



US 190 East Relief Bridge Construction Fact Sheet

Project Background

The Texas Department of Transportation has approved the upcoming construction of the Jasper County Neches River East Relief Bridge approximately 11 miles west of Jasper on US 190, adjacent to the Martin Dies, Jr. State Park. The bridge is located on the east bank of the Reservoir (also known as Dam “B”). The existing bridge was built in 1941 and the new bridge will enhance safety by modernizing the bridge to current standards.

Proposed Improvements

The bridge replacement includes the following improvements:

- **Widen bridge and shoulder lanes:** The current structure has two 12-foot travel lanes and two two-foot shoulders; the new wider structure will have two 12-foot travel lanes and two 12-foot shoulders. Wider shoulders will allow more room for disabled vehicles.
- **Lengthen bridge and roadway approach:** The existing 29.25-foot by 455-foot bridge will be replaced with a 50-foot by 560-foot bridge, which will include longer roadway approaches. The longer approaches are designed to balance the reservoir capacity, reduce impact to the reservoir's flood storage capacity and provide additional boat clearance.
- **Construct the bridge to appear similar to the current structure:** The new bridge will look similar to the current design and the replacement is not expected to impact historic or cultural resources. This project does not require additional right of way (ROW) or displacements. All work is within the existing 250-foot easement granted by the US Army Corp of Engineers.

Construction Timeline

Construction is estimated to begin late 2015 and will be completed in approximately one year in three phases:

Phase I: September – March 2016

- Remove portion of existing bridge
- Construct 30-foot-wide portion of the new bridge
- One lane traffic with temporary signal and countdown timer

Phase II: March – August 2016

- Traffic moved to the new structure allowing two-way traffic with no shoulders
- Construct two 20-foot-wide bridge portions

Phase III: August – September 2016

- Stripe lanes and shoulders, add reflectors

Construction work hours will occur Monday - Friday from dawn until dusk, with no anticipated weekend work. Also visit the online project page for a listing of reduced construction hours during holidays and special events. Note that construction timing is subject to change.

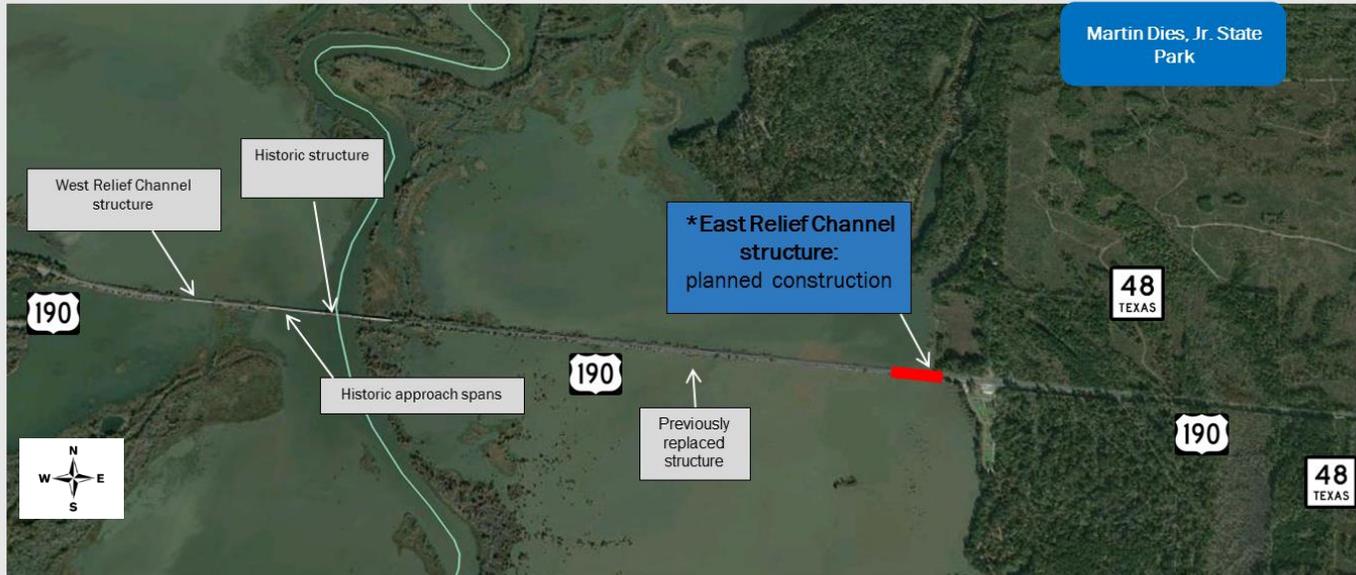
Additional Local Construction Update:

US 190 Passing Lanes:

Adding passing lanes along a 10 mile stretch of US 190 beginning at Park Road 48 South to approximately two miles west of FM 777. This project will begin in Fall 2015 and is expected to last approximately 16 months.

**Please see back of fact sheet for the project map*

US 190 East Relief Bridge Project Location



East relief bridge adjacent to Martin Dies, Jr. State Park,
approximately 11 miles west of Jasper on US 190

** Not associated with the metal truss bridge/approach on the western side of the reservoir*

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