



NOTICE
Virtual Public Meeting with In-Person Option
FM 730
From State Highway 114 (SH 114) to SH 199
CSJs: 0312-05-033, 0312-04-036
Wise and Tarrant Counties, Texas

The Texas Department of Transportation is proposing to reconstruct and widen FM 730 from SH 114 to SH 199 in Wise and Tarrant counties, Texas. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting an online virtual public meeting on the proposed project with an in-person option. The virtual public meeting will open on Tuesday, Oct. 24, 2023 at 8 a.m. and close Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. To access the virtual public meeting, go to www.txdot.gov and search keyword "FM 730." The virtual meeting will consist of a pre-recorded video presentation with both audio and visual components. Project maps and materials will also be available online. Please note that the presentation will not be available on the website until the time and date listed above. If you do not have internet access, you may call Thomas Marquardt, P.E., at (817) 370-6772 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, to ask questions and access project materials during the project development process. Formal comments may be provided by mail or email as explained below.

Additionally, TxDOT is providing an open-house format, in-person option for individuals who would like to participate in person. In-person attendees will be able to view the pre-recorded video, 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 Tuesday, Oct. 24, 2023 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Ash Creek Baptist Church – Meeting Place, 301 South Stewart Street, Azle, Texas 76020.**

The proposed project would widen FM 730 to a four-lane divided roadway from SH 114 to Reno Road and to a six-lane divided roadway from Reno Road to SH 199. The proposed project would also analyze current and proposed intersections, drainage, bicycle and pedestrian accommodations, two-way left turn lanes, and overall safety enhancements.

The proposed project could require additional right of way and potential displacements, pending further detailed design considerations. Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons and businesses. Information about the TxDOT Relocation Assistance Program and services and benefits for those displaced and other affected property owners, as well as information about the tentative schedule for right-of-way acquisition and construction, can be obtained from the TxDOT district office by calling (817) 370-6950.

The proposed project would involve an action in the floodplain and construction in wetlands.

Any environmental documentation or studies, any maps and drawings showing the project location and design, tentative construction schedules, and other information regarding the proposed project are on file and available for inspection by appointment Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at TxDOT Fort Worth District Office, 2501 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth, Texas 76133. Project materials are also available online at the address listed above. These materials will also be available in hard copy form for review at the in-person option.

The public meeting will be conducted in English and some materials will also be provided in Spanish. 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 Thomas Marquardt, P.E., at (817) 370-6772 no later than 4 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 18, 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 proposed project are requested and may be submitted by mail to the TxDOT Fort Worth District Office, 2501 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth, Texas 76133. Written comments may also be submitted by email to Thomas.Marquardt@txdot.gov. All comments must be received on or before Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2023. Responses to comments received will be available online at www.txdot.gov, keyword search "FM 730" once they have been prepared.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the meeting, please contact Thomas Marquardt, P.E., TxDOT Project Manager, at (817) 370-6772, or Thomas.Marquardt@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 9, 2019, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.