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Notice of Public Meeting

State Loop 335 from FM 2590 to SW 9th Avenue
Randall and Potter Counties

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) in conjunction with the Amarillo Metropolitan Planning Organization will conduct a public meeting for the proposed State Loop 335 (SL 335) sub-segment B-2. Project limits are from Farm-to-Market 2590 (FM 2590) to SW 9th Avenue, a total distance of approximately 7.8 miles in Potter and Randall counties, Texas.

The meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 14, 2016, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Hillside Christian Church - Amarillo West Campus located at 6100 Soncy Road, Amarillo, Texas, 79119. An open house will begin at 6 p.m. and will provide information and display exhibits related to the project. A short presentation by TxDOT personnel will be conducted at 6:30 p.m. and the open house will reconvene after the presentation.

The proposed project consists of a new location freeway section (with frontage roads, ramps, grade separations over intersecting cross streets, a 4 mainlane section with a provision for future expansion to an ultimate 6 mainlane section), the construction of the interchange of Interstate Highway 40 (IH 40) with SL 335 (with a frontage road system, a proposed IH 40 mainlane bridge, and a proposed SL 335 mainlane bridge), and improvements along IH 40 to the mainlanes, ramps and frontage roads for the proposed interchange. Additionally, the proposed right-of-way will also accommodate future direct connectors associated with the IH 40 and SL 335 interchange.

The project, as proposed, would require right-of-way acquisition from the Amarillo Helium Plant property located at Helium Road and Amarillo Boulevard; however, the project would not impact any of the existing buildings on the property. The Helium Plant was previously determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places for its association with the federal government's helium program as the headquarters and primary research laboratory. A 4(f) document, as it pertains to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, is being prepared for the site in coordination with local, state and federal officials.

The final determination of right-of-way needed or residential/business relocation requirements will not be known until the schematic is refined (second quarter 2017).

The proposed project's tentative phased construction schedule can be obtained at the TxDOT Amarillo District Office located at 5715 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas, 79110.

All interested residents are invited to attend the public meeting. The public meeting will be conducted in English. Persons interested in attending the meeting who have special communication or accommodation needs, or need an interpreter, are encouraged to call (806) 356-3200. Requests should be made no later than two days prior to the public meeting. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs. For additional information about the public meeting, project documentation, or for any other project-related questions, please contact Lance Williams, P.E. at (806) 356-3380.

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Verbal and written comments from the public regarding this project are requested. Written comments will be accepted at the meeting or may be mailed to: The Texas Department of Transportation, Attn: Brian Crawford, P.E., District Engineer – Amarillo District, PO Box 7368, Amarillo, Texas 79114-7368. Comments need to be postmarked no later than Thursday, November 24, 2016, 10 calendar days following the meeting date.

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.

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