



**Notice
In-Person Public Hearing with Virtual Option
Texas Department of Transportation
2023 El Paso Bicycle Project Hearing**

In accordance with the Title 43, Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, Part 1, Chapter 25, Subchapter D, Rule §25.55 (a) and (b), the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) El Paso District is partnering with the El Paso Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to offer an in-person public hearing on transportation projects, programs, and policies affecting bicycle use and pedestrian mobility improvements in El Paso and surrounding communities. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting an in-person public hearing on the proposed projects with an online virtual option. **The virtual hearing will consist of a recorded video presentation and will include both audio and visual components. The presentation will be posted online by Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 9:00 am MDT.** To log onto the virtual public hearing, go to the web address at the date and time indicated above. To access the web page, go to www.txdot.gov and in the keyword search enter "El Paso Bike Hearing". Project staff will provide a presentation, which will be recorded and posted on the website. The public hearing will include both audio and visual components. Please note that the public hearing and project list will not be available on the website until the time and date listed above.

Following the virtual public hearing, the presentation will remain available for viewing at the web address indicated above until at least Friday, October 13, 2023, at 9:00 am MDT. If you do not have internet access, you may call (972) 560-3029 between the hours of 9:00 am MST and 5:00 pm MDT, Monday through Friday, to ask questions and access project materials during the project development process.

Additionally, TxDOT is providing an in-person option for individuals who would like to participate in person instead of online. In-person attendees will experience the presentation live, which will be recorded and made available in the online public hearing. In-person attendees will also be able to review hard copies of project materials, ask questions of TxDOT staff and/or consultants, and leave written comments. **The in-person option will be held on Thursday, September 28, 2023, from 5:30 pm MDT to 8:00 pm MDT at Burges High School Blackbox Theater, 7800 Edgemere Blvd. El Paso, TX 79925.**

For both the virtual public hearing and in-person option, members of the public may call (972) 560-3029 to provide verbal testimony immediately following the conclusion of the public hearing presentation at 8:00 pm MDT on September 28, 2023, through 11:59 pm on Friday, October 13, 2023. Formal written comments may also be provided by mail or email as explained below. All verbally provided testimony and timely written comments will be considered by TxDOT and included as part of the official record. Responses to verbally provided testimony and comments will be prepared by TxDOT, included as part of the hearing and project record, and made available online at www.txdot.gov.

The purpose of the hearing is to provide information on transportation projects that might affect bicycle and pedestrian use, plans, policies, and programs for the TxDOT El Paso District and the El Paso MPO and to receive public comments.

All interested persons are invited to attend this public hearing to obtain information about the district transportation projects, programs, and policies affecting bicycle use on the state highway system and to express their views.



The virtual public hearing and in-person option 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 effectively in English, 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 attend and participate in the public meeting, please contact **David Alexander** at **(972) 560-3029** no later than **4 p.m. MDT, Thursday, September 14, 2023**. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for the Texas Department of Transportation to arrange.

Written comments from the public regarding the district transportation projects, programs, and policies affecting bicycle use on the state highway system are encouraged and may be submitted by mail to **WSP, Attn: El Paso Bike Hearing, 3102 Oak Lawn Ave Suite 450, Dallas, TX 75219**. Written comments may also be submitted by email to TxDOT_ELP_BikePublicHearing@wsp.com. Verbal comments may be made by calling **(972) 560-3029**. All written comments must be postmarked/received on or before **Friday, October 13, 2023**, to be included in the official public hearing record. Additionally, as stated above, members of the public may call (972) 560-3029 and verbally provide testimony from 8:00 pm MDT on September 28, 2023, until 11:59 pm on Friday, October 13, 2023. Responses to written comments received and public testimony provided will be available online at www.txdot.gov once they have been prepared.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or virtual hearing or in-person option, please contact **Adriana Rodriguez, TxDOT El Paso District Bike Coordinator, at (915) 790-4221** or Adriana.Rodriguez@txdot.gov.

For additional information or to be added to the mailing list of individuals or organizations interested in bicycle use of the state system, please contact **Adriana Rodriguez, TxDOT El Paso District Bike Coordinator, at (915) 790-4221** or Adriana.Rodriguez@txdot.gov. All individuals and groups who request to be added to the mailing list will receive notice of public hearing activities related to environmental and public involvement for state projects that might affect bicycle use.