding the proposed study by Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. These may be submitted online via the virtual public meeting, by mail to TxDOT Corpus Christi District Office c/o Kimberly Amy, 1701 S. Padre Island Drive, Corpus Christi, TX 78416, or by email to SH361@pozcam.com. Responses to comments received will be included in the virtual public meeting documentation report which will be available online at www.txdot.gov, keyword "[SH 361](#)."

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the virtual public meeting, contact Jason Alvarez, P.E., at (361) 808-2495 or by email at Jason.Alvarez@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.