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## Virtual Public Meeting with In-Person Open House Option

### Pre-Recorded Presentation

US 259 Widening  
From SH 204 to Rusk County Line





# Project Need and Purpose

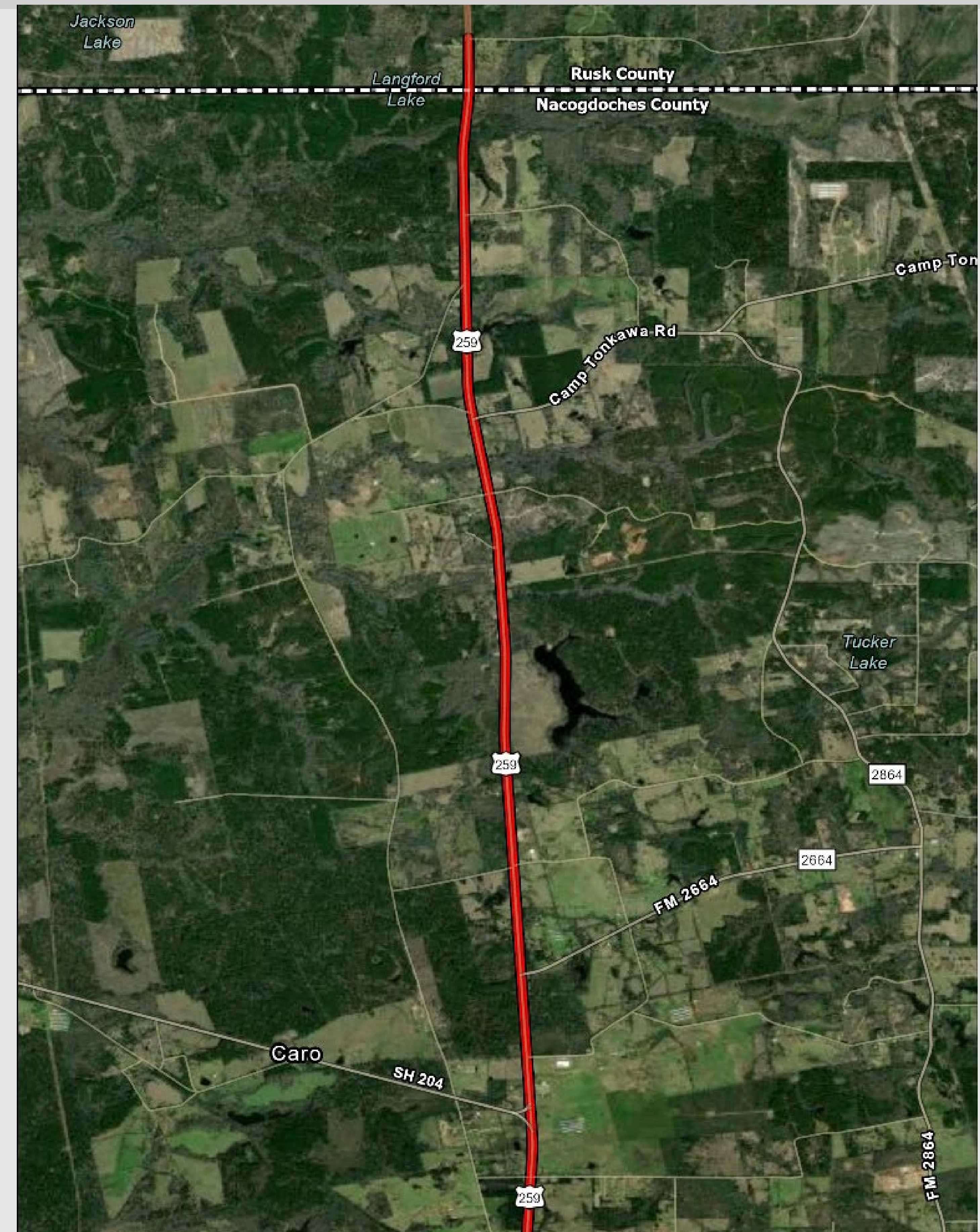


## ■ Need for Project

- Improve safety and mobility due to a high number of traffic crashes
- Hurricane evacuation route
- Major freight corridor
- National Highway System

## ■ Project Goals

- Improve safety
- Reduce congestion and improve mobility
- Facilitate hurricane evacuation route
- Enhance freight mobility

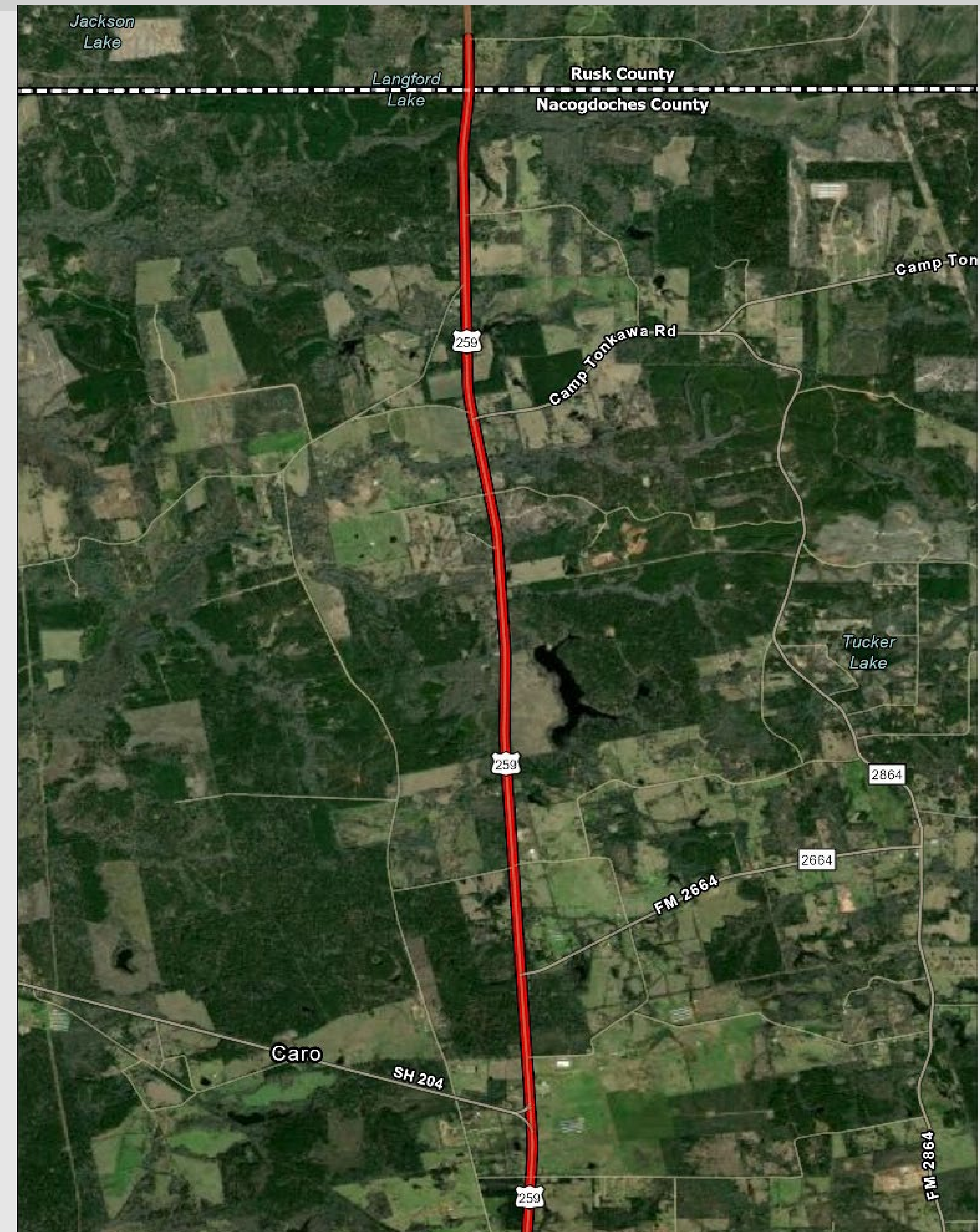




# Project Overview

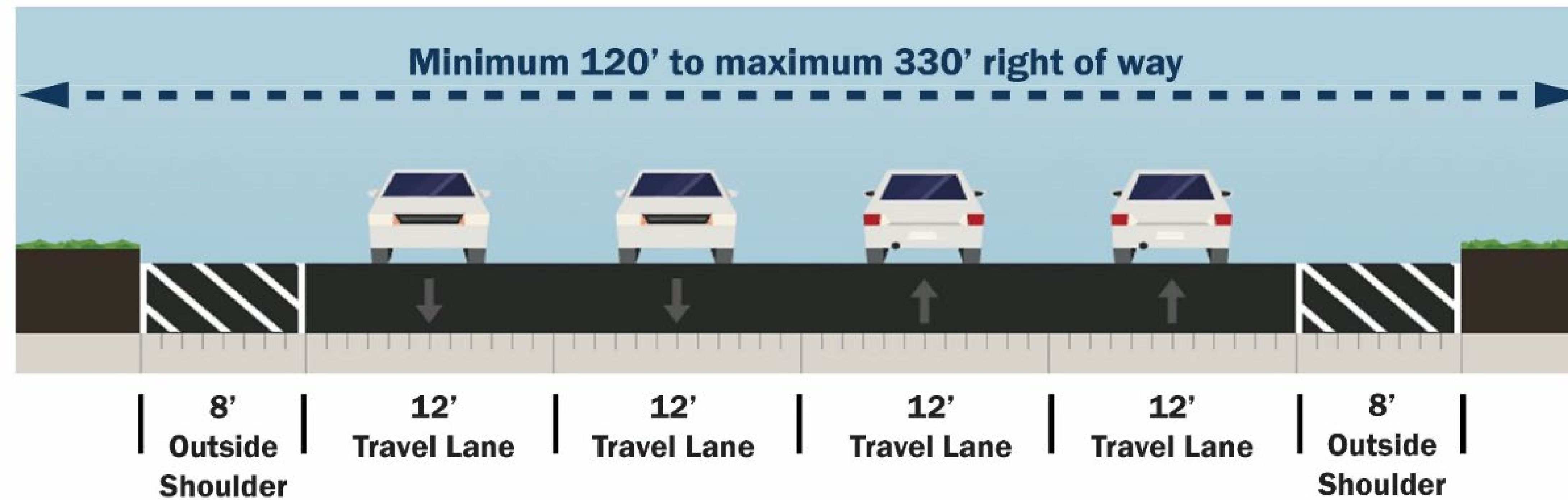


- CSJ (project number): 0138-06-047
- Project Limits: SH 204 to Rusk County Line
- Project Length: 6.77 miles
- Estimated Construction Cost: \$27.9 million
- Anticipated Construction Letting: Fall 2025

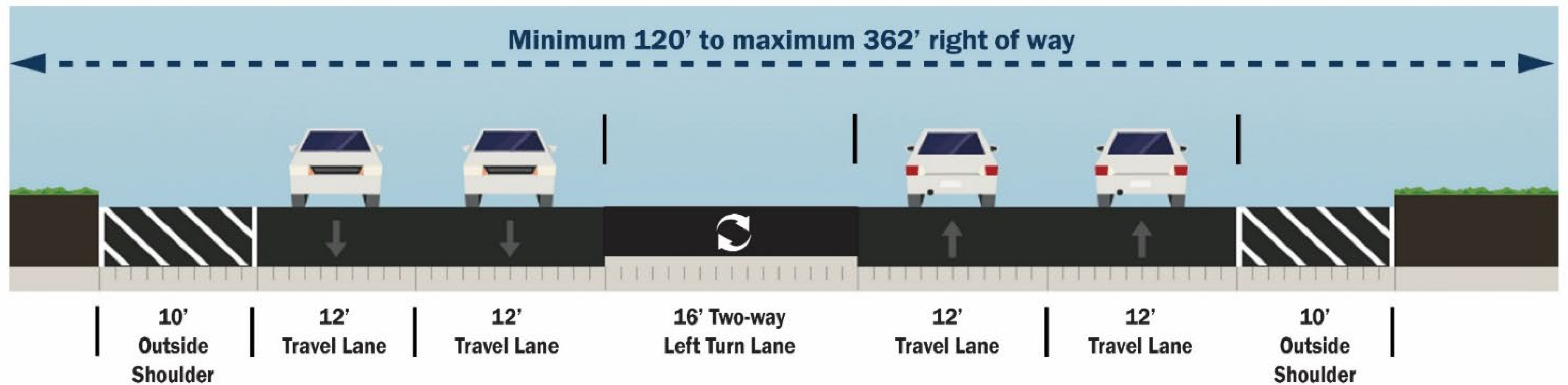




## Existing Typical Section Design



## Proposed Typical Section Design







- Comments from the Virtual Public Meeting will be evaluated and used to guide the development of the proposed design and engineering plans.
- Environmental studies and ROW mapping will be started after the public meeting and are anticipated to be completed in early 2023.
- ROW acquisition process will begin once ROW mapping is complete and environmental approval is received. The ROW acquisition and demolition process is expected to be finished in Spring 2025 so utility relocations may start.
- Utility relocations, detailed engineering plans and environmental permitting will be complete by Fall 2025.
- After completion of these activities, construction is estimated to begin in early 2026.



Prior to December 16, 2014, the Federal Highway Administration, otherwise known as FHWA, reviewed and approved documents prepared under the National Environmental Policy Act, known as NEPA. However, on December 16, 2014, the Texas Department of Transportation assumed responsibility from the FHWA for reviewing and approving certain assigned NEPA environmental documents. This memorandum of understanding was renewed on December 9, 2019. This review and approval process applies to this proposed project.

Public involvement like this meeting is an important part of the NEPA process. To advertise the meeting, notices were published on the TxDOT website and appeared in the Daily Sentinel and La Lengua on Sunday, March 20, 2022, and Wednesday, March 23, 2022. The notice was also mailed to adjacent property owners and elected public officials March 23, 2022. The public meeting webpage went live March 17, 2022.

# Submit Written Comments and Feedback



- You may submit your comments online by clicking on [Email](#) near the bottom of the page
- You may leave a recorded voicemail at (936)463-8690
- You may also mail comments to the Lufkin District office:  
TxDOT  
Jennifer Adams  
1805 N. Timberland Drive  
Lufkin, TX 75901
- All comments must be received **by Wednesday, May 11, 2022,** to be included in the official record of this meeting

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<b>When:</b>	Virtual: Tuesday, April 26, 2022 (pre-recorded video presentation will be posted by noon) In-Person: Tuesday, April 26, 2022, 5-7 p.m.
<b>Where:</b>	Virtual: All meeting materials will be added to this page below by noon on Tuesday, April 26, 2022 In Person: Nacogdoches County Exposition & Civic Center 3805 NW Stallings Dr., Nacogdoches, Texas 75964
<b>Purpose:</b>	The TxDOT Lufkin District will be conducting an online virtual public meeting on the proposed project with an in-person option to present the proposed widening of <a href="#">US 259</a> from SH 204 to Rusk County line in Nacogdoches County, Texas. In-person attendees will be able to view the same presentation delivered in the virtual public meeting, review hard copies of project materials, ask questions and leave written comments. Formal comments may be provided by mail, email, or online by Wednesday, May 11, 2022.
<b>Description:</b>	The seven-mile-long project would include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Widening US 259 to provide two 12-foot northbound travel lanes and two 12-foot southbound travel lanes, 16-foot continuous two-way left-turn lane, and 10-foot shoulders</li><li>• Expanding the existing right of way by an average of 32 feet</li><li>• Reconfiguring the SH 204 intersection</li><li>• Adding right-turn lanes at FM 2664, FM 1087, and SH 204</li></ul> The proposed project would, subject to final design considerations, require additional right of way and potentially displace zero residences and one non-residential structure.
<b>Special Accommodations:</b>	The virtual public meeting 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, 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 Rhonda Oaks, at 936-633-4395 no later than 4 p.m. CT, Wednesday, April 20, 2022. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for TxDOT to arrange.
<b>Memorandum of Understanding:</b>	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 Dec. 9, 2019, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.
<b>Contact Us:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Notice English</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Notice (Español)</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Advertisement English</a></li><li>• <a href="#">Advertisement (Español)</a></li></ul>
<b>Contact Us:</b>	TxDOT Lufkin District 1805 N. Timberland Drive Lufkin, Texas 75901 (936) 633-4395 <a href="#">Email</a>

Posted: March 17, 2022