



**Notice**  
**Virtual Public Meeting with In-Person Option**  
**FARM-TO-MARKET (FM) 646**  
**From Edmund Way to FM 3436**  
**CSJs: 3049-01-022 & 3049-01-023**  
**Galveston County, Texas**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is improving Farm-to-Market (FM) 646 from Edmund Way to FM 3436 in Galveston County, Texas. The Environmental Assessment (EA) for this project received a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) on May 23, 2011, and was issued environmental clearance by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). Since the time of environmental approval, the design for a portion of this project has evolved, and changes to the original design are now proposed.

This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting an on-line virtual public meeting on the proposed project with an in-person option. **The virtual public meeting will be available on Tuesday February 15, 2022, at 5 P.M until Thursday March 3, 2022, at 11:59 P.M.** To log onto the virtual public meeting, go to the following web address at the date and time indicated above: [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov), and type **"FM 646 from Edmund"** in the search box at the top-right corner of the webpage. The virtual meeting will consist of a pre-recorded video presentation and will include both audio and visual components. Please note that the presentation will not be available on the meeting page until the time and date listed above. If you do not have internet access, you may call (713) 802-5256 to ask questions about the project and access project materials at anytime during the project development process. Formal comments may be provided by mail or email as explained below.

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 meeting, 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 **Wednesday, February 16, 2022, from 3 P.M. to 7 P.M.** at the **American Legion Post 554, 1650 Highway 3 S, League City, Texas 77573.**

The original FHWA-approved project proposed to widen approximately 8.9 miles of FM 646 from two to four lanes, constructing a raised median, sidewalks and curb-and-gutter drainage from I-45 to Bayshore Boulevard. This original project went through public involvement and environmental evaluation prior to the 2011 FONSI and the portion between I-45 and Edmund Way (1.3 miles) has been constructed.

The purpose of this public meeting is to present the proposed design modifications and additional right-of-way needs. A reevaluation is being performed for a portion of project limits from Edmund Way to FM 3436, a total of approximately 4.4 miles. While preparing the detailed design, TxDOT determined that additional right of way would be necessary to: (1) accommodate stormwater detention ponds; and (2) improve access roadways at the proposed overpass at the railroad crossing. Design modification of the overpass near State Highway (SH) 3 and the Union Pacific Railroad and addition of stormwater detention ponds includes approximately 20 acres of additional right-of-way and necessitated the reevaluation.

The proposed project would, subject to final design considerations, require additional right-of-way and potentially displace one residence, seven commercial facilities, and one place of worship. 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 (713) 802-5256.

The proposed project may involve construction in wetlands. The proposed project would involve an action in a floodplain.

Any environmental documentation or studies, 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 review by appointment Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 A.M. and 5 P.M. at the TxDOT Galveston District Office, 5407 Gulf Freeway (I-45) La Marque, TX 77568. Please call 409-978-2500 to make an appointment. Project materials are also available online at [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov), keyword search "FM 646 from Edmund".

The virtual public meeting and in-person option will be conducted in English and Spanish. If you need an interpreter or document translator because English or Spanish is not your primary language or you have difficulty communicating effectively in English or Spanish, 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 meeting, please contact Sabrina Stachowski, Project Manager, at (713) 802-5256 no later than 4 P.M., Thursday, February 10, 2022. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for TxDOT to arrange.

Written comments from the public regarding the proposed project are requested and may be submitted directly online using the comment form link on the project website, available at [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov), keyword search "FM 646 from Edmund". You can also submit comments by mail to the TxDOT Houston District Office, Advanced Project Development Director, P.O. Box 1386, Houston, Texas 77251-1386. Written comments may also be submitted by email to [HOU-PIOwebmail@txdot.gov](mailto:HOU-PIOwebmail@txdot.gov). All comments must be received on or before Thursday, March 3, 2022. Responses to comments received will be available online at [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov), keyword search "FM 646 from Edmund" once they have been prepared. If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the virtual meeting, please contact Sabrina Stachowski, Project Manager, at (713) 802-5256 or by email at [Sabrina.Stachowski@txdot.gov](mailto:Sabrina.Stachowski@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.