



Notice
Virtual Public Meeting with In-Person Option
I-10 from Heights Blvd. to I-45
CSJ: 0271-07-326
Harris County, Texas

The TxDOT Houston District is proposing improvements along Interstate Highway 10 (I-10) from Heights Boulevard (Blvd.) to I-45 in Harris County, Texas. The project proposes to raise the existing main lanes above the White Oak Bayou floodplain and construct a new shared use path and detention pond. This notice advises the public that the project team 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 starting on Tuesday, July 26, 2022, at 5 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, and type “**I-10 from Heights Blvd**” in the search box.

The virtual public 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 website until the time and date listed above. If you do not have internet access, you may call (713) 802-5560 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. 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. 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 and submit written comments. **The in-person option will be held on Thursday, July 28, 2022, from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the TxDOT Houston District Office Auditorium located at 7600 Washington Avenue, Houston, Texas 77007.**

The proposed project would raise the elevation of the existing I-10 main lanes above the floodplain of White Oak Bayou from Heights Blvd. to I-45. The proposed construction area would be approximately 1.8 miles in length. The project also includes the construction of a 21.7-acre detention pond located on the north side of I-10 between Taylor St. and Houston Ave. and would construct a 10-foot shared use path on the north side of I-10 along White Oak Bayou between Studemont St. and I-45.

Although additional right of way would be required, no residential or non-residential structures are anticipated to be displaced at this time. Information concerning services and benefits available to affected property owners and information about the tentative schedule for right-of-way acquisition and construction can be obtained from the TxDOT Houston District Office by calling (713) 802-5270.

The proposed project would 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 only Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the TxDOT Houston District Office, 7600 Washington Avenue, Houston, Texas 77007. Project materials are also available online at www.txdot.gov, keyword search “**I-10 from Heights Blvd**”.

The public meeting presentation 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 Tunisia Smith, the Houston District Environmental Project Manager, at (713) 802-5560 or by email at Tunisia.Smith@txdot.gov no later than 4 p.m., Thursday, July 21, 2022. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for the project team to arrange.

Written comments from the public regarding the proposed project are requested and may be submitted 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. All comments must be received

on or before Friday, August 12, 2022. Responses to comments received will be available online at www.txdot.gov, keyword search "**I-10 from Heights Blvd**", once they have been prepared.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the virtual public meeting, please contact Amanda Austin, P.E., at (713) 802-5270 or by email at Amanda.Austin@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.