

Notice: Virtual Public Meeting

BU 59T (RIO GRANDE STREET/HOUSTON HIGHWAY)

From Navarro Street to Loop 463

CSJs: 0089-19-014

Victoria County, Texas

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and the Victoria Metropolitan Planning Organization (Victoria MPO) are proposing improvements on BU 59T (Rio Grande Street/Houston Highway) from Navarro Street to Loop 463 in the City of Victoria, Texas. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting an online virtual public meeting on the proposed project. The virtual meeting will be held on December 10, 2020 at 5:30p.m. To log onto the virtual public meeting, visit www.txdot.gov and search keywords "BU 59T" at the date and time above. If you do not have internet access or wish to participate by phone, you can call 1-415-655-0003, and use the access code: 157-309-9063. Project staff will give a presentation that will include both audio and visual components. Please note that the presentation will not be available on the website until the time and date listed above. You may call 361-293-4363 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, to ask questions and access project materials during the project development process. Formal comments may be provided by mail or email as explained below.

The proposed project would construct a raised concrete median from Navarro Street to Loop 463 with breaks in the median at prescribed locations. Illumination would be added to increase nighttime visibility and sidewalks would be added at various locations to improve pedestrian safety. All work would occur within the existing City right of way.

Any environmental documentation or studies, maps and drawings showing the project location and design, and other information regarding the proposed project are available online at www.txdot.gov and search keywords "BU 59T" at the time of the virtual public meeting.

The virtual public meeting 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, please contact Lucea'n Kuykendall at 361-293-4436 no later than 4 p.m. CT, December 7, 2020. Please be aware that advanced notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for the Texas Department of Transportation to arrange.

Written comments from the public regarding the proposed project are requested and may be submitted by mail to the TxDOT Yoakum District Office, Attention: Jeffery Vinklarek, 403 Huck Street, Yoakum, TX 77995. Written comments may also be submitted by email to Jeffery.Vinklarek@txdot.gov. All comments must be received or postmarked by December 28, 2020. Responses to comments received will be available online at www.txdot.gov search keyword "BU 59T" once they have been prepared.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the virtual meeting, please contact Jeffery Vinklarek at Jeffery.Vinklarek@txdot.gov or by phone at: 361-293-4363.

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.