






Welcome to the TxDOT Lufkin District’s virtual public meeting to discuss the initial adoption of the 2027-2030 Rural Transportation Improvement Program or Rural TIP. My name is xxxx xxxxx and I would like to also thank you for watching this pre-recorded video presentation that was shared with the public starting on March 31, 2026. I am the (title) for the xxxx District, but I am serving as your presenter on behalf of the Lufkin District.


This video presentation will go over the basics of the Rural Transportation Improvement Program (often referred to as the Rural TIP) along with projects to be included in the upcoming 2027-2030 Rural TIP for TxDOT’s Lufkin District. We will explain how the projects in the program are selected and classified in order to make the most of the program. We will also review funding, answer your potential questions on where the money to pay for these projects comes from, and how it gets distributed. Lastly, we will outline the options you have to comment on these projects and their priority.



We encourage you to check out the [End The Streak campaign](#) on the TxDOT website.

We like to begin video presentations with a Safety Minute. The safety of the travelling public is at the forefront of all we do at TxDOT. TxDOT created End the Streak campaign to raise awareness about the long streak of traffic deaths in Texas since Nov. 7, 2000, and how this impacts everyone in Texas. We encourage you to check the txdot.gov website, and search #EndTheStreakTX for more information.

The Rural TIP Overview

What Is It?
 The Rural TIP is a list of all added capacity and regionally significant projects to be funded within a TxDOT district during the next four years, including those eligible for federal funding.
 It is multimodal:

 There are projects everyone uses!

Why Is It Important?
 Transportation projects CANNOT receive federal funding unless they are in the Rural TIP.
 Helps identify fund-matching requirements for state and local governments.
 Tell us your priorities.
 You know your community best!

How Is It Created?
 Projects are identified by evaluating existing and future needs
Project identification considers current conditions and projections, statewide and regional plans as well as public input regarding transportation priorities.
 Identified projects are classified as:
Regionally Significant Projects
Those with the appropriate scale or reach to be considered as stand-alone projects in a program year, have their own category.
Grouped Projects
Those without the scale to stand on their own are grouped into one of 12 categories and are considered as a single line item in the list.
 Projects respond to local needs!

Who Pays For It?
 Funds to pay for all selected projects can come from 3 sources:
Project identification considers current conditions and projections, statewide and regional plans as well as public input regarding transportation priorities.
Federal Government
Through the Federal Highway and Transit Administrations.
TxDOT
Through its Unified Transportation Program funding category.
Local Governments
Who may be required to provide matching funds for federal monies.
 Funds come from all government levels

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The Rural Transportation Improvement Program is a list of projects to be funded for construction within a TxDOT District during the next four years. It is multimodal; which means that it can include projects relating to highways, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, transit services, and freight projects as well as the preliminary studies used to define those projects.

The Rural TIP is also part of the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Because the program rules are established by Federal law, no project can receive federal funding unless it is included in the STIP.

Within Rural and Statewide TIPs, projects are either individually listed or grouped. Projects that are not considered by TxDOT to be of appropriate scale for individual identification, are grouped by function or work type.

Funding for the Rural TIP can come from three main sources: The Federal Government, TxDOT and the local governments.

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Projects included in the 2027-2030 Rural TIP:

- Angelina
- Houston
- Nacogdoches
- Polk
- Sabine
- San Augustine
- San Jacinto
- Shelby
- Trinity




Figure 1 – Lufkin District Counties Map

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Let’s talk about projects included in the Lufkin District 2027-2030 Rural TIP, located in Angelina, Houston, Nacogdoches, [PRONOUNCED Nack-a-dochez] Polk, Sabine [suh-BEEN], San Augustine [PRONOUNCED San August-ine], San Jacinto [PRNOUNCED (j sound, not ha-) San Ja-cent-o], Shelby and Trinity counties.

TxDOT, through the Lufkin District office, is responsible for coordinating with the public, local governments and Rural Transportation Organization to prioritize and select all projects relating to the State Transportation System and national highways. This includes Interstates and State and U.S. Highways; but most importantly, this can also include the Farm-to-Market roads you use every day. The projects you will review should respond to local needs.

It’s important for you to participate because funding secured by this process is intended to address your communities’ most immediate needs. By providing comments on the projects included, you are helping us identify regional priorities. By reviewing the entire program in a single meeting you are: 1) providing input on projects that impact the region, 2) helping us be more effective with your money, and 3) ensuring that we are investing where we should.

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Lufkin District Rural TIP Maps

- **Project Spreadsheets and Maps are available under the downloads section on the 2027-2030 Lufkin Rural TIP Initial Adoption meeting page.**
- **These documents can also be found on the [TxDOT Website](#) by searching "2027-2030 Lufkin Rural TIP"**

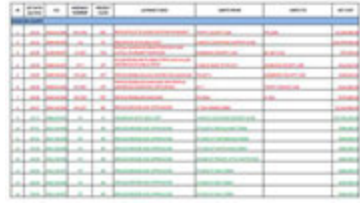


Figure 2 – Example RTIP List




Figure 3 – Example RTIP County Map

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We understand that you may not be able to clearly read the table and map, but this slide is simply showing you an illustration of the materials that are available on the TxDOT website. Visit www.txdot.gov and keyword search: 2027-2030 Lufkin Rural TIP. On the online notice page, you'll see a section called: Downloads, near the bottom of the page. Under the Downloads section, you will find color coded tables and corresponding maps like the ones shown here that provide details for each project. Tables and maps are provided for each of the nine counties in the Lufkin District. We invite you to visit the TxDOT website to check out projects coming to your areas.

TXDOT RURAL TIP		Individually Listed Projects					
Project	Control Section Job (CSJ)	Highway	Limits From	Limits To	Description of Work	Cost	Let Year
1	2560-01-085 0175-07-060 0175-07-059 0138-06-046	U.S. 59 BU 59F U.S. 59 U.S. 259	U.S. 259 U.S. 259 1 mi north of U.S. 259 1 mile north of U.S. 59	Stallings Drive 0.3 mi south of U.S. 259 U.S. 259 BU 59-F	Upgrade to freeway standards; Construct 2 lane northbound & southbound frontage roads; interchange improvements; operational improvements, ITS equipment; reconstruct main lanes with concrete barrier (Future I-69) Upgrade to freeway standards; Add Grade Separation; Construct frontage roads; operational improvements, ITS equipment; reconstruct main lanes with concrete barrier (Future I-69)	\$337.73	2029
2	0177-02-104 0177-02-103	U.S. 59	0.5 mi N of FM 1127 0.70 mi north of FM 1127	0.74 mi South of FM 223 0.5 mi north of FM 1127		\$279.33	2030

Table 1 - Projects with approved construction funding in FY 27 – 30 STIP

Project	Control Section Job (CSJ)	Highway	Limits From	Limits To	Description of Work	Cost	Let Year
3	0176-05-193 0213-03-110 0213-04-054	U.S. 59 U.S. 190 U.S. 190	1.9 mi south of SL 116 (N. Livingston) 0.10 mi W of FM 350N U.S. 59	U.S. 190 U.S. 59 0.10 mi E of Briar Way	Upgrade to freeway standards; Construct 2 lane northbound & southbound frontage roads, interchange improvements; operational improvements; Construct Directional Islands; ITS equipment; reconstruct main lanes with concrete barrier (Future I-69)	\$249.90	2032
4	0064-06-057	U.S. 96	1 mi north of Jasper County Line	Jasper County Line	Widen lanes; Convert 2 lane to 5 lane section with center left turn lane	\$5.80	2031

Table 2 – Projects listed for informational purposes only with approved Preliminary Engineering and Right-of-Way funding in FY 27 – 30 STIP

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This slide shows the individually listed projects in the Lufkin District Rural TIP. Over the next few minutes, we'll walk you through each of these projects listed here and provide you with a general overview.

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Individually Listed – Nacogdoches County

U.S. 59/U.S. 259 North Nacogdoches (Future I-69)

- Includes CSJs: 2560-01-085, 0175-07-060, 0175-07-059, 0138-06-046

Proposed Improvements

- Upgrading U.S. 59 to interstate standards, including reconstructing U.S. 59 mainlanes with concrete barrier and adding 2-lane northbound and southbound frontage roads with sidewalks
- Reconfiguring the U.S. 59/U.S. 259 interchange to provide new flyover bridges for northbound U.S. 59 and southbound U.S. 259
- Widening U.S. 259 and BU 59 to accommodate the new interchange configuration, including turn lanes, auxiliary lanes, raised medians and six-foot-wide sidewalks.

Next Steps

- Schematic and environmental: summer 2020 - spring 2025
- Right-of-Way acquisitions: winter 2024 - spring 2027
- Plan development and utility adjustments: summer 2025 - winter 2028
- Construction is anticipated to begin in summer 2030




Figure 4 – U.S. 59/US259 North Nacogdoches Location Map

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The U.S. 59/U.S. 259 North Nacogdoches [PRONOUNCED Nack-a-dochez] project is located in Nacogdoches [PRONOUNCED Nack-a-dochez] County. This project proposes to upgrade existing U.S. 59 to a controlled access roadway by reconstructing the U.S. 59 and U.S. 259 interchange, as well as constructing 2-lane northbound and southbound frontage roads. Other design improvements include reconstruction of the main lanes with a concrete barrier and shared use paths along the frontage roads throughout the project limits. The improvements also include reconfiguring the interchange to provide new flyover bridges for northbound U.S. 59 and southbound U.S. 259. The widening along U.S. 259 and BU 59 would be constructed to accommodate the new interchange configuration and necessary tie-in for the new flyover bridges. This work would include the addition of truck parking, turn lanes, auxiliary lanes, raised medians and six-foot-wide sidewalks.

Schematic and environmental studies began in summer 2020 and were completed in spring 2025. Right-of-Way acquisitions began in winter 2024 and are anticipated to be complete by spring 2027. The development of engineering plans began in summer 2025. Once all Right-of-way has been purchased, the utility adjustments are anticipated to be completed by winter 2028. Construction is anticipated to begin in summer 2030.

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Individually Listed – San Jacinto County

U.S. 59 upgrade Shepherd to Trinity River (Future I-69)

- Includes CSJs: 0177-02-104, 0177-02-103

Proposed Improvements

- Upgrading U.S. 59 to interstate standards; including reconstructing U.S. 59 mainlanes and adding two lane northbound and southbound frontage roads with sidewalks
- Constructing new bridges over the Trinity River, Big Creek and other waters of the U.S. Turnarounds (U-turns) would be provided at the Trinity River
- Constructing overpasses with turnarounds (U-turns) at FM 1127, FM 223 (Church Street) and Lake Pool Road/SL 424 intersections

Next Steps

- Schematic and environmental: 2020 – spring 2025
- Right-of-Way acquisitions: fall 2026 - spring 2029
- Plan development and utility relocations: spring 2026 - spring 2030
- Construction is anticipated to begin in summer 2030

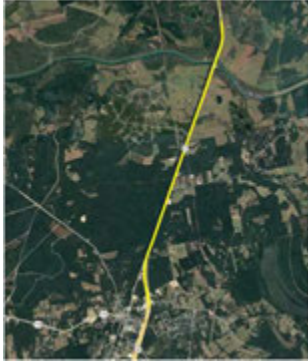


Figure 5 – U.S. 59 upgrade Shepherd to Trinity River Location Map

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The U.S. 59 upgrade Shepherd to Trinity River project in San Jacinto [PRNOUNCED (j sound, not ha-) San Ja-cent-o] County is proposing to upgrade existing U.S. 59 to a controlled access roadway by reconstructing the U.S. 59 main lanes and constructing 2-lane northbound and southbound frontage roads. Other improvements in this project include construction of bridges over Trinity River, Big Creek, and other waters of the U.S. Turnarounds (U-turns). Overpasses with turnarounds (U-turns) will be constructed the intersections: FM 1127, FM 223 (Church Street) and Lake Pool/SL 424.

Schematic and environmental studies began in 2020. TxDOT received approval of the schematic and environmental in spring 2025. Right-of-Way acquisitions are anticipated to begin in fall 2026 and complete by spring 2029. The development of engineering plans will begin this spring. Once all Right-of-way acquisitions have been completed, utility adjustments will start and are anticipated to be completed by spring 2030. Construction is currently scheduled to begin in summer 2030.

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Individually Listed – Polk County

U.S. 59 Livingston Upgrade North Segment (Future I-69)

- Includes CSJs: 0176-05-193, 0213-03-110, 0213-04-054

Proposed Improvements

- Upgrading U.S. 59 to interstate standards, including reconstructing U.S. 59 mainlanes and frontage roads
- Constructing sidewalks along the frontage within the project limits.
- Reconfiguring the U.S. 190 and BUS 59 North Interchanges

Next Steps

- Schematic and environmental: 2022 - fall 2027
- Right-of-Way acquisitions: fall 2027 – fall 2030
- Plan development and utility relocations: - spring 2028 – winter 2031
- Construction is anticipated to begin summer 2032




Figure 6 – U.S. 59 Livingston Upgrade North Segment Location Map

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The U.S. 59 Livingston Upgrade North Segment project in Polk County is proposing to upgrade U.S. 59 to meet interstate standards by reconstructing U.S. 59 mainlanes and frontage roads and reconfiguring the U.S. 190 and BU 59 interchanges. Construction would also include addition of sidewalks along the frontage roads.

Schematic and environmental studies began in 2022 and are anticipated to be completed in fall 2027. Right-of-Way acquisitions are anticipated to begin shortly thereafter and complete in fall 2030. The development of engineering plans will begin after approval of the schematic in spring 2028. Once all Right-of-way acquisitions have completed, utility adjustments can begin and are anticipated to be completed in winter 2031. Construction is currently scheduled to start summer 2032.

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Individually Listed – Sabine County

U.S. 96 Widening

- Includes CSJ: 0064-06-057 – is being developed by Beaumont District in conjunction with CSJ: 0064-07-044

Proposed Improvements

- Widen existing roadway from 2 lanes to 5 lanes with center left turn lane

Next Steps

- Schematic and environmental: 2022 - fall 2026
- Right-of-Way acquisitions: fall 2027 – fall 2030
- Plan development and utility relocations: - spring 2027 – winter 2030
- Construction is anticipated to begin spring 2032


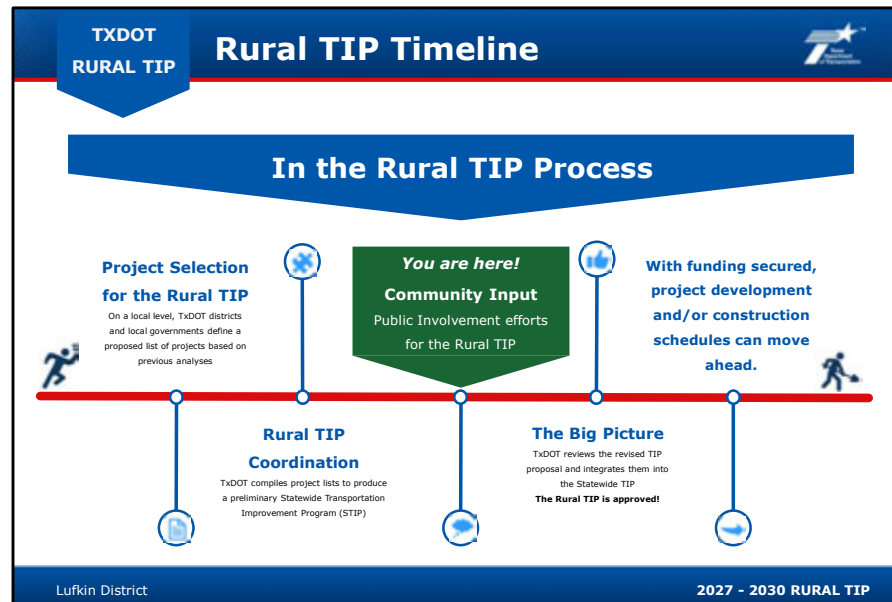


Figure 6 – U.S. 96 Widening Location Map

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The U.S. 96 Widening project in Sabine County is proposing to widen the existing roadway from 2 lanes to 5 lanes, including center left turn lane.

Schematic and environmental studies began in 2022 and are anticipated to be completed in fall 2026. Right-of-Way acquisitions are anticipated to begin in fall 2027 and complete in fall 2030. The development of engineering plans will begin after approval of the schematic in spring 2027. Once all Right-of-way acquisitions have completed, utility adjustments can begin and are anticipated to be completed in winter 2030. Construction is currently scheduled to start spring 2032.




This slide shows the general progression of the Rural TIP process and where we are right now. Once your comments have been collected and reviewed, any necessary revisions will be made to the Rural TIP before it is submitted for approval and integration into the statewide document.

The Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) is built from the Rural TIPs of all 25 Districts in the State as well as the Transportation Improvement Programs from all the MPOs. Once the STIP is approved by the federal government, the included projects become one step closer to getting on the ground.

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How to provide comments:

- 1. If attending an in-person meeting, fill out a Comment Card and leave it with a staff member**

- 2. Mail a comment to:**


Texas Department of Transportation
Lufkin District,
Attention: Rural TIP, TP&D
1805 N. Timberland Drive, Lufkin TX, 75901

- 3. Leave a digital comment:**

The digital comment can be found on the [TxDOT Website](#) by searching "2027-2030 Lufkin Rural TIP". Scroll to the bottom of the meeting page and there is a section to leave a comment with a link to the Survey Monkey.

Remember to submit your comments by April 10, 2026, to be included in the official summary of this meeting:

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Now that you are familiar with the Program, we welcome your input. Comments must be postmarked or otherwise received by Friday, April 10, 2026. Please make sure to send your comments before that date. There are three ways to provide your comments.

The first way is to fill out and submit a comment card, If attending the in-person meeting.

The second way is it to mail any comments to: Texas Department of Transportation, Lufkin District, 1805 North Timberland Drive in Lufkin, Texas 75901.

The third way you can provide your comments is to submit a digital comment through our Survey Monkey Form. The digital comment can be found by visiting www.txdot.gov and search "2026 Lufkin Rural TIP Initial Adoption". Scroll to the bottom of the meeting page and there is a section to leave a comment with a link to the Survey Monkey.

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Engage with Lufkin District

- Contact the TxDOT Lufkin District office with any questions Monday – Friday, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 936-633-4495 or email at Regina.Loerch@txdot.gov
- Follow us on **X (Twitter)**
(<https://twitter.com/TxDOTLufkin>)
- Follow us on **Instagram**
(<https://www.instagram.com/txdotlufkin/>)
- Like us on **Facebook**
(<https://www.facebook.com/TxDOTLufkinTX>)



Figure 7 – Twitter Profile Page



Figure 8 – Instagram Profile Page



Figure 9 – Facebook Profile Page

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Please also don't hesitate to contact the Lufkin District office with any questions about the Rural TIP.

You can call (936) 633-4495 Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Or email Regina.Loerch@txdot.gov with any questions or comments at any time about any Lufkin District projects. And don't forget to click on these links and follow us on Twitter for ongoing road closures and construction updates on the Lufkin District Twitter page. You can also keep up with TxDOT news on our Facebook and Instagram pages.

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This concludes the video presentation for the Lufkin District's FY 2027-2030 Rural TIP. Thank you for your interest and participation in the transportation planning process.

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