

APPENDIX E (1 OF 3) PUBLIC MEETING SUMMARY REPORT PUBLIC MEETING SERIES #1

BORDER HIGHWAY EAST STUDY

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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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1.0 INTRODUCTION

In May 2013, the Texas Department of Transportation – El Paso District (TxDOT) began the Border Highway East (BHE) Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study to identify the purpose and need for improvements within the BHE study area, determine possible viable alternatives for a long-term solution, and recommend preferred alternatives that can be carried forward seamlessly into a National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) study. As part of the BHE PEL Study, three series of public meetings were held to allow the public to provide feedback on transportation needs and possible solutions in the study area. This report describes the first public meeting series held in November 2013.

2.0 PUBLIC MEETING SERIES #1

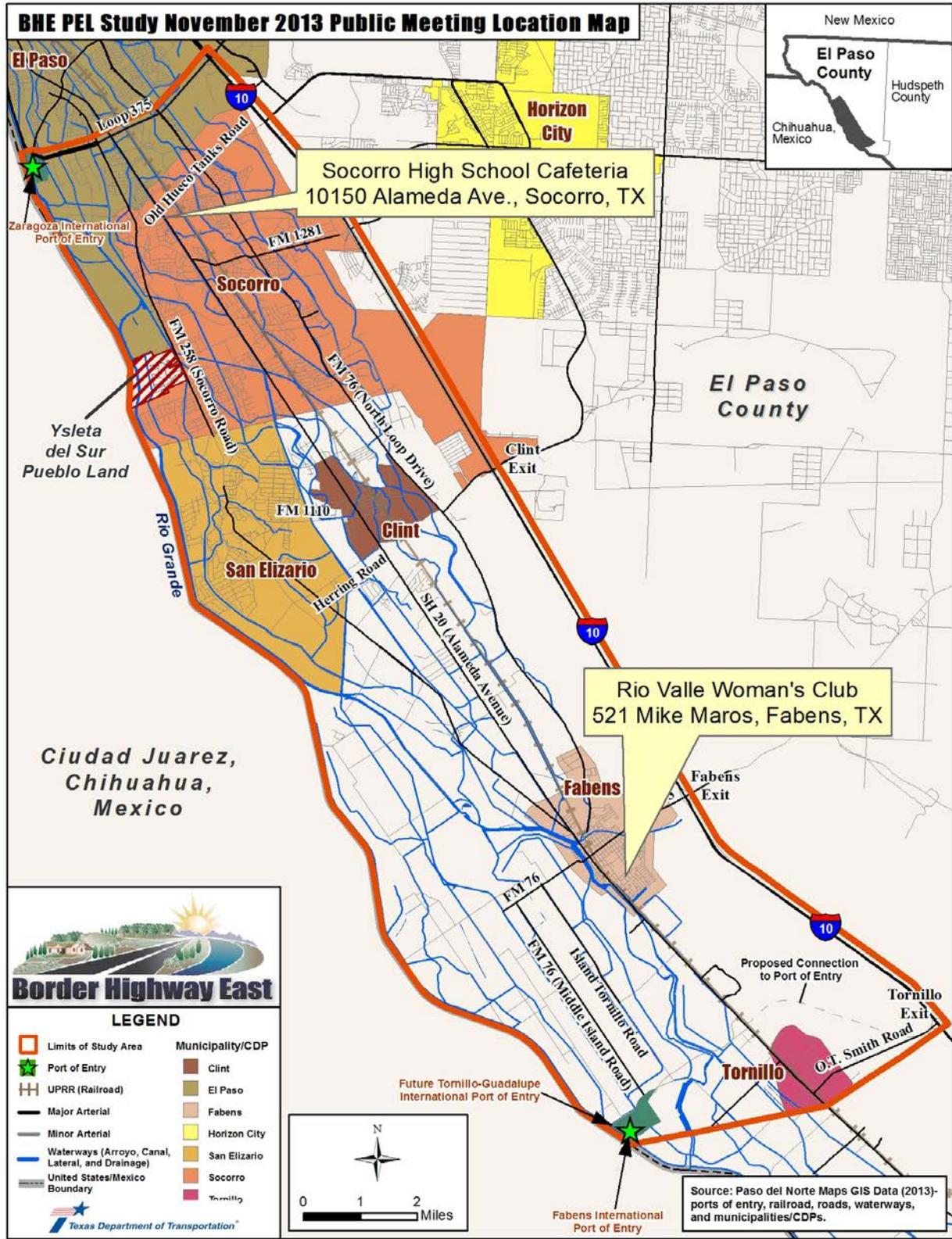
The public meeting locations, dates, and times are presented in **Table 1. Figure 1** depicts the locations of the meetings.

Table 1: Public Meeting Series #1 Schedule

Date/Time	Location
Tuesday, November 19, 2013 4 p.m. – 7 p.m.	Socorro High School Cafeteria 10150 Alameda Ave. Socorro, Texas 79927
Wednesday, November 20, 2013 4 p.m. – 7 p.m.	Rio Valle Woman's Club 521 Mike Maros Fabens, Texas 79838

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Figure 1: November 2013 BHE Public Meeting Locations



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1 The following sections further detail the first series of public meetings and summarize
 2 the input received through December 2, 2013, which was the end of the public comment
 3 period.

4 **2.1 Public Meeting Advertising**

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 7 The BHE PEL Study public meetings were advertised using both traditional and non-
 8 traditional media as summarized below and in **Table 2**:

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- 10 • Bilingual legal notices published in the *El Paso Times*, *El Diario*, and the *West*
 11 *Texas Courier* as listed in **Table 2**;
 - 12 • Letters mailed by TxDOT on October 15, 2013 to invite elected officials or their
 13 representative to the public meetings;
 - 14 • Public meeting dates, times, and locations posted on the TxDOT El Paso District
 15 Twitter page at www.Twitter.com/TxDOTELP on November 15, 18, 19, and 20,
 16 2013;
 - 17 • State Representative Mary Gonzalez shared a Facebook post about the two
 18 public meetings on November 19, 2013;
 - 19 • Public meeting dates, times, and locations advertised on El Paso KTSM News
 20 Channel 9 and KDBC Local 4 News websites on November 19, 2013;
 - 21 • Public meeting information and a link to an informational flyer posted on the El
 22 Paso County Water Improvement District No. 1 website on October 24, 2013;
 - 23 • 5,000 bilingual flyers (in English and Spanish) distributed to local business and
 24 places of worship within the study area on November 3 through November 6,
 25 2013;
 - 26 • Email notifications sent out to the Independent School Districts (ISD) within the
 27 study area prior to the first public meeting; and
 - 28 • Directional signs placed in various locations around each public meeting facility
 29 to help participants locate the facility and to generate additional local awareness
 30 of the event.

31 **Table 2: Public Meeting Series #1 Newspaper Advertisements**

Newspaper	Advertisement Type	Publication Date	Days Prior to First Meeting
El Paso Times	English Legal Notice	Sunday, October 20, 2013	31
El Paso Times	English Legal Notice	Saturday, November 9, 2013	11
El Diario	Spanish Legal Notice	Sunday, October 20, 2013	31
El Diario	Spanish Legal Notice	Saturday, November 9, 2013	11
West Texas Courier	English Legal Notice	Thursday, November 7, 2013	13

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 33 Copies of the advertisements, publisher's affidavits, letters, emails, flyers, online
 34 postings, and press releases are included in **Attachment A**.

2.2 Public Meeting Attendance

Excluding BHE PEL study team members, 49 members of the general public, one elected official and one member of the media participated in the November 19, 2013 public meeting at the Socorro High School Cafeteria. Excluding the BHE PEL study team members, 27 members of the general public and two elected officials participated in the November 20, 2013 public meeting at the Rio Valle Woman’s Club. The total public meeting attendance was 80 participants. Participants represented a wide range of interests and included members of the general public, members of community organizations, elected officials, city/county staff, and media representatives. Copies of the sign-in sheets from both meetings are included in **Attachment B**.

2.3 Public Meeting Format and Materials

Both public meetings utilized an open-house format, which allowed participants to arrive, sign-in, view exhibits and handouts, ask questions, and provide comments between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. The exhibits and handout material were identical for both meetings and were provided in both English and Spanish. The meeting layout was designed to showcase seven distinct stations. Bilingual BHE PEL study team members, comprised of TxDOT staff and consultants, were available at every station to provide information and answer questions.

The seven stations are described below, in the order that they were intended to be viewed by the public.

Station 1: Sign-in Table – At this station, members of the public could sign-in, learn about the meeting format, and receive introductory handout materials. Materials included sign-in sheets, a “Program Guide” handout that described the meeting format and station set-up, a “Fact Sheet” describing the BHE PEL process, and a public comment form.

Station 2: Planning and Environmental Linkages – This station introduced the BHE PEL process to the public. It displayed two exhibits, including a text exhibit explaining the PEL process and a graphic exhibit “Connecting Planning Studies” that showed the relationship between agencies and the public and the various phases of planning projects starting with initial planning through construction.

Station 3: BHE Study Area and Constraints Maps – This station presented the BHE study area and constraints that have been identified to-date. It displayed five map exhibits, including the Study Area Map, Constraints Map, 1997 Feasibility Study Area Map, 2010 Level of Service (LOS) map, and 2040 LOS map.

Station 4: Make Your Mark – This interactive station consisted of large-scale maps of the BHE study area laid out on tables. Meeting attendees were encouraged to use markers to identify problem areas and propose solutions on the maps. Additionally, a

1 scribe was available to record participant’s comments. The BHE PEL study team
2 members, including engineers and planners were available to answer questions.
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4 **Station 5: PEL Study Timeline and Get Involved** – This station provided information
5 on the PEL study timeline and how the public can get involved in the planning process.
6 At Station 5, two exhibits were on display; these included one graphic of the PEL Study
7 Timeline that indicated the current status of the PEL process in relation to the overall
8 timeline and a text exhibit providing information on the website, TxDOT twitter account,
9 email address, and contact information.

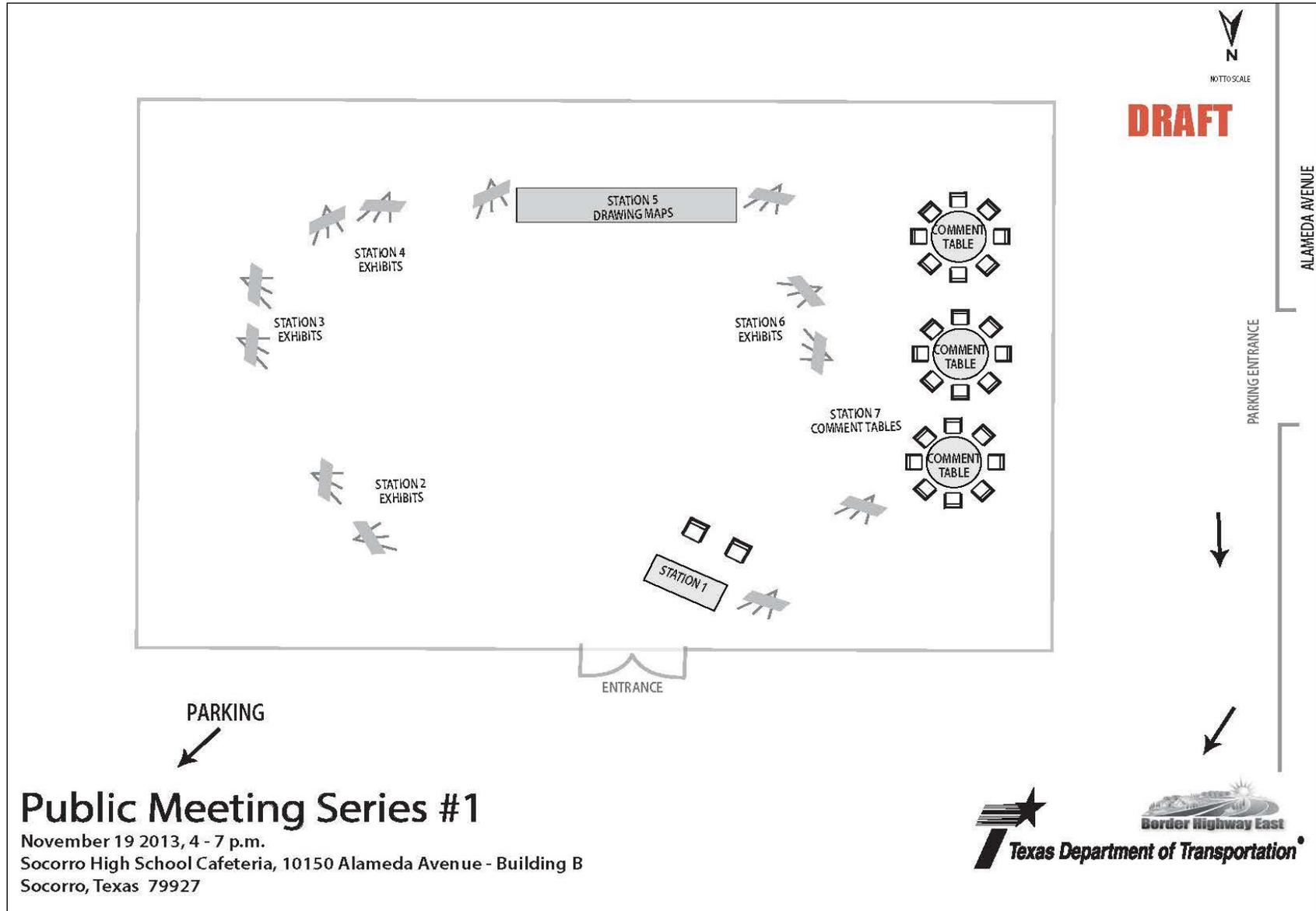
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11 **Station 6: Draft Study Documents** – This station presented the draft purpose and
12 need statement. It displayed an exhibit presenting the transportation issues within the
13 BHE study area and possible solutions, and one exhibit of the “Alternative Screening
14 Process” that illustrated the funnel scenario used for filtering the Universe of
15 Alternatives. Additionally, the public was encouraged to provide comments on the draft
16 purpose and need statement by the end of the comment period which was December 2,
17 2013. The draft public involvement and agency coordination plan, environmental
18 constraints, and alternative screening methodology reports were also available for
19 public review.

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21 **Station 7: Comment Tables** – This station provided information on how to provide
22 written comments (i.e., by mail or by email), a sitting area, and comment boxes for
23 meeting participants to complete and submit comment forms at the meeting sites. The
24 study team collected all written comments from the comment boxes and any comments
25 that were inscribed on the large-scale study area maps at the end of each meeting.
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27 **Figures 2 and 3** display the general layout for each of the public meetings. The material
28 available at each station is summarized in **Table 3**. Copies of the materials, as well as
29 example photos from the meetings, are included in **Attachment C**.

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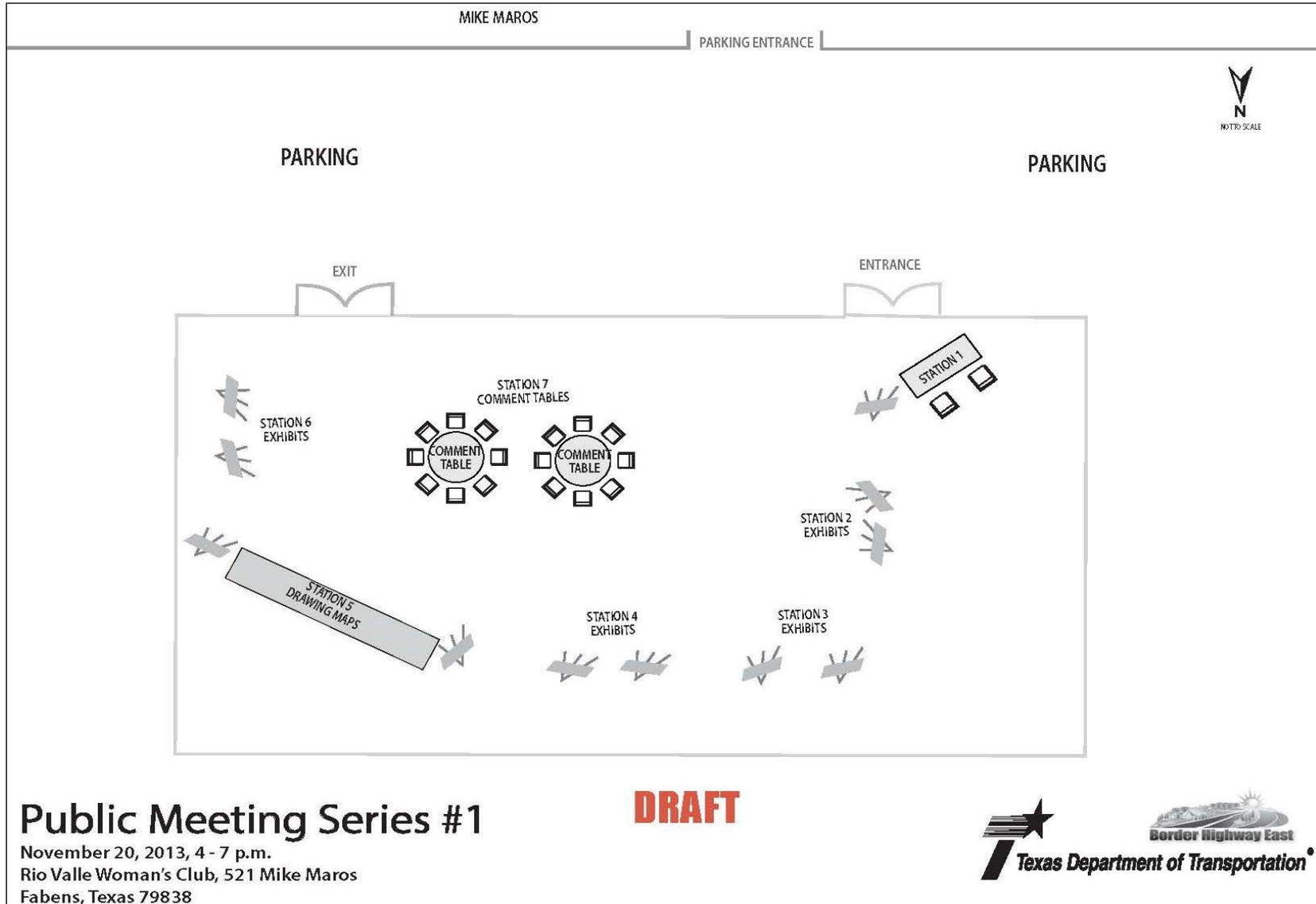
Figure 2: November 19, 2013 BHE PEL Public Meeting Room Layout



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Figure 3: November 20, 2013 BHE PEL Public Meeting Room Layout



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Table 3: Public Meeting Series #1 Materials

Station	Type	Title
Station 1: Sign-in Table	Handout	Program Guide
	Handout	Fact Sheet
	Handout	Comment Form
Station 2: Planning and Environmental Linkages	Text Exhibit	The PEL Process
	Graphic Exhibit	Connecting Planning Studies
Station 3: BHE Study Area and Constraints Maps	Map Exhibit	Study Area Map
	Map Exhibit	Constraints Map
	Map Exhibit	1997 Feasibility Study Area Map
	Map Exhibit	Level of Service 2010
	Map Exhibit	Level of Service 2040
	Map Exhibit	Two sets of large-scale maps of the BHE Study Area
Station 4: Make Your Mark	Map Exhibit	Two sets of large-scale maps of the BHE Study Area
	Map Exhibit	Two sets of large-scale maps of the BHE Study Area
Station 5: PEL Study Timeline and Get Involved	Graphic Exhibit	PEL Study Timeline
	Text Exhibit	How to Get Involved
Station 6: Draft Study Documents	Text Exhibit	Draft Purpose and Need
	Graphic Exhibit	Alternative Screening Process
	Report	Draft Purpose and Need
	Report	Draft Alternative Screening Methodology
	Report	Draft Environmental Constraints
	Report	Draft Public Involvement and Agency Coordination Plan
Station 7: Comments	Text Exhibit	How to Provide Comments
	Handout	Comment Form

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2.4 Public Meeting Comments

5 The official public comment period for the first series of public meetings opened on
6 November 19, 2013 and ended on December 2, 2013. Attendees could provide
7 comments through a variety of methods, including the following:

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- 10 • Submitting a written comment in the public meeting comment box at Station 7;
- 11 • Writing a comment on the large-scale study area maps or speaking to the scribe
(meeting notes) at Station 4;
- 12 • Mailing a written comment to TxDOT El Paso District, RE: Border Highway East,
13 13301 Gateway Blvd. West, El Paso, TX 79928-5410; or
- 14 • Emailing a comment to info@borderhighwayeast.com.

1 **Table 4** shows the number of comment submissions by meeting (where applicable) and
 2 method in which they were submitted.

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Table 4: Comments Received During Public Meeting Series #1*

Submission Method	November 19 th Meeting	November 20 th Meeting	Total
Comment Forms (Station 7)	18	7	25
Large-Scale Study Area Maps and Transcribed Meeting Notes (Station 4)	32	12	44
Letters	N/A	N/A	N/A
Email Submissions	2	3	5

5 *Includes comments received during the comment period which ended on December 2, 2013.

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 7 Many of the comments submitted provided feedback about the existing problems within
 8 the BHE study area. As previously mentioned in **Section 3.0**, an exhibit displayed at the
 9 public meetings included a list of issues identified from the *1997 Border Highway
 10 Extension Feasibility Study* and with input from the TWG members. Meeting participants
 11 were asked to provide input on the issues by submitting a comment and/or by marking
 12 on the large-scale study area maps at Station 4. Feedback obtained at the public
 13 meetings and through comments generally validated the problems presented at the first
 14 series of public meetings. Most notably, there is agreement among those submitting
 15 comments on the following problems:

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- 17 • Lack of direct access/connectivity to I-10 and Loop 375;
 - 18 • Congestion along east-west arterials;
 - 19 • High volume of truck traffic along the existing east-west arterials;
 - 20 • At-grade train crossings that cause delay and impede traffic movement; and
 - 21 • Increasing demand on area transportation infrastructure (roadways, railroads and
 - 22 ports of entry) associated with the increasing international and interregional trade
 - 23 and freight rail movements.

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 25 Meeting participants also provided more specific suggestions regarding proposed
 26 solutions, including, but not limited to the following:

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- 28 • Utilizing Hole in the Wall Rd. as a connection between the border and I-10;
 - 29 • Considering expanded transit, bus, and pedestrian options that are better
 - 30 integrated with the overall transportation system;
 - 31 • Widening existing roads, such as Socorro Rd.; and
 - 32 • Focusing on addressing major traffic bottlenecks, choke points, and problem
 - 33 intersections within the BHE study area.

1 Additional general feedback was also provided regarding issues to consider during the
2 BHE PEL process and future project implementation, including, but not limited to the
3 following:

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5 • Avoiding impacts to farmland and the historical areas of the BHE study area;

6 • Avoiding impacts to the Rio Bosque Wetlands Park; and

7 • Improving access to the Rio Bosque Wetlands Park.

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9 **Table 5** provides a listing of response codes for all comments received during the
10 official comment period, while **Table 6** provides corresponding responses. Comments
11 are listed verbatim, and are sorted by last name, date, and submission type. Copies of
12 all comments received are included in **Attachment D**.

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Table 5: Comments and Response Codes for Public Meetings Series #1

Last Name/ Organization	First Name	Date	Submission Method	Comment Number	Comment	Response Code(s)
Navidomskis	Carlisle	11/19/13	Comment Form	1	Adjacent to the Rio Bosque Wetlands Park is an (1) undeveloped area that provides nesting grounds for Painted Buntings, Harris' Hawks (among other birds), that are not easy to find in El Paso County. Also, (2) a planned entrance to the Park from Socorro Rd. needs to be incorporated into any transportation planning in that area. It will make a huge difference and be a big improvement.	A, D
Realyvasquez	Albert	11/19/13	Comment Form	2	Hole in the Wall Rd. is a good connection to Border High East for our crops not go thru Clint and is already connected to the border.	A
DAA Farms		11/19/13	Comment Form	3	Problem with our freights on crops Border Highway East be good. Hole in the Wall Rd. connects to the border. Hole in the Wall Rd. to I-10 would be good too.	A, C, D
RMR Group		11/19/13	Comment Form	4	Hole in the Wall Rd. good to connect to border and I-10 all big farms around for freights on 18 wheelers. Does connect to border already; border patrol uses it.	A
Miranda	Leticia	11/19/13	Comment Form	5	Concerned and interested about how projects affect new city of San Elizario (council not in place yet). Impact on historical venues and residents who live up to border fence. Also interested in how Socorro Rd. can be widened without too much impact to area. Overall consequences and benefits. Please add to TWG.	A, D, E, M
Rodriguez	Jose	11/19/13	Comment Form	6	We need to extend the Border Hwy from Ysleta Port of Entry to Tornillo Port of Entry to relieve traffic congestion from Socorro Rd., Alameda Ave., and North Loop which is heavy during peak hours. Or make a 4-lane or more on Socorro Rd. from Americas to San Elizario.	A, C
Carreon	Lorena	11/19/13	Comment Form	7	We would like to request for public meetings like this to be held in San Elizario since the most logical route would affect a highly populated area of the community.	I
Kessler	Kevin	11/19/13	Comment Form	8	Please stay away from the north side of the Rio Bosque. This will disrupt bird watching, possibly migratory habits of certain species. My family/farm. The south side next to the Rio Grande is better.	D, E
Rodriguez	Marie E.	11/19/13	Comment Form	9	1. Need overpass at railroad crossings to ease traffic flow and reduce traffic deaths and accidents. 2. Too many accidents (fatal) on Socorro Rd. 3. No parking on Socorro Rd for tourists. Also need sidewalks. Need pedestrian crossings on Socorro Rd.	A, B, F
Armendariz	Daniel	11/19/13	Comment Form	10	Sold a house in San Elizario TX. Wondering and would like for the Border project to take effect. Would like to know what streets will be needed for this project.	G, K

Last Name/ Organization	First Name	Date	Submission Method	Comment Number	Comment	Response Code(s)
Keagle-Gaugler	Martha V.	11/19/13	Comment Form	11	Wanted you to know I have spotted Horny Toads as I walked around the drain ditch. I also have seen Burrowing Owls. I think the 375 extension down along the Rio Grande.	A, D
Gaugler	Kenneth F.	11/19/13	Comment Form	12	Extend Border Highway as close to Rio Grande River - most direct route without moving a couple hundred homes.	A, D
Echiveste	Juan and Amparo	11/19/13	Comment Form	13	Me interesaria que se hiciera el Proyecto del Border Highway y hacer una Salida directa de San Elizario a I-10. Hay mucho trafico. Translation: <i>I'm interested in the implementation of the Border Highway Project and that a direct connection from San Elizario to I-10 is provided. There is a lot of traffic.</i>	C, K
Modesto	Elvia	11/19/13	Comment Form	14	I would not like for the border highway to pass through San Eli. Especially if it will affect the neighborhoods. We (my family) have lived in that area for close to 20 yrs., and have worked very hard and sacrificed a lot in building our home. I would be very disappointed if you would demolish our home. There are other solutions which you will find.	D, K
Garcia	Marisela	11/19/13	Comment Form	15	There's a lot of traffic on Socorro Rd. in mornings and afternoons. There are a lot of semi-trailers on Socorro Rd.	C
Cantu	David	11/19/13	Comment Form	16	Main concern is displacement of people and their homes, businesses, and environment areas. Drainage ditches along farm land and river. The Rio Bosque in Socorro, tribal land. One solution is to provide more public transportation, bicycle lanes, buses, and other alternatives.	D, F, H
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	17	Is Tiwa Blvd. still a concept?	A
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	18	Why extend BH?	A
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	19	Realign FM 1110 to stay straight.	A
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	20	Tornillo BC - How to get there.	N
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	21	A lot of new housing and not enough I-10 connection.	C
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	22	Socorro Rd. is too narrow	K
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	23	Why don't we build a road along the river?	A
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	24	Overpass over RR crossings	B
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	25	Clint connection would help freight transports.	A
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	26	Connect Hole in the Wall Rd. to Clint. Crops freight problem.	A
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	27	Connect Angel Park to Gateway frontage road	A
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	28	Concern by some San Elizario residents that unincorporated area along border is logical area for annexation (border fence in area now).	D
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	29	Straight shot between San Elizario community and I-10 would be desirable.	A
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	30	I-10 to Clint connectivity is "bad". Drains, narrow R/W.	C

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Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	31	Don't "mess with canals". They are vital for drainage during times of heavy rains and "death to pecan trees" otherwise.	D
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	32	School zones everywhere - segregate school traffic from commercial/ thru traffic.	B
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	33	Socorro Rd. is very congested, r/w too narrow, "historic".	B, D
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	34	Socorro Rd. should be "tourist-friendly". This is the mission trail no parking, no sidewalks, i.e., new corridor should be considered at Loop 375 end.	A, F
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	35	Railroad grade crossings need to be eliminated.	B
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	36	Connectivity to I-10 (from San Elizario) is important. BHE not so important.	K
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	37	Connection to I-10 from Herring Rd. = great idea to move farm products through.	A
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	38	Truck traffic on narrow roads - hard to drive.	B
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	39	Hole in the Wall Rd. - perfect connection to BHE (1997 alignment) - Socorro to BHE border patrol uses Hole in the Wall Rd. to get to border from Socorro Rd. Best way to get farm produce to BHE or I-10.	A
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	40	Finish old Hueco Tanks Rd. (to N. Loop)	K
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	41	Growth is unmanaged.	C, K
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scribed	42	Bad intersection on FM 1110 (Angel Park Development)	B
Ackerman	Judy	11/19/13	Email	43	Please keep major highways as far away from the Rio Bosque Wetlands Park as possible. A major highway next to the park will be extremely detrimental to the serenity of the natural area for the wildlife and the people. Ensure that there is easy access to the Park from Socorro Rd. and appropriate parking available.	A, D, E

Last Name/ Organization	First Name	Date	Submission Method	Comment Number	Comment	Response Code(s)
Teschner	Richard	11/19/13	Email	44	<p>The proposed Border Highway East project will have a significant impact on the Rio Bosque Wetlands Park. With this e-mail I urge TxDOT to keep major highways as far away from the Rio Bosque Wetlands Park as possible. A major highway next to the park will be extremely detrimental to the serenity of the natural area for the wildlife and the people, and will negatively affect access to the Park. TxDOT should ensure that there is easy access to the park from Socorro Rd. and that appropriate parking is available.</p> <p>In May, TxDOT began its Border Highway East Study, intended to look at transportation improvements along the border in southeast El Paso County.</p> <p>The most significant facility being looked at in this study is a proposed new highway extending from the Zaragoza International Port of Entry to the Tornillo-Guadalupe International Port of Entry. Initially, four alternative alignments have been presented for this highway.</p> <p>Immediately east of Rio Bosque Wetlands Park, all four alignments are identical: They parallel the Riverside Canal on the opposite side of the canal from the park.</p> <p>From the inception of the wetlands project at Rio Bosque, one of our main goals has been to establish a new entrance to the park from Socorro Rd. It would be at the park's southeast corner, where the visitor center is located. The planned new entrance would provide direct, convenient access off Socorro Rd. and directly link Rio Bosque with the Mission Trail. Over the past several years, working in coordination with El Paso County Water Improvement District #1, we have been finalizing plans for the new entrance. It would include: a short entrance road from Socorro Rd., a parking area, a new footbridge crossing the Riverside Canal, and walkways leading from the parking area to the footbridge and from the footbridge to the park's existing Bosque Trail and visitor center.</p> <p>All of TxDOT's four alternative alignments for the highway go right through the area proposed for this new entrance. That will prove quite harmful to the park.</p>	A, D, E
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scroll Maps	45	Passmore Rd. needs to be labeled on map.	J
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scroll Maps	46	Suggestion to add Angel Park Connection on map.	J
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scroll Maps	47	Label Hole in the Wall Rd. on map.	J
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scroll Maps	48	Suggestion to add new road on map extending from Hole in the Wall Rd. northeastward	A

Last Name/ Organization	First Name	Date	Submission Method	Comment Number	Comment	Response Code(s)
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scroll Maps	49	Add planned entrance to Rio Bosque Wetlands Park to map and label	A, J
Meeting Attendee		11/19/13	Scroll Maps	50	Switch labels to Roberto Bustamente and Jonathan Roger Wastewater and Water Treatment plants on map	J
Garcia	Gabriel	11/19/13	Comment Form	51	I would like to see Old Hueco Tanks Rd. paved and improved to connect with Eastlake Blvd. The section that connects with I-10 is not paved, and the students that go to Mission Community College and live in Socorro have to use the dirt road. I would also like to see the border highway extended all the way to Tornillo.	A, K
Torres	Rosario	11/19/13	Comment Form	52	I also own a tract of land in San Elizario between Riverside Rd. and Rio Grande. The Herring Rd. and Socorro Rd. are pretty much traveled. In the Socorro area North Loop and Old Hueco Rd. lines form in the afternoon all the way to the city limits.	C, K
Francis	Jeremy	11/20/13	Comment Form	1	Clint has 3 streets - FM 1110/Fenter/Celum that all meet at light at FM 1110 and Alameda. Consider connecting Celum from North Loop to Alameda to ease congestion. Also overpass over tracks needed. WE DO NOT NEED A LARGE HIGHWAY! Start with small issues and go from there.	A, B, K
Flores	Magda C.	11/20/13	Comment Form	2	Consider mass transportation instead of building another road - students here need an economic, efficient, reliable means of getting to EPCC & UTEP. If additional roads are built, keep them at the western end. Don't destroy historic farmlands, or the quiet peacefulness around the La Isla area - church and cemetery. Building roads in this area (Fabens) would not benefit the community. Increased revenue from businesses would help the individual business owners and the county tax base, but would not benefit the community at large since the county is not interested in our area.	D, H, K
Meza	David	11/20/13	Comment Form	3	We do need another access route to Ysleta/Border Highway. Having another East/West route, besides I-10 would not only alleviate the traffic, but would help increase and better our local border economy.	C
Rios	Antonio	11/20/13	Comment Form	4	Kind of mix up but it's good there's real good ideas that I have + comments. This study I've lived in the lower valley a long time and there is a lot of stores, churches, schools, cemeteries that you need to make exits in order to help the people get out of traffic fast and we need to find a solution maybe in the next meeting we can take a vote about the exits and the land.	B, I, K

Last Name/ Organization	First Name	Date	Submission Method	Comment Number	Comment	Response Code(s)
Martinez	Rebecca P.	11/20/13	Comment Form	5	This was very informative. I believe that we need a better way to get to I-10 and better infrastructure for the Lower Valley. It would be wonderful to have a border freeway-east and a direct road to I-10 on Herring Rd. in Clint.	A
Hernandez	Francisco	11/20/13	Comment Form	6	Si es importante (por que) a terminarse (el puente para trailers/Abra mas congestion de trasporte - y se buscara el medio de buscar la carretera o camino mas rapido - para llegar a lugar determinado = recordamos el termino de puente internacional. Translation: <i>It's important to complete the study because when the new bridge for trucks is complete there will be more congestion and people will need alternatives to find the quickest way to arrive to their destination. Keep the international bridge in mind.</i>	K
Avelar	Adrian	11/20/13	Comment Form	7	La Isla region needs to be avoided. Contains historic value as well as tenured residents. The cemetery has tenured families buried there - respect is appreciated. Please also avoid Cuadrilla region - historic.	D, E
Meeting Attendee		11/20/13	Scribed	8	Focus on congested areas at west end of corridor; leave farmland in the east alone. Connect San Elizario and Tornillo to I-10.	A, B, D
Meeting Attendee		11/20/13	Scribed	9	Need to have better connection to I-10 from Clint.	A
Meeting Attendee		11/20/13	Scribed	10	La Isla - Historic area - need to avoid Lee Moor Farm Historic Area, Cuadrilla.	D
Meeting Attendee		11/20/13	Scribed	11	Clint issues causing congestions - FM 1110 - Fenter Rd. - Celum Rd. All three feed into same light at FM 1110 and Alameda. Train blocks FM1110 and Celum in Clint at same time. Overpass over tracks needed, consider rerouting Celum to connect North Loop to Alameda.	B, C
Meeting Attendee		11/20/13	Scribed	12	Consider using/widening levees for road.	A
Meeting Attendee		11/20/13	Scribed	13	Widen Socorro Rd. instead of taking ag lands (west of Herring)	A
Meeting Attendee		11/20/13	Scribed	14	Can mass transportation (buses) be improved?	H
Meeting Attendee		11/20/13	Scribed	15	Follow the river.	A
Meeting Attendee		11/20/13	Scribed	16	Add lanes to I-10, and add frontage roads between Clint and Fabens.	A
Meeting Attendee		11/20/13	Scribed	17	Provide a way for the farmers to get to I-10 from the San Elizario area.	A
Meeting Attendee		11/20/13	Scribed	18	Area around La Isla cemetery and Wingo Reserve Church circled on map.	D
Meeting Attendee		11/20/13	Scribed	19	Area around San Jose Catholic Church circled on map.	D

Last Name/ Organization	First Name	Date	Submission Method	Comment Number	Comment	Response Code(s)
Flores	Orlando	11/21/13	Email	20	<p>First, I would like to address the differences and misconceptions about this section of the valley, as compared to other areas. The comment was made that thirty years ago, Socorro/Ysleta were rural, and that eventually, this area would become like that area. If you remember, my response was the following. If you notice, the Socorro/Ysleta area was never a pecan producing area. There are areas around Fabens that resemble the Pecan producing areas of Las Cruces. Things have changed agriculturally. Pecans have become more profitable. You can make up to \$5000 per acre (pecans), as compared to \$500 per acre (cotton). Land owners are less likely to sell out their pecan farms. Also, subdivision laws have changed for the better. Thirty years ago, you could subdivide a farm, and not even have to supply the basic utilities (water, gas, streets, electricity, etc.). The reason I mention these things is because I really believe that the growth in this area will be very limited. Please keep this in mind. I also made a point of why El Paso can't seem to get tourists as the Las Cruces area does. I think we are paving over everything instead of capitalizing on our regional agriculture and history. Does Socorro and the surrounding area need relief? I would say so. I even think Clint needs some relief. This can be done by studying possibilities of relieving traffic up towards the freeway, as the City of El Paso is set up (i.e. Zaragoza, Lee Trevino, Lomaland, Giles, etc.). From a taxpayer standpoint, I would say to use I-10 as it should be used, in the Socorro area. Instead of having to build more roads, and spend more money, I would say concentrate on feeding the traffic up, relieving the congestion in Clint. The Tornillo/Guadalupe Bridge will meet up at I-10 and will take traffic East or West. This will prevent congestion in the valley between Clint/San Elizario, Fabens, and Tornillo. It will also ensure that we maintain a great cultural, agricultural, historical heritage and quality of life for not only the local residents, but for El Paso as a whole. I can't say it enough, save this taxpayer money for construction that will be beneficial to all. This part of the valley will eventually be mainly pecan production; I know this as a resident, who farms in the area, but more importantly as a professional who works in the realm of agriculture and community development.</p>	A, B, C, D, E, K

Last Name/ Organization	First Name	Date	Submission Method	Comment Number	Comment	Response Code(s)
Talley	Shirley	11/22/13	Email	21	There is heavy congestion on Socorro road North loop. Alameda is the only route that allows passing with any safety. Please consider alleviating the congested routes by adding lanes on already existing routes before introducing an additional route that may rob valuable farmland. Crops from this farmland contribute millions into the local economy. In addition, please consider extending FM 1110 north to I-10 which could be a straight shot from the freeway to Socorro Rd.	A, B, C, D
Meneses	Zenia	11/24/13	Email	22	Will you sign me up for project notices?	G

1 **Table 6: Comment Response Code Key for Public Meeting Series #1**

Response Code	General Topic Addressed	Response
A	Identification of a specific corridor or improvement to address issues of concern.	Specific corridors and improvements will be considered in the development and evaluation of the draft of alternatives for BHE PEL study, which will be presented to the TWG and the public at future meetings. Specific improvements such as a planned entrance to the Rio Bosque Wetlands Park would be considered during the engineering stages of the projects derived from the BHE PEL study. Any specific project, such as the extension of the Border Highway may be considered and evaluated using an alternative screening methodology to determine if it would meet the purpose and need statement and minimize potential environmental impacts. Based on the metropolitan transportation plan (MTP) for El Paso, Horizon 2040, the Tiwa Blvd. project is planned to be constructed by the year 2030.
B	Suggestion of a specific safety, operational, or capacity improvement within the study area.	Specific safety, operational, and/or capacity improvements suggestions will be considered in the development and evaluation of the draft alternatives, which will be presented to the TWG and the public at future meetings.
C	Validation of the need for improvements within the study area.	Input regarding the need for improvements within the BHE study area will be used in the development of the study's draft purpose and need statement, which will be presented to the TWG and the public at future meetings.
D	Request for protection of social, economic, and environmental resources in the study area.	Social, economic, and environmental resources (such as historic districts, neighborhoods/residences, parks, businesses, air and water, habitats, etc.) are being considered during the development and evaluation of draft alternatives for BHE in an effort to avoid and/or minimize any potential future negative impacts on these resources. Once the draft alternatives have been developed and refined for additional study under the NEPA process, they will be specifically evaluated for their ability to address the needs within the study area, as well as for their potential impacts on social, economic, and environmental resources.
E	Concerns about potential environmental impacts within study area.	During the NEPA process, a more detailed environmental evaluation of impacts would be conducted. Efforts would be made to avoid, minimize, or mitigate potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed alternative(s) for the project.
F	Suggestion of bicycle/pedestrian improvements.	Suggested bicycle and pedestrian facilities needs and improvements will be considered during the development and evaluation of draft alternatives for the BHE PEL study.
G	Desire for more detailed information about the BHE PEL study and proposed improvements.	As the BHE PEL process progresses, specific draft alternatives will be identified, evaluated, and presented to the public. Please visit the study website, http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/projects/studies.html , for documentation and updates. Future public meetings will be announced through newspapers, local news, Twitter, email notifications, and distribution of bilingual flyers.
H	Suggestion for transit improvements or system-wide coordination.	TxDOT will work with local transit providers to examine the existing transit needs with the BHE PEL study area, as well as how proposed solutions may complement the existing and planned transit system.

Response Code	General Topic Addressed	Response
I	Concerns about or suggestions for the BHE PEL study public involvement process.	Public participation is a key component of the BHE PEL process. Every effort will be made to ensure that the public has open access to BHE PEL study information and ample opportunities to participate in the decision-making process. Members of the public are invited to visit the study's website and Twitter pages, and to contact the study team with any questions or concerns or to request a group presentation: Email: info@borderhighwayeast.com Website: http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/projects/studies.html Twitter: www.Twitter.com/TxDOTELP TxDOT will consider hosting the BHE PEL study public meetings in San Elizario.
J	Suggestion to add to or update BHE PEL study maps	Revisions to the maps will be made as appropriate.
K	General comment or suggestion	Comment noted.
L	Support for or opposition to funding mechanisms or BHE study area improvements	Potential funding mechanisms will be considered should the BHE PEL study proceed to a more detailed NEPA study.
M	Request for inclusion in TWG.	BHE study team will add commenter to the TWG distribution list.
N	Unclear comment	It assumed that the commenter is inquiring about how traffic would travel to and from the future Tornillo-Guadalupe POE to I-10. Traffic from the POE would travel along Manuel F. Aguilera Hwy. to I-10, a new roadway extending from SH 20 to I-10. The new road is included in the Horizon 2040 MTP and programmed to open by the year 2020.

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2 **3.0 CONCLUSION AND NEXT STEPS**

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4 Initial feedback from the first series of public meetings supports the need for
5 transportation solutions in the study area to improve connectivity to I-10 and alleviate
6 congestion and truck traffic along existing roadways (Alameda Avenue (State
7 Highway 20 (SH 20)), North Loop Drive (Farm-to-Market 76 (FM 76)), Socorro Road
8 (FM 258), etc.), eliminate at-grade train crossings, improve mass transportation, and
9 implement bicycle and pedestrian improvements. The meeting attendees commented
10 on environmental constraints and requested avoidance of the Rio Bosque Wetlands
11 Park and cultural resources. Comments regarding safety concerns at at-grade railroad
12 crossings were also provided.

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14 The identified problems and proposed solutions will be used to refine the purpose and
15 need statement and to develop alternatives and solutions to address transportation
16 needs. The universe of alternatives, including how the alternatives will be screened to a
17 set of preliminary alternatives, will be presented at TWG #3 and at the next series of
18 public meetings, anticipated to take place in spring 2014.

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20 Copies of this document, as well as future public meeting materials, will be available
21 online at <http://txdot.gov/inside-txdot/projects/studies/el-paso/border-highway-east.html>.
22 Questions or additional comments may be directed to info@borderhighwayeast.com.

1 **4.0 REFERENCES**

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Attachment A

Public Meeting Series #1 Advertising

MEDICINE

MD Anderson to use Watson computer to fight cancer

IBM system won \$1 million on TV's 'Jeopardy' show

The Associated Press

HOUSTON » Houston's MD Anderson Cancer Center is hoping IBM's Watson cognitive computer system has as much success fighting cancer as it did winning \$1 million on the TV quiz show "Jeopardy." The famed institute announced Friday it had partnered with IBM to use Watson to help fight cancer, beginning with leukemia and then moving on to other forms of the deadly disease.

"This has the ability to revolutionize care of cancer patients, clinically and through research," Dr. Courtney DiNardo, an MD Anderson professor of leukemia and one of the project leaders, told the Houston Chronicle. "It's the ultimate in personalized medicine." The supercomputer has a memory twice the size of the Library of Congress and the ability to analyze questions and provide rapid-fire answers, which led to its Jeopardy victory in 2011 and made people believe it could have revolutionary impacts in health care. Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New

York was the first cancer hospital to use Watson to help determine treatment for lung, breast and prostate cancers. Now, MD Anderson is feeding Watson case histories on more than 1 million leukemia patients, along with information about the disease, research and treatment options. Hospital staff and doctors hope it will help guide care and reduce the death rate. The hospital also hopes the supercomputer will be able to spot trends missed by researchers, possibly leading to suggestions for new targets for cancer drugs. The collaboration with

IBM is part of MD Anderson's Moon Shots Program designed to use innovative approaches to fight eight deadly cancers. MD Anderson President Dr. Ronald DePinho said

"the ability of the human mind to navigate necessary knowledge and do it systematically for each patient is a huge medical challenge." "Identifying new insights from clinical research could

illuminate new paths," DePinho told the Chronicle. IBM, meanwhile, says Watson is 240 percent faster than it was in 2011 and that its server is now the size of a pizza box.

GUN RIGHTS

Mistrial is declared in case of soldier carrying AR-15 on hike

The Associated Press

BELTON, TEXAS » A mistrial was declared Friday in a Texas case against a soldier carrying his assault rifle on a hike, in a proceeding that was being closely watched by gun-rights advocates. The six-person jury in Belton was deadlocked after two days of deliberations Thursday and Friday. Army Master Sgt. Christopher Grisham, who was charged with misdemeanor interference with the duties of an officer, declared victory afterward. Grisham was arrested in March by a Temple police officer responding to a report that Grisham was carrying an as-

sault rifle while hiking with his 15-year-old son for a Boy Scouts merit badge. Grisham said he was driven by the fear that a conviction or guilty plea in the case would create "ripple effects" for gun owners elsewhere, "if we're allowing our police officers to go around stealing people's weapons for no reason." He was defended by Blue Rannefeld, an attorney for the National Association of Legal Gun Defense. Temple police Officer Steve Ermis, whose confrontation with Grisham was captured on cellphone video and posted online, testified Wednesday that Grisham's behavior concerned him and

that he wasn't entirely sure why Grisham had the AR-15 rifle. Grisham, who's stationed at Fort Hood, was carrying an AR-15 rifle and a concealed handgun, for which he had a permit. Texas law allows for rifles to be carried in public. Court documents say Grisham tried to prevent Ermis from taking his rifle and later resisted as the officer attempted to place Grisham's hands behind his back. Prosecutor John Gantt Jr. told jurors that Grisham refused to follow Ermis' orders. Grisham's son used his cellphone to record the confrontation.

I-10 West

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two lanes, officials said. After the barriers were put up, three of the freeway's lanes were reopened to traffic. The two lanes are expected to be closed for two to three weeks while repairs are made on the damaged column, TxDOT officials said. TxDOT and railroad crews are constructing two bents on each side of the column to help support it, Espinoza said. Crews also cut up one of the railcars that was closest to the column and removed it from the site. "We are working and doing everything we can to make sure the westbound lanes of I-10 in this area are structurally sound, so that three lanes on the freeway will be open," Espinoza said. "We have had crews working throughout the night. We realize that this is a major freeway and that this is an issue that is disrupting traffic flow

"We are working to do everything we can to expedite the work that needs to be done...."

— Raquel Espinoza, Union Pacific spokeswoman

for the community and we apologize. We are working to do everything we can to expedite the work that needs to be done to open up part of the westbound lanes, but our major concern right now is making sure it is structurally sound and safe." TxDOT officials said a structural engineer from Austin visited the site early Saturday morning to inspect the Cotton Bridge columns and that the closure of I-10 West was just a safety measure. Aaron Martinez may be reached at 546-6249. Daniel Borunda contributed to this story.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS Border Highway East Planning and Environmental Linkages Study

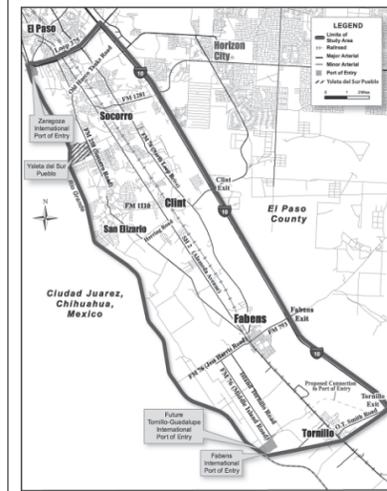
El Paso County, Texas; CSJ: 0924-06-090, etc.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) - El Paso District will host two public meetings for the Border Highway East (BHE) Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study. The public meetings will be held from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the following locations:

Tuesday, November 19, 2013
Socorro High School Cafeteria
10150 Alameda Avenue
Socorro, Texas 79927

Wednesday, November 20, 2013
Rio Valle Woman's Club
521 Mike Maros
Fabens, Texas 79838

The purpose of the public meetings is to provide information and receive input from the public. The BHE study area begins at Loop 375 (Americas Avenue) near the Zaragoza International Port of Entry (POE) and extends approximately 20 miles southeast to the Fabens International POE (future Tornillo-Guadalupe International POE). In addition, IH-10 and the Rio Grande serve as east and west boundaries respectively.



The PEL process, initiated in May 2013, is ultimately intended to help identify the purpose and need for improvements, evaluation methodology, and conceptual alternatives or corridors to address the transportation needs in the study area. The PEL process will follow current guidance for linking the transportation planning and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) processes. In accordance with federal guidance and regulations, information and products developed in highway planning phases are authorized to be integrated into future Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) NEPA evaluations.

All interested individuals are encouraged to attend one of the public meetings to discuss the BHE Study. Comment forms will be available at the public meetings for individuals wishing to provide input. Public meeting materials will also be available on the TxDOT website at <http://txdot.gov/inside-txdot/projects/studies/el-paso.html>.

Written comments about the study may be emailed to info@borderhighwayeast.com, or mailed to TxDOT-El Paso District, Attn: Gus Sanchez, RE: BHE Study, 13301 Gateway Boulevard West, El Paso, Texas 79928. Comments must be hand-delivered or postmarked on or before Monday, December 2, 2013.

The public meetings will be held in open house format and the same material will be presented at both meetings in English and Spanish. Spanish-speaking team members will be available at the open houses to assist with translation needs. If you have any questions, require other communication needs or special accommodations please call Blanca Del Valle, TxDOT Public Information Officer, at 915-790-4200 at least two business days prior to a meeting to request assistance. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

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NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS FOR INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS AT LOOP 375 (PURPLE HEART MEMORIAL HIGHWAY) AND SPUR 601 (LIBERTY EXPRESSWAY)

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), El Paso District, will conduct a series of Open House Informational meetings, on November 4, 6 and 7 of 2013, to provide information on the plans of improving the mobility of the Interchange at Loop 375 (Purple Heart Memorial Highway) and Spur 601 (Liberty Expressway).

The series of Open Houses for this project will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the following locations:

Meeting Date	Location
Monday, November 4, 2013	El Dorado High School – Library Lobby 12401 Edgemere Blvd. El Paso, TX 79938
Wednesday, November 6, 2013	Parkland High School - Cafeteria 5932 Quail Ave. El Paso, TX 79924
Thursday, November 7, 2013	R.E.L. Washington Elementary School - Gymnasium 3505 N. Lee Trevino Dr. El Paso, TX 79936

During the Open House, layouts of the project area will be displayed and other project information will be provided. Project team members will be present to answer questions. The Open House format allows attendees to "come-and-go" at their convenience. The project will consist of the construction of a Diverging Diamond Intersection (DDI). The DDI will replace the existing diamond intersection configuration at Loop 375 and Spur 601. The design allows for two-phase operation at each signalized intersections within the interchange in order to provide an improvement in safety with less conflict points. Additionally, the design can improve the efficiency of the interchange by increasing capacity. There are only two clearance intervals (the time for traffic signals to change from green to yellow to red) instead of the six or more found in traditional diamond intersection designs. The lost time for various phases in the cycle can be redistributed as green time.

The Open House will be conducted in English and Spanish. Persons interested in attending the Open House with special communication or physical needs are requested to contact Blanca Del Valle at (915) 790-4200 at least two working days prior to the Open House meeting so that appropriate arrangements may be made. The Texas Department of Transportation will make every reasonable effort to accommodate other special needs as requested. For more project information please visit: <http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/get-involved/about/hearings-meetings/el-paso/110413.html>

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

Project 1: FM 659 (Zaragoza Rd), from Loop 375 to US 62/180 (Montana Ave)
Project 2: FM 659 (Zaragoza Rd)/Montwood Dr/Loop 375 Interchange
El Paso County, Texas
CSJ's: 1046-01-021(Project 1) & 1046-01-030 (Project 2)

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), El Paso District, will conduct a public meeting for the proposed FM 659 (Zaragoza Road) Improvements (Project 1) and the Interchange Improvements at FM 659 (Zaragoza Road)/Montwood Drive/Loop 375 (Project 2) on:

Wednesday, October 30, 2013
5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Montwood High School
12000 Montwood Drive, El Paso, Texas 79936

The meeting will consist of an Open House with a presentation at 6:00 p.m. The Open House will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Montwood High School at 12000 Montwood Drive, El Paso, Texas. The purpose of the meeting is to provide information about the proposed projects and gather input from the public. Maps of the project area and other displays will be available for review and comment. TxDOT staff will be available to answer questions. All materials will be presented in English and Spanish.

Project 1: The purpose of the proposed Project is to provide additional capacity with the widening from two to three lanes in each direction along FM 659 (Zaragoza Road), between Sun Fire Boulevard and US 62/180 (Montana Avenue). Improvements also include illumination, bicycle lanes, and sidewalks within the project limits. The proposed project is located on both existing right-of-way and approximately seventeen acres of new right-of-way. The proposed project will add capacity and improve bicycle and pedestrian access in the area through the addition of bike lanes and sidewalks.

Project 2: The purpose of the proposed Project is to provide connectivity, with the extension of Zaragoza Road, between Loop 375 and Montwood Drive, and provide additional capacity along Montwood Drive, with the widening from two to three lanes in each direction, between Fire House Drive and Sun Fire Boulevard. Improvements also include illumination, bicycle lanes, and sidewalks within the project limits. The proposed project is located on both existing right-of-way and approximately three acres of new right-of-way. The proposed project will add capacity, improve bicycle and pedestrian access in the area through the addition of bike lanes and sidewalks, and improve connectivity/operations at the FM 659 (Zaragoza Road)/Montwood Drive/Loop 375 Interchange.

Persons interested in attending the public meeting with special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact the TxDOT El Paso District Public Information Officer, Ms. Blanca Del Valle, at (915) 790-4200 at least two working days prior to the meeting. TxDOT will make all reasonable efforts to accommodate other special needs as requested.

Verbal and written comments from the public regarding this project are encouraged. Comments may be submitted either at the Public Meeting or in writing within 10 days after the meeting. Written comments may be mailed to the following address: Tony Gelacio, P.E., Project Manager, Entech Civil Engineers, 16360 Park Ten Place, Suite 230, Houston, Texas, 77084. Comments may also be emailed to ELP_ZaragozaRd@txdot.gov. Comments must be hand delivered or post marked on or before Tuesday, November 12, 2013 to be included as part of the public record. If you have any questions or would like to discuss the project in more detail, please contact Gus Sanchez, TxDOT Project Manager at (915) 790-4233.

EDUCATION

El Dorado High School's anti-bullying video goes viral

By Alex Hinojosa
ahinojosa@elpasotimes.com
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The El Dorado Aztecs' "roar" has been heard — and it's loud and clear that students at the high school are against bullying.

More than 2,800 students at the high school participated in making an online video against bullying, and it has received more than 7,000 views on YouTube at youtube.com/watch?v=x-vjduLXD2A

Originally, the video was going to be entered into Katy Perry's and the "Good Morning America" "Roar" contest, said student activities director Terrie Maya.

"I just threw the idea out there to them (the students), and the students took it and directed it," Maya said. "We were doing anti-bullying activities that week and

they took Katy Perry's song 'Roar' and used it for the anti-bullying video."

The contest asked for high schools across the nation to send in a two-minute video to "Good Morning America" of students at the school performing the song. The final day to submit a video was Oct. 1.

"But we were out on break when the contest was going on, so we couldn't submit it," said Sierra Jones, a senior at El Dorado High School. "But we decided to do it anyway. Once we were finished with it, we showed it to the school during our anti-bullying awareness class at school and it went viral after that."

With assistance from Arnie Miranda, media technology teacher, the students directed, edited and produced the final video.

The students uploaded it



VANESSA MONSISVAIS—EL PASO TIMES

El Dorado High School students produced an anti-bullying video that has reached 7000 hits on YouTube. Standing from left are Chris Powers, Jorge Nuñez, Joshua Rios, Samantha Garcia, Diana Dominguez, Trevor Rios and Sierra Jones. At lower center are Abel Acosta and Jennifer Perez.

to YouTube and the school has since been contacted by schools within the district

and from schools in Louisiana. "We didn't expect it to be this big," said Samantha

Online: See the video.
ELPASOTIMES.COM

Garcia, a junior at the high school. "And now we have other schools contacting us who want to do it as well."

The video shows a short skit of two students bullying another who is reading.

As the victim is bullied, a student interferes and takes the bullies inside El Dorado High School to show them "how it's done" at the school.

As the doors open, students from different clubs, organizations, classes and sports cheer and hold anti-bullying signs, while one student from each organization lip-syncs to Katy Perry's song, "Roar."

Although they were unable to submit it for the contest, the students said they were still happy they reached out to others in the

community and are spreading an anti-bullying message.

"We just wanted to send out a stop bullying message and let everyone be aware that it happens in school everyday," Garcia said. "We don't know how we are going to top that — but we are working on videos about texting and driving."

The students will enter their video in State Farm's Driving the Message Contest, which calls for addressing one or more of the top five risks teenagers face while driving - speeding, distractions, seat belts, nighttime driving and impaired driving (texting and drinking, for example).

The deadline for the contest is Jan. 31, and first place is \$2,000 for the school.

Alex Hinojosa may be reached at 546-6137.

COURTS

Second NM lawsuit filed over body cavity searches

By Jeri Clausing
The Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE » A second lawsuit was filed Friday against Southern New Mexico authorities accused of illegally subjecting drug suspects to invasive body cavity searches. And the attorney who filed the cases says she has been getting calls from others saying they were detained after the uncertified drug-sniffing dog at the heart of both cases raised suspicions.

Albuquerque civil rights attorney Shannon Kennedy filed the new lawsuit against the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office on behalf of Timothy Young, who says he was strip-searched in a gas station parking lot, then taken to the hospital for a cavity search. The lawsuit claims the searches were unreasonable, and that the body cavity search was in violation of the search warrant issued. Kennedy says the warrant was issued to search his body but not body cavities.

The sheriff of the border county could not immediately be reached for comment.

Kennedy has also filed suit against the Sheriff's Office and police in Deming on behalf of a Southern New Mex-

ico man who was taken to two hospitals and forced to have anal probes, three enemas, two body X-rays and a colonoscopy after a traffic stop.

The police chief in Deming, which is about 60 miles west of Las Cruces, did not return phone calls. But in response to the lawsuit, the officers said they were lawfully carrying out their duties.

Both men were initially pulled over for traffic violations, and the searches ensued after the county's drug-sniffing dog, Leo, indicated he detected drugs and search warrants were issued. No drugs were found in either case.

"The dog is alerting on the driver's seat, and they are detaining people for hours," Kennedy said.

The lawsuit says Leo is neither adequately trained nor properly certified for narcotics searches. It says there are no state records showing he's properly certified under New Mexico law.

The man in the first lawsuit, David Eckert, pleaded guilty to using methamphetamine in 2008. According to the lawsuit, Hidalgo County sheriff's deputies told Deming police officers that Eckert was known in the area for carrying drugs inside his

body. Young, who filed the new lawsuit, has no drug record, according to Kennedy.

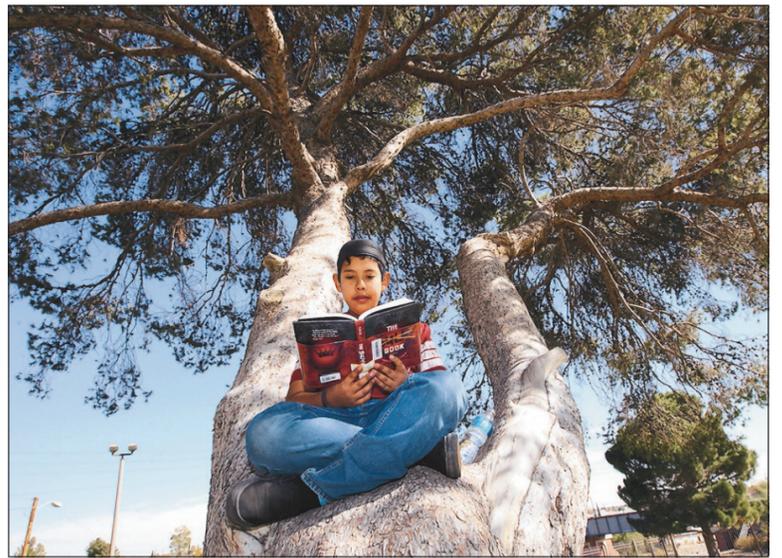
The lawsuits have raised questions about drug searches along the border. In addition to the two cases filed by Kennedy, the American Civil Liberties Union says it is preparing to sue the U.S. Customs and Border Protection on behalf of a woman who was crossing into El Paso in December and subjected to invasive searches after a drug dog alerted agents.

Attorney Laura Schauer Ives says the woman was strip-searched, vaginally probed then taken to the hospital for more invasive tests, a forced bowel movement, X-rays and scans. No drugs were found, the ACLU said. Schauer Ives said the woman's medical records refer to her being brought in both by Border Patrol and customs agents. The group has had a Freedom of Information Request pending since April to identify the officers and which departments of CBP were involved.

A spokesman for the agency, Doug Mosier, said he was unaware of the case and unable to verify such a search occurred at one of the El Paso crossings, which screen thousands of people every day.

COMMUNITY

READING WEATHER



MARK LAMBIE — EL PASO TIMES

Heriberto Ibarra reads a book in a tree Friday at Memorial Park. Unseasonably warm weather hit the area Friday. For the forecast, visit ELPASOTIMES.COM/WEATHER

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HOLIDAY

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Times staff report

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AVISO DE REUNIONES PÚBLICAS

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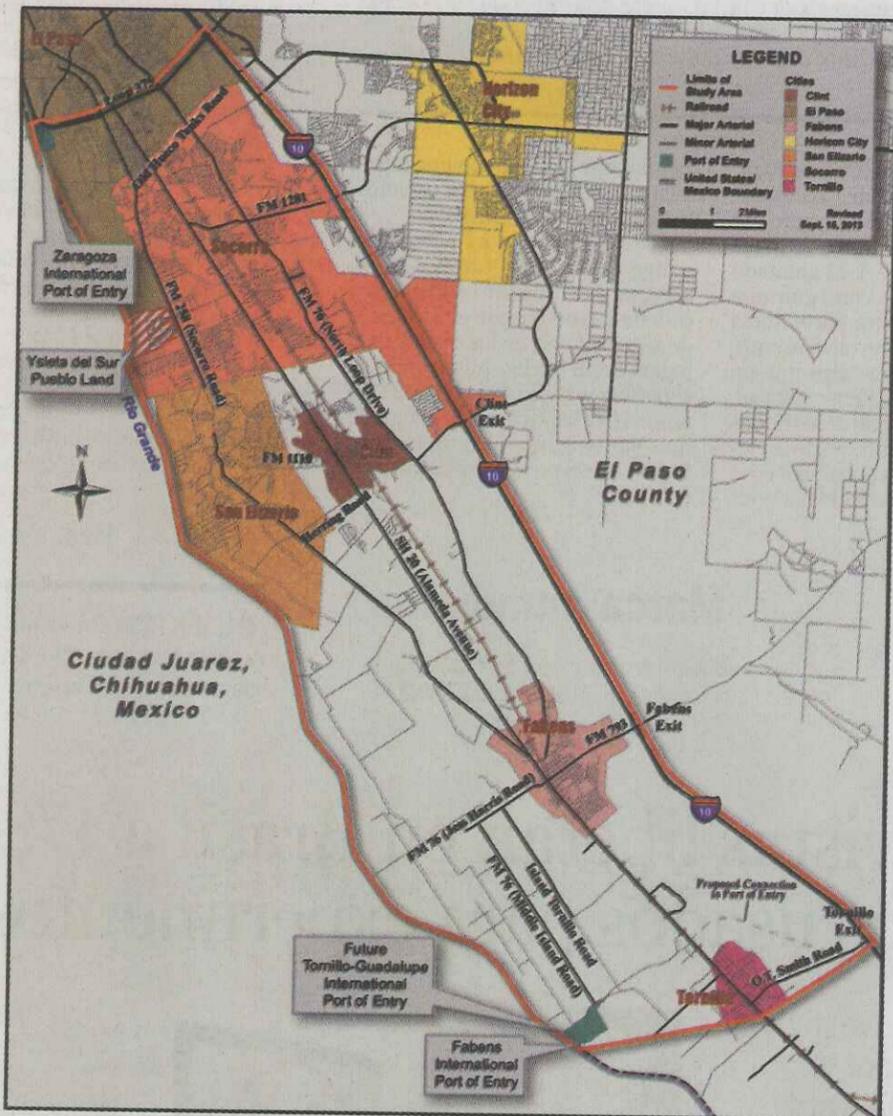
Estudio de Planeación y Vínculos Ambientales

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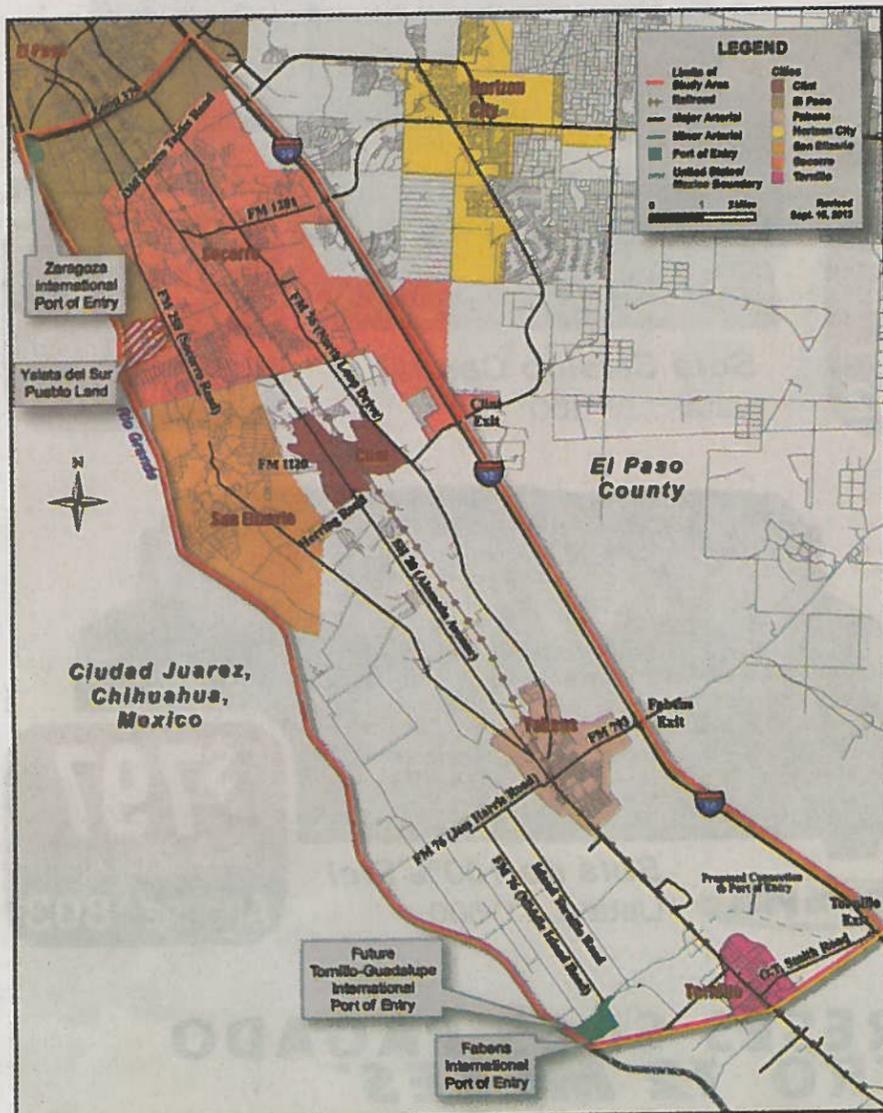
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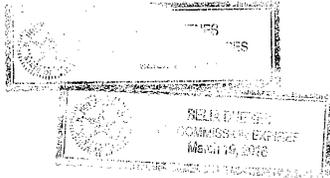
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The Texas Dept. of Transportation published the Notice of Border Highway East in the El Paso Times.

.The date of such publication being on October 20th, 2013.

Joseph Woods
Inside Sales Manager

Subscribed and sworn to before me,
January 14th, 2014



Belia Duenes, Notary Public
in and for the State of Texas

son computer to fight cancer

ancer IBM is part of MD Anderson's Moon Shots Program designed to use innovative approaches to fight eight deadly cancers. MD Anderson President Dr. Ronald DePinho said

"the ability of the human mind to navigate necessary knowledge and do it systematically for each patient is a huge medical challenge." "Identifying new insights from clinical research could

illuminate new paths," DePinho told the Chronicle. IBM, meanwhile, says Watson is 240 percent faster than it was in 2011 and that its server is now the size of a pizza box.

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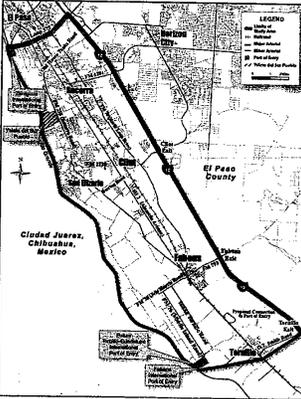
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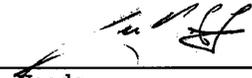
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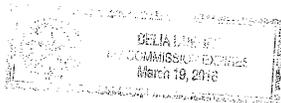
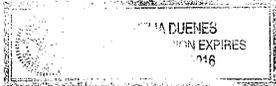
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EDUCATION

El Dorado High School's anti-bullying video goes viral

By Alex Hinojosa
alexhinojosa@elpasostar.com
@alexhinojosa on Twitter
The El Dorado Antebellum "rev" has been heard—and it's loud and clear that students at the high school are against bullying.

They took Katy Perry's song "Roar" and used it for the anti-bullying video. The content asked for high schools across the nation to send in a two-minute video to "Rock Morning America" at the school performing the song. The final day to submit a video was Oct. 1.



El Dorado High School students produced an anti-bullying video that has reached 700,000 hits on YouTube. Standing from left are Chris Powers, Jorge Nolasco, Jessica Rios, Samantha Garcia, Diana Dominguez, Trevor Riba and Sierra Jones. At lower center are Abel Acosta and Jennifer Perez.

Online: See the video.
texasnews.com
Garcia, a junior at the high school. "And now we have other schools contacting us who want to do it as well." The video shows a short skit of two students bullying another who is reading. As the victim is bullied, a student interferes and takes the bullies inside El Dorado High School to show them "how it's done" at the school.

community and are spreading an anti-bullying message. "We just wanted to send out a stop bullying message and let everyone be aware that it happens in school everyday," Garcia said. "We don't know how we are going to top that—but we are working on videos about texting and driving." The students will enter their video in State Patrol Driving the Message Contest, which calls for addressing one or more of the top five risks teenagers face while driving: speeding, fatigue, distraction, cell phone use and texting and driving. The deadline for the contest is Jan. 31, and fees place is \$2,000 for the school.

COURTS

Second NM lawsuit filed over body cavity searches

By Beth Channing
The Associated Press
ALBUQUERQUE — A second lawsuit was filed Friday against Southern New Mexico authorities accused of illegally subjecting drug suspects to invasive body cavity searches. And the attorney who filed the case says she has been getting calls from others saying they were detained after the unscrupled drug-sniffing dog at the heart of the case raised suspicions.

Both men were initially pulled over for traffic violations, and the searches ensued after the county's drug-sniffing dog, Leo, indicated he detected drugs and search warrants were issued. No drugs were found in either case. The dog is lying on the driver's seat, and they are detaining people for hours, Kennedy said.

body. Young, who filed the lawsuit, has no drug record, according to Kennedy. The lawsuits have raised questions about drug searches along the border. In addition to the two cases filed by Kennedy, the American Civil Liberties Union says it is pursuing searches after a drug dog alerted agents Attorney Laura Schaefer says she was strip-searched, vaginally probed that takes to the hospital for more invasive tests, X-rays and scans. No drugs were found, the ACLU said. Schaefer says she would like a medical records referral being brought in both by Border Patrol and customs agents. The group has had a Freedom of Information Request pending since April to identify the officers and which departments of CBP were involved.

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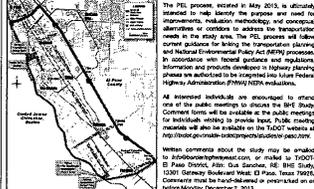
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Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared

JOSE H. SORIANO

(name of newspaper or publication representative)

, who being by me duly sworn, deposes

and says that (s)he is the

ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE

(title of newspaper or publication representative)

of the

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; that said newspaper or publication is generally circu

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EL PASO COUNTY, EL PASO

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2013 AND SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2013

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(newspaper or publication representative's signature)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 11 day of OCT, 2013.

to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.

David Jauregui

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

(Seal)

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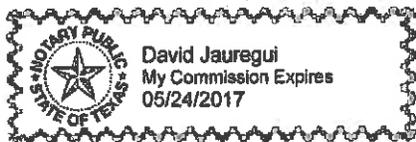
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(Seal)



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TXDOT
Public Notice
Meetings for Border Highway East on 11/19/13 and 11/20/13

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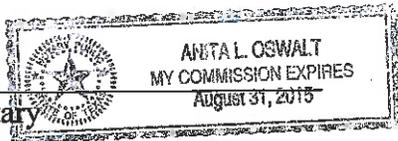
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Anita L. Oswalt

NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the State of Texas



Printed name of notary

My commission expires (date): _____



You are invited to a Public Meeting

Están invitados a una Reunión Pública

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El Departamento de Transporte de Texas - Distrito de El Paso llevará a cabo dos reuniones públicas para el Estudio Border Highway East (BHE, por sus siglas en inglés). La misma información se presentará en las dos reuniones. El propósito del estudio es de examinar las necesidades de transporte en el área de estudio BHE. Un mapa del área de estudio se encuentra al dorso de este folleto. Por favor planeen asistir a una de las siguientes reuniones:

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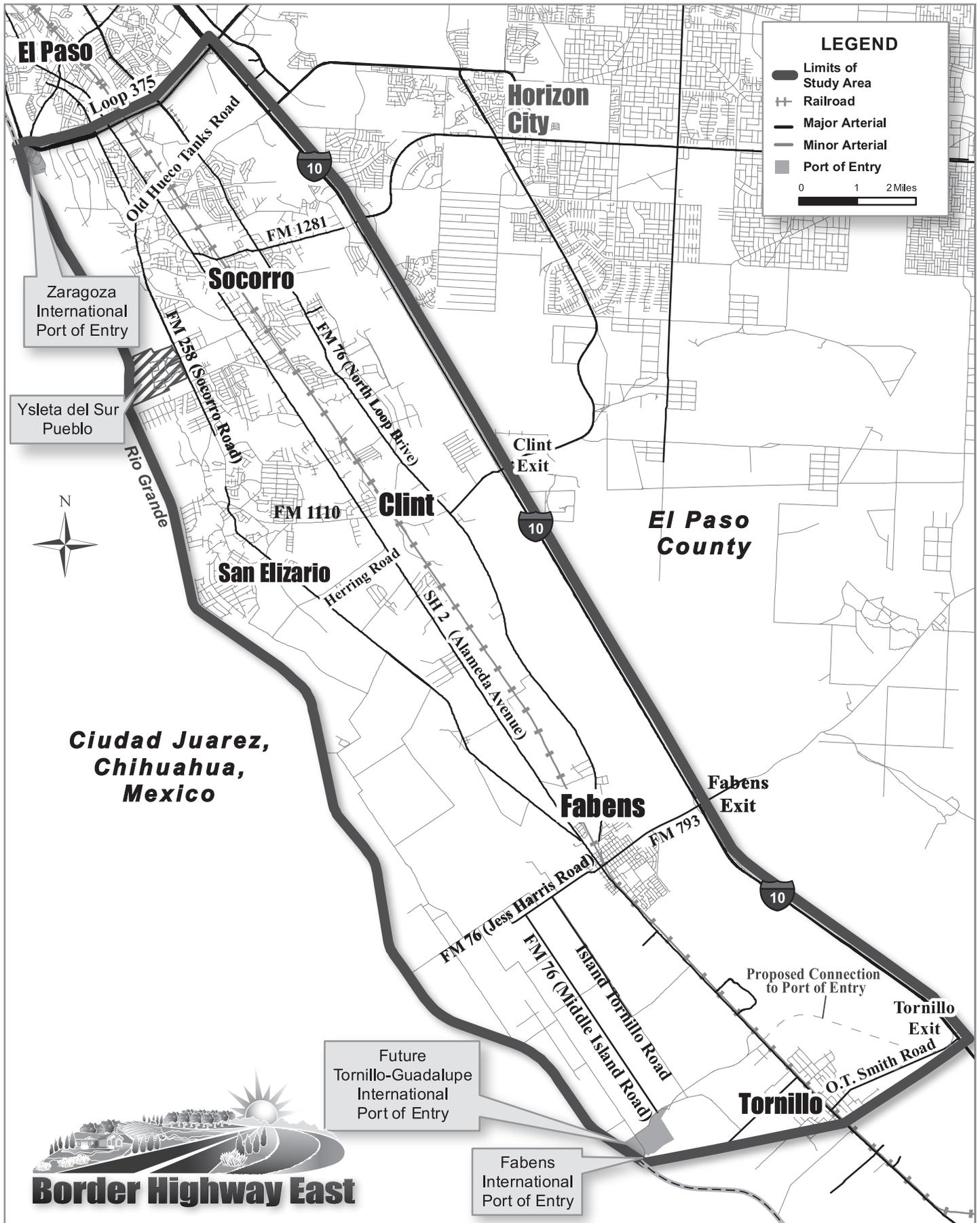
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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Willie Alarcon
Alderman
Town of Clint
200 N. San Elizario Rd.
Clint, Texas 79836

Dear Alderman Alarcon:

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Linda Candelaria
Alderwoman
Town of Clint
200 N. San Elizario Rd.
Clint, Texas 79836

Dear Alderwoman Candelaria:

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Henry Franco
Alderman
Town of Clint
200 N. San Elizario Rd.
Clint, Texas 79836

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Frank Montes
Mayor Pro Tem
Town of Clint
200 N. San Elizario Rd.
Clint, Texas 79836

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Ricardo Sepulveda
Alderman
Town of Clint
200 N. San Elizario Rd.
Clint, Texas 79836

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Ann Morgan Lilly
City Representative, District 1
City of El Paso
300 N. Campbell St.
El Paso, Texas 79901

Dear Representative Lilly:

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Larry Romero
City Representative, District 2
City of El Paso
300 N. Campbell St.
El Paso, Texas 79901

Dear Representative Romero:

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Emma Acosta
City Representative, District 3
City of El Paso
300 N. Campbell St.
El Paso, Texas 79901

Dear Representative Acosta:

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Carl L. Robinson
City Representative, District 4
City of El Paso
300 N. Campbell St.
El Paso, Texas 79901

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The Honorable Michiel Noe
City Representative, District 5
City of El Paso
300 N. Campbell St.
El Paso, Texas 79901

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The Honorable Eddie Holguin, Jr.
City Representative, District 6
City of El Paso
300 N. Campbell St.
El Paso, Texas 79901

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The Honorable Lily Limon
City Representative, District 7
City of El Paso
300 N. Campbell St.
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The Honorable Cortney Niland
City Representative, District 8
City of El Paso
300 N. Campbell St.
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Mr. Rick Talamo
Capital Project Manager
City of El Paso
300 N. Campbell St.
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Ms. Joyce A. Wilson
City Manager
City of El Paso
300 N. Campbell St.
El Paso, Texas 79901

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October 15, 2013

Mr. David R. Almonte
Deputy City Manager
Public Safety & Community Services
City of El Paso
300 N. Campbell St.
El Paso, Texas 79901

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October 15, 2013

Mr. William F. Studer, Jr.
Deputy City Manager
Development & Tourism
City of El Paso
300 N. Campbell St.
El Paso, Texas 79901

Dear Mr. Studer, Jr.:

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The Honorable Rene Rodriguez
Representative At Large
City of Socorro
124 S. Horizon Blvd.
Socorro, Texas 79927

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Maria Reyes
Representative, District 1
City of Socorro
124 S. Horizon Blvd.
Socorro, Texas 79927

Dear Representative Reyes:

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Gloria Macias Rodriguez
Representative, District 2
City of Socorro
124 S. Horizon Blvd.
Socorro, Texas 79927

Dear Representative Macias Rodriguez:

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Mary B. Garcia
Representative, District 3
City of Socorro
124 S. Horizon Blvd.
Socorro, Texas 79927

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable J.E. Chito Bowling
Representative, District 4
City of Socorro
124 S. Horizon Blvd.
Socorro, Texas 79927

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October 15, 2013

Mr. Willie Norfleet, Jr.
City Manager
City of Socorro
124 S. Horizon Blvd.
Socorro, Texas 79927

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Carlos Leon
County Commissioner Precinct 1
El Paso County
500 E. San Antonio Ave., Ste. 301
El Paso, Texas 79901

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The Honorable Sergio Lewis
County Commissioner Precinct 2
El Paso County
500 E. San Antonio Ave., Ste. 301
El Paso, Texas 79901

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The Honorable Vincent Perez
County Commissioner Precinct 3
El Paso County
500 E. San Antonio Ave., Ste. 301
El Paso, Texas 79901

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The Honorable Patrick Abeln
County Commissioner Precinct 4
El Paso County
500 E. San Antonio Ave., Ste. 301
El Paso, Texas 79901

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Judge of El Paso County
500 E. San Antonio Ave., Ste. 301
El Paso, Texas 79901

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The Honorable Javier Perea
Mayor, City of Sunland Park
1000 McNutt Rd., Ste. A
Sunland Park, New Mexico 88063

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The Honorable David Garcia
County Commissioner
Dona Ana County Government Ctr., District No. 2
845 N. Motel Blvd., Rm. 1250
Las Cruces, New Mexico 88007

Dear Commissioner Garcia:

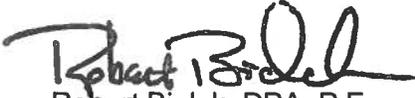
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Mr. Juan Cabrera
Superintendent
El Paso Independent School District
6531 Boeing Dr.
El Paso, Texas 79925

Dear Mr. Cabrera:

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Dr. Juan Martinez
Superintendent
Clint Independent School District
14521 Horizon Blvd.
El Paso, Texas 79928

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Mr. Poncho Garcia, Jr.
Superintendent
Fabens Independent School District
P.O. Box 697
Fabens, Texas 79838

Dear Mr. Garcia, Jr.:

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October 15, 2013

Dr. Sylvia Hopp
Superintendent
San Elizario Independent School District
1050 Chicken Ranch Rd.
San Elizario, Texas 79849

Dear Dr. Hopp:

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October 15, 2013

Dr. Jose Espinoza
Superintendent
Socorro Independent School District
12440 Rojas Dr.
El Paso, Texas 79928

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Dr. Michael Quatrini
Interim Superintendent
Tornillo Independent School District
19200 Cobb Ave.
Tornillo, Texas 79853

Dear Dr. Quatrini:

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Dr. Anna L. Perez
Superintendent
Ysleta Independent School District
9600 Sims Dr.
El Paso, Texas 79925

Dear Dr. Perez:

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Frank Paiz
Tribal Governor
Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Government
119 S. Old Pueblo Rd.
El Paso, Texas 79907

Dear Governor Paiz:

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The Honorable Arnulfo Castaneda
Mayor, City of Anthony
P.O. Box 2663
Anthony, New Mexico 88021

Dear Mayor Castaneda:

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The Honorable Oscar Leeser
Mayor, City of El Paso
300 N. Campbell St.
El Paso, Texas 79901

Dear Mayor Leeser:

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Jesus Ruiz
Mayor, City of Socorro
124 S. Horizon Blvd.
Socorro, Texas 79927

Dear Mayor Ruiz:

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The Honorable Lee Vela
Mayor, Town of Anthony
401 Wildcat Dr.
Anthony, Texas 79821

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The Honorable Dale Reinhardt
Mayor, Town of Clint
200 N. San Elizario Rd.
Clint, Texas 79836

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The Honorable Walter Miller
Mayor, Town of Horizon City
14999 Darrington Rd.
Horizon City, Texas 79928

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The Honorable Madeleine Praino
Mayor, Village of Vinton
436 Vinton Rd.
Vinton, Texas 79821

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The Honorable Mary Helen Garcia
New Mexico State Representative, District 34
5271 South Highway 28
Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005

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Texas State Representative, District 75
11200 Santos Sanchez St.
Socorro, Texas 79927

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The Honorable Naomi Gonzalez
Texas State Representative, District 76
6044 Gateway Blvd. East, Ste. 818
El Paso, Texas 79905

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The Honorable Marisa Marquez
Texas State Representative, District 77
310 N. Mesa St., Ste. 906
El Paso, Texas 79901

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The Honorable Joe Moody
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5675 Woodrow Bean, Ste. 12
El Paso, Texas 79924

Dear Representative Moody:

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Sincerely,

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Joe. C. Pickett
Texas State Representative, District 79
1790 Lee Trevino Dr., Ste. 307
El Paso, Texas 79936

Dear Representative Pickett:

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Joseph Cervantes
New Mexico State Senator, Dist. 31
2610 S. Espina St.
Las Cruces, New Mexico 88001

Dear Senator Cervantes:

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Jose Rodriguez
Texas State Senator, Dist. 29
100 N. Ochoa St., Ste. A
El Paso, Texas 79901

Dear Senator Rodriguez:

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The Honorable Pete Gallego
United States House of Representatives, Dist. 23
1714 SW Military Dr., Ste. 110
San Antonio, Texas 78221

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Beto O'Rourke
United States House of Representatives. Dist. 16
303 N. Oregon St., Ste. 210
El Paso, Texas 79901

Dear Congressman O'Rourke:

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable John Cornyn
United States Senate
517 Hart Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Cornyn:

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October 15, 2013

The Honorable Ted Cruz
United States Senate
B40b Dirksen Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Cruz:

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Jonathan Gardea

From: Jonathan Gardea
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 3:01 PM
To: josie.arellano@clint.net
Cc: 40668_WA9
Subject: Border Highway East Study Public Meeting Flyer Distribution
Attachments: BHE Open House Flyer_b-w_102313_FINAL.PDF

Importance: High

Ms. Arellano,

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Thank you,

Jonathan Gardea
Public Involvement Rep - North Texas

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Jonathan Gardea

From: Josie Arellano <Josie.Arellano@clint.net>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2013 3:52 PM
To: Jonathan Gardea
Subject: Re: Border Highway East Study Public Meeting Flyer Distribution

Hi Mr. Gardea,
As soon as I have the approval from my Principal, Mr. Gurany we will be, "good to do".
I will keep you posted.
josie

Josie Arellano
Clint High School
(915) 926-8302

Josie.Arellano@clint.net

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>>> Jonathan Gardea 10/30/13 2:05 PM >>>

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From: Jonathan Gardea
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2013 11:55 AM
To: Martha Cavazos (mcavazos@fabensisd.net)
Cc: 40668_WA9
Subject: Border Highway East Study Public Meeting Flyer Distribution
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Jonathan Gardea

From: Martha Cavazos <mcavazos@fabensisd.net>
Sent: Tuesday, November 05, 2013 1:30 PM
To: Jonathan Gardea
Subject: Re: Border Highway East Study Public Meeting Flyer Distribution

Mr. Gardea,

I hope you are doing fine, sorry I had not replied to your request on the flyers. After checking with one of our administrators, Dr. Rueda, said it was ok.

Just so you know the flyer will be placed on the District TV's which provides the students/community the information. Hopefully that will help get the word out.

Thank you,

Marty Cavazos
Administrative Assistant
Fabens ISD
Ph. (915) 765-2600 ext 2100
Fax (915) 764-3115
mcavazos@fabensisd.net

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From: [Jonathan Gardea](#)
To: ["seisd@seisd.net"](mailto:seisd@seisd.net)
Cc: [40668 WA9](#)
Subject: Border Highway East Study Public Meeting Invitation
Date: Friday, November 15, 2013 3:27:00 PM
Attachments: [BHE Open House Flyer b-w 102313 FINAL.pdf](#)

San Elizario ISD faculty and staff,

You are invited to a public meeting. The Texas Department of Transportation- El Paso District is hosting two public meetings for the Border Highway East (BHE) study on November 19th and November 20th. The purpose of the study is to examine the transportation needs in the BHE study area. A map of the study area can be found on the second page of the attached flyer. The same information will be presented at both meetings. Please plan on attending one of the following upcoming meetings:

Tuesday, November 19, 2013

Socorro High School Cafeteria
10150 Alameda Avenue
Socorro, Texas 79927

Time: 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Or

Wednesday, November 20, 2013

Rio Valle Woman's Club
521 Mike Maros
Fabens, Texas 79838

Time: 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Please feel free to forward this email and the attached flyer to any friends and family that may be interested. We look forward to your participation and seeing you at one of the public meetings.

Thank you,

Jonathan Gardea
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From: Leon, Caryn - Administrative Specialist II, Administrative Services <cleon@sisd.net>
Sent: Friday, November 01, 2013 9:09 AM
To: Jonathan Gardea
Subject: RE: Border Highway East Study Public Meeting Flyer Distribution

Sure! I will pass it along..... ☺

Thank you,

Caryn León

Administrative Specialist II
SISD Administrative Services Department
12440 Rojas Drive
El Paso, TX 79928
(915)937-0053
(915)851-7237 FAX

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From: Jonathan Gardea [<mailto:jgardea@HNTB.com>]
Sent: Thursday, October 31, 2013 11:46 AM
To: Leon, Caryn - Administrative Specialist II, Administrative Services
Cc: 40668_WA9
Subject: Border Highway East Study Public Meeting Flyer Distribution

Ms. Leon,

I hope you're doing well. As you may know, we have two public meetings for the Border Highway East study scheduled for Nov. 19 and Nov. 20 at the Socorro High Cafeteria and the Rio Valle Woman's club in Fabens. We would like great public participation at these meetings. Do you think it would be possible to distribute (email or handout) the attached flyer that advertises the public meetings throughout the district to faculty, parents and PTA members? I've attached an electronic version of the flyer for your convenience. Please let me know your thoughts.

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20 Nov

Reunión Pública para el estudio de la Carretera Fronteriza Este esta noche de 4 a 7pm /Club Femenil Rio Valle /521 Mike Maros /Fabens

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19 Nov

Public Mtg for Border Highway East study – tonight from 4-7pm/ Socorro High Cafeteria/ 10150 Alameda/Socorro

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18 Nov

Please join us tomorrow between 4 - 7 pm for a Public Mtg on the Border High East Study/ Socorro High Cafeteria- 10150 Alameda/Socorro

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15 Nov

REUNION PÚBLICA – Carretera Fronteriza Este/ 19 de noviembre/ 4pm–7pm/ Cafetería de la Preparatoria Socorro / 10150 Avenida Alameda/Socorro

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BORDER HIGHWAY EAST PUBLIC MEETING/ Nov. 19/ 4pm– 7pm/ Socorro High Cafeteria / 10150 Alameda/Socorro

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Mary González for State Representative shared a link. November 19

House District 75: The Texas Department of Transportation will be hosting two public meetings on the BHE or Border Highway East Project. The first will be held today Tuesday, November 19, 2013 and the second will be held tomorrow Wednesday, November 20, 2013 both from 4 pm to 7 pm. Today's meeting is at the Socorro High School cafeteria located at 10150 Alameda Avenue. Wednesday's meeting will be at the Rio Valle Women's Club at 521 Mike Maros Road In Fabens.



Tx-Dot hosting public meetings regarding Border Highway East Project | KTSM News Channel 9 | www.ktsm.com

Connect with us: Noreen Jaramillo ADVERTISEMENT The Texas Department of Transportation is inviting you to a meeting to learn more about what's called the BHE or Border Highway East Project.

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Mary González for State Representative shared a link via Burnt Orange Report. November 18

"Kudos to Annie's List for helping to change the face of Texas

November 19

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"As an elected official, one of... See More



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Mary González for State Representative November 18

So excited that our first district canned food drive is off to a great start! Just heard that Fabens Elementary raised 2,500 cans already! Let's keep going!



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November 15, 2013

PUBLIC MEETINGS
for
BORDER HIGHWAY EAST
PLANNING and ENVIRONMENTAL LINKAGES STUDY

WHO: Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT)

WHAT: Public Meetings the Border Highway East Planning and Environmental Linkages Study

WHERE: **Socorro High School** (Cafeteria)
10150 Alameda Avenue
Socorro, Texas

Rio Valle Woman's Club
521 Mike Maros
Fabens, Texas

WHEN: **November 19** (Tuesday)
4 p.m. – 7 p.m.

November 20 (Wednesday)
4 p.m. – 7 p.m.

WHY: TxDOT will host two public meetings for the Border Highway East (BHE) Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study. The purpose of the meeting is to provide information about the proposed project and gather input from the public.

The BHE study area begins at Americas (Loop 375) near the Zaragoza International Port of Entry (POE) and extends approximately 20 miles southeast to the Fabens International POE (future Tornillo Guadalupe International POE). I-10 and the Rio Grande serve as east and west boundaries respectively.

The PEL process, initiated in May 2013, is ultimately intended to help identify the purpose and need for improvements, evaluation methodology, and conceptual alternatives or corridors to address the transportation needs in the study area. The PEL process will follow current guidance for linking the transportation planning and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) processes. In accordance with federal guidance and regulations, information and products developed in highway planning phases are authorized to be integrated into future Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) NEPA evaluations.

All interested individuals are encouraged to attend one of the public meetings to discuss the BHE Study.

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15 de noviembre del 2013

REUNIONES PÚBLICAS

Para el

ESTUDIO de PLANEACIÓN Y VÍNCULOS AMBIENTALES del BORDER HIGHWAY EAST

QUIÉN: Departamento de Transporte de Texas (TxDOT)

QUÉ: Reuniones Públicas para el estudio de Planeación y Vínculos Ambientales del Border Highway East

DÓNDE: **Socorro High School** (en la Cafetería)
10150 Avenida Alameda
Socorro, Texas

Club Femenil Rio Valle
521 Mike Maros
Fabens, Texas

CUÁNDO: **19 de noviembre** (martes)
4 p.m. - 7 p.m.

20 de noviembre (miércoles)
4 p.m. - 7 p.m.

POR QUÉ: TxDOT realizará dos reuniones públicas sobre el Estudio de Planeación y Vínculos Ambientales (PEL) del Border Highway East (BHE). El propósito de las reuniones públicas es de presentar información y recibir comentarios y opiniones del público.

El área de estudio del BHE inicia en la Avenida Américas (Loop 375) cerca del Puente Internacional de Zaragoza y se extiende aproximadamente 20 millas al sureste hasta el Puente Internacional de Fabens (futuro Puente Internacional Tornillo-Guadalupe). La I-10 y el Río Grande (Río Bravo) sirven como los límites este y oeste, respectivamente.

Se les invita a todos los interesados a asistir a una de las reuniones públicas y dialogar sobre el estudio de BHE.

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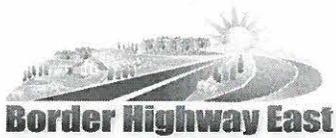
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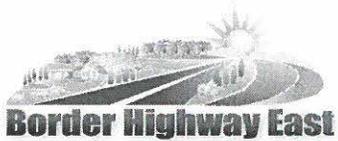
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Public Meeting Series #1 Materials and Example Photographs

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Reunión Pública #1

Estudio de la Carretera Fronteriza Este

martes, 19 de noviembre de 2013 / 4 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Cafetería de la Preparatoria Socorro
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- Borrador de la Metodología de Evaluación de las Alternativas
- Borrador del Plan de Coordinación con el Público y las Agencias

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GUÍA DE ESTACIONES

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FACT SHEET



What is the Border Highway East Study?

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is dedicated to working with our community to provide safe and reliable transportation solutions for Texas. As part of this mission, we are beginning the community discussion and visioning process for transportation improvements along the border in southeast El Paso County. This study area, called Border Highway East (BHE), begins at Loop 375 near the Zaragoza International Port of Entry (POE) and extends south to the Fabens International POE. I-10 and the Rio Grande serve as east and west boundaries respectively.

The Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) process will be followed for the BHE Study that will identify and document the transportation needs and potential improvements for the study area.

What is the PEL process?

The PEL process was established by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to provide a more efficient process of identifying, evaluating, and selecting preferred transportation improvements. This process allows early, planning-level decisions to be carried forward so that future National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements are connected and planning analyses and decisions are not revisited.

What are the benefits of following the PEL process?

In addition to informing and expediting the NEPA process, the PEL process will provide an opportunity for early coordination with the public as well as local, state and federal agencies in a collaborative environment. By working together, alternatives and avoidance measures can be developed at a local level.

Why is the PEL process needed for the BHE study area?

A feasibility study prepared by TxDOT identified the need for transportation improvements in the study area approximately 15 years ago. Some of the challenges identified include:

- Increasing traffic demands on east-west mobility;
- Lack of connectivity to I-10;
- Congestion and the need for an alternative/parallel route to existing roadways;
- Social and economic demands from population growth;
- Increasing strain on local roadways and railroads associated with international trade; and
- Increasing interregional trade and freight rail movements.

The PEL process will result in a proposed solution or a series of solutions to these challenges, as well as potential funding options.

How long will the PEL process take?

The BHE study began in May 2013 and is anticipated to conclude in the fall of 2014. A report will be prepared to document the PEL process and recommended solutions.

How can the public get involved:

We understand that any proposed solution to the region's transportation needs must address issues and concerns from many stakeholders. Our process is driven by continuous outreach to engage the community throughout the study process. TxDOT will host three rounds of open house meetings at locations that will be convenient to attendees from the study area. The open house meetings will be held to provide project information and gather input from all those interested in the BHE Study. To learn more or to request a presentation contact:

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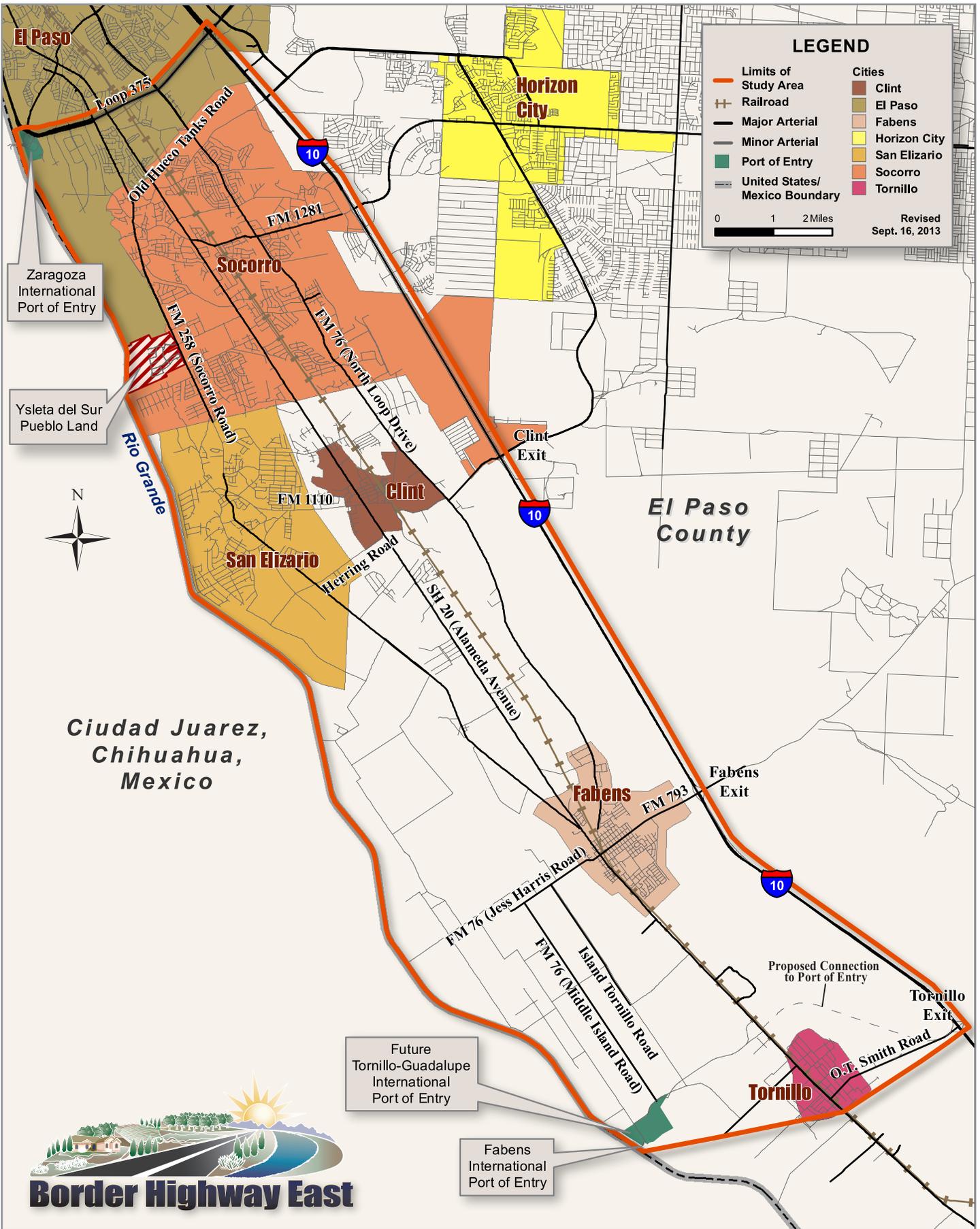
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STUDY AREA MAP



HOJA DE DATOS



¿Qué es el Estudio de la Carretera Fronteriza Este?

El Departamento de Transporte de Texas (TxDOT, por sus siglas en inglés) trabajará junto con la comunidad para proporcionar soluciones de transporte seguras y confiables para el estado de Texas. Como parte de nuestra misión, hemos empezado un diálogo con la comunidad y la creación de una visión para las mejoras de transporte a lo largo de la frontera en el sureste del Condado de El Paso. Esta área de estudio, llamada la Carretera Fronteriza Este (BHE, por sus siglas en inglés) empieza en el Periférico 375, cerca del Puente Internacional (POE, por sus siglas en inglés) Zaragoza y se extiende hacia el sur hasta el Puente Internacional Fabens. La carretera I-10 y el Rio Grande sirven como los límites este y oeste, respectivamente.

Se seguirá el proceso de Planeación y Vínculos Ambientales (PEL, por sus siglas en inglés) durante el Estudio BHE, el cual identificará y documentará las necesidades de transporte y las posibles mejoras en el área de estudio.

¿Qué es el proceso PEL?

El proceso PEL fue establecido por la Administración Federal de Carreteras (FHWA, por sus siglas en inglés) para ofrecer un proceso más eficiente de identificar, evaluar y seleccionar mejoras de transporte preferidas. Este proceso permite que las decisiones de planeación que se toman durante la fase temprana se transfieran y futuros requisitos del Decreto Nacional de Política Ambiental (NEPA, por sus siglas en inglés) se conecten y que los análisis de planeación y las decisiones tomadas no se tengan que repetir.

¿Cuáles son los beneficios de seguir el proceso PEL?

Además de proporcionar información y ayudar a acelerar el proceso NEPA, el proceso PEL ofrecerá la oportunidad de empezar a coordinar con el público y las agencias locales, estatales y federales en una fase temprana y en un ambiente colaborativo. Trabajando juntos se pueden desarrollar a un nivel local las alternativas y medidas para evitar impactos.

¿Por qué se necesita el proceso PEL para el área de estudio BHE?

Hace aproximadamente 15 años, un estudio de viabilidad preparado por TxDOT identificó la necesidad de mejoras de transporte en el área de estudio. Algunos de los retos que fueron identificados incluyen:

Aumento de demanda del tráfico sobre la movilidad este-oeste;

Falta de conectividad con la carretera I-10;
La congestión y necesidad de tener rutas alternativas/paralelas a carreteras existentes;
Demandas sociales y económicas debidas al crecimiento de la población;
Saturación en las carreteras locales y en las vías ferroviarias asociadas con el comercio internacional; y
Un aumento en el comercio interregional y actividad de ferrocarril.

El proceso PEL dara como resultado una solución propuesta ó una serie de soluciones a estos retos, así como posibles opciones de financiación.

¿Cuánto tiempo tomará el proceso PEL?

El estudio BHE comenzó en mayo de 2013 y se anticipa que finalizará en otoño de 2014. Se preparará un reporte para documentar el proceso PEL y las soluciones recomendadas.

¿Cómo puede participar el público?

Entendemos que cualquier solución que se proponga para cubrir las necesidades de transporte de la región deberá abordar los temas y las inquietudes de varias personas y grupos interesados. Nuestro proceso se basa en el alcance al público continuo y la participación de la comunidad a través del proceso del estudio. TxDOT realizará tres series de reuniones públicas abiertas en sitios en proximidad al área del estudio para el público. Las reuniones públicas abiertas se llevarán a cabo para proporcionar información sobre el proyecto y juntar comentarios de toda persona interesada en el Estudio BHE. Para mayor información o para pedir una presentación a su grupo póngase en contacto:

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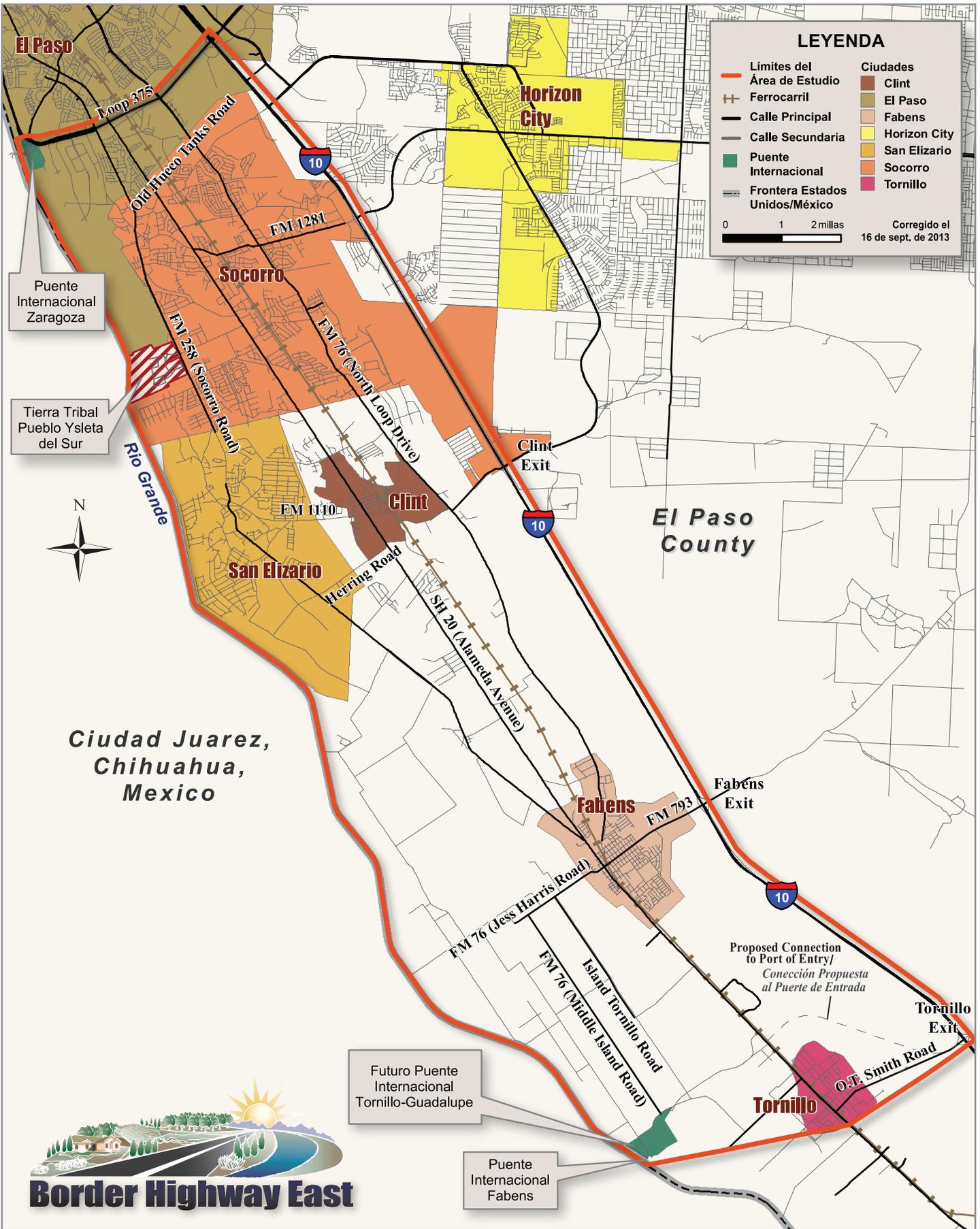
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MAPA DEL ÁREA DE ESTUDIO





PUBLIC MEETING #1
Border Highway East
Planning and Environmental Linkages Study
El Paso County
El Paso, Texas

Tuesday, November 19, 2013
4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Socorro High School Cafeteria
10150 Alameda Avenue
Socorro, Texas 79927

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NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

REPRESENTING: _____

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REUNIÓN PÚBLICA #1

Carretera Fronteriza Este
Estudio de Planeación y Vínculos Ambientales
Condado de El Paso
El Paso, TX

Martes, 19 de noviembre de 2013
4 p.m. a 7 p.m.
Cafetería de la Preparatoria Socorro
10150 Avenida Alameda
Socorro, Texas 79927

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FORMULARIO DE COMENTARIOS

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COMENTARIOS: _____

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PUBLIC MEETING #1

Border Highway East
Planning and Environmental Linkages Study
El Paso County
El Paso, Texas

Wednesday, November 20, 2013
4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Rio Valle Woman's Club
521 Mike Maros
Fabens, Texas 79838

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NAME: _____

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REUNIÓN PÚBLICA #1

Carretera Fronteriza Este
Estudio de Planeación y Vínculos Ambientales
Condado de El Paso
El Paso, TX

Miércoles, 20 de noviembre de 2013
4 p.m. a 7 p.m.
Club Femenil Rio Valle
521 Mike Maros
Fabens, Texas 79838

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Station	Type	Title
Station 2: Planning and Environmental Linkages	Text Exhibit	The PEL Process
	Graphic Exhibit	Connecting Planning Studies



Border Highway East

The PEL Process / El Proceso PEL

What is the PEL process?

The PEL process was established by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to provide a more efficient process of identifying, evaluating, and selecting preferred transportation improvements. This process allows early, planning-level decisions to be carried forward so that future National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements are connected and planning analyses and decisions are not revisited.

What are the benefits of following the PEL process?

In addition to informing and expediting the NEPA process, the PEL process will provide an opportunity for early coordination with the public as well as local, state and federal agencies in a collaborative environment. By working together, alternatives and avoidance measures can be developed at a local level.

Why is the PEL process needed for the BHE study area?

A feasibility study prepared by TxDOT identified the need for transportation improvements in the study area approximately 15 years ago. Some of the challenges identified include:

- Increasing traffic demands on east-west mobility;
- Lack of connectivity to I-10;
- Congestion and the need for an alternative/parallel route to existing roadways;
- Social and economic demands from population growth;
- Increasing strain on local roadways and railroads associated with international trade; and
- Increasing interregional trade and freight rail movements.

The PEL process will result in a proposed solution or a series of solutions to these challenges, as well as potential funding options.

¿Qué es el proceso PEL?

El proceso PEL fue establecido por la Administración Federal de Carreteras (FHWA, por sus siglas en inglés) para ofrecer un proceso más eficiente de identificar, evaluar y seleccionar mejoras de transporte preferidas. Este proceso permite que las decisiones de planeación que se toman durante la fase temprana se transfieran y futuros requisitos del Decreto Nacional de Política Ambiental (NEPA, por sus siglas en inglés) se conecten y que los análisis de planeación y las decisiones tomadas no se tengan que repetir.

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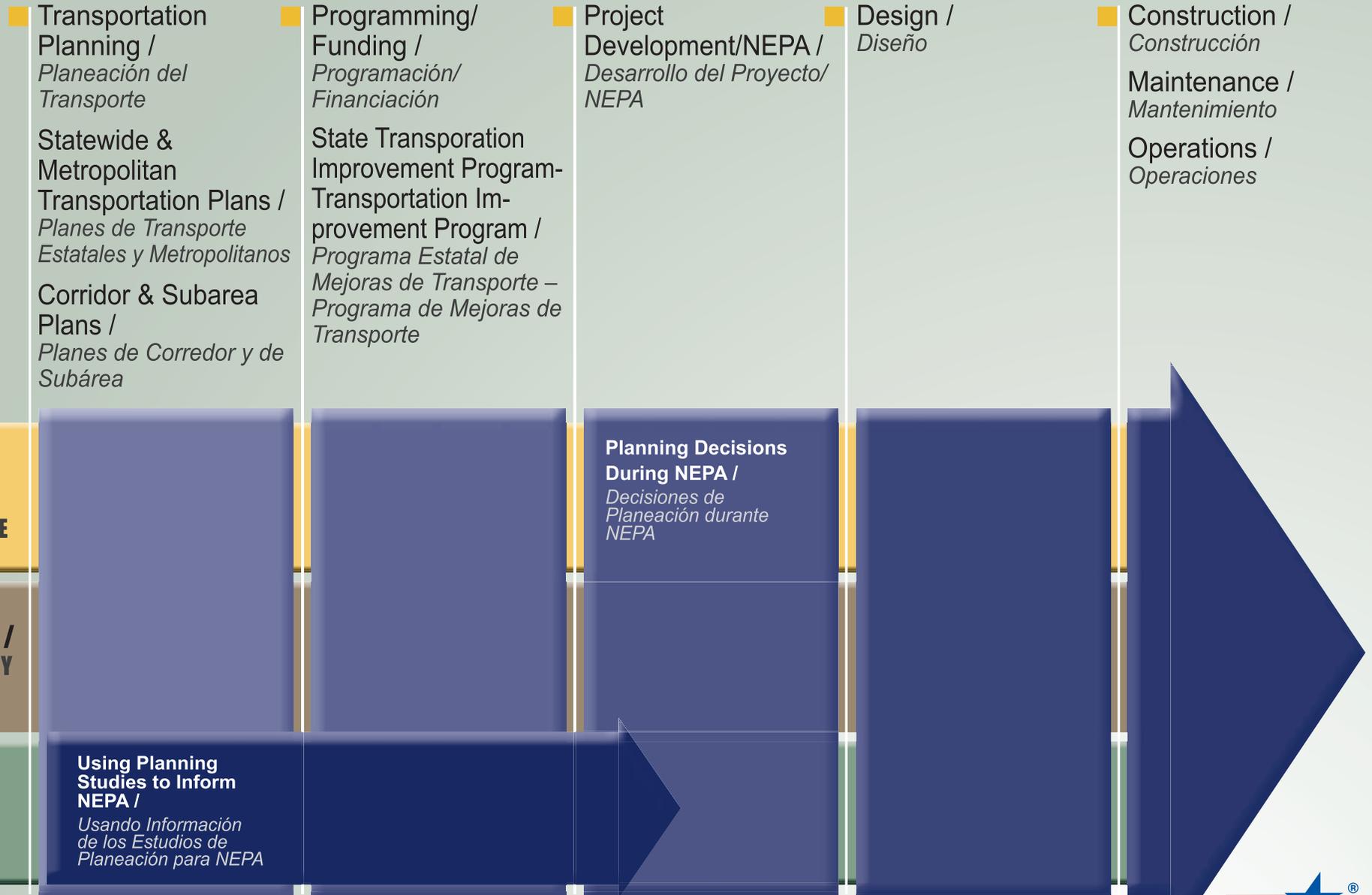
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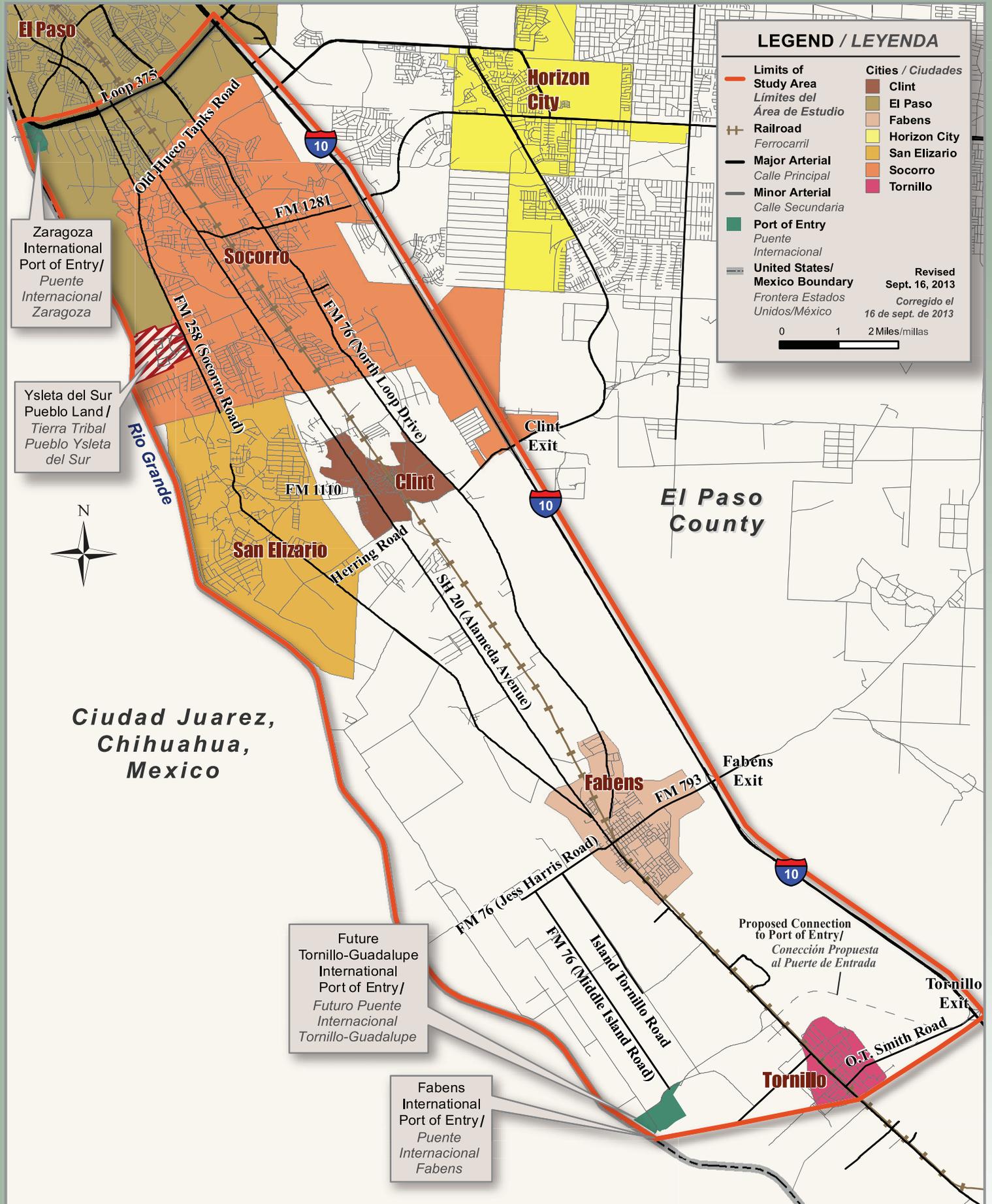
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Station	Type	Title
Station 3: BHE Study Area and Constraints Maps	Map Exhibit	Study Area Map
	Map Exhibit	Constraints Map
	Map Exhibit	1997 Feasibility Study Area Map
	Map Exhibit	Level of Service 2010
	Map Exhibit	Level of Service 2040



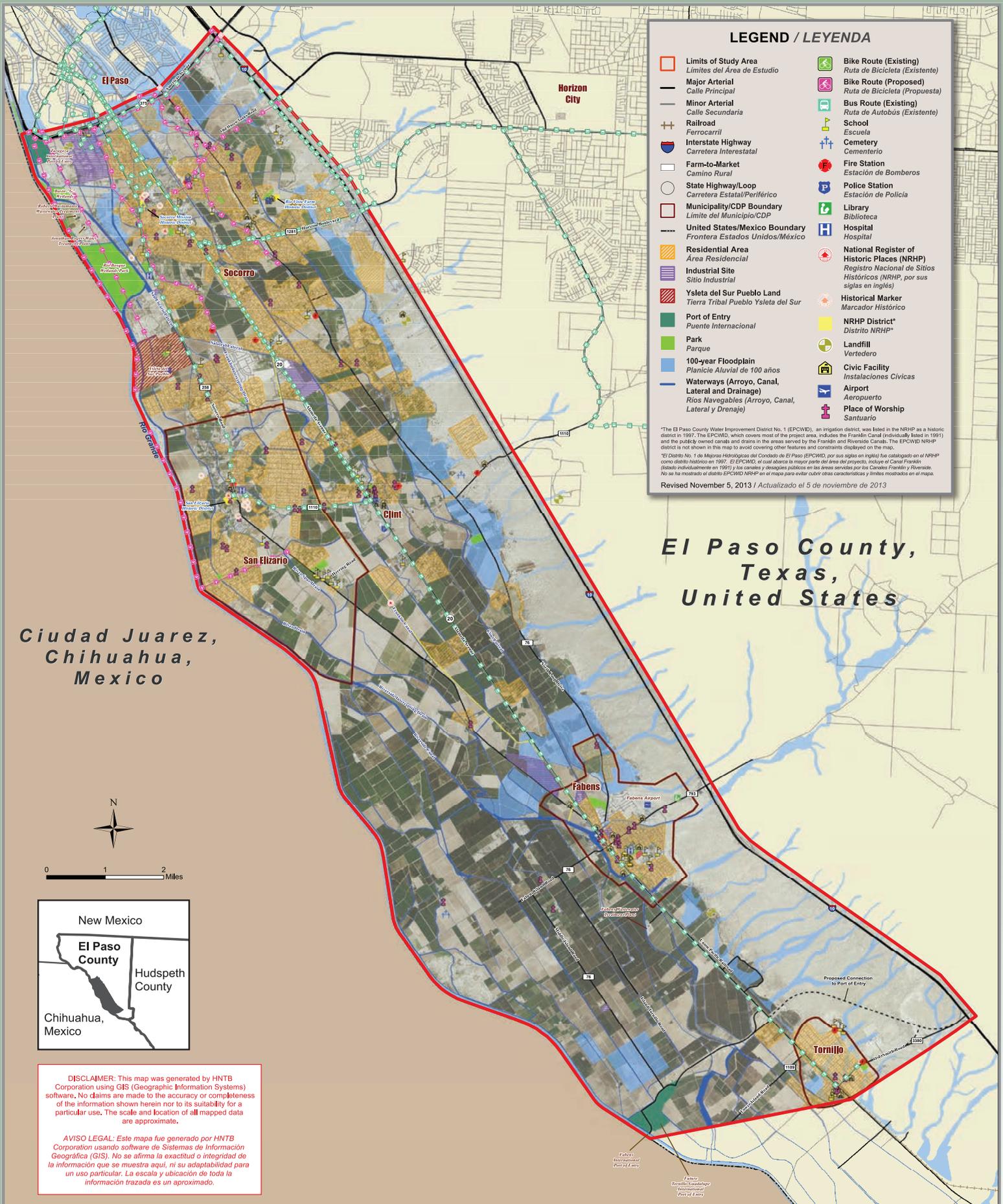
Study Area Map / Area de Estudio

El Paso
County





Constraints Map / Mapa de Límites del Proyecto



LEGEND / LEYENDA

Limits of Study Area <i>Límites del Área de Estudio</i>	Bike Route (Existing) <i>Ruta de Bicicleta (Existente)</i>
Major Arterial <i>Calle Principal</i>	Bike Route (Proposed) <i>Ruta de Bicicleta (Propuesta)</i>
Minor Arterial <i>Calle Secundaria</i>	Bus Route (Existing) <i>Ruta de Autobús (Existente)</i>
Railroad <i>Ferrocarril</i>	School <i>Escuela</i>
Interstate Highway <i>Carretera Interestatal</i>	Cemetery <i>Cementerio</i>
Farm-to-Market <i>Camino Rural</i>	Fire Station <i>Estación de Bomberos</i>
State Highway/Loop <i>Carretera Estatal/Periférico</i>	Police Station <i>Estación de Policía</i>
Municipality/CDP Boundary <i>Límite del Municipio/CDP</i>	Library <i>Biblioteca</i>
United States/Mexico Boundary <i>Frontera Estados Unidos/México</i>	Hospital <i>Hospital</i>
Residential Area <i>Área Residencial</i>	National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) <i>Registro Nacional de Sitios Históricos (NRHP, por sus siglas en inglés)</i>
Industrial Site <i>Sitio Industrial</i>	Historical Marker <i>Marcador Histórico</i>
Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Land <i>Tierra Tribal Pueblo Ysleta del Sur</i>	NRHP District* <i>Distrito NRHP*</i>
Port of Entry <i>Puente Internacional</i>	Landfill <i>Vertedero</i>
Park <i>Parque</i>	Civic Facility <i>Instalaciones Cívicas</i>
100-year Floodplain <i>Planicie Aluvial de 100 años</i>	Airport <i>Aeropuerto</i>
Waterways (Arroyo, Canal, Lateral and Drainage) <i>Ríos Navegables (Arroyo, Canal, Lateral y Drenaje)</i>	Place of Worship <i>Santuario</i>

*The El Paso County Water Improvement District No. 1 (EPCWID), an irrigation district, was listed in the NRHP as a historic district in 1997. The EPCWID, which covers most of the project area, includes the Franklin Canal (privately listed in 1991) and the publicly owned canals and drains in the areas served by the Franklin and Riverside Canals. The EPCWID NRHP district is not shown in this map to avoid covering other features and constraints displayed on the map.

*El Distrito No. 1 de Mapas Hidrológicas del Condado de El Paso (EPCWID, por sus siglas en inglés) fue catalogado en el NRHP como distrito histórico en 1997. El EPCWID, el cual abarca la mayor parte del área del proyecto, incluye el Canal Franklin (listado individualmente en 1991) y los canales y desagües públicos en las áreas servidas por los Canales Franklin y Riverside. No se ha mostrado el distrito EPCWID NRHP en el mapa para evitar cubrir otras características y límites mostrados en el mapa.

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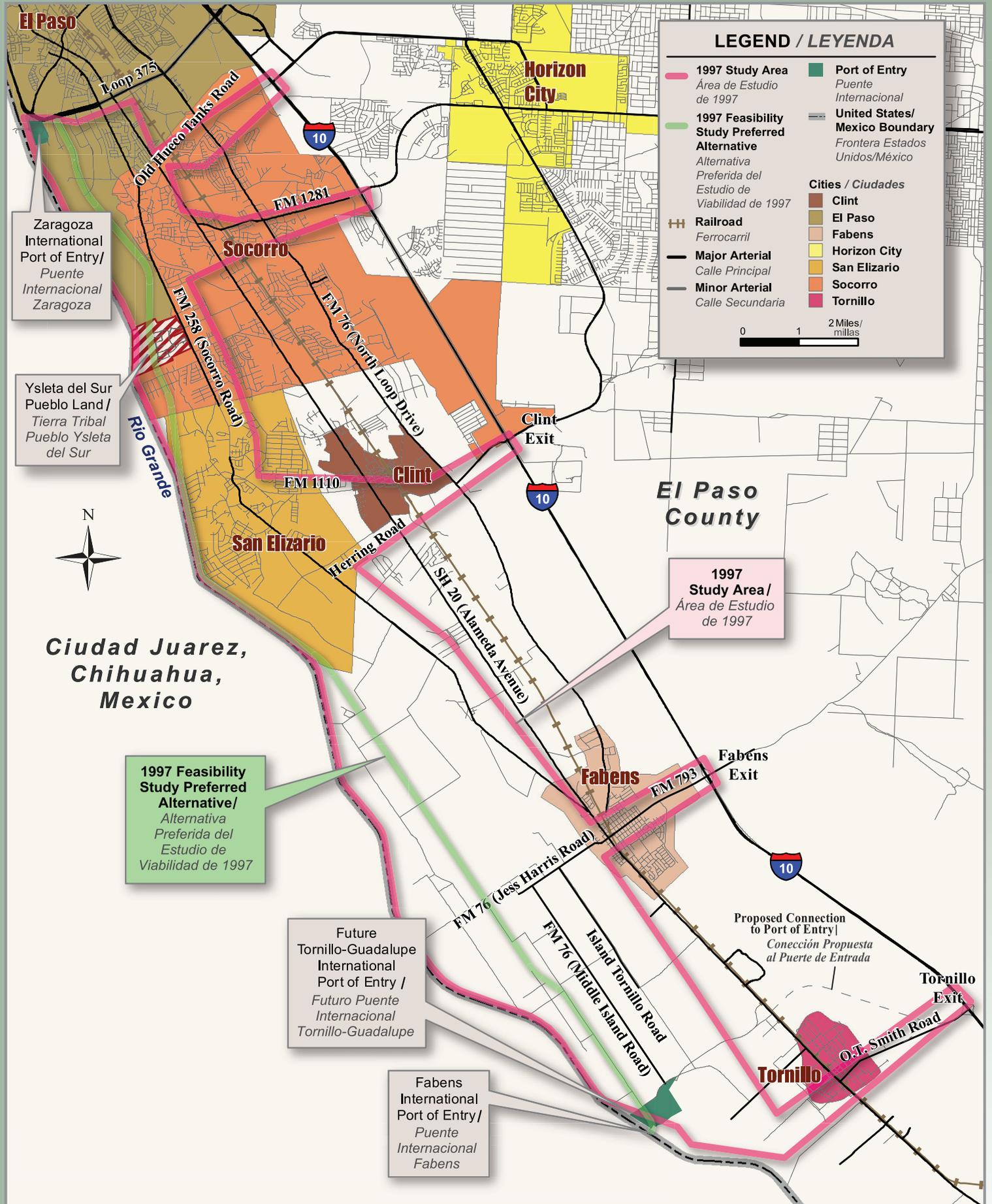


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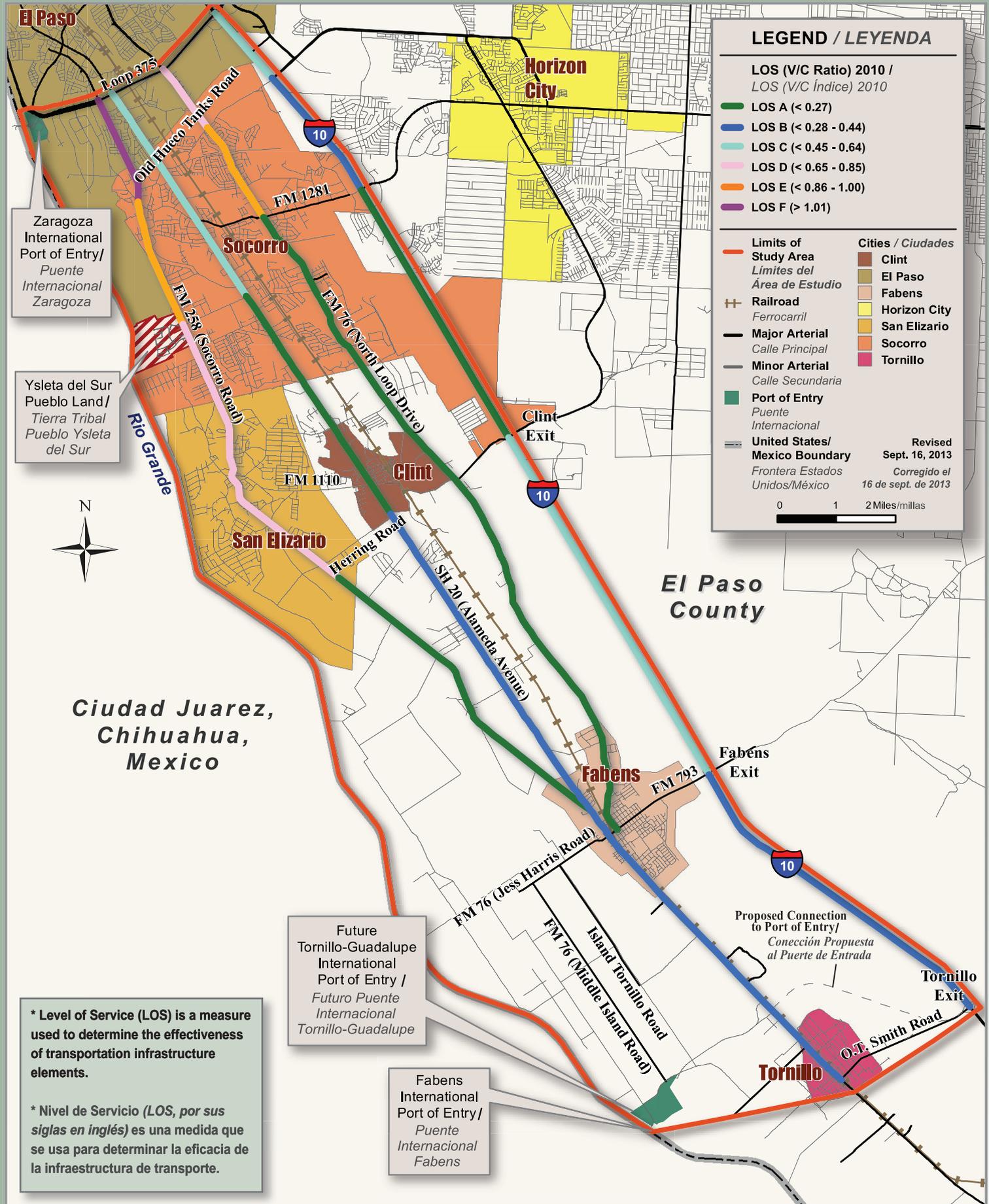


1997 Feasibility Study Map / Mapa de Viabilidad de Estudio de 1997





Level of Service 2010 / Nivel de Servicio 2010



LEGEND / LEYENDA

LOS (V/C Ratio) 2010 /
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Fabens International Port of Entry / Puente Internacional Fabens

Proposed Connection to Port of Entry / Conexión Propuesta al Puente de Entrada

Tornillo Exit

Tornillo

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El Paso County

Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico

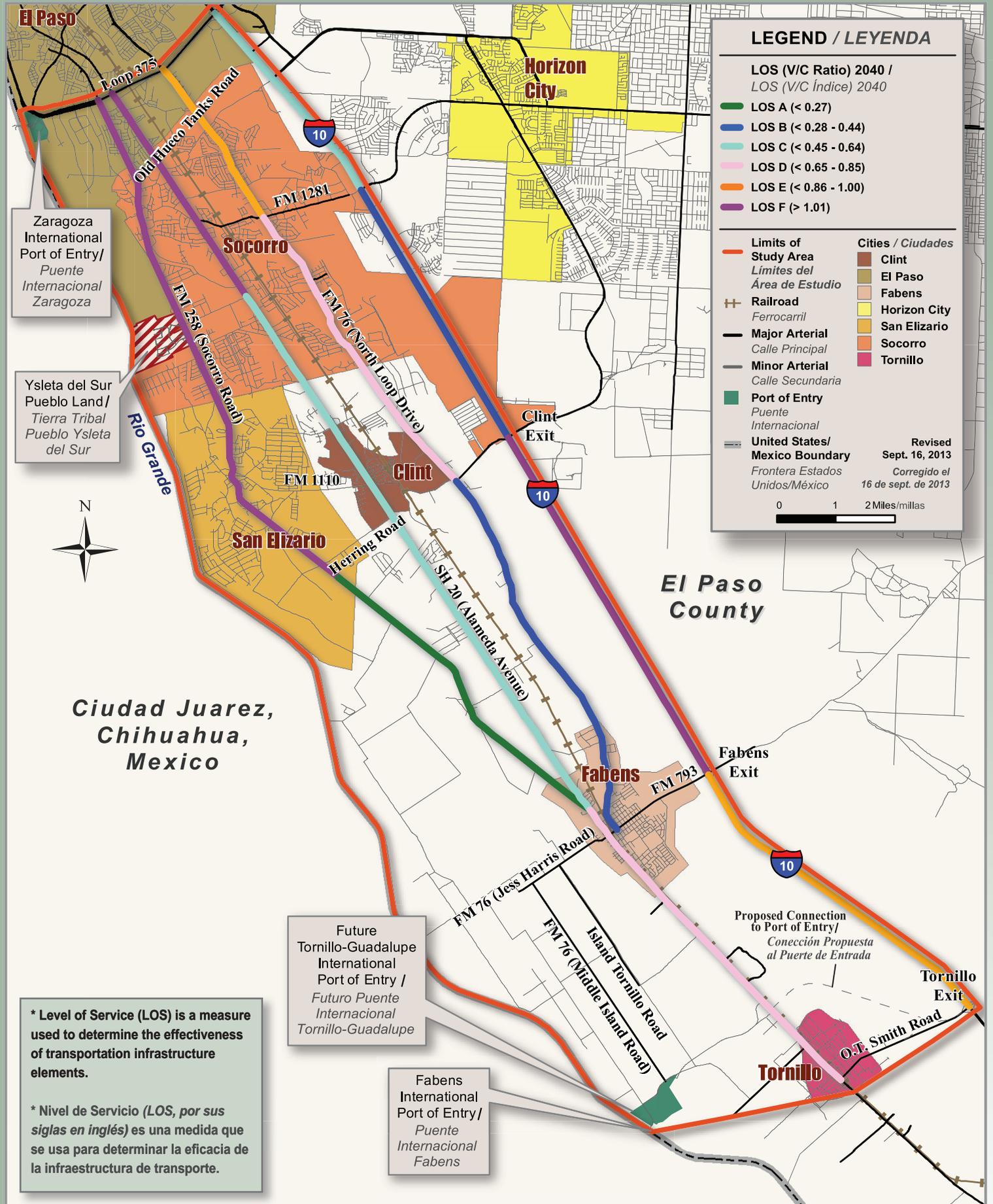
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Ysleta del Sur Pueblo Land / Tierra Tribal Pueblo Ysleta del Sur





Level of Service 2040 / Nivel de Servicio 2040



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Station	Type	Title
Station 4: Make Your Mark	Map Exhibit	Two sets of large-scale maps of the BHE Study Area

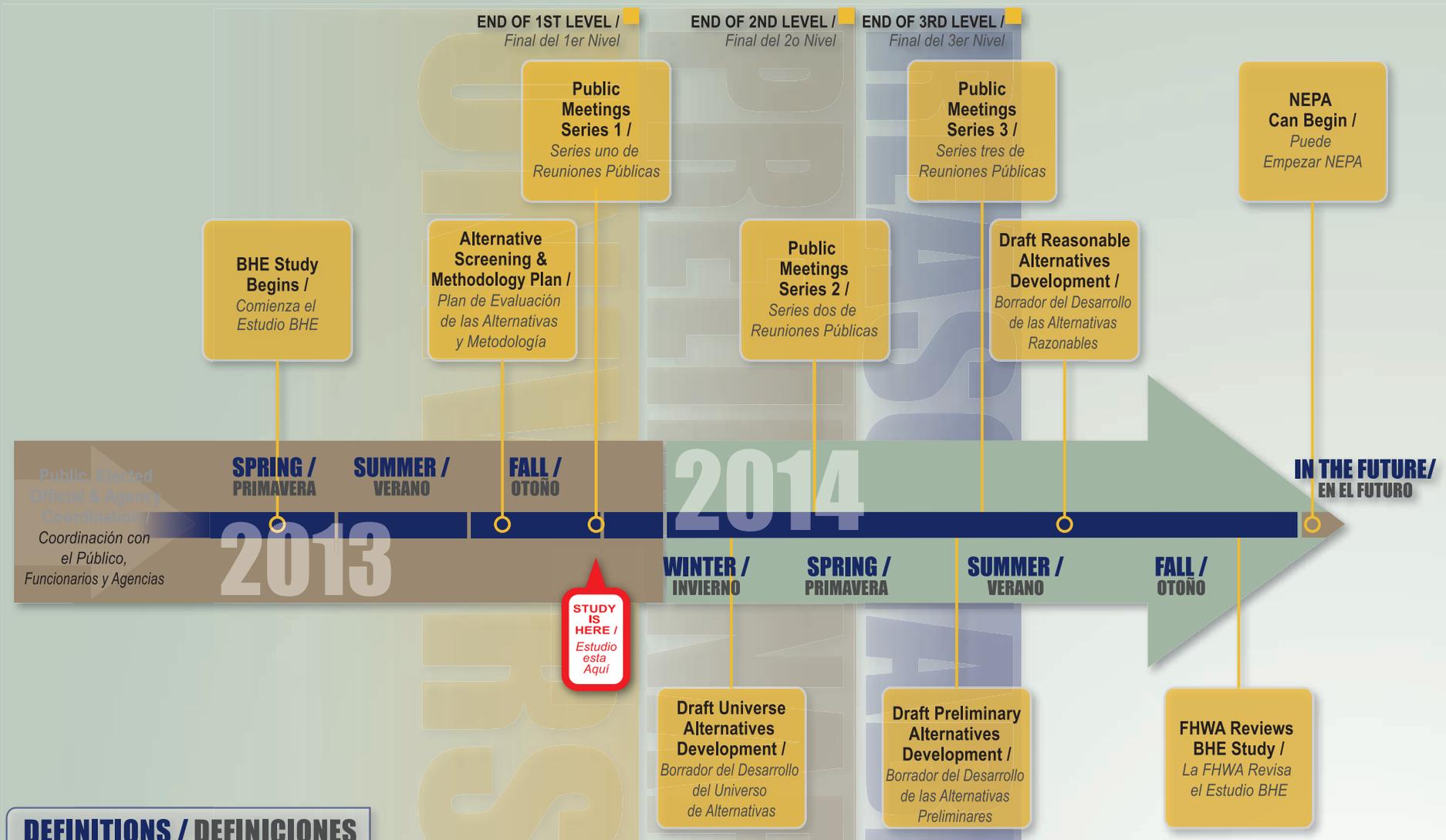
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Station	Type	Title
Station 5: PEL Study Timeline and Get Involved	Graphic Exhibit	PEL Study Timeline
	Text Exhibit	How to Get Involved



PEL Study Timeline / PEL Programa del Estudio



DEFINITIONS / DEFINICIONES

- Universe of Alternatives:** Represents all potential transportation alternatives identified at the First Level of evaluation of the study area against the draft Purpose & Need. / *Universo de Alternativas:* Representa todas las posibles alternativas de transporte identificadas en el Primer Nivel de evaluación del área de estudio relacionadas al borrador de Propósito y Necesidad.
- Preliminary Alternatives:** Represents the transportation alternatives which pass the First Level review and will be put through a more refined evaluation during the Second Level process. / *Alternativas Preliminares:* Representan las alternativas de transporte que pasan por el análisis de Primer Nivel y las cuales pasarán por una evaluación más refinada durante el proceso de Segundo Nivel.
- Reasonable Alternatives:** Represents the number of transportation alternatives which pass the Second Level review and progress through an additional refinement during the Third Level review. / *Alternativas Razonables:* Representan el número de alternativas de transporte que pasan el Segundo Nivel de análisis y se refinan aún más durante el análisis de Tercer Nivel.





How To Get Involved / Información Sobre el Estudio y Participación

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Attend upcoming public meetings

Spring & summer 2014

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Station	Type	Title
Station 6: Draft Study Documents	Text Exhibit	Draft Purpose and Need
	Graphic Exhibit	Alternative Screening Process
	Report	Draft Purpose and Need
	Report	Draft Alternative Screening Methodology
	Report	Draft Environmental Constraints
	Report	Draft Public Involvement and Agency Coordination Plan



Draft Purpose & Need / Borrador del Propósito y la Necesidad

The purposes of the BHE PEL Study are to develop transportation alternatives to address existing operational deficiencies, lack of connectivity to IH-10 and Loop 375, and anticipated demand on the existing transportation network within the BHE Study Area. Solutions could include providing direct routes to IH-10 and Loop 375, managing congestion, and integrating existing transportation facilities to complement other modes of transportation. These solutions would allow for efficient movement of people and goods as well as meet study goals.

Examples of issues identified within the Study Area:

- Lack of direct access from local communities to IH-10 and Loop 375;
- Congestion along local arterials;
- High truck traffic along local arterials;
- Existing at-grade train crossings within the study area resulting in operational issues such as travel delays; and
- Increasing demand on existing roadways, railroads and ports of entry due to an increase in trade and freight.

Please contribute to the BHE Study and provide input and additional information on the Purpose and Need by December 2, 2013.

Los propósitos del estudio PEL de la Carretera Fronteriza Este (BHE, por sus siglas en inglés) incluyen desarrollar alternativas de transporte para abordar deficiencias operacionales existentes, falta de conectividad a las carreteras IH-10 y Loop 375, y a la demanda anticipada en el sistema de transporte dentro del área de estudio de BHE. Las soluciones podrían incluir rutas directas a IH-10 y Loop 375, manejo de la congestión, e integración de las facilidades de transportación existentes para complementar otros modos de transporte. Estas soluciones permitirían un movimiento más eficaz de personas y artículos y cumplirían con los objetivos del estudio.

Ejemplos de asuntos identificados en el área de estudio incluyen:

- Falta de acceso directo desde las comunidades locales a IH-10 y Loop 375;
- Congestión en las arterias locales;
- Alto número de tráfico de camiones en las arterias locales;
- El número de cruces de trenes a nivel resultan en asuntos operacionales como demoras de viaje dentro del área de estudio; y
- Aumento en la demanda en las carreteras, vías ferroviarias, y puentes internacionales debido al aumento del comercio y actividad ferroviaria.

Por favor contribuya al estudio BHE y proporcione sus ideas e información adicional sobre el propósito y necesidad a más tardar del 2 de diciembre de 2013.

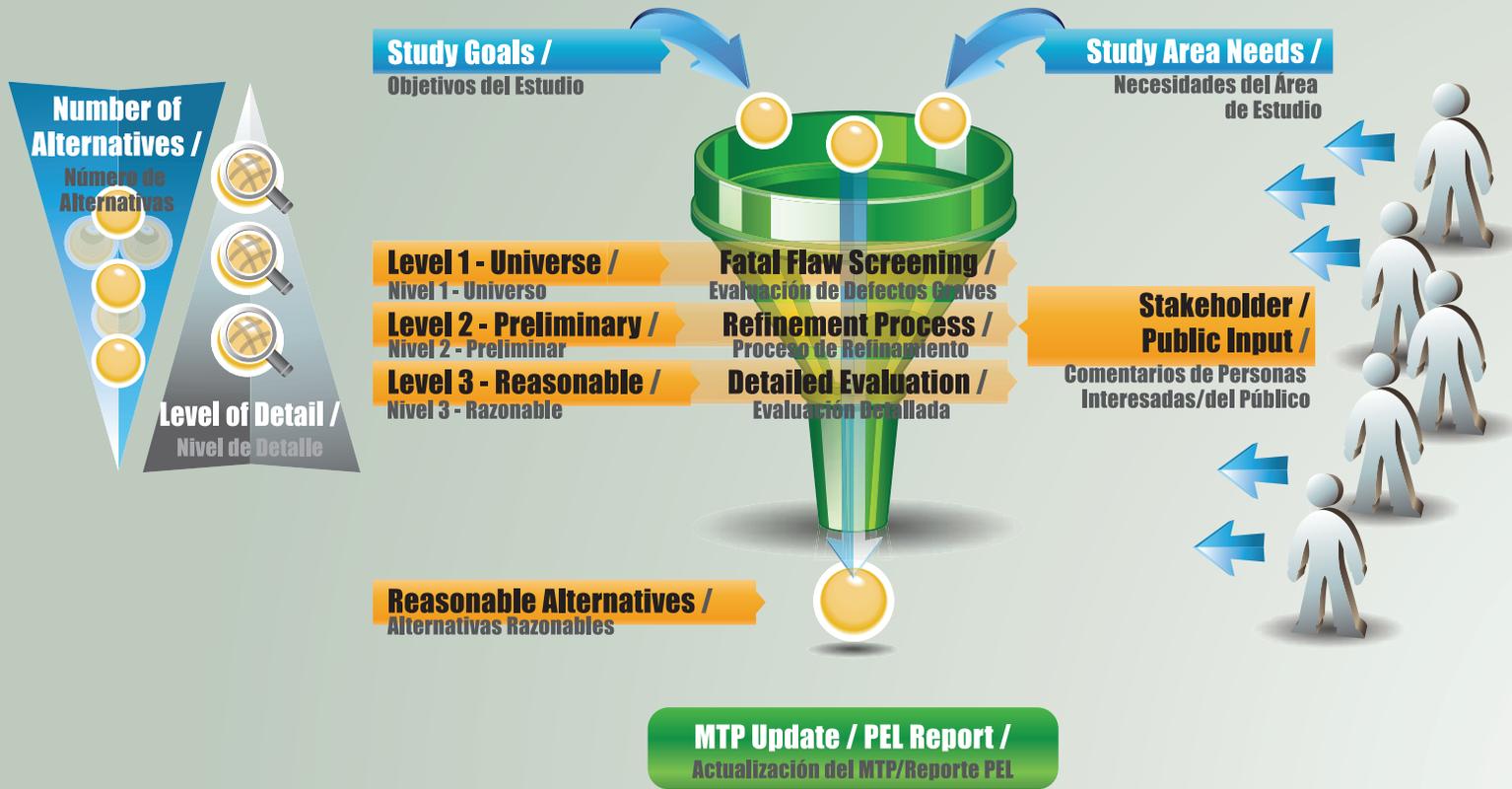




Alternative Screening Process / Proceso de Evaluación de las Alternativas

**Moving Ahead for Progress (MAP) -21 and
Horizon 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)/
Avanzando Para El Progreso (MAP)-21 (por sus siglas en inglés) y
Plan de Transporte Metropolitano Horizon 2040 (MTP, por sus siglas en inglés)**

**Alternatives Development / Evaluation Screening /
Desarrollo de las Alternativas/Evaluación**



DEFINITIONS / DEFINICIONES

MAP-21 - Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act authorizes FHWA to provide needed funds and transforms the policy and programmatic framework for investments to guide the growth and development of the country's vital transportation infrastructure.

MAP-21 (por sus siglas en inglés) - El Decreto Avanzando Para El Progreso en el Siglo 21 autoriza a la Administración Federal de Carreteras (FHWA por sus siglas en inglés) a proveer fondos necesarios y transforma el marco operativo programático y de políticas de inversión para guiar el crecimiento y el desarrollo de la infraestructura vital del país.

Horizon 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) – The long range transportation plan for the Metropolitan El Paso Region which covers El Paso County Texas and sections of Doña Ana and Otero counties in New Mexico. Projects in the plan are aimed at providing a range of travel opportunities to the public including new roadways, improvements to existing roadways, new transit service and safety among others.

Plan de Transporte Metropolitano Horizon 2040 (MTP, por sus siglas en inglés) – El plan de transporte a largo plazo para la Región Metropolitana de El Paso abarca el Condado de El Paso, Texas y parte de los condados Dona Ana y Otero en Nuevo México. Los proyectos en el plan tienen el objetivo de proveerle al público varias oportunidades de viaje, las cuales incluyen carreteras nuevas, mejoras a las carreteras existentes, servicio de tránsito nuevo y seguridad entre otras.

El Paso

Loop 375

Old Huevo Tanks Road

FM 1281

Socorro

FM 258 (Socorro Road)

FM 76 (North Loop Drive)

Rio Grande

FM 1110

San Elizario

Herring Road

Clint

SH 20 (Alameda Avenue)

FM 76 (Jess Harris Road)

Horizon City

Clint Exit

Fabens Exit

Island Tornillo Road

FM 76 (Middle Island Road)

Proposed Connection to Port of Entry

Tornillo

O.J. Smith Road

Tornillo Exit

Ciudad Juarez,
Chihuahua,
Mexico

PURPOSE AND NEED TECHNICAL REPORT

BORDER HIGHWAY EAST STUDY

CSJ: 0924-06-090

EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS

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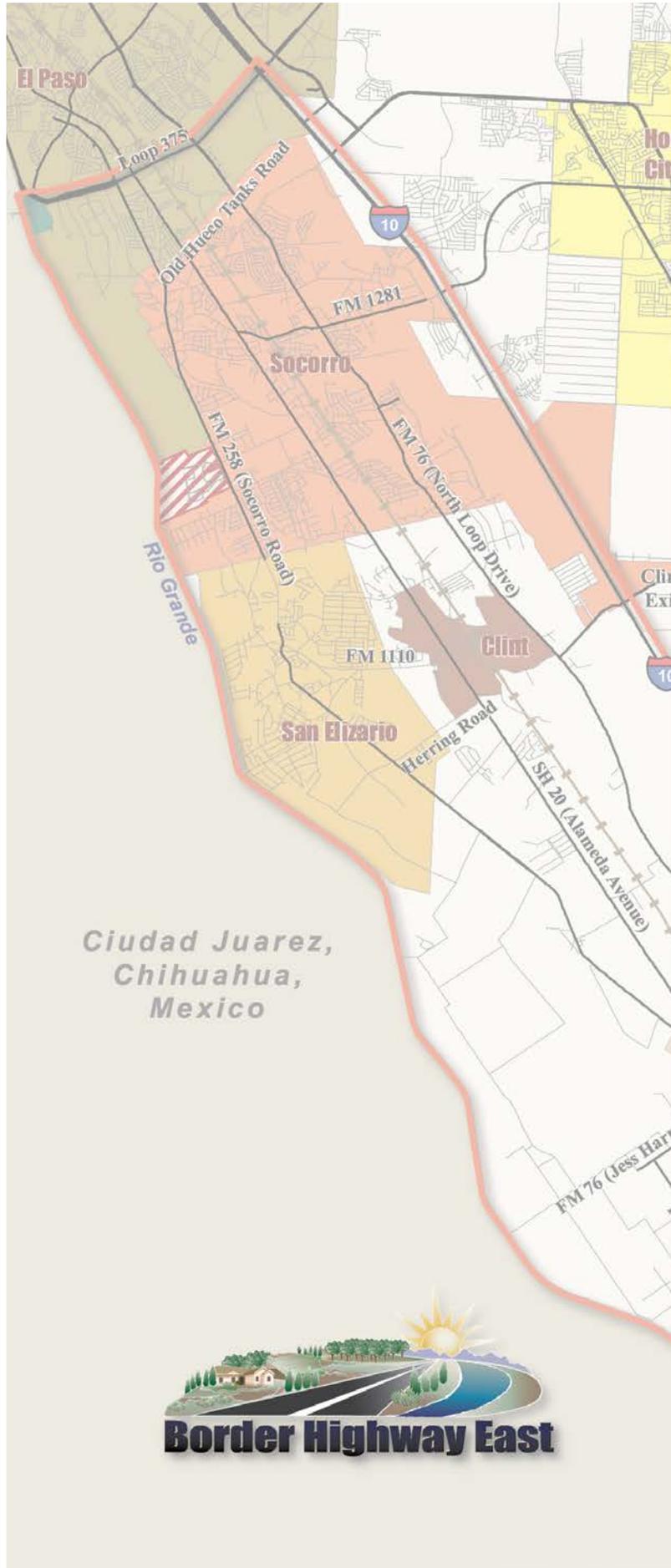
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TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



Border Highway East

NOVEMBER 2013





ALTERNATIVE SCREENING METHODOLOGY

BORDER HIGHWAY EAST STUDY

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Border Highway East

OCTOBER 2013





ENVIRONMENTAL CONSTRAINTS REPORT

BORDER HIGHWAY EXTENSION – EAST PROJECT

CSJ: 0924-06-090

FROM LOOP 375 (AMERICAS AVENUE)
NEAR THE ZARAGOZA INTERNATIONAL
PORT OF ENTRY TO THE FUTURE
TORNILLO-GUADALUPE INTERNATIONAL
PORT OF ENTRY

EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS

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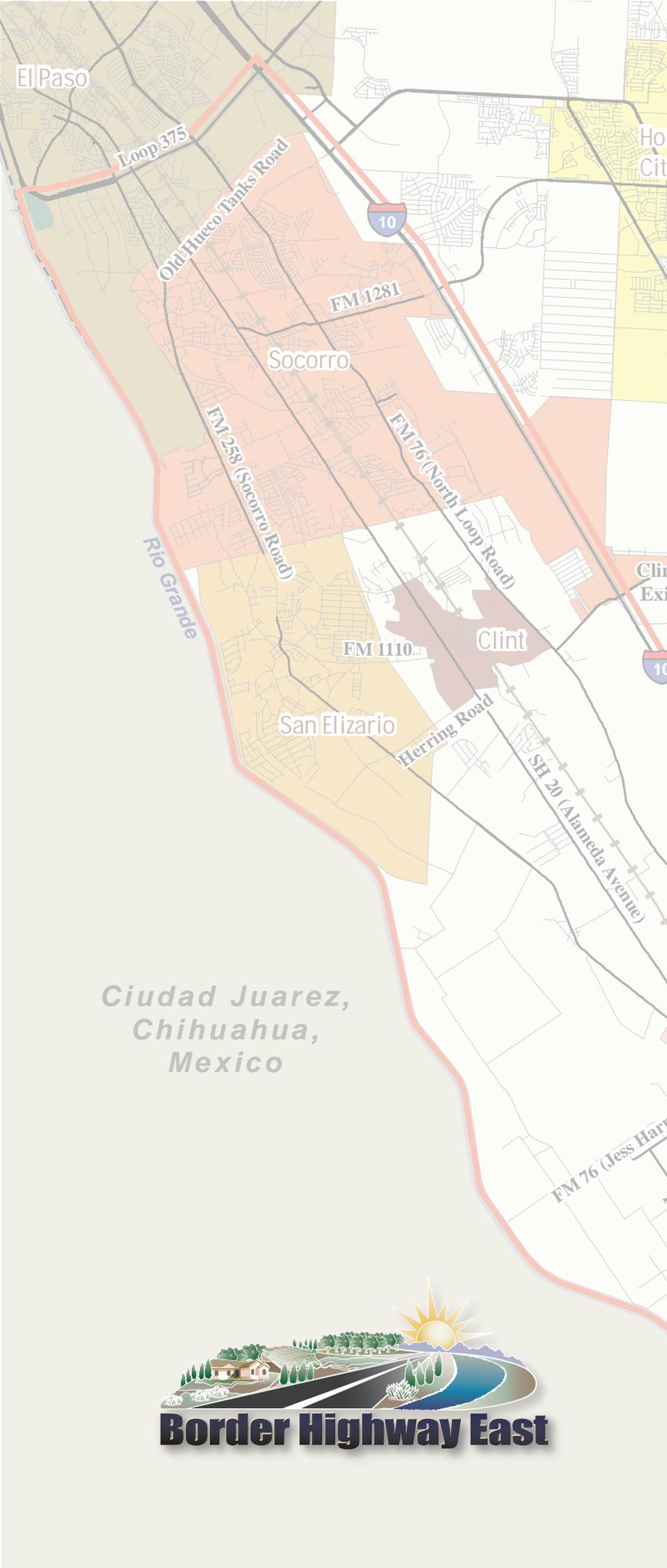
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Border Highway East

JULY 2013

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PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT AND AGENCY COORDINATION PLAN

BORDER HIGHWAY EAST STUDY

CSJ: 0924-06-090

FROM LOOP 375 (AMERICAS AVENUE) NEAR THE ZARAGOZA INTERNATIONAL PORT OF ENTRY TO THE FUTURE TORNILLO-GUADALUPE INTERNATIONAL PORT OF ENTRY

EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

*Ciudad Juarez,
Chihuahua,
Mexico*



Border Highway East

DECEMBER 2013



Attachment C

Public Meeting Series #1 Materials

Station	Type	Title
Station 7: Comments	Text Exhibit	How to Provide Comments
	Handout	Comment Form



Provide Comments / Comentarios

Use one of the following methods to submit a comment after the public meeting:

Email: info@borderhighwayeast.com

Mail or hand deliver:

TxDOT - El Paso District
Attn: Gus Sanchez, Re: BHE Study
13301 Gateway Boulevard West
El Paso, Texas 79928-5410

Comments must be received or postmarked on or before Monday, December 2, 2013.

Utilice uno de los siguientes métodos para entregar un comentario después de la reunión pública:

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info@borderhighwayeast.com

Correo postal ó entrega a mano:

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El Paso County
El Paso, Texas

Tuesday, November 19, 2013
4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Socorro High School Cafeteria
10150 Alameda Avenue
Socorro, Texas 79927

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NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

REPRESENTING: _____

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REUNIÓN PÚBLICA #1

Carretera Fronteriza Este
Estudio de Planeación y Vínculos Ambientales
Condado de El Paso
El Paso, TX

Martes, 19 de noviembre de 2013
4 p.m. a 7 p.m.
Cafetería de la Preparatoria Socorro
10150 Avenida Alameda
Socorro, Texas 79927

(FAVOR DE USAR LETRA DE MOLDE)

NOMBRE: _____

DIRECCIÓN: _____

REPRESENTANDO: _____

(Código de Transporte de Texas, §201.811(a)(5)): marque cada casilla(s) que se aplique a usted:

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FORMULARIO DE COMENTARIOS

Este formulario ha sido proporcionado para recibir sus comentarios con respecto al Estudio de Planeación y Vínculos Ambientales de la Carretera Fronteriza Este. Por favor utilice el espacio proporcionado abajo e incluya páginas adicionales en caso necesario. Sus comentarios pueden ser depositados en la "Caja de Comentarios" hoy ó ser enviados por correo postal a la dirección indicada abajo. Comentarios por escrito deben estar fechados por las oficinas de correo postal a más tardar el lunes, 2 de diciembre de 2013. Gracias por sus comentarios.

¿CÓMO SUPO DE LA REUNIÓN?: _____

COMENTARIOS: _____

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TxDOT El Paso District
RE: Border Highway East
13301 Gateway Blvd. West
El Paso, TX 79928-5410



PUBLIC MEETING #1

Border Highway East
Planning and Environmental Linkages Study
El Paso County
El Paso, Texas

Wednesday, November 20, 2013
4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Rio Valle Woman's Club
521 Mike Maros
Fabens, Texas 79838

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NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

REPRESENTING: _____

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REUNIÓN PÚBLICA #1

Carretera Fronteriza Este
Estudio de Planeación y Vínculos Ambientales
Condado de El Paso
El Paso, TX

Miércoles, 20 de noviembre de 2013
4 p.m. a 7 p.m.
Club Femenil Rio Valle
521 Mike Maros
Fabens, Texas 79838

(FAVOR DE USAR LETRA DE MOLDE)

NOMBRE: _____

DIRECCIÓN: _____

REPRESENTANDO: _____

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Public Meeting
November 19, 2013
4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Socorro High School Cafeteria
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Socorro, Texas 79927



Participants at the November 19, 2013 meeting could walk around, view the exhibits, make comments, and speak to staff at their own pace.



Station 1: BHE PEL staff were available to greet public meeting participants as they entered the meeting.



Station 2: BHE PEL staff were available at each station to answer questions and provide additional information.



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Station 4: Participants at the November 19, 2013 public meeting used large scale study area maps to identify problem areas and possible solutions.



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Station 7: Participants could submit comments in the comment drop box at the November 19, 2013 workshop.

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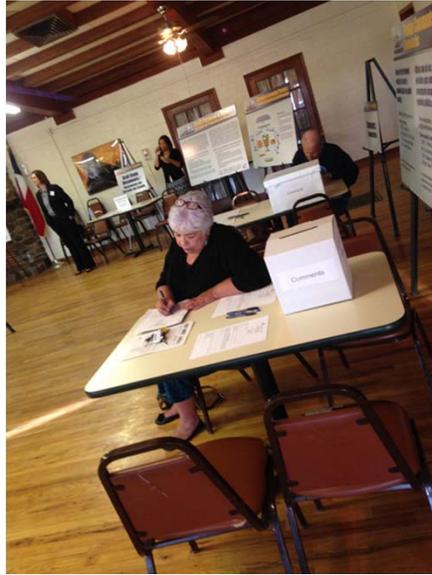
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Attachment D

Comments Received During the Comment Period



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El Paso County
El Paso, Texas

Tuesday, November 19, 2013
4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
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10150 Alameda Avenue
Socorro, Texas 79927

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NAME: Carlisle Navidomskis
ADDRESS: 3622 Buxton Drive, Horizon City, TX 79928
REPRESENTING: Friends of the Rio Bosque

(Texas Transportation Code, §201.811(a)(5)): check each of the following boxes that apply to you: NA
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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: Email and newspapers

COMMENTS: Adjacent to Rio Bosque Wetlands Park is an
① undeveloped area that provides nesting grounds for
Painted Buntings, Harris' Hawks - ^{among other birds} ~~in area~~ that is not easy
to find in El Paso County. Also, ② ^{habitat} a planned entrance to the
Park from Socorro Road needs to be incorporated into any trans-

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portation planning in
that area. It will
make a huge difference
and be a big improvement
Thank you!



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NAME: Albert Reyes Vasquez
ADDRESS: 10470 Socorro Rd
REPRESENTING: FARM Hole in the wall Rd

(Texas Transportation Code, §201.811(a)(5)): check each of the following boxes that apply to you:

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: water district

COMMENTS: Hole in the wall good connection to Border High EAST for our crops not go thru Clint And is ALREADY connected to Border

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NAME: DAA FARMS
ADDRESS: 938 Hole in the wall Rd
REPRESENTING: _____

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: NEWS

COMMENTS: Problem with our freights on crops
Border Highway East Be good Hole in the connects
to Border, Hole in the wall to I-10 Be
good to.

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NAME: RMR Group

ADDRESS: 10480 Socorro

REPRESENTING: FARM work

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: Hot News

COMMENTS: Hole in the wall ROAD good to connect to Border And I-10 All Big Farms Around For Frights ON 18 wheelers. Does connect to Border Already Border Patrol uses it.

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NAME: Leticia Miranda
ADDRESS: P.O. Box 28 San Elizario TX 79849
REPRESENTING: San Elizario Incorporation Efforts Group (S.E.I.E.G.)

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: Flyer / Brochure in Community
COMMENTS: Concerned and interested in how projects affect new city of San Elizario (Council not in place yet). Impact on historical venues and residents who live up to border fence. Also interested in how Socorro Rd can be widened w/o too much impact to area. Overall Consequences and Benefits.

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*Please add to tdwg
michelle080600@yahoo.com*



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NAME: JOSE RODRIGUEZ
ADDRESS: 12691 Pensamiento dr. SAN ELIZARIO, TX 79849
REPRESENTING: Public

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: Flyer @ Restaurant.

COMMENTS: We need to extend the border Hwy from

Isleta Port of Entry to Tornillo Port of Entry to relieve
traffic congestion from Socorro Rd, Alameda Av, and N Loop
which is heavy during peak hours. or make a lane or more
on Socorro Road. from Americas to San Elizario.

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NAME: LORENA CARREON
ADDRESS: 13437 PAUL PINTO, SAN ELIZARDO, TX 79849
REPRESENTING: SELF

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: FRIENDS / SAN ELIZARDO INC. EFFORTS GROUP
COMMENTS: WE WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS, LIKE THIS, TO BE HELD IN SAN ELIZARDO. SINCE THE MOST LOGICAL ROUTE WOULD AFFECT A HIGHLY POPULATED AREA OF THE COMMUNITY.

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NAME: KEVIN KESSLER
ADDRESS: 636 KEAGUE RD. SOCORRO TX. 79927
REPRESENTING: MY FAMILY

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: NEWS & NEIGHBOR

COMMENTS: PLEASE STAY AWAY FROM
THE NORTH SIDE OF THE RIO BOSQUE
THIS WILL DISRUPT BIRD WATCHING, POSSIBLY
MIGRATORY HABITS OF CERTAIN SPECIES
MY FAMILY / FARM THE SOUTH SIDE NEXT TO

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THE RIO GRANDE IS BETTER
THANK YOU.



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NAME: MARIA E. RODRIGUEZ
ADDRESS: 9627 VALLARTA
REPRESENTING: public

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: FLYER @ RESTAURANT.

COMMENTS: ① NEED OVERPASS @ RR CROSSINGS TO EASE TRAFFIC FLOW AND REDUCE TRAFFIC DEATHS AND ACCIDENTS.

② TOO MANY ACCIDENTS (FATAL) ON SOCORRO RD.

③ NO PARKING ON SOCORRO RD FOR TOURIST- ALSO NEED SIDEWALKS. NEED PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS ON SOCORRO RD.

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NAME: Danrel Armentariz
ADDRESS: 1378 Zempoala
REPRESENTING: _____

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COMMENTS: Sold a house in San Elizario TX. wondering and would like for the Border project to take effect. Would like to know what streets will need for this project.

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NAME: MARTHA V KEAGLE - GAUGLER
ADDRESS: 644 KEAGLE RD
REPRESENTING: SELF

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: SUNDAY NEWSPAPER

COMMENTS: wanted you to know I have spotted Horned Larks as I walked around the drain ditch. I also have seen Burrowing Owls

I think the 375 extension down along Rio Grande

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NAME: KENNETH F. GAUGLER
ADDRESS: 644 KEAGLE RD Socorro TX 79927
REPRESENTING: MYSELF

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: MAIL
COMMENTS: EXTEND BORDER HIGHWAY AS CLOSE TO RIO GRANDE RIVER - MOST DIRECT ROUTE WITHOUT MOVING A COURSE NUMBERED HOMES

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REUNIÓN PÚBLICA #1

Carretera Fronteriza Este
Estudio de Planeación y Vínculos Ambientales
Condado de El Paso
El Paso, TX

Martes, 19 de noviembre de 2013
4 p.m. a 7 p.m.
Cafetería de la Preparatoria Socorro
10150 Avenida Alameda
Socorro, Texas 79927

(FAVOR DE USAR LETRA DE MOLDE)

NOMBRE: Juan and Amparo Echimeste
DIRECCIÓN: 1366 Ateli San Elizario TX. 79849
REPRESENTANDO: _____

(Código de Transporte de Texas, §201.811(a)(5)): marque cada casilla(s) que se aplique a usted:

- Yo trabajo con TxDOT
- Hago negocios con TxDOT
- Yo me beneficiaría monetariamente a causa de este proyecto u otro(s) asuntos sobre los que estoy comentando

FORMULARIO DE COMENTARIOS

Este formulario ha sido proporcionado para recibir sus comentarios con respecto al Estudio de Planeación y Vínculos Ambientales de la Carretera Fronteriza Este. Por favor utilice el espacio proporcionado abajo e incluya páginas adicionales en caso necesario. Sus comentarios pueden ser depositados en la "Caja de Comentarios" hoy ó ser enviados por correo postal a la dirección indicada abajo. Comentarios por escrito deben estar fechados por las oficinas de correo postal a más tardar el lunes, 2 de diciembre de 2013. Gracias por sus comentarios.

¿CÓMO SUPO DE LA REUNIÓN?: Familia.
COMENTARIOS: Me interesaría que se hiciera el Proyecto del Border Highway y hacer una salida directa de San Elizario a I-10. Hay mucho tráfico.

Los comentarios deben ser recibidos o fechados por las oficinas de correo postal a más tardar el lunes, 2 de diciembre de 2013 y enviados a:

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NAME: Elvia Modesto
ADDRESS: 13231 Petunia San Elizario TX
REPRESENTING: resident in San Eli.

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: flyer

COMMENTS: I would not like for the border High way to pass thru San Eli. Especially if it will effect the neighborhoods. We (my family) have live in that area for close to 20 yrs. and have worked very hard and sacrifice alot

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 in building our home. I would be very disappointed if you would demolished our home. There are other solutions which you will find.



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NAME: Marisela Garcia

ADDRESS: 12710 Alarcón Rd.

REPRESENTING: _____

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: A friend

COMMENTS: There's a lot of traffic on Socorro Rd. in mornings & afternoons. There a lot of semi trailers on Socorro Rd.

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NAME: David Cantu

ADDRESS: 12245 Glorietta Rd San Elizario TX 79849

REPRESENTING: San Elizario

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: From a friend

COMMENTS: Main concern is displacement of people and their homes,
business, and investment areas. Drain on citizens along farm land and
river. The Rio Bosque in Socorro, Tribal Land.
- One solution is to provide more public transportation.
Bicycle lanes, buses and other alternatives.

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NAME: GABRIEL GARCIA

ADDRESS: 12108 SUN BRIDGE PLACE, E.P. TX 79928

REPRESENTING: _____

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: INVITATION PAPER AT ALLSTATE INS.

COMMENTS: I WOULD LIKE TO SEE OLD HUECO TANKS ROAD PAVED AND IMPROVED TO CONNECT WITH EASTLAKE BLVD. THE SECTION THAT CONNECTS WITH I-10 IS NOT PAVED, AND THE STUDENTS THAT GO TO MISSION COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND LIVE IN SOCORRO HAVE TO USE THE DIRT ROAD. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SEE THE BORDER HIGHWAY EXTENDED ALL THE WAY TO TORNILLO.

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NAME: ROSARIO TORRES

ADDRESS: 10089 Stedham Circle, Socorro, TX 79927

REPRESENTING: _____

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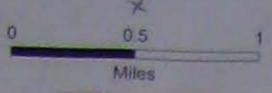
HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: WORD OF MOUTH

COMMENTS: I also own a tract of land in San Elizario between Riverside Rd and Rio Grande. The Herring Rd. and Socorro Rd are pretty much traveled. In the Socorro area North Loop and Old Hueco Rd. Lines are form in the afternoon all the way to the city limits.

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- Study Area
 - Airport
 - Cemetery
 - Fair
 - Palace
 - Hospital
 - Library
 - Municipal
 - Place of Worship
 - Schools
 - City Limits
 - Historical Marker
 - National Register Property
 - Historic District
 - Electric
 - Communications
 - High Energy Newcap Pipe Line
 - SSWC ROW
 - Properties
 - Wastewater
 - Water
 - Existing Bus Routes (Source: Sun Metro 2013/EI Paso Rural Transit)
 - Proposed/Recommended Buses (Source: EI Paso MPO 2013)
 - Existing Bikeway (Source: EI Paso MPO 2013)
 - FM 1100 Proposed
 - FM 1100 Constructed
 - Port of Entry
 - Tigua Property
 - Cross Connection Consider Alternatives
 - 1997 Feasibility Study Corridor
 - Parks
 - Major Arterials
 - Local Roads
 - Floodzone
 - Texas Boundary
 - UPRR Railroad
 - Waterways



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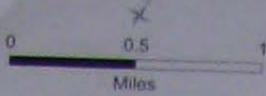
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NEW ROUTE
need someone to draw it for me

ANCESTRAL
PARK
CONNECTOR

Trail?

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LEGEND

- Bird Study Area
- Airport
- Cemetery
- Fire
- Police
- Hospital
- Library
- Municipal
- Place of Worship
- School
- City Limits
- Historical Marker
- National Register Property
- Historic District
- Electric
- Communications
- Utility Energy Network
- 2007 WCM
- Properties
- Wastewater
- Water
- Existing Rail Routes (Source: San Metro 2013) (Pass Rail Transit)
- Proposed/Recommended Sideways (Source: El Paso MPO 2013)
- Existing Sideways (Source: El Paso MPO 2013)
- FM 1106 Proposed
- FM 1106 Constructed
- Port of Entry
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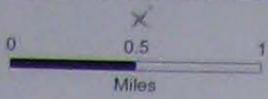
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Engaged 11-24-13
11/19/13
PHE PEL
Public Works
Socorro

1. Is ~~the~~ ^{Tiwa} Blvd. still a concept?

2. Why extend BH?

3. Re-align FM 1110 to stay straight

4. Tornillo BC - How to get there

5. A lot of new housing & not enough IH10 connection

6. Socorro Rd too narrow

7. Why don't we build a road along the river?

8. Overpass over RR Xings.

9. Clint connection would help freight transports.

10. Connect hole in the wall road to Clint.
Stops freight problem.

11. Connect Angel Park to Gateway frt. rd.

13. FINISH Old HUECO TANKS RD.
(TO N. LOOP)

14. GROWTH IS UNMANAGED.

15. BAD INTERSECTION ON FM 1110
(ANGEL PARK DEVELOPMENT)

Lagged 11-24-13
TMR
Socorro Public Mts
11/19/13

- 1- CONCERN BY SOME SAN ELIZABEO RESIDENTS THAT UNINCORPORATED AREA ALONG BORDER IS LOGICAL AREA FOR ANNEXATION. (BORDER FENCE IN AREA NOW)
- 2- STRAIGHT SHOT BETWEEN SAN ELIZABEO COMMUNITY AND I-10 WOULD BE DESIRABLE.
- 3- I-10 TO CLINT CONNECTIVITY IS "BAD." ^{DRAINAGE, NARROW R/W}
- 4- DON'T "MESS WITH CANALS." THEY ARE VITAL FOR DRAINAGE DURING TIMES OF HEAVY RAINS. "DEATH TO PECAN TREES" OTHERWISE.
- 5- SCHOOL ZONES EVERYWHERE - SEGREGATE SCHOOL TRAFFIC FROM COMMERCIAL / THRU TRAFFIC
- 6- SOCORRO RD. - VERY CONGESTED, R/W TOO NARROW, "HISTORIC"
- 7- SOCORRO RD. SHOULD BE "TOURIST-FRIENDLY."
THIS IS THE MISSION TRAIL
NO PARKING, NO SIDEWALKS
i.e. NEW CORRIDOR SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AT LOOP 375 END.
- 8- RAILROAD GRADE CROSSINGS NEED TO BE ELIMINATED

9. CONNECTIVITY TO I-10 (FROM SAN) IS IMPORTANT. - BHE ^{ELIZARIO} NOT SO IMPORTANT.

10. Connection to I-10 from Herring Rd = great idea to move farm products through

11. TRUCK TRAFFIC ON NARROW ROADS - HARD TO DRIVE.

12. HOLE-IN-THE-WALL ROAD - PERFECT CONNECTION TO BHE (1997 ALIGNMENT) - SOCORRO TO BHE
BORDER PATROL USES HOLE-IN-WALL RD TO GET TO BORDER FROM SOCORRO RD.
BEST WAY TO GET FARM PRODUCE FROM BHE OR I-10.

Comments on Border Hwy East

Judy Ackerman [jpackerman53@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, November 19, 2013 9:29 PM

To: Info Borderhighwayeast

Dear Gus Sanchez,

Thank you for hosting an informative public meeting on this project.

Please send me an electronic copy of the Comment Form that was handed out tonight. I could not find it on the website:

<http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/projects/studies/el-paso/border-highway-east.html>

My comments:

Please keep major highways as far away from the Rio Bosque Wetlands Park as possible. A major highway next to the park will be extremely detrimental to the serenity of the natural area for the wildlife and the people. Ensure that there is easy access to the Park from Socorro Rd. and appropriate parking available.

Sincerely,

Judy Ackerman

3344 Eileen Dr., El Paso, TX 79904

915-755-7371

Cell: 703-622-0661

Jonathan Gardea

From: Jonathan Gardea
Sent: Monday, November 25, 2013 8:43 AM
To: Tina Rust
Subject: FW: Protect Rio Bosque. Re-route the Border Highway East.
Attachments: Entryway Application Figure 1 [13-11-22].pdf; TsDOT Border Hwy East study-area.pdf

Comments are below.

From: Teschner, Richard [teschner@utep.edu]
Sent: Saturday, November 23, 2013 3:47 PM
To: gus.sanchez@txdot.gov; Info Borderhighwayeast
Subject: Protect Rio Bosque. Re-route the Border Highway East.

Good afternoon, Mr. Sánchez.

The proposed [Border Highway East project](#) will have a significant impact on the [Rio Bosque Wetlands Park](#). With this e-mail I urge TxDOT to keep major highways as far away from the [Rio Bosque Wetlands Park](#) as possible. A major highway next to the park will be extremely detrimental to the serenity of the natural area for the wildlife and the people, and will negatively affect access to the Park. TxDOT should ensure that there is easy access to the Park from Socorro Road and that appropriate parking is available.

In May, the Texas Department of Transportation began its [Border Highway East Study](#), intended to look at transportation improvements along the border in southeast El Paso County.

The most significant facility being looked at in this study is a proposed new highway extending from the Zaragoza International Port of Entry to the Tornillo-Guadalupe International Port of Entry. Initially, four alternative alignments have been presented for this highway. Immediately east of Rio Bosque Wetlands Park, all four alignments are identical: They parallel the Riverside Canal on the opposite side of the canal from the park.

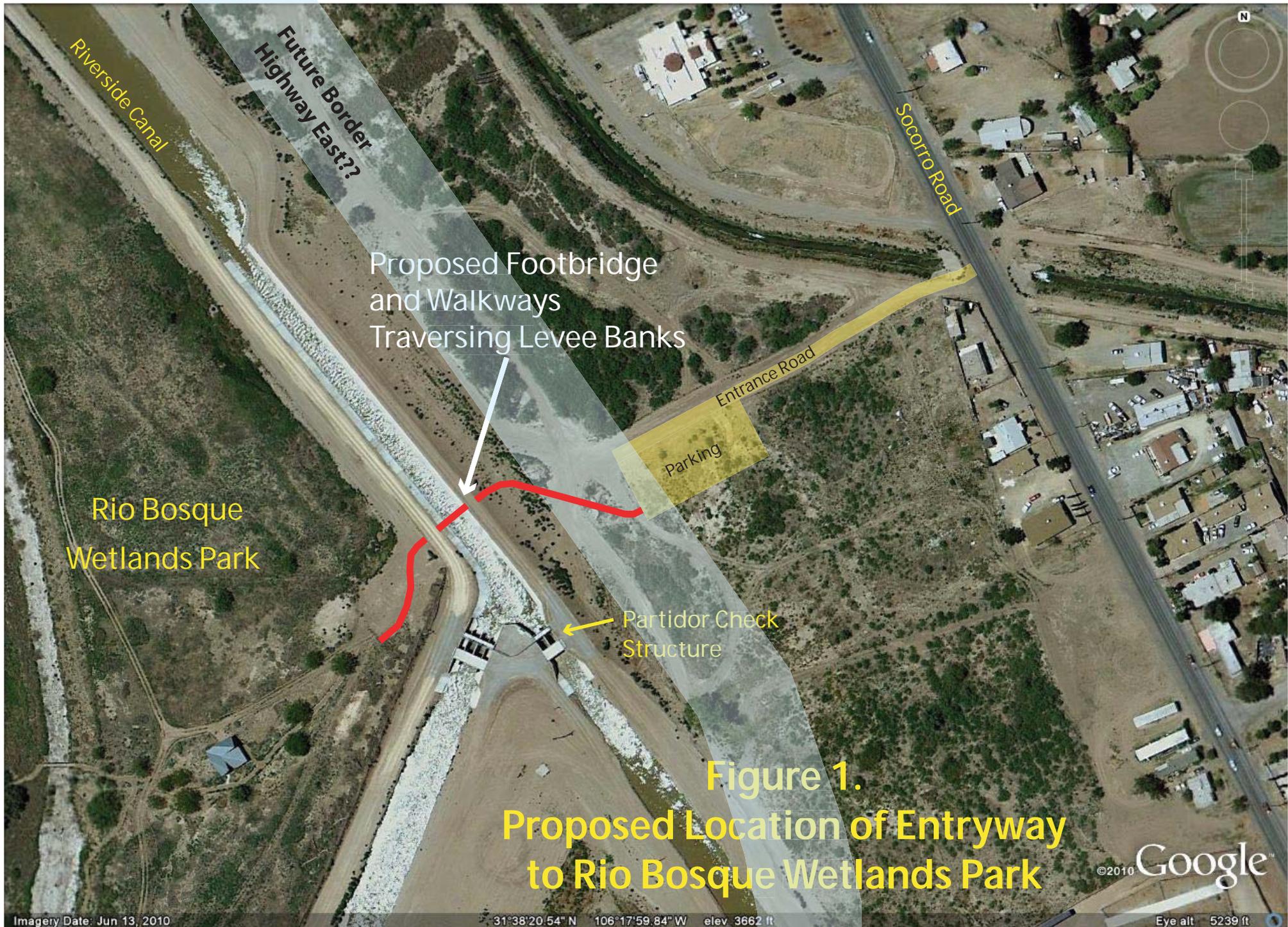
From the inception of the wetlands project at Rio Bosque, one of our main goals has been to establish a new entrance to the park from Socorro Road. It would be at the park's southeast corner, where the visitor center is located. The planned new entrance would provide direct, convenient access off Socorro Road and directly link Rio Bosque with the Mission Trail. Over the past several years, working in coordination with El Paso County Water Improvement District #1, we have been finalizing plans for the new entrance. It would include:

- a short entrance road from Socorro Road
- a parking area
- a new footbridge crossing the Riverside Canal
- walkways leading from the parking area to the footbridge and from the footbridge to the park's existing Bosque Trail and visitor center

All of TxDOT's four alternative alignments for the highway go right through the area proposed for this new entrance. That will prove quite harmful to the Park.

Sincerely,

Richard Teschner
Friends of the Rio Bosque
El Paso



Future Border Highway East??

Proposed Footbridge and Walkways Traversing Levee Banks

Riverside Canal

Socorro Road

Entrance Road

Parking

Rio Bosque Wetlands Park

Partidor Check Structure

Figure 1. Proposed Location of Entryway to Rio Bosque Wetlands Park

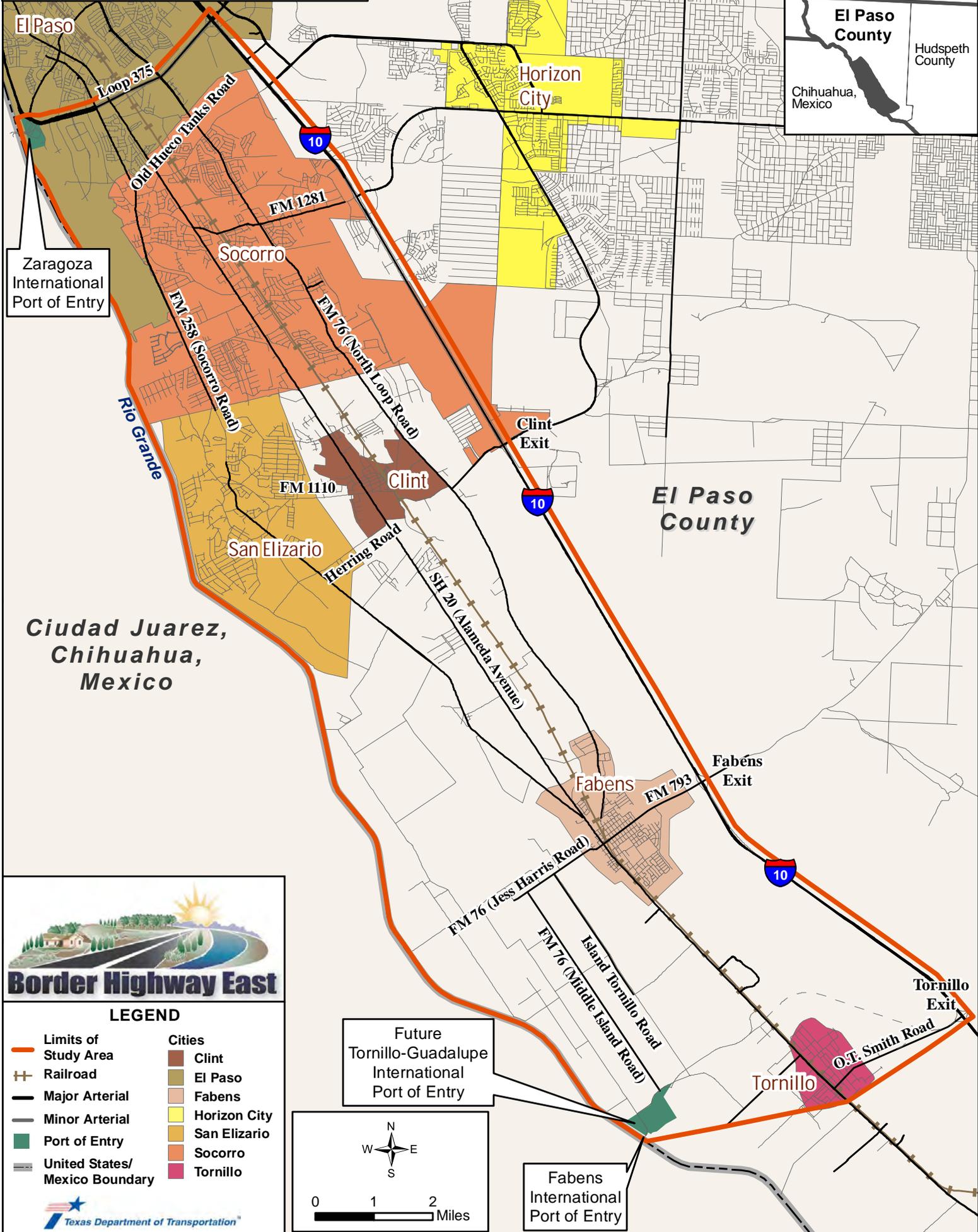
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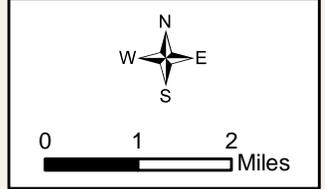
Border Highway East Study Area



LEGEND

- Limits of Study Area
 - Railroad
 - Major Arterial
 - Minor Arterial
 - Port of Entry
 - United States/Mexico Boundary
- | Cities | |
|--------|--------------|
| | Clint |
| | El Paso |
| | Fabens |
| | Horizon City |
| | San Elizario |
| | Socorro |
| | Tornillo |

Future
Tornillo-Guadalupe
International
Port of Entry





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Border Highway East
Planning and Environmental Linkages Study
El Paso County
El Paso, Texas

Wednesday, November 20, 2013

4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Rio Valle Woman's Club

521 Mike Maros

Fabens, Texas 79838

(PLEASE PRINT)

NAME: JEREMY FRANCIS (915) 373-3829

ADDRESS: PO Box 946 Clint Tx 79836

REPRESENTING: _____

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: Flyer

COMMENTS: Clint has 3 streets - fm 1110 / Fenter / Celum that all meet at light at fm 1110 and Alameda. Consider connecting Celum from North Loop to Alameda to ease congestion. Also overpass over tracks needed.

WE DO NOT NEED A LARGE HIGHWAY! start with small

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TxDOT El Paso District
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issues and then go from there.

Thank you





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NAME: MAGDA C. Flores
ADDRESS: Box 91 Fabens TX 79838
REPRESENTING: SELF

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: Printed notice at Post Office

COMMENTS: Considers mass transportation instead of building another road - students here need an economic, efficient reliable means of getting to EPCC & UTED. If add'l roads are built keep them at the western end - don't destroy historic farmlands or the quiet peacefulness around the La ISPA area - church &

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TxDOT El Paso District
RE: Border Highway East
13301 Gateway Blvd. West
El Paso, TX 79928-5410
Email: info@borderhighwayeast.com
Building roads in this area (Fabens) would not benefit the community. Increased revenue from businesses would help the individual business owners & the county tax base but would not benefit the community at large since the county is not interested in our area.



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521 Mike Maros
Fabens, Texas 79838

(PLEASE PRINT)

NAME: DAVID MEZA
ADDRESS: 609 DeVargas / P.O. Box 2027 Fabens, Tx 79838
REPRESENTING: N/A

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: El Paso Times

COMMENTS: We do need another access route to Ysleta/Border Highway. Having another EAST/WEST Route, besides IH-40, would not only alleviate traffic but would help increase & better our local border economy.

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521 Mike Maros
Fabens, Texas 79838

(PLEASE PRINT)

NAME: Antonio Rios

ADDRESS: 650 652

REPRESENTING: _____

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: Flyers at the stars - I think this

COMMENTS: kind of mix up but its good there's real good ideas that

I have comments this study I've lived in the lower valley a long

time and there's a lot of stop coaches school semesters that you need

make exits farther to help the people get out of the east

we need to find a solution make on the new meeting we can take video

about the exits & the land
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(PLEASE PRINT)

NAME: Rebecca P. Martinez
ADDRESS: P.O. Box 805 Clint, Tx, 79836
REPRESENTING: Parada Farms

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: Flyer passed out in Clint

COMMENTS: This was very informative. I believe that we need a better way to get to I-10 and better infrastructure for the lower valley. It would be wonderful to have a border freeway - east and a direct road to I-10 on Herring Rd in Clint. Thank you

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REUNIÓN PÚBLICA #1

Carretera Fronteriza Este
Estudio de Planeación y Vínculos Ambientales
Condado de El Paso
El Paso, TX

Miércoles, 20 de noviembre de 2013
4 p.m. a 7 p.m.
Club Femenil Rio Valle
521 Mike Maros
Fabens, Texas 79838

(FAVOR DE USAR LETRA DE MOLDE)

NOMBRE: Franisisco Hernandez

DIRECCIÓN: St. 1101 y 7th Este

REPRESENTANDO: _____

(Código de Transporte de Texas, §201.811(a)(5)): marque cada casilla(s) que se aplique a usted:

- Yo trabajo con TxDOT
- Hago negocios con TxDOT
- Yo me beneficiaría monetariamente a causa de este proyecto u otro(s) asuntos sobre los que estoy comentando

FORMULARIO DE COMENTARIOS

Este formulario ha sido proporcionado para recibir sus comentarios con respecto al Estudio de Planeación y Vínculos Ambientales de la Carretera Fronteriza Este. Por favor utilice el espacio proporcionado abajo e incluya páginas adicionales en caso necesario. Sus comentarios pueden ser depositados en la "Caja de Comentarios" hoy ó ser enviados por correo postal a la dirección indicada abajo. Comentarios por escrito deben estar fechados por las oficinas de correo postal a más tardar el lunes, 2 de diciembre de 2013. Gracias por sus comentarios.

¿CÓMO SUPO DE LA REUNIÓN?: Sepe por OJAS Repartidas (EN EL CENTRO)

COMENTARIOS: SI ES IMPORTANTE (POR QUE) ATERMINARCE (EL PUENTE)

PARA TRABAJOS / ABRA MAS CON GESTION DE TRANSPORTE - Y SE BUSCARA

EL MEDIO DE BUSCAR LA CARRETERA O CAMINO MAS RAPIDO -

PARA LLEGAR A LUGAR DETERMINADO. RECOMENDAMOS EL TERMINO DE PUENTE INTERNACIONAL

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521 Mike Maros

Fabens, Texas 79838

(PLEASE PRINT)

NAME: Adrian Avelar

ADDRESS: 305 NW 2nd St / P.O. Box 1728

REPRESENTING: _____

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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE MEETING?: Advertisement

COMMENTS: La Isla region needs to be avoided - contains historic value as well as tenured residents. The cemetery has tenured families buried there - respect is appreciated. Please also avoid cuadrilla region - historic.

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Gus Sanchez, Project Manager

TxDOT El Paso District

RE: Border Highway East

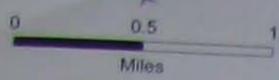
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Border Highway East
CSI: 0924-06-000
Planning and Environmental Linkages
Initial Alternatives
SHEET 1 of 2

Texas Department of Transportation



Date: November 2013

LEGEND

- BHE Study Area
- Airport
- Cemetery
- Fire
- Police
- Hospital
- Library
- Municipal
- Place of Worship
- School
- City Limits
- Historical Marker
- National Register Property
- Historic District
- Electric
- Communications
- Holly Energy Natural Gas Pipe Line
- BWC ROW
- Properties
- Wastewater
- Water
- Existing Bus Routes (Source Sun Metro 2013/01 Paso Rural Transit)
- Proposed/Recommended Bicycles (Source El Paso MPO 2013)
- Existing Bicycles (Source El Paso MPO 2013)
- FM 1106 Proposed
- FM 1106 Constructed
- Port of Entry
- Tigua Property
- Cross Connection Corridor Alternatives
- 1997 Feasibility Study Corridor
- Parks
- Major Arterials
- Local Roads
- Floodzone
- Texas Boundary
- UPRR Railroad
- Waterways



El Paso
County,
Texas,
United
States

Ciudad Juarez,
Chihuahua,
Mexico

1. Can mass transportation (buses) be improved?
2. Follow the river.
3. ADD LANES TO I-10, AND ADD FRONTAGE ROADS BETWEEN CLWT AND FABENS
4. PROVIDE A WAY FOR THE FARMERS TO GET TO I-10 FROM SAN ELIZARIO AREA.

1 - FOCUS ON CONGESTED AREAS AT WEST ^{BHE} ^{PM} ^{Fabens}
END OF CORRIDOR; LEAVE FARMLAND IN THE EAST
ALONE. / CONNECT SAN ELIENRIO + TORNILLO TO I-10

2. NEED TO HAVE BETTER
connection to I-10 from Clint.

3. LA ISLA - HISTORIC AREA - NEEDS TO AVOID
LEE MOOR FARM 5^a cuadrilla

4. CLINT ISSUES CAUSING CONGESTION -
FM 1110 - Fenter Rd - Celum Rd
All 3 Feed into SAME Light at FM 1110 and Alameda
TRAIN Blocks FM 1110 and CELUM in Clint
at same time. Overpass over tracks needed
Consider re-routing Celum to connect
North Loop to ALAMEDA

5. CONSIDER USING/WIDENING LEAVES FOR
ROAD.

6. WIDEN SOCORRO R. INSTEAD OF TAKING
AG. LANDS. (S. OF HERRING)

Border Highway East

oo flores [ooflores@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, December 02, 2013 4:12 PM
To: Info Borderhighwayeast
Cc: Gus.Sanchez@txdot.gov
Attachments: Letter to Gus Sanchez, TX-1.docx (15 KB)

Mr. Sanchez,

I have attached a letter to you and/or TXDOT in reference to the Border Highway East extension. Please let me know if there is something else you may need. Thank you for giving us this opportunity.

Sincerely,

Orlando Flores
(915) 443-8489
Fabens/La Isla

Mr. Gus Sanchez
TXDOT El Paso District
Border Highway East

Mr. Sanchez,

I would like to take the opportunity to thank you and your staff for giving the public an opportunity to provide you with input and/or information regarding the border highway east extension. I met you at the last couple of meetings, the last in Fabens, and also at the meeting held at the El Paso County Water Improvement District #1 in Clint.

I am a resident of Fabens, more specifically La Isla, which is a very rural, but very historical place. My family dates back in this area for at least 200 years. I, like you work for the State of Texas, but I work for the Texas A&M University System. I am a small farmer in the area, I grow Alfalfa, Chile, Pecans, and some years even Cotton. I serve as President of the Fabens ISD School Board of Trustees, Booster Club, Catechism Teacher, Coach, and I am a retired Navy Reservist. If you still don't remember me, I'm the West Nile Virus survivor.

AGRICULTURE

The area between Clint/San Elizario through Fabens, and into Tornillo is the last rural part of the Lower Valley, or as it is now called, the Mission Valley. Not a lot of traffic, our closest neighbor may be a mile down the road. Agriculture is still the major part of the economy in these rural towns. As a matter of fact, on the average, El Paso County agriculture pumps in about 100 million dollars into El Paso's overall economy per year. El Paso County Agriculture enjoys the following statuses: El Paso County has the largest acreage of Improved Variety Pecans in the State of Texas, and El Paso County grows and produces the most Pima (Extra Long Staple) Cotton in the State of Texas. The fact is, most of El Paso County Agriculture is in this area, other than a small sliver in the Upper Valley, and some smaller farms in the Ysleta/Socorro area.

LA ISLA

This same area is also home to many historic sites beginning with the Presidio de San Elizario, and of course the surrounding town and area. San Lorenzo Parish, in Clint is also a historic area as well. The original town's folk from San Elizario formed this smaller community to access the railroad for trade and commerce. As we go travel down the road from San Elizario, there are three historic communities before getting into Fabens, La Isla and Cuadrilla. La Isla was once known as La Isla de San Elizario, because it was an actual island, completely surrounded by the Rio Grande. It was made up of San Elizario land grant families. La Isla was set up in the old Spanish/Mexican style, the town surrounded by the farms/ranches (ranchos). What is left of La Isla is the Church Mission, San Luis Rey de Francia, and cemetery, and a few adobe homes that are well over 100 years old. A lot of the older homes were washed away by the most recent flood which was in the early 1930's.

CUADRILLA

The town of Cuadrilla is also a historic site. Cuadrilla was originally named San Jose, as is the chapel that still stands and remains active. The town was created by Jesus Cobos, a San Elizario entrepreneur, who was responsible for donating land/farm to the Sisters of Loretto, who played a major part of the Salt

War of 1877 which is responsible for bringing Ft. Bliss back to El Paso, and who served as an El Paso County Commissioner and ultimately a State Representative. Cobos descendants still maintain farms in the area.

LEE MOOR

Lee Moor Farm(s) is a community that started around 100 years ago. Lee Moor was a businessman who came into the El Paso area and was responsible for many great things. He is credited with starting El Paso Natural Gas, Lee and Beulah Moor Children's Home, in El Paso and Fabens. He sat on many hospital, bank, school, and other boards in El Paso. He maintained not only a home in Sunset Heights – El Paso, but also on his farm that sits between San Elizario and La Isla. He was known as a gentleman, he bought out local farms/ranches that were owned by descendants of the early Hispanic Families, but he also hired them, and provided them with retirement. A large part of the La Isla area is made up of his foremen's farms, which were provided as to them as a retirement, the farms include: George Orr Farm, S.R. Davis Farm, W.A. Rawls Farm, and Jesus Vasquez Farm.

FABENS

The town of Fabens although not as old as the preceding towns, also shares the same history. The town was made up of the same families that made up La Isla, San Elizario, Cuadrilla and Lee Moor. Fabens is your typical valley town. The economy is still very agricultural; it is home to one of the largest banks in El Paso, First National Bank (of Fabens). It's home to many tractor dealerships, cotton delinting plant, pecan sheds, farm supply stores, etc. I would also add, it is home to one of the top school districts in Region 19/West Texas, and I'm not being biased. It also has historic sites, Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, First Baptist Church (Trost Building), Fabens Methodist Church, Fabens School Building (also a Trost Building).

POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS

First, I would like to address the differences and misconceptions about this section of the valley, as compared to other areas. The comment was made that thirty years ago, Socorro/Ysleta were rural, and that eventually, this area would become like that area. If you remember, my response was the following. If you notice, the Socorro/Ysleta area was never a pecan producing area. There are areas around Fabens that resemble the Pecan producing areas of Las Cruces. Things have changed agriculturally. Pecans have become more profitable. You can make up to \$5000 per acre (pecans), as compared to \$500 per acre (cotton). Land owners are less likely to sell out their pecan farms. Also, subdivision laws have changed for the better. Thirty years ago, you could subdivide a farm, and not even have to supply the basic utilities (water, gas, streets, electricity, etc.) The reason I mention these things is because I really believe that the growth in this area will be very limited. Please keep this in mind. I also made a point of why El Paso can't seem to get tourists as the Las Cruces area does. I think we are paving over everything instead of capitalizing on our regional agriculture and history.

Does Socorro and the surrounding area need relief? I would say so. I even think Clint needs some relief. This can be done by studying possibilities of relieving traffic up towards the freeway, as the City of El Paso is set up (i.e. Zaragoza, Lee Trevino, Lomaland, Giles, etc.). From a taxpayer standpoint, I would say to use I-10 as it should be used, in the Socorro area. Instead of having to build more roads, and spend more money, I would say concentrate on feeding the traffic up, relieving the congestion in Clint. The Tornillo/Guadalupe Bridge will meet up at I-10 and will take traffic East or West. This will prevent

congestion in the valley between Clint/San Elizario, Fabens, and Tornillo. It will also ensure that we maintain a great cultural, agricultural, historical heritage and quality of life for not only the local residents, but for El Paso as a whole. I can't say it enough, save this taxpayer money for construction that will be beneficial to all. This part of the valley will eventually be mainly pecan production; I know this as a resident, who farms in the area, but more importantly as a professional who works in the realm of agriculture and community development.

If I can be of further service, please do not hesitate to contact me. I know that I can supply you with information that is needed to make good decisions in this matter. Again, I thank you for giving me the opportunity to provide you with truthful information.

Sincerely,

Orlando Flores M.S.
(915) 443-8489
ooflores@yahoo.com
ooflores@ag.tamu.edu

Jonathan Gardea

From: Info Borderhighwayeast <info@borderhighwayeast.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 03, 2013 8:54 AM
To: Jonathan Gardea
Subject: FW: Border Highway East

From: Shirley Talley [sltalley@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Monday, December 02, 2013 8:37 PM
To: Info Borderhighwayeast
Subject: Border Highway East

Dear Sirs,

There is heavy congestion on Socorro road North loop. Alameda is the only route that allows passing with any safety. Please consider alleviating the congested routes by adding lanes on already existing routes before introducing an additional route that may rob valuable farmland. Crops from this farmland contribute millions into the local economy. In addition, please consider extending FM1110 north to I-10 which could be a straight shot from the freeway to Socorro road.

Thank you for your consideration,

Shirley Talley

Sign up to project newsletter

Zenia Meneses [zenia.meneses@gmail.com]

Sent: Sunday, November 24, 2013 1:17 PM

To: Info Borderhighwayeast

Hi Gus,

Will you sign me up for project notices.

Thank you,

Zenia

Sent from my iPhone