



# US 67/US 87 Relief Route Study Fact Sheet

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## Project Description

TxDOT is conducting a relief route study around the City of San Angelo for the construction of an alternate route to US 67/US 87. The goal of the study is to identify a safe alternative to existing US 277 through downtown San Angelo. The US 67/US 87 Relief Route Study will consider alternatives that would enhance mobility and ease future traffic congestion by connecting US 277 to US 67/US 87 north of San Angelo.

## Purpose and Need

An alternative route to the existing US 67/US 87 is needed due to congestion, mobility, and safety issues associated with local, thru and freight traffic being routed through downtown San Angelo. An alternative route to existing US 67/US 87 through the city of San Angelo and Tom Green County has been planned and constructed in phases. The purpose is to study the next and final phase for the completion of this alternative route around the northern section of San Angelo. The study will also encompass a strategic implementation plan for the entire corridor around San Angelo.

## Summary of Public Meeting #1

TxDOT held a public meeting for the US 67/87 Relief Route Study on November 12, 2019. The public meeting included an open house starting at 5 p.m. followed by a formal presentation at 5:30 p.m. TxDOT presented the study purpose and need, crash data, environmental constraints, and the process being used to conduct the study. Maps were on display and attendees could provide their input about the proposed Study Area boundary, potential constraints in the Study Area, and provide suggestions of where a future relief route for US 67/US 87 should be located. Attendees were also provided a list of goals of the study and were asked to indicate with they thought were the most important. There was also an aerial map provided so attendees could mark their most frequent routes they traveled in the region.

## Feedback Received at Public Meeting #1

Thirty-five citizens and three elected officials attended the public meeting. TxDOT received three formal written comments during the comment period. Attendees also provided their input during the meeting.



Comments received from the public at the meeting and during the comment period include:

- Provide a safe concept
- Impact the least amount of property owners
- Avoid the pet cemetery

Meeting attendees recommend the following goals during the goal exercise:

- Provide a safe and efficient connection between US 67 and US 87
- Support the economic activity, employment growth, and encourage businesses into the area by providing efficient transportation connections for movement of freight and people
- Promote consistency between transportation improvements and state and local planned growth and economic development patterns

## Purpose of Today's Public Meeting

The purpose of today's public meeting is to gather input from the public on the Preliminary Concepts for the US 67/US 87 Relief Route Study. The Preliminary Concepts are shown on the next page along with an Evaluation Matrix of the screening criteria TxDOT is using to evaluate the Preliminary Concepts. Following the public meeting comment period, TxDOT will review the public input received and add the stakeholder response to the Evaluation Matrix. TxDOT will use the information in the Evaluation Matrix, including the stakeholder input received from this meeting to identify a Recommended Concept for the US 67/US 87 Relief Route Study. TxDOT will hold a third public meeting in winter 2020 to present the Recommended Concept for the US 67/US 87 Relief Route Study to obtain public input on the recommendation.

High-Level Schedule	
Project Element	Anticipated Completion*
Summary of Public Meeting 2 Comments	Summer 2020
Complete Traffic Analysis	Summer 2020
Evaluate Preliminary Concepts	Summer 2020
Identify Recommended Concept	Summer 2020
Hold Public Meeting #3	Winter 2020
Finalize Technical Reports and Relief Route Study	Winter 2020

\*Preliminary dates; subject to change.



## Preliminary Concept Descriptions

**Preliminary Concept 1 (A-C-E-H, Green)** starts at US 87 and ties in at a perpendicular angle immediately north of Grape Creek Road and adjacent to an industrial facility. It continues east along the north side of the transmission powerline easement, grade separates over SH 208, and continues along East Red Creek Road. Then, it grade separates over US 277 and crosses the Red Creek tying into US 67 at a perpendicular angle. Preliminary Concept 1 has potential floodplain impacts, one dry oil and gas well impact, and potential impacts on the Red Creek Municipal Utility District. Preliminary Concept 1 is 10.45 miles long.

**Preliminary Concept 2 (A-C-D-G-K, Orange)** starts at US 87 and ties in at a perpendicular angle immediately north of Grape Creek Road and adjacent to an industrial facility. It continues east along the north side of the transmission powerline easement crossing over west of SH 208 prior to the grade separation. It then continues south to meet FM 2105. It runs along FM 2105 before grade separating over US 277. Then, it ties into US 67 at a perpendicular angle immediately north of the Old Ballinger Highway intersection. Preliminary Concept 2 has potential floodplain impacts, as well as two dry oil and gas well impacts. Preliminary Concept 2 is 9.53 miles long.

**Preliminary Concept 3 (A-C-D-F-I, Purple)** starts at US 87 and ties in at a perpendicular angle immediately north of Grape Creek Road and adjacent to an industrial facility. It continues east along the north side of the transmission powerline easement crossing over west of SH 208 prior to the grade separation. Then, it continues east along the south side of the transmission powerline easement and grade separates over US 277. It crosses the Red Creek and transmission powerline easement tying into US 67 at a perpendicular angle. Preliminary Concept 3 has potential floodplain impacts, as well as one dry oil and gas well impact. Preliminary Concept 3 is 10.44 miles long.

**Preliminary Concept 4 (A-C-D-F-J, Pink)** starts at US 87 and ties in at a perpendicular angle immediately north of Grape Creek Road and adjacent to an industrial facility. It continues east along the north side of the transmission powerline easement crossing over west of SH 208 prior to grade separation. It continues east along the south side of the transmission powerline easement and grade separates over US 277 at a slight skew. It then travels south to meet US 67 at a perpendicular angle immediately north of the Old Ballinger Highway intersection. Preliminary Concept 4 has potential floodplain impacts, as well as one dry oil and gas well impact. Preliminary Concept 4 is 9.53 miles long.



**Preliminary Concept 5 (B-C-E-H, Brown)** starts at US 87 and ties in adjacent to the north side of the transmission powerline easement. It continues east along the north side of the transmission powerline easement and grade separates over SH 208. It continues along East Red Creek Road and grade separates over US 277. It crosses the Red Creek tying into US 67 at a perpendicular angle. Preliminary Concept 5 has potential floodplain impacts, two dry oil and gas well impacts, and potential impacts on the Red Creek Municipal Utility District. Preliminary Concept 5 is 9.95 miles long.

**Preliminary Concept 6 (B-C-D-G-K, Gold)** starts at US 87 and ties in adjacent to the north side of the transmission powerline easement. It continues east along the north side of the transmission powerline easement crossing over west of SH 208 prior to the grade separation. It then continues south to meet FM 2105 and runs along FM 2105 before grade separating over US 277. Then, it ties into US 67 at a perpendicular angle immediately north of the Old Ballinger Highway intersection. Preliminary Concept 6 has potential floodplain impacts, as well as three dry oil and gas well impacts. Preliminary Concept 6 is 9.03 miles long.

**Preliminary Concept 7 (B-C-D-F-I, Blue)** starts at US 87 and ties in adjacent to the north side of the transmission powerline easement. It continues east along the north side of the transmission powerline easement crossing over west of SH 208 prior to grade separation. It continues east along the south side of the transmission powerline easement and grade separates over US 277. Then, it crosses the Red Creek and the transmission powerline easement and ties into US 67 at a perpendicular angle. Preliminary Concept 7 has potential floodplain impacts, as well as two dry oil and gas well impacts. Preliminary Concept 7 is 9.94 miles long.

**Preliminary Concept 8 (B-C-D-F-J, Maroon)** starts at US 87 and ties in adjacent to the north side of the transmission powerline easement. It continues east along the north side of the transmission powerline easement crossing over west of SH 208 prior to grade separating. It continues east along the south side of the transmission powerline easement and grade separates over US 277. Then, it travels south to meet US 67 at a perpendicular angle immediately north of the Old Ballinger Highway intersection. Preliminary Concept 8 has potential floodplain impacts, as well as two dry oil and gas well impacts. Preliminary Concept 8 is 9.03 miles long.

