



**Notice
Virtual Public Hearing
FM 1560
From FM 471 to SH 16
CSJs: 2230-01-021 and 2230-01-020
Bexar County, Texas**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is proposing to expand FM 1560 from FM 471 (Culebra Road) to SH 16 (Bandera Road) in Bexar County, Texas. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting an on-line virtual public hearing on the proposed project. The virtual public hearing will be held on April 15, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. To log onto the virtual public hearing, go to the following web address at the date and time indicated above: www.txdot.gov and search "FM 1560 from FM 471". The presentation will be a pre-recorded video including audio and visual components. The presentation will not be available until the time and date listed above. Following the virtual public hearing, the presentation will remain available for viewing at the web address indicated above until May 1, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. If you do not have access to the internet, you may call Richard De La Cruz, Advanced Project Development Director, at 210-615-6434 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, to ask questions and access project materials during the project development process.

Members of the public may call 210-714-4279 to provide verbal testimony immediately following the conclusion of the virtual public hearing presentation at 5:00 p.m. on April 15, 2021 through 11:59 p.m. on Saturday, May 1, 2021. Formal written comments may also be provided by mail or email as explained below. All verbally provided testimony and timely written comments will be considered by TxDOT and included as part of the official record. Responses to verbally provided testimony and comments will be prepared by TxDOT, included as part of the hearing and project record, and made available online at www.txdot.gov and enter keyword "FM 1560 from FM 471".

The project would expand FM 1560 from two to four lanes and add a combination of center turn lane and raised medians, bike lanes and sidewalks. It would widen the right of way from typically 80 feet wide to 120 feet wide. The project is located in the jurisdictions of Bexar County, the City of San Antonio, and the City of Helotes and is 5.2 miles long.

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 district office by calling Richard De La Cruz, Advanced Project Development Director, at 210-615-6434.

The proposed project is anticipated to impact the following property protected under Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966: the Karl Ruempel Complex.

The proposed project would involve an action in a floodplain, and within the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone and Transition zone.

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 available online at www.txdot.gov and enter keyword "FM 1560 from FM 471".

The virtual public hearing 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 hearing, please contact Nicolas Garcia, P.E., Consultant, at 210-494-5511, no later than 4 p.m. CT, April 8, 2021. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for the Texas Department of Transportation to arrange.

Written comments from the public regarding the proposed project are requested and may be submitted by mail to Jones & Carter, Inc., 4350 Lockhill Selma Road, Suite 100, San Antonio, TX 78249. Written comments may also be submitted by email to fm1560@jonescarter.com. All written comments must be received on or before May 1, 2021. Additionally, as stated above, members of the public may call 210-714-4279 and verbally provide testimony from 5:00 p.m. on April 15, 2021 until 11:59 p.m. on May 1, 2021. Responses to written comments received and public testimony provided will be available online at www.txdot.gov once they have been prepared.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the virtual hearing, please contact Richard De La Cruz, Advanced Project Development Director, at richard.delacruz@txdot.gov, or 210-615-6434.

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.