



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING I-820 and SH 121 Interchange in Northeast Tarrant County Roadway Reconstruction

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), as the lead agency, is proposing to reconstruct I-820 from approximately 2,000 feet north of Pipeline Road/Glenview Drive to approximately 3,200 feet south of Randol Mill Road. Additionally, SH 121 would be reconstructed from the southern I-820/SH 121 interchange to approximately 5,000 feet west of Handley-Ederville Road in Tarrant 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 Thursday, October 5, 2017 at The Link located at 6750 Baker Blvd., Richland Hills TX, 76118. Displays will be available for viewing at 6 p.m. with the formal hearing presentation starting at 7 p.m. The purpose of the hearing is to present the planned improvements and to receive public comment on the proposed project.

The portion of I-820 to be reconstructed is described in two segments. The north segment extends from the northern I-820/SH 121/SH 183 interchange south to Trinity Boulevard. The existing roadway along this segment includes up to four northbound and five southbound general purpose main lanes with discontinuous frontage roads varying from two to three lanes in each direction. The proposed project would reconstruct this segment to include up to five northbound and six southbound general purpose main lanes, in addition to auxiliary lanes. The proposed project would also include one managed toll lane in each direction and continuous frontage roads that would vary from one to three lanes in each direction along this segment.

The south segment extends between Trinity Boulevard to Randol Mill Road. The existing roadway along this segment includes two general purpose main lanes in each direction. The proposed project would reconstruct this segment to include five general purpose main lanes each direction.

The existing roadway of SH 121, from I-820 to Handley-Ederville Road, varies from two to three general purpose main lanes each direction and includes continuous frontage roads consisting of two lanes in each direction. The proposed project would reconstruct this segment of SH 121 to include three general purpose main lanes in each direction, one managed toll lane in each direction and continuous frontage roads varying from one to three lanes in each direction.

Along I-820 the existing right of way width typically varies from 350 feet to 400 feet and along SH 121 the existing right of way width typically varies from 347 feet to 373 feet. The proposed project would include the existing right of way and would require approximately 23 acres of new right of way and approximately 0.025 acres of easements. The amount of additional right of way that would be required for the project varies up to a typical width of approximately 238 feet along I-820 and up to a width of 7 feet along SH 121. Additional widths of up to approximately 50 feet would

be required along Trinity Boulevard and up to approximately 25 feet would be required along Handley-Ederville road near the north intersection with SH 121. The proposed project would displace three commercial structures. Information about the TxDOT Relocation Assistance Program, benefits and services for displacees, as well as information about the tentative schedules for right of way acquisition and construction can be obtained from the TxDOT District Office at the address listed below. Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons and businesses.

The proposed project crosses the West Fork Trinity River and Calloway Branch, occurs within a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) designated 100-year floodplain and is within the Trinity River Corridor Development Regulatory Zone.

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 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at TxDOT Fort Worth District Office, 2501 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX 76133. Alternatively, these items are also available for inspection Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at TxDOT North Tarrant County Area Office, 2501 Euless Blvd., Euless, TX 76040 and online at www.txdot.gov, keyword "I-820 East Loop". This information also will be available for inspection at the hearing. 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 Fort Worth District Office. Comments must be received on or before October 20, 2017 to be part of the official hearing record.

The hearing will be conducted in English. Persons interested in attending the hearing who have special communication or accommodation needs, such as the need for an interpreter, are encouraged to contact Ms. Tanya Fitzgerald at (817) 370-6610. Requests should be made at least three days prior to the hearing. 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 Mr. John Tillinghast, P.E. at (817) 370-6594 or by email at John.Tillinghast@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.