

Notice

Public Hearing

SH 205 NORTH PROJECT

From North of John King Boulevard to SH 78

CSJ: 0451-03-013

Collin County, Texas

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is proposing to widen State Highway (SH) 205 from north of John King Boulevard to SH 78 in Collin County, Texas. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting a public hearing on the proposed project. The hearing will be held on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 in the cafeteria at NeSmith Elementary School, 801 Presidents Boulevard, Lavon, Texas 75166. Displays will be available for viewing at 6:00 p.m. with the formal hearing starting at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the hearing is to present the planned improvements and to receive public comment on the proposed project.

The proposed project would widen SH 205 from north of John King Boulevard to SH 78, a distance of approximately 2.9 miles in the City of Lavon, Collin County, Texas. Phased construction of SH 205 includes interim and ultimate improvements. Interim improvements would include constructing a four-lane urban roadway with an inside 12-foot wide travel lane (one in each direction) and an outside 14-foot wide travel lane (one in each direction) and an outside 14-foot wide travel lane (one in each direction) for shared use by bicycles and vehicles. Five-foot wide sidewalks would be constructed on each side of SH 205 throughout the proposed project limits. A 42-foot wide median would divide the northbound and southbound lanes. In the ultimate phase of construction, inside widening would occur within the 42-foot median and an additional 12-foot wide lane would be constructed in each direction with an 18-foot median remaining.

The existing facility is an undivided two-lane roadway (one lane in each direction) consisting of 12-foot wide travel lanes and 10-foot wide shoulders within a typical 100-foot wide right-of-way (ROW). Proposed ROW width would vary from 151 feet wide to 245 feet wide throughout the project limits. The proposed project would potentially displace one single-family residence and a tire service business. Information about the TxDOT Relocation Assistance Program benefits and services for displacees can be obtained from the TxDOT district office at the address listed below. Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons and businesses.

Portions of the proposed project area and construction work would occur in the FEMA designated 100-year floodplains of Thompson Branch, Camp Creek, and the East Fork Trinity River/Lake Ray Hubbard. The hydraulic design for this project would be in accordance with current FHWA and TxDOT design policies. Approximately 0.6 acre of wetlands associated with Waters of the United States would be permanently filled and authorized under a United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Section 404 Nationwide Permit 14.

Environmental documentation, maps showing the project location and design, and other information regarding the project are on file and available for inspection Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the TxDOT Dallas District Office located at 4777 East Highway 80, Mesquite, Texas 75150. This information will also be available for inspection at the hearing. A copy of the approved schematic and of this hearing notice is available online at <u>www.keepitmovingdallas.com</u> under Upcoming Public Hearing/Meeting. Verbal and written comments from the public regarding the project are requested and may be presented at the hearing, or submitted in person or by mail to the TxDOT Dallas District Office, Attention Mr. Stephen Endres, P.E., 4777 East Highway 80, Mesquite, Texas 75150. Comments must be received on or before **Wednesday**, **February 28, 2018** to be part of the official hearing record.

The hearing will be conducted in English. Persons interested in attending the hearing who have special communication or accommodation needs, such as the need for an interpreter, are encouraged to contact the TxDOT Dallas District Public Information Office at (214) 320-4480. Requests should be made at least two days prior to the hearing. Every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate these needs.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the hearing, you may contact the TxDOT Project Manager, Mr. Stephen Endres, P.E. at (972) 320-4469 or by email at Stephen.Endres@txdot.gov.

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 16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.