



US 59 Improvement Project, Montgomery and Liberty Counties Notice of Public Meeting

Notice of Public Meeting

The Texas Department of Transportation – Beaumont District (TxDOT) will conduct a public meeting on Thursday, November 19, 2015, to discuss proposed roadway improvements along approximately four miles of the existing alignment of United States Highway (US) 59 extending from Fostoria Road in Montgomery County, Texas, to State Loop 573 in Liberty County, Texas. This meeting will be an open house from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Cleveland Civic Center, 210 Peach Avenue, Cleveland, Texas 77327. No formal presentation will be provided.

The purpose of the proposed project is to enhance mobility in the area and upgrade US 59 to meet interstate highway standards. The proposed US 59 as I-69 would be converted from a four-lane divided highway to a six-lane divided, access controlled freeway, with one-way frontage roads. The preliminary study indicates that additional right-of-way would be needed, although an exact amount is not known at this time.

The purpose of the meeting is to update the public on the status of project development and to present changes that are proposed since the May 13, 2013 open house meeting. Changes include the following:

- Modify US 59 main lanes curve at State Loop 573
- Revise the intersection at US 59 and State Loop 573; the northbound frontage road will follow the US 59 main lanes, instead of the northbound frontage road becoming State Loop 573
- Reverse the entrance and exit ramps between SH 105 and SL 573
- Add a right turn lane to the southbound frontage road at the SH 105 connector

Project exhibits will be displayed and TxDOT staff will be available to answer questions. For more information, visit www.txdot.gov and **Search:** US 59 Montgomery and Liberty.

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 Dec. 16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

All interested persons are invited to attend. The public meeting will be conducted in English. Those persons interested in attending who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact Scott Ayres, TxDOT-Beaumont District, at (409) 892-7311 by November 13, 2015. TxDOT representatives will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

Comments may be submitted at the open house or by mail. Comments must be postmarked by November 30, 2015 and mailed to Scott Ayres, PE, TxDOT Beaumont District, 8350 Eastex Freeway, Beaumont, Texas 77708. Response to comments will be provided in the public meeting summary report.