



**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**In-Person Open House with Virtual Public Meeting**  
**I-45 North Houston Highway Improvement Project (NHHIP)**  
**US 59/I-69 at Spur 527 to I-45 at Beltway 8**  
**Harris County, Texas**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) invites you to attend an in-person public meeting to discuss the Interstate (I) 45 North Houston Highway Improvement Project (NHHIP). **The Segment 3A Public Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 19, 2024, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Young Women's College Preparatory Academy (YWCPA) Gymnasium, located at 1906 Cleburne St., Houston, TX 77004. The virtual public meeting will be available starting on Thursday, Sept. 19, 2024, by 5 p.m.** The virtual public meeting will consist of a pre-recorded video presentation and will include both audio and visual components. To view the virtual public meeting presentation and view project information, visit [www.txdot.gov/projects/hearings-meetings.html](http://www.txdot.gov/projects/hearings-meetings.html) or <https://www.txdot.gov/nhhip/public-engagement/2024-public-meetings.html>

The I-45 NHHIP is designed to create additional roadway capacity to manage congestion, enhance safety, and improve mobility. The I-45 NHHIP Segment 3 encompasses the reconstruction of the downtown Houston freeway loop system, including I-45, I-69, I-10, and State Highway (SH) 288. In Segment 3, I-45 will be rerouted from the west side of downtown Houston to run parallel with I-69 and I-10 until it exits the downtown area and continues north.

**The I-45 NHHIP public meeting will focus on the proposed design changes for Segment 3A, seeking feedback from the public in an open house format.** Segment 3A project limits are from US 59/I-69 at Spur 527 to SH 288. Since the lift of the Federal Highway Administration pause on March 6, 2023, detailed design and stakeholder coordination has continued on Segment 3A. In response to public comments and further engineering analysis, various design changes are being proposed. Approximately 3.3 acres of additional right of way and approximately 0.1 acre of permanent easements would be required to accommodate underground anchors to provide structural support for the retaining walls along I-69. Based on requests from local governments, the proposed frontage roads on either side of I-69 would be modified from the original schematic design to accommodate the reconnection of Cleburne Street across I-69. The proposed frontage road on the northbound side of I-69 as shown in the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) would be removed between Almeda Road and LaBranch Street, with Eagle Street terminating at a cul-de-sac. The frontage road on the southbound side of I-69 would terminate at Cleburne Street instead of Caroline Street. The re-establishment of Cleburne Street across I-69 would allow vehicular traffic to continue to use the crossing and add bicycle and pedestrian connectivity. An additional 300-foot-wide roadway cap would be constructed at the Cleburne Street crossing due to the skew of the roadway over the I-69 mainlanes. Additionally, the project team is proposing a roadway cap extension from Wheeler Avenue and Caroline Street to include San Jacinto and Austin Streets. In order to maintain traffic flow during construction, two three-lane, 38-foot-wide, elevated bridges would be constructed on either side of the existing elevated I-69 mainlanes to provide a temporary place to divert traffic. These bridges would be removed prior to the conclusion of construction. To accommodate drainage needs for the I-69 portion, a pump station is proposed at the I-69/SH 288 interchange and modifications would be made at the existing pump station near Main Street. To avoid conflicts with the retaining wall anchors and reduce impacts to adjacent parcels, an originally proposed storm sewer has been rerouted to Caroline Street.

The proposed design changes would, subject to final design considerations, require approximately 3.3 acres of additional right of way and potentially displace one cell tower, two vacant commercial buildings, two billboards, five commercial buildings, one residential duplex, and one residence. Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons and businesses. Information about TxDOT's Relocation Assistance Program, plus services and benefits for those displaced and other affected property owners, as well as

information about the tentative right of way acquisition, may be obtained from Elizabeth Martin by calling 713-802-5710 or by email at [Elizabeth.Martin@txdot.gov](mailto:Elizabeth.Martin@txdot.gov).

The meeting will also provide updates on Segment 3 project activities, including the status and requirements under the Voluntary Resolution Agreement (VRA) between TxDOT and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). A map depicting the full limits, including all three segments, is available at ([www.txdot.gov/nhhip/project-segments/project-map.html](http://www.txdot.gov/nhhip/project-segments/project-map.html)).

Any environmental documentation or studies, maps, and drawings showing the project location and design, tentative construction schedules, and other information regarding the project are on file and available for review Monday through Friday by appointment between the hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the TxDOT Houston District Office, 7600 Washington Avenue, Houston, Texas 77007. Please call 713-802-5199 to schedule an appointment. Project materials are also available online at [www.txdot.gov/projects/hearings-meetings.html](http://www.txdot.gov/projects/hearings-meetings.html) and [www.txdot.gov/nhhip/project-segments/project-map.html](http://www.txdot.gov/nhhip/project-segments/project-map.html).

The public meeting will be conducted in English with Spanish interpreters available. If you need an interpreter or document translator because English or Spanish is not your primary language or have difficulty communicating effectively in English or Spanish, one will be provided to you free-of-charge. 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 public meeting, please contact Gabriel Adame, Public Engagement Coordinator, at 713-802-5199 or by email at [Gabriel.Adame@txdot.gov](mailto:Gabriel.Adame@txdot.gov), no later than 4 p.m., Friday, Sept. 13, 2024.** Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for the project team to arrange. Public feedback can be submitted in any language by mail to **TxDOT I-45 NHHIP Ombudsman, TxDOT Houston District, P.O. Box 1386, Houston, Texas 77251-1386**, or by email to [nhhip.ombudsman@txdot.gov](mailto:nhhip.ombudsman@txdot.gov). All comments must be received or postmarked by Friday, Oct. 4, 2024.

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