



LEGAL NOTICE

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LEGAL NOTICE OF VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING WITH IN-PERSON OPTION

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is proposing to widen FM 2493 (CSJ: 0191-03-084) from north of SL 323 in Tyler, to south of FM 2813 in Gresham, Smith County, Texas. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting an online virtual public meeting on the proposed project with an in-person option. **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 on Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 8 a.m.** To log onto the virtual public meeting, go to the following web address at the date and time indicated above: <https://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/projects/studies/tyler/fm-2493.html> or go to www.txdot.gov and search "FM 2493." The presentation will remain available for viewing at the web address indicated above until Wednesday, April 12, 2023. If you do not have internet access, you may call (903) 510-9100 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, to ask questions and access project materials during the project development process.

Additionally, TxDOT is providing an in-person option for individuals who would like to participate in person instead of online. In-person attendees will be able to view the same video presented at 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 option will be held on Tuesday, March 28, 2023, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Tyler Junior College – West Campus Regional Training and Development Complex located at 1530 SSW Loop 323, Tyler, TX 75701.** Representatives from TxDOT and its consultants will be available to answer individual questions.

The proposed work includes widening the existing four-lane roadway with a continuous center left-turn lane to six lanes with a raised median and a grade-separated interchange at Grande Boulevard. The project will require new right-of-way and easements from the adjacent property owners.

The proposed project would require the reconstruction of approximately a total of one mile of the Legacy Trail that runs parallel to FM 2493 on the east side between Three Lakes Parkway and Dueling Oaks Drive and on the west side of FM 2493 between Oak Creek Boulevard and TX-49. TxDOT anticipates making a de minimis determination for this use under Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966. Public comment on the effects of the proposed project on the activities, features, or attributes of the Legacy Trail may be submitted as described below.

The virtual public meeting and in-person option 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 meeting or in-person option, please contact the TxDOT Public Information Office, at (903) 510-9267 no later than 4 p.m., Thursday, March 23, 2023. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for TxDOT to arrange.

Written comments related to the proposed project may be submitted online, at the meeting, or mailed to Texas Department of Transportation, Advanced Project Development Office, 2709 West Front Street, Tyler, Texas, 75702. Comments may also be emailed to FM2493@txdot.gov. To be included as part of the project's official record, comments must be received or postmarked by **Wednesday, April 12, 2023**.

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.