



**Notice
Public Hearing
US 62/180 (Montana Ave.)/Airport Rd./Mescalero Dr. Intersection
CSJ: 0374-02-107
El Paso County, Texas**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), El Paso District, is proposing improvements to the intersection of U.S. Highway (US) 62/180 (Montana Avenue), Airport Road, and Mescalero Drive in El Paso County, Texas. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting a public hearing on the proposed project. The hearing will be held on:

**Tuesday, March 5, 2019
5:00 – 6:00 p.m. (open house), 6:00 p.m. (formal presentation)
Ross Middle School Cafeteria
6101 Hughey Drive, El Paso, TX 79925**

Displays will be available for viewing at 5:00 p.m., with the formal hearing starting at 6:00 p.m. The purpose of the hearing is to present the planned improvements and to receive public comment on the proposed project.

The proposed improvements would modify the design of the US 62/180 (Montana Avenue), Airport Road, and Mescalero Drive intersection in the City of El Paso to optimize traffic and minimize stops for eastbound and westbound through traffic on Montana Avenue. The proposed project also includes various sidewalk and pedestrian improvements. A public hearing is being held because the proposed project may substantially change the layout or function of the intersection.



The proposed project would require approximately 0.2 acres of temporary easements. Although additional right-of-way is required, no residential or non-residential structures would be displaced. Information concerning services and benefits available to affected property owners and information about the tentative schedule for right-of-way acquisition may be obtained from the district office at the address listed below. The proposed project would not impact any waters of the U.S., including wetlands, or floodplains.

The environmental documentation or studies, maps showing the project location and design, tentative construction schedules, and other information regarding the project are on file and available for inspection Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the TxDOT El Paso

District Office, 13301 Gateway Boulevard West, El Paso, TX 79928-5410. This information also will be available for inspection at the hearing. The project is located within a PM10 air quality nonattainment area; therefore, the conformity consultation process was conducted. On December 17, 2018, the conformity Consultation Partners made the determination that, in accordance with 40 CFR 93.116(a), the proposed project is not of local air quality concern. The proposed project is currently consistent with the conforming to the 2045 Destino Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and the 2019-2022 Destino Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) which were initially and found to conform to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) State Implementation Plan by Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Authority on November 6, 2018 and September 28, 2018, respectively.

Verbal and written comments from the public regarding the project are requested and may be presented at the hearing or submitted in person or by mail to the TxDOT El Paso District Office. Comments must be received on or before Wednesday, March 20, 2019 to be part of the official hearing record. Written comments may be submitted to:

Brian Martinez, Project Manager
TxDOT El Paso District
13301 Gateway Blvd. West
El Paso, TX 79928-5410
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The hearing will be conducted in English and a Spanish interpreter will be present. Persons interested in attending the hearing who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact TxDOT's Public Information Office at (915) 790-4200 no later than 4:00 p.m. on February 27, 2019. Every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate these needs.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the hearing, please contact Brian Martinez, Project Manager at (915) 790-4201 or by email at brian.martinez@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 December 16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.