



Notice
Virtual Public Hearing with In-Person Option
RM 2871
From I-30 to US 377
CSJ: 2855-01-022
TARRANT County, Texas

The Texas Department of Transportation Fort Worth District is proposing to reconstruct and widen RM 2871 from I-30 to US 377 in Tarrant 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 on Thursday, December 7, 2023, at 8 a.m.** To log onto the virtual public hearing, visit www.txdot.gov, keyword search "RM 2871 Tarrant County" after the date and time indicated above. If you do not have internet access, you may call Ram Dhakal at (817) 370-3519 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. In-person attendees will be able to view the same pre-recorded 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, and leave written comments. **The in-person option will be held on Thursday, December 7, 2023, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at High Ridge Church located at 10100 Rolling Hills Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76126.**

For both the virtual public hearing and in-person option, members of the public may call (817) 841-9241 to provide verbal testimony immediately following the conclusion of the virtual public hearing presentation at 7 p.m. on December 7, 2023, through 11:59 pm on December 22, 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 proposed improvements to RM 2871 include reconstructing and widening the existing roadway to a four-lane divided urban roadway with a six-foot to 18-foot wide curbed median from US 377 in the City of Benbrook north to I-30 in the City of Fort Worth for approximately 5.08 miles along RM 2871. Additional proposed improvements include an overpass bridge on RM 2871 over the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) and Aledo Road; realignment of Veale Road Parkway and Chaparral Pass; left and right turn bays and intersection improvements throughout the corridor; and bicycle and pedestrian accommodations on both sides of RM 2871. The proposed project would enhance safety and mobility. The project would require approximately 10.27 acres of additional right of way.

The proposed project would, subject to final design considerations, require additional right of way and potentially displace one non-residential structure; no residential displacements are anticipated. 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) 370-6744.

The proposed project would involve construction in wetlands.

The proposed project would involve an action in a floodplain.

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 the Fort Worth District Office, 2501 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX 76133. Project materials are also available online at www.txdot.gov. These materials will also be available in hard copy form for review at the in-person public hearing.

The in-person public hearing option will be conducted in English. If you need an interpreter 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 in-person public hearing option, please call (817) 370-3519 no later than 4 p.m. CT on December 4, 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, Attn: Ram Dhakal P.E., 2501 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX 76133. Written comments may also be submitted by email to Ram.Dhakal@txdot.gov. **All written comments must be received on or before December 22, 2023.** Additionally, as stated above, members of the public may call the voicemail line and leave a voicemail message at (817) 841-9241 from 7 p.m. on December 7, 2023, until 11:59 pm on December 22, 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, virtual hearing, or in-person option, please contact Ram Dhakal, Project Manager, at (817) 370 3519 or Ram.Dhakal@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.