

# US 69 Feasibility Study

## Fact Sheet



### ABOUT THE STUDY

US 69 is an approximately 375-mile long highway that connects the cities of Port Arthur at the Gulf Coast and Denison in North-Central Texas. US 69 serves as a hurricane evacuation route from Port Arthur to Interstate 20 just north of Tyler. This important route runs through the center of Tyler.

The City of Tyler, the Tyler Area MPO, and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) are conducting a Feasibility Study to explore options for making improvements along a five-mile segment of US 69, beginning at 0.6-mile north of State Loop (SL) 323 (Amherst Street) to FM 2813 in Tyler, Texas. The study will help identify possible alternatives to provide additional capacity and improve mobility.



US 69 from SL 323 to Toll 49 is the 67<sup>th</sup> most congested roadway in the state and the most congested roadway in Smith County (Texas A&M Transportation Institute, 2017).

### PURPOSE OF THE FEASIBILITY STUDY

- ▶ The Feasibility Study is the first step used to develop solutions that address mobility and safety needs on state and federal roads and highways.
- ▶ This study will provide a recommendation for a locally preferred alternative that will help address the current and future mobility needs of the community.
- ▶ The study will evaluate improvements to the existing corridor and does not include the development of a new corridor.

### COMMUNITY DRIVEN EFFORT

Public input is highly valued and an important part of creating improvements to address transportation needs. The City of Tyler has formed a working group specifically for the US 69 Feasibility Study and is providing opportunities for the public to comment on the project.



Working Group includes local city, agency and business representatives.

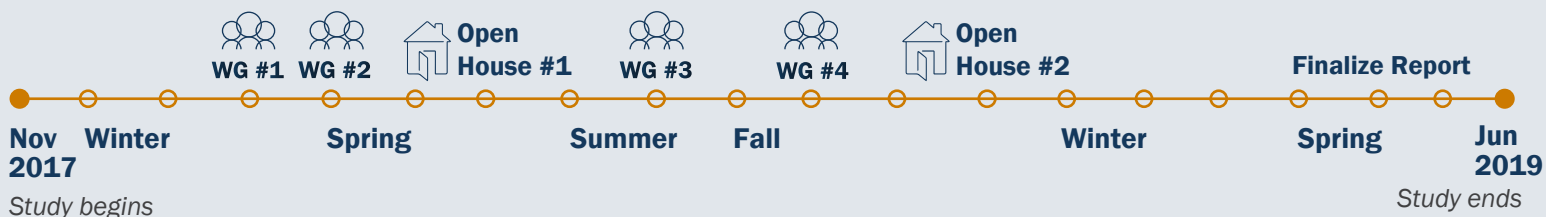


The working group will meet throughout the study timeframe to help identify issues, opportunities and a locally preferred alternative. They will use public feedback from a community open house, discussions with community members, and surveys to narrow the conceptual options to one locally preferred alternative.



Two community Open Houses will be held during the study to encourage public feedback and provide the community with information about the project.

### STUDY TIMELINE



▶ Visit [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov) and search “US 69 Feasibility Study” for the most up-to-date information.

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