



Waco District

Temple Outer Loop West, Phase I

Bell County, Texas

CSJ: 0909-36-168

Virtual Public Hearing Only for the addition
of Bike Lanes



This virtual public hearing will be in lieu of an in-person public hearing to increase opportunity for public involvement.

The virtual public hearing will cover the same information the Waco District and City of Temple would have shared at the in-person Public Hearing and serves to:

- Inform the public that this project has federal funding and is conducting this virtual hearing solely to satisfy the state statutory requirement of holding a hearing on a project that adds bike lanes. (Transportation Code 203.023)
- Inform the public of the project and the recommendations proposed
- Describe the project so the public can be informed on how they may be affected
- Provide the public with an opportunity to provide their input
- Develop a record of public outreach for the project



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Previous Public Involvement Activities:

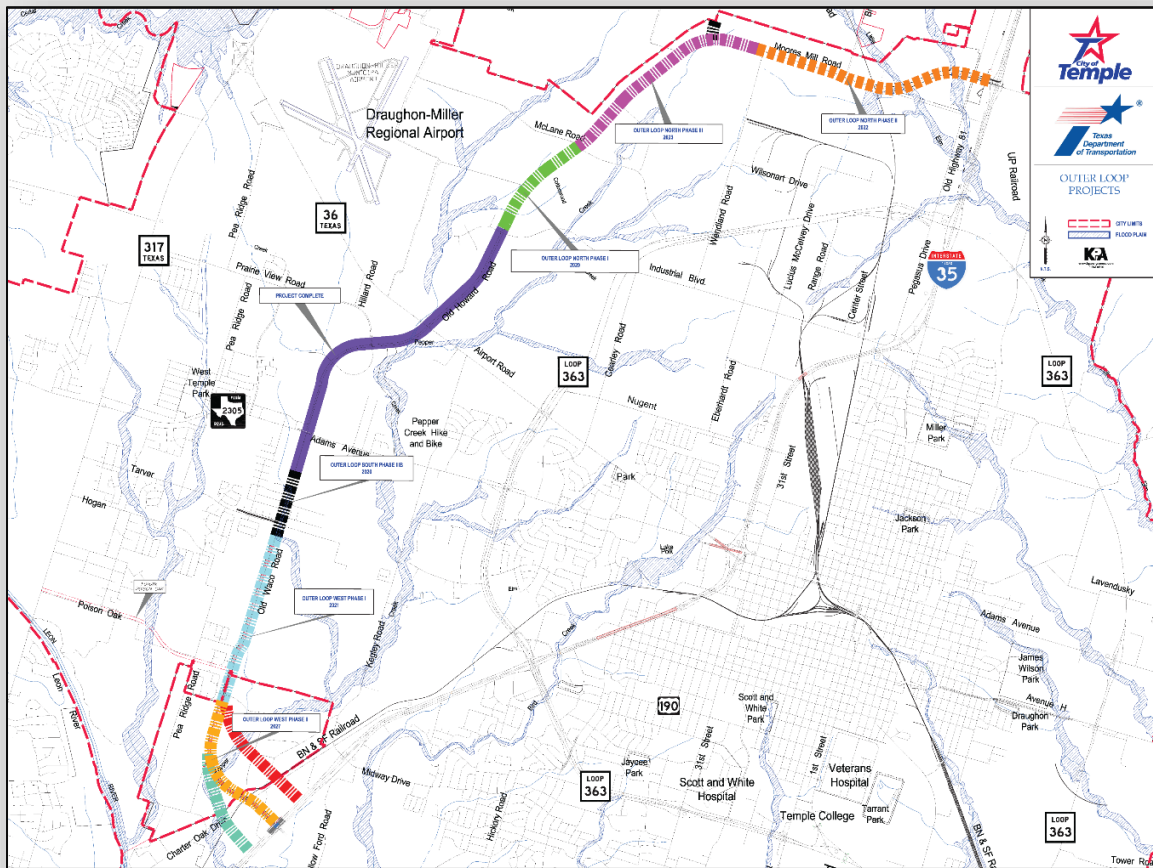
- December 3, 2019
 - This meeting reviewed the Temple Outer Loop West, Phase I and II projects, offering participants the opportunity to voice their input and to provide comments on all aspects of the project.
 - The public meeting notice for this project was posted on www.TxDOT.gov at “Public Meetings, Meetings, and Notices” on November 14, 2019.
 - Elected and public officials were mailed a notice and fact sheet on November 15, 2019.
 - Adjacent property owners were mailed a notice and fact sheet on November 15, 2019. Adjacent property owners were identified by using county tax rolls.
 - Other stakeholders were mailed a postcard on November 15, 2019.
 - For a summary of this prior Public Meeting, please visit the TxDOT Website at: <https://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/get-involved/about/hearings-meetings/waco/1203190.html>

Please note that the public has 15 calendar days following this hearing to submit their comments, which will be explained near the end of the presentation.



Temple's Outer Loop Overview

The Temple Outer Loop will ultimately create a new major arterial loop around Temple, connecting regional employment centers to neighborhoods and interstate commerce. This loop strategically combines several existing roadways and thoroughfares. Several Segments of the Temple Outer Loop are complete, while some segments are ongoing.





Temple Outer Loop West, Phase I

The Outer Loop West Phase I project will widen Old Waco Road in Temple, Texas, from two lanes to four, relieving congestion with a new divided roadway from South Jupiter Drive to North of Riverside Trail in Bell County, Texas.

Additional Project Elements:

- Curb and Gutter Installments
- Associated Wastewater Utility Improvements
- Underground Stormwater System
- Erosion Control
- Hike and Bike Trail
- Dedicated Bike Lanes





Proposed ROW:

- 177 Feet Wide

Existing ROW:

- Varies

Acquired ROW

- 25.88 Acres
- Most property acquisitions have occurred without resident or business displacements. Those impacted were compensated and assisted according to the *Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (42USC, 4601 et seq.)*



Detours will take place during the Construction Phase, utilizing alternative routes on:

- FM 2305
- Additional major roadways in West Temple

The City of Temple will distribute detour routes to inform the public.



Temple Outer Loop West, Phase I:

is a continuation of previous projects along Old Waco Road and is considered independent of the connectivity piece (Phase II) that ties into I-35. For this reason, Phase I has a Categorical Exclusion (CE) determination due to the lack of significant impacts. Consistent with TxDOT's rules, the City is holding a hearing for the proposed bike lanes and the upgrade from a vehicular to a multimodal transportation facility.

Environmental Studies Conducted:

- Air Quality Analysis
- Noise Analysis
- Archaeological Resources
- Historic Resources
- Biological Resources
- Jurisdictional Waters
- Community Impact Analysis
- Hazardous Materials

Findings:

- No significant issues were identified
- No permits are anticipated



Project Design:

- Complete upon the outcome of today's Hearing

Environmental Approval:

- January 2023

Construction Bid Awarded:

- August 2023

Construction Begins:

- Estimated September 2023

Construction Time Frame:

- Approximately 16 Months



Temple Outer Loop West, Phase I:

Online:

<https://www.txdot.gov/projects/hearings-meetings/waco/temple-outer-loop.html>

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If you have any questions throughout the project development process, please contact Michael A. Rhodes at (254) 867-2739 from 8 am to 5 pm Monday through Friday. While comments are always welcome, they must be received or postmarked on or before December 13, 2022, to be included in the official hearing documentation.



Thank You for Watching

*Please don't forget to submit your comments by
Tuesday, December 13, 2022*