

I-10 at White Oak Bayou

Chapter 26 Public Hearing



April 2026

Quick Facts

Project Location:

Harris County

Project Length:

1.8 miles

Project Limits:

Heights Boulevard to I-45

Project Cost

\$407.8 Million

Project Reference Number (CSJ):

0271-07-326

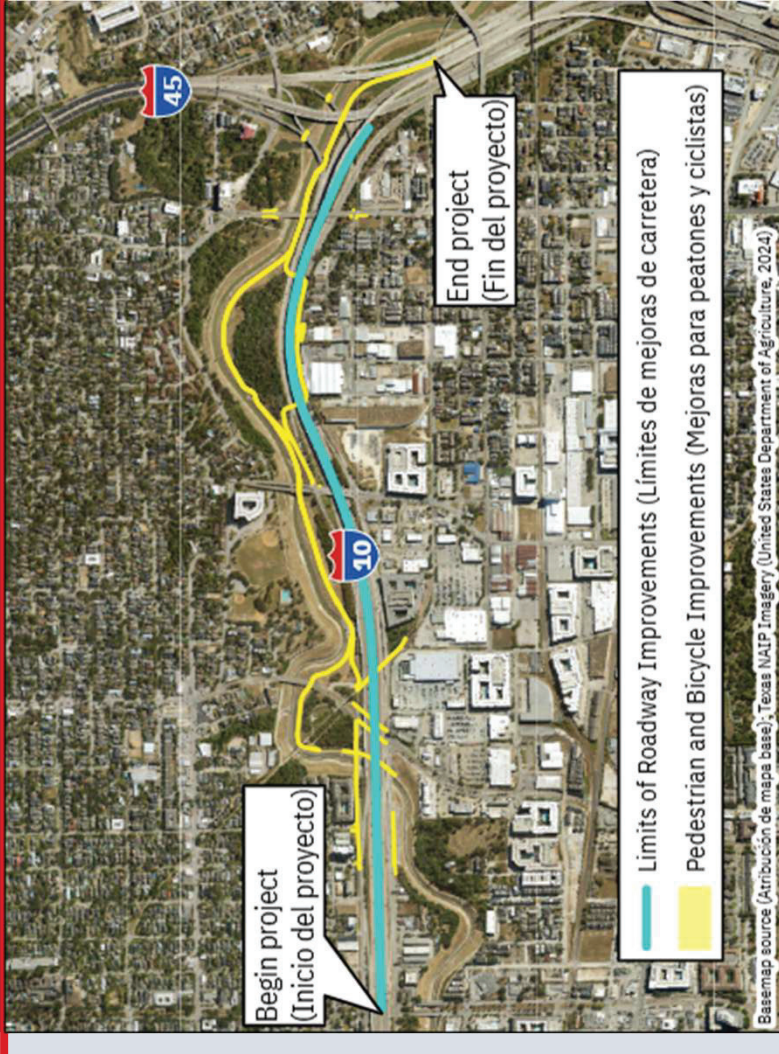
Right of Way Needs:

0.7013 acre from Stude Park

Potential Displacement:

None

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 July 17, 2025, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.



Welcome to the Public Hearing

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) welcomes you to the public hearing. This public hearing is being conducted both virtually and in-person. Both options provide an opportunity to view a pre-recorded presentation in English and Spanish and provide your feedback on the changes being presented. The purpose of the public hearing is to engage with the community and gather feedback on potential impacts to Stude Park.

The project is currently under construction to raise the main lanes of I-10 over the floodplain of White Oak Bayou, install a detention pond and expand the off-road shared use path network along the bayou for pedestrians and bicyclists. The construction would require the acquisition of 0.7013 acre from Stude Park to accommodate the 10-foot shared use path, drainage, and supportive bridge structures. **The existing park amenities are located north of the bayou and would not be impacted.** The project team anticipates a de minimis determination for this use under Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966.

Public comment on the effects of the proposed shared use path on the activities, features, or attributes of Stude Park may be submitted as instructed on the next page.

Why is this hearing needed?

Stude Park is designated and used as a recreational park managed by the City of Houston's Park and Recreation Department, which is the Official with Jurisdiction (OWJ). Publicly-owned parklands are afforded protection under Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation Act of 1966 and Chapter 26 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code.

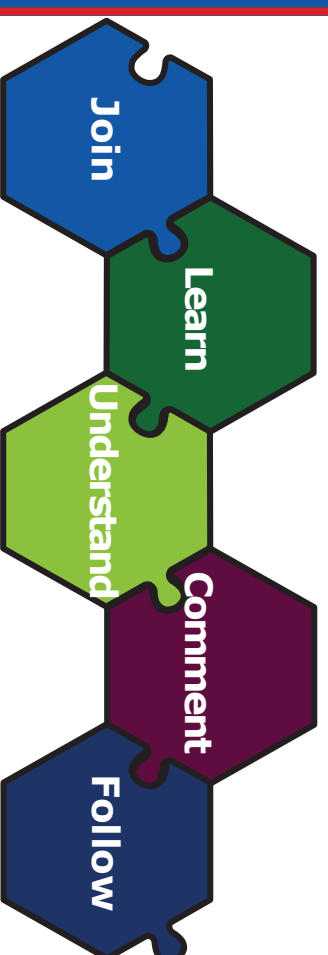
The purpose of this hearing is to publicly present the anticipated *de minimis* impact of the project to Stude Park and request public comment prior to acquiring the property. A *de minimis* impact is one that would not adversely affect the activities, features or attributes of the property.

Questions or Need Help?

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How to Get Involved

You are invited to participate by reviewing the materials and providing comments. You may submit comments in any language in the following ways:

- Place the comment card in the Comment Box at the in-person public hearing
- Send your comment via U.S. Mail postmarked by Wednesday, April 29, 2026:

TXDOT Houston District
Advanced Project Development Director
P.O. Box 1386
Houston, Texas 77251-1386

- Send your comments and/or construction-related inquiries via email to: HOU-PIOWebmail@txdot.gov
- Record your verbal comment in any language by calling 346-352-5691

All comments must be received or postmarked by April 29, 2026, to be considered in the official public hearing summary report.

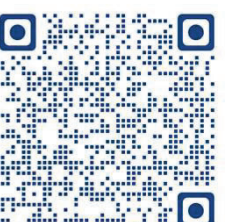
Documentation of this public hearing will be available online at the project webpage when completed. This report will contain responses to all comments received by the deadline.

Please reference the project number shown on the first page in all communication.

Next Steps



For more information, go to: www.txdot.gov/projects/hearings-meetings.html or scan the QR code.



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Construction Updates



Construction along I-10 associated with raising the main lanes above the floodplain of White Oak Bayou is 38% complete and total completion is anticipated in June 2028.

Currently, Phase I is underway which includes construction along the I-10 westbound (WB) main lanes and frontage road. This work consists of foundations/drilled shafts, columns, bents, bridge beams, bridge deck, subgrade stabilization, and pouring concrete pavement (see photo on the left).

Major Construction Activities Underway:

- Opening of the westbound Taylor Street entrance and exit ramps
- Construction of the new westbound Heights Blvd. exit ramp
- Construction of the I-45 Southbound (SB) to I-10 WB Direct Connector (DC)
- Construction of the I-45 SB High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) DC and portion of the I-10 WB main lanes from I-45 to West of Houston Ave.
- I-10 WB from I-45 Gulf/Hogan Street to Taylor Street is reduced from three to two lanes until mid-2026

Construction along the westbound direction of I-10 at Studemont Street

Phase II of construction is scheduled to begin later this year and will consist of the reconstruction of the westbound I-10 mainlanes including bridges between I-45 and west of Studemont St. and the reconstruction of the HOV bridge. Phase III of construction will consist of elevating the eastbound main lanes and is expected to begin mid 2027.

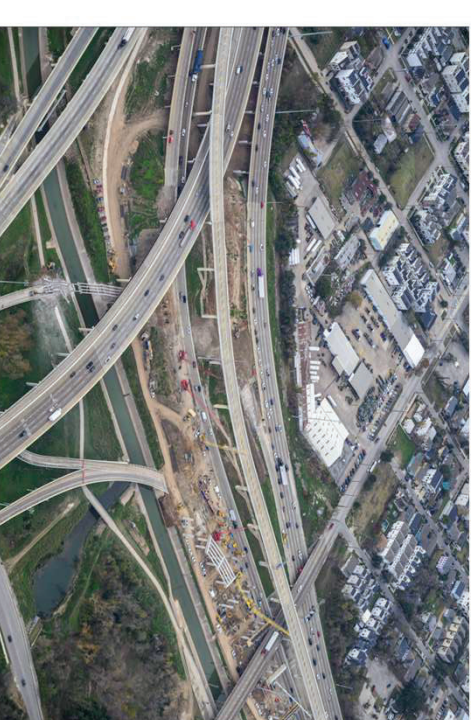
For quarterly construction updates, please visit: www.txdot.gov/whiteoakI10.html

Send construction-related inquiries via email to: HOU-PIOWebmail@txdot.gov

Roadway Closures*

Southbound I-45 connector ramp to I-10 westbound and Heights westbound exit anticipated closure until mid-2026

Detour: Motorists traveling on I-45 southbound intending to access I-10 W will continue on I-45 and use the connector ramp to I-10 E and exit at McKee/Hardy Street. Make a left turn onto Hardy Street, followed by a left turn onto Providence Street and use the entrance ramp from Providence to access I-10 westbound.



Ramp construction at I-10/I-45 interchange over White Oak Bayou

I-10 eastbound connector ramp to I-45 northbound anticipated closure through to project completion in mid 2028

Detour: Motorists traveling on I-10 eastbound intending to access I-45 North will use the connector ramp to I-610 West Loop northbound, continue along I-610, and then use the connector ramp to I-45 to access either I-45 northbound or southbound.

*temporary closures (i.e., overnight/weekend) may be required. Advanced notification would be provided on the Houston TranStar and DriveTexas websites, by media release, dynamic messaging signs and/or social media.

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