



Notice
Virtual Public Hearing with In-Person Option

INTERSTATE 35W
From CR 604/CR 707 to US 67

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JOHNSON County, Texas

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is proposing to realign Interstate 35W (I-35W) northbound mainlanes from County Road (CR) 604/CR 707 to United States (US) 67 within the city of Alvarado and in Johnson County, Texas. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting an online virtual public hearing on the proposed project with an in-person option. **The virtual hearing will consist of a pre-recorded video presentation and will include both audio and visual components. The presentation will be posted online by Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2021 at 6 p.m.** To log onto the virtual public hearing, go to the following web address at the date and time indicated above: www.TxDOT.gov
KEYWORDS: I-35W at Alvarado. Following the virtual public hearing, the presentation will remain available for viewing at the web address indicated above until at least Wednesday, Dec. 22, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. If you do not have internet access, you may call (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.

Additionally, TxDOT is providing an in-person option for individuals who would like to participate in person instead of online. In-person attendees will be able to view the same presentation delivered in the online public hearing which will be playing on a screen, review hard copies of project materials, ask questions of TxDOT staff and/or consultants from a socially distanced approach, and leave written comments. **The in-person option will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2021 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the TxDOT Johnson County Area Office, 2200 FM 2280, Keene, Texas 76031.** You may schedule an appointment by calling TxDOT Design Project Manager Thomas Marquardt, P.E. at (817) 370-6772.

For both the virtual public hearing and in-person option, members of the public may call (833) 933-0437 to provide verbal testimony immediately following the conclusion of the virtual public hearing presentation at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2021 through 11:59 pm on Wednesday, Dec. 22, 2021. 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 KEYWORDS: I-35W at Alvarado.

TxDOT is proposing to realign the I-35W northbound main lanes and remove the closed left-hand exit from southbound I-35W main lanes to Business (BUS) 35W (North Parkway Drive). A northbound frontage road between United States (US) 67 and BUS 35W would be added, and the existing frontage road would be converted from BUS 35W to County Road (CR) 604/CR 707 from two-way to a one-way

frontage road. This would provide a continuous, one-way frontage road from US 67 to the CR 604/CR 707 intersection. Existing BUS 35W would be realigned to a T-intersection at the proposed northbound frontage road. Along the previously referenced frontage road, a 10-foot shared-use path for bicycle and pedestrian accommodations would be constructed from US 67 extending north and terminating approximately 856 feet north of the BUS 35W T-intersection. A five-foot sidewalk would be constructed along BUS 35W from the intersection with the I-35W northbound frontage road terminating at the existing Village Park Drive driveway.

Additionally, the proposed project would include the reversal of the existing northbound I-35W entrance and exit ramps to increase mobility and enhance safety. The proposed project is approximately 1.15 miles long and would not require additional right-of-way or permanent easements, but new control of access would be required at designated areas.

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 Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the TxDOT Fort Worth District Office, 2501 Southwest Loop 820, Fort Worth, Texas 76133 or by phone at (817) 370-6772 or at the TxDOT Johnson County Area Office at 2200 FM 2280, Keene, Texas 76059 or by phone at (817) 202-2900. Project materials are also available online at www.TxDOT.gov KEYWORDS: I-35W at Alvarado. These materials will also be available in hard copy form for review at the in-person option.

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 virtual public hearing or in-person option, please contact TxDOT Design Project Manager Thomas Marquardt, P.E. at (817) 370-6772 no later than 4 p.m. CT, Thursday, Dec. 2, 2021. 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, ATTN: Carl L. Johnson, P.E., District Engineer, 2501 Southwest Loop 820, Fort Worth, Texas 76133. Written comments may also be submitted by email to Thomas.Marquardt@txdot.gov. **All written comments must be received or postmarked on or before Wednesday, Dec. 22, 2021.** Additionally, as stated above, members of the public may call (833) 933-0437 and verbally provide testimony from 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2021 until 11:59 pm on Wednesday, Dec. 22, 2021. 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 TxDOT Design Project Manager Thomas Marquardt, P.E. at (817) 370-6772 or at 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 Dec. 9, 2019, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.