



**Notice
Virtual Public Meeting with In-Person Option
Seminole Relief Route
Gaines County, Texas
CSJ: 0228-02-049**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is proposing to improve US Highway (US) 62/385 in the city of Seminole in Gaines County, Texas. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting a virtual public meeting on the proposed project with an in-person option. **The virtual meeting will consist of a pre-recorded video presentation and will include both audio and visual components. The presentation will be posted online by Thursday, July 15, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.** To log onto the virtual public meeting, go to the following web address at the date and time indicated above: visit TxDOT.gov and keyword search "Seminole Relief Route". Following the virtual public meeting, the presentation will remain available for viewing at the web address indicated above. If you do not have internet access, you may call Kylan Francis, P.E., Director of Transportation Planning and Development (TP&D), at (806) 748-4490 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 instead of online. In-person attendees will be able to view the same presentation delivered in the online public meeting which will be playing on a screen, review hard copies of project materials, ask questions of TxDOT staff from a socially distanced approach, and leave written comments. The in-person option will be held on Thursday, July 15, 2021 from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm at the Seminole Community Center, 801 N. Main St., Seminole, TX 79360.

The proposed project will improve mobility and safety through Seminole. Two proposed options will be presented as follows:

One-way Pair Option: this proposed option would convert the existing US 62/385 roadway (Main Street) through Seminole from two-way traffic to one-way, northbound traffic. In addition, 2nd Street through Seminole would be converted to one-way southbound traffic.

Existing Rehab Option: this proposed option (also known as the No Build Option) would not change traffic direction but would rebuild the existing US 62/385 roadway which would include improvements to the pavement, sidewalks and lighting.

The proposed project would, subject to final design considerations, require additional right of way and potentially displace: one residence and four non-residential structures for the One-way Pair Option. No additional right of way would be required for the Existing Rehab Option. 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 Timothy Richardson, (806) 748-4342 or by email at timothy.richardson@txdot.gov.

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 Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the TxDOT Lubbock District Office, 135 Slaton Rd., Lubbock, TX 79404. Project materials are also available online at TxDOT.gov and keyword search "Seminole Relief Route". These materials will also be available in hard copy form for review at the in-person option.

The virtual public meeting and in-person option will be conducted in English. If you need an interpreter or document translator 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 virtual public meeting or in-person option, please contact Dianah Ascencio, TxDOT Lubbock District Public Information Officer, at (806) 748-4472 no later than 4 p.m. on Monday, July 12, 2021. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for TxDOT to arrange.

Written comments may be submitted by mail to Kylan Francis, P.E., TP&D, 135 Slaton Rd., Lubbock, TX 79404, by email to kylan.francis@txdot.gov, or online. All comments must be received on or before Friday, July 30, 2021. Responses to comments received will be available online at TxDOT.gov once they have been prepared.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or virtual meeting or in-person option, please contact Kylan Francis, P.E., Director TP&D, by calling (806) 748-4490, or email kylan.francis@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.