



Notice of a Virtual Public Meeting with In-Person Open Houses

Connecting Texas 2050 | Statewide Long-Range Transportation Plan

The Texas Department of Transportation is developing *Connecting Texas 2050*, the latest update to TxDOT’s statewide long-range transportation plan. By combining public input and technical studies, TxDOT will establish the vision, objectives, performance measures, and strategic recommendations for the state’s transportation system through 2050 for all modes. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting a statewide virtual public meeting with local in-person open houses in the spring of 2023.

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 Tuesday, March 21, 2023, by 5 p.m. To log onto the virtual public meeting, go to the following web address at or after the date and time indicated above: www.ConnectingTexas2050.com. Following the virtual public meeting, the presentation will remain available for viewing at the web address indicated above until Wednesday, May 31, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. If you do not have internet access, leave a message at (512) 271-2025 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, to ask questions and access planning materials during the transportation plan development process.

Additionally, TxDOT is providing in-person open houses 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 and/or consultants, and leave written comments.

The in-person open houses will be held at the following dates, times and locations.

<p>TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2023 5:30 to 7 p.m. Hillcrest Church of Christ Multi-Purpose Room 650 E. Ambler Ave. Abilene, TX 79601</p>	<p>TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2023 5:30 to 7 p.m. Legends Event Center Banquet Hall 2533 Midtown Park Blvd. Bryan, Texas 77801</p>	<p>TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2023 5:30 to 7 p.m. Paris Junior College McLemore Student Center Ballroom 2400 Clarksville St. Paris, TX 75460</p>
<p>TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2023 5:30 to 7 p.m. Texas A&M International University Western Hemispheric Trade Center, Room 111 5201 University Blvd. Laredo, TX 78041</p>	<p>TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2023 5:30 to 7 p.m. Central Park Community Center 2925 Fannin St. Beaumont, TX 77701</p>	<p>TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2023 5:30 to 7 p.m. Wichita Falls Multi-Purpose Event Center Ray Clymer Exhibit Hall, Room 2 1000 Fifth St. Wichita Falls, TX 76301</p>
<p>THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2023 5:30 to 7 p.m. James Nikki Rowe High School Cafeteria 2101 N. Ware Road McAllen, TX 78501</p>	<p>THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2023 5:30 to 7 p.m. Houston Texans YMCA Community Room 5202 Griggs Road Houston, TX 77021</p>	<p>THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2023 5:30 to 7 p.m. North Central Texas Council of Governments Transportation Council Room Centerpoint II, 616 Six Flags Drive Arlington, TX 76011</p>
<p>THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2023 5:30 to 7 p.m. Fair Park Childress Auditorium Banquet Room 1000 Commerce St. NW Childress, TX 79201</p>	<p>THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2023 5:30 to 7 p.m. Pitser Garrison Convention Center Angelina Room 601 N. Second St. Lufkin, TX 75901</p>	<p>THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2023 5:30 to 7 p.m. Sylvia A. Carreon Community Center 709 Lomita Drive El Paso, TX 79907</p>



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During the current public meeting series, you can learn about the process to prepare a statewide long-range transportation plan, share your vision for the future of transportation in 2050, and provide input on your transportation goals and needs to help TxDOT plan for 2050. The development of *Connecting Texas 2050* will run through mid-2024. This will be one of many times the public will be asked to provide input.

All meeting materials including comment and engagement opportunities are the same for both virtual and in-person meetings. The virtual public meeting is open statewide to the public and the in-person open houses are being held in locations convenient to 13 of TxDOT's 25 districts across the state, with meetings in the remaining districts planned as part of a second series later this year.

The virtual public meeting and in-person open houses will be conducted in English, with Spanish-language materials available online and in-person. 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 open house, leave a message at (512) 271-2025 no later than 4 p.m. CT three business days before the in-person open house is held. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for TxDOT to arrange.

Written comments from the public regarding the plan are requested and may be submitted by mail to the TxDOT TPP Connecting Texas 2050, Statewide Planning Branch Manager, P.O. Box 149217, Austin, Texas, 78714-9217. Written comments may also be submitted by email to ConnectingTexas2050@txdot.gov. Comments can also be submitted via comment forms provided at the in-person open houses. All comments must be received or postmarked on or before Wednesday, May 31, 2023.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding *Connecting Texas 2050* or the virtual public meeting or in-person open houses, please contact Adriana Torcat, project manager, at ConnectingTexas2050@txdot.gov or (512) 923-0453.
