



# ***Finding of No Significant Impact for a FHWA Project***

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**Proposed Action:** Holly Road Improvements

**Project Limits:** SH 286 (Crosstown Expressway) to Greenwood Drive

**City:** Corpus Christi    **County:** Nueces                      **State:** Texas

**TxDOT CSJ(s):** 0916-35-170

In accordance with 23 CFR Section 771.119 and Section 771.121, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has determined that Holly Road Improvements project will not have a significant impact on the human or natural environment. The project would include constructing two additional travel lanes along Holly Road from State Highway (SH) 286 (Crosstown Expressway) to Greenwood Drive in Corpus Christi, Nueces County, Texas, a distance of approximately 3,960 linear feet (0.75 mile).

This Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the Preferred Alternative is based on the final Environmental Assessment dated July 2016 and the entire project record. This decision documents the selection of the build alternative presented in the final EA as the Preferred Alternative, which is described as:

Four lane curb and gutter section facility with a raised median, sidewalks and bicycle lanes. The proposed travel lanes would be 11 feet wide with a proposed 14-foot raised landscaped median. At Greenwood, there would be a dedicated left and right turn lane in the westbound approach and at SH 286, there would be a dedicated left and right turn lane in the eastbound approach. Openings in the median for left turns would be provided at Victor Lara Oregon Street and Martin Street. A right turn lane would be constructed at Martin Street. Five foot wide continuous ADA-accessible sidewalks and bicycle lanes and would be provided on each side of Holly Road. The usual 80-foot ROW would be widened on the north side of Holly Road to a usual 90-foot ROW; however, the ROW widens at SH 286 and Greenwood to accommodate right and left turn lanes.

A Notice of Availability of the draft EA and a Notice Affording Opportunity for a Public Hearing was published on February 4, 2016.

No changes to the draft EA were made as a result of comments received on the draft EA during the posted comment period.

Documentation on the Notice Affording Opportunity for a Public Hearing and certification that the hearing opportunity was offered has been prepared and is available for review on request.

The final EA, the Documentation on the Notice Affording Opportunity for a Public Hearing, and reports contained in the file of record have been independently evaluated by TxDOT and determined to adequately and accurately discuss the need, purpose, alternatives, environmental issues, impacts of the proposed project, and appropriate mitigation measures. These documents provide sufficient evidence and analysis for determining that preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement is not required. These documents are incorporated by reference into this decisional document.

Based upon TxDOT's review and consideration of the analysis and evaluation contained in the EA for this project, and after careful consideration of all social, economic, and environmental factors, including input from the public involvement process, TxDOT hereby issues this Finding of No Significant Impact for the Holly Road Improvements project from SH 286 (Crosstown Expressway) to Greenwood Drive.



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TxDOT will ensure adherence and completion of all project commitments described in the final EA July 2016, Section 5.0. TxDOT will ensure that any and all local, state, or federal permit requirements and conditions are met and otherwise complied with.

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 the Memorandum of Understanding dated December 16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

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