PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY REPORT

FM 529 PROPOSED WIDENING
FROM GREENHOUSE ROAD TO SH 99 (GRAND PARKWAY)

HARRIS COUNTY

CSJ Nos. 1006-01-058 and 1006-01-059

Public Hearing
February 26, 2009
6:00pm to 8:00pm

Cypress Springs High School Cafeteria
7909 Fry Road
Cypress, Texas 77433

Presented by

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
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Public Hearing Summary

Public Hearing Information
Date: February 26, 2009

Location: Cypress Springs High School Cafeteria
7909 Fry Road
Cypress, Texas 77433

Purpose: To inform the public and stakeholders of the proposed roadway improvements and to obtain their comments and concerns.

Format
6:00pm to 7:00pm: Open-house format for public viewing and comment. Exhibits included an Environmental Constraints Map detailing existing environmental conditions, Preliminary Design Schematics with Typical Sections for the proposed alternative, and two copies of the Environmental Assessment for public review.

7:00pm to 7:15pm: Formal slideshow presentation by Gabe Johnson, TxDOT-Houston District's Director of Transportation Planning and Development and Manuel Francisco, Jr. of TxDOT Houston District and Amy M. Brook of Berg Oliver Associates, Inc. One oral comment presented by microphone during the hearing. Brenda A. Foster of Brenda A. Foster Court Reporters transcribed the hearing.

Attendance
Citizens: 38 (per the attached sign-in sheets)
Elected Officials: None present
Media: None present
Public Speakers: 1 citizen

Attendants
Texas Department of Transportation
Gabe Johnson, Director of Transportation Planning and Development
Pat Henry, Advanced Project Development Director
Susan Theiss, Environmental Supervisor
Martha S. Miller, Transportation Engineer
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Samuel E. Ainabe, Engineering Assistant
Manuel B. Francisco, Jr., Design Manager
Laura V. Lopez, Design Technician
Amer Qureshi, P.E., Transportation Engineer
Frank Leong, Engineering Assistant
Alan Wang, Transportation Engineer Supervisor
Rachel Snow, Environmental Coordinator
Brandon Hobbs, Environmental Coordinator
Lance Olenius, Environmental Coordinator
Courtney Blechle, Environmental Coordinator
Kelly Lark, Environmental Coordinator

Berg + Oliver Associates, Inc.
Colleen R. O'Brien, P.E.
Amy M. Brook
Angela M. Brock

Publications / Media
Notice of this Public Hearing was published in:

- *Houston Chronicle* – Monday, January 26, 2009 and Monday, February 16, 2009
- *Katy Sun* and *Copperfield Sun* – Thursday, January 29, 2009 and Thursday, February 12, 2009 (Papers published by Houston Community Newspapers)
- *La Voz* – Wednesday, January 28, 2009 and Wednesday, February 18, 2009

Background
TxDOT began its National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) public involvement process for the proposed project in 2006. A Public Meeting was held on November 28, 2006 at Cypress Springs High School. Sign-in sheets indicate that 30 citizens and no public officials attended that meeting. Sixteen (16) comment forms were received. They indicated concerns regarding the following issues:

- Safety of the FM 529/Greenhouse Road intersection
- Desire for a dedicated right-turn only lane at Greenhouse Road
- Bicycle lanes and bicycle planning
- Landscaping and beautification of FM 529
- Noise walls and noise wall workshops
- Flooding and flood control
- Desire for a faster timeline for the project
Description of the Public Hearing
Continuing the public involvement program in the NEPA process, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) held a Public Hearing at Cypress Springs High School on February 26, 2009. The purpose of the hearing was to present the recommended build alternative, solicit public comments and input, and allow the opportunity for public dialogue and exchange with TxDOT regarding the proposed roadway improvements. The hearing was advertised and announced by a variety of methods. Thirty days prior to the hearing, TxDOT engaged in efforts to announce the hearing through mailings and published advertisements. A public notice (Appendix A) was published approximately 30 days and 10 days in advance of the hearing in newspapers with local and city-wide circulation, including the Houston Chronicle and La Voz, a Spanish language paper. Notices were also sent to landowners with property adjacent to the existing right-of-way (ROW), homeowners associations of adjacent subdivisions, and citizens who had previously expressed interest in being on the mailing list (Appendix B).

As hearing attendees arrived, they were asked to sign in at the registration desk (Appendix C) and were provided a comment form and a handout that included an agenda of the hearing, the proposed design, and space to take notes (Appendix D). Sign-in sheets indicate that 38 citizens and no elected officials attended the hearing.

Prior to the 7:00pm formal presentation and public commenting session, an open house session was held between 6:00pm and 7:00pm to allow viewing of various reference materials, including exhibit boards (Appendix D), a constraints map, and schematics, as well as to give the public the opportunity to talk individually with project team members, including TxDOT and the environmental consulting staff (see Appendix E for open house and hearing photos). A Spanish-speaking TxDOT translator was also present to assist those needing translation.

TxDOT’s Mr. Gabe Johnson called the hearing to order at 7:00pm. He began with a discussion about the hearing format and the purpose of the hearing. Following the formal presentation moderated by Mr. Gabe Johnson, a public comment session was held. One (1) oral comment was made during this session (Appendix F). A transcript of the entire hearing (presentation and comments) is also included in Appendix F of this document.

Throughout the open house and hearing, attendees were encouraged to submit written comments on the forms available. A comment table and drop boxes were set up in the open house area. Written comments could also be mailed in or e-mailed during the comment period. A total of 13 written comments were received during the hearing or mailed/e-mailed to TxDOT during the comment period (however, two forms were believed to have been submitted by the same person at the hearing). Copies of these comment forms are included in Appendix G of this document.

Comments Summary
By the end of the public comment period on March 13, 2009, TxDOT had received a total of 13 written comments and one oral comment (Appendix G). The comments received were generally
in support of the project. Concerns/issues raised by the comments included inquiries regarding: potential impacts at various properties, maintenance of property access, raised medians versus the proposed continuous center turn-lane (flush median), and noise walls. In addition, bicyclists indicated support for the project and requested that TxDOT keep the shoulder clear of obstructions. Each comment was considered equally, whether it was written, verbal or e-mailed. All of the comments and TxDOT responses are included in a table in Appendix H of this document.

Based on the information in the FM 529 EA (from Greenhouse Road to Proposed SH 99 (Grand Parkway)) and comments received during this Public Hearing, TxDOT recommends implementation of the Preferred Alternative. The engineering, social, economic, and environmental studies conducted thus far indicate that the proposed project would result in no significant effects to the quality of the human or natural environment. TxDOT recommends that FHWA find that implementation of the Preferred Alternative would not be a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human or natural environment and thus issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for this project.
Appendix A: Public Notice and Affidavits of Publication
AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF TEXAS:
COUNTY OF HARRIS:

Before me, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for the State of Texas, on the day personally appeared: GAIL FEAGINS, who after being duly sworn, says that she is the ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE LEAD at the HOUSTON CHRONICLE, a daily newspaper published in Harris County, Texas, and that the publication, of which the annexed herein, or attached to, is a true and correct copy, was published to-wit:

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GAIL FEAGINS
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Notary Public in and for the State of Texas
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct a Public Hearing regarding the proposed widening of FM 529 from Greenhouse Road to the proposed State Highway 99 (Grand Parkway). The hearing will be held on February 26, 2009, at the Cypress Springs High School cafeteria, 7600 Ivy Road, Cypress, Texas 77433. Documents and exhibits will be available for viewing at 6:00 p.m., and the formal presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m.

The purpose of the hearing is to discuss the proposed widening of FM 529 from Greenhouse Road to SH 99 (Grand Parkway) from an undivided roadway with two 12-foot travel lanes to a roadway with four 12-foot travel lanes divided by a 16-foot-wide center turn lane (flush median). No additional right-of-way would be required for the proposed action, and no displacements would be necessary.

A schematic plan showing the proposed location and geometric design along with the environmental document and all other studies pertinent to the project are on file and available for review at the FM 529 Public Hearing Office at 6600 Washington Avenue, Houston, Texas.

Persons interested in attending the Public Hearing who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact TxDOT's Public Information Office at 713-862-5672 at least two working days prior to the Public Hearing. TxDOT offices are open Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., excluding national holidays. Since the Public Hearing will be conducted in English, any requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs should also be made at least two working days prior to the Public Hearing. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

All interested citizens are invited to attend this Public Hearing. Verbal and written comments relative to the proposed project may be presented at the hearing or submitted to the Director of Project Development, Texas Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 1386, Houston, Texas 77251-1386, at any time on or before March 13, 2009.

The FM 529 Public Hearing Summary Report will be made available for public viewing at the TxDOT website: http://www.dot.state.tx.us/local-information/houston-district. Notice of availability of the Public Hearing Summary Report will be published in local newspapers when it is available for review.
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PENNY STOW
NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS
FEB. 4, 2010
AVISOS DE AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA

El Departamento de Transportación de Texas (TxDOT) va a conducir una audiencia pública sobre el proyecto de ampliación de FM 529 de la Calle Greenhouse a la carretera propuesta Carrilera Estatal 99 (SH 99) (Grand Parkway). La audiencia se va a realizar en febrero 25 de 2009 en la cafetería de la Escuela Secundaria Cypress Springs, 7000 Fry Road, Cypress, TX 77433. Documentos y exhibiciones van a ser disponibles para revisar a las 6:00 p.m. y la presentación formal empezara a las 7:00 p.m.

El propósito de la audiencia es para discutir el proyecto de ampliación de FM 529 que presentemente es una carretera con dos sendas de 12 pies de ancho cada una, con cuatro sendas de 12 pies de ancho cada una, con dos sendas para cada sentido, y dividida por una senda central de 16 pies de ancho con coche sentado para dar vuelta a la izquierda de la Calle Greenhouse a SH 99 (Grand Parkway). No va a ser requerido derecho de via adicional para la acción propuesta y dislocaciones tampoco van a ser necesarias.

Un plan esquemático demostrando la localización propuesta y el diseño geométrico junto con el documento ambiental y cualquier otro estudio relacionado con el proyecto están en el archivo y disponibles para revisar en la oficina de District Project Development en la dirección 7600 Washington Avenue, Houston, Texas.

Personas interesadas en asistir la audiencia pública que requieren comunicación o necesidades especiales se les sugiere que llamen a la Oficina de Información Pública de TxDOT en el número de teléfono (713) 602-5672 por lo menos dos días hábiles de trabajo antes de la audiencia pública. Oficinas de TxDOT están abiertas de lunes a viernes de las 8:00 de la mañana a 5:00 de la tarde, excluyendo días festivos federales. Siendo que la audiencia pública será dirigida en inglés, requisitos para intérpretes de otro idioma u otra comunicación especial también deben hacerse cuando menos dos días antes de la audiencia pública. TxDOT va a hacer todo esfuerzo razonable para acomodar estas necesidades.

Todas personas interesadas son invitadas a asistir esta audiencia pública. Comentarios escritos y verbales relacionados con el proyecto propuesto pueden ser presentados en la audiencia o sometidos a Director de Project Development, Texas Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 1346, Houston, Texas, 77251-1346, en o antes de el 13 de marzo de 2009. El resumen del reporte de la Audiencia Pública de FM 529 será hecho disponible para vista pública por el internet en la página de web de TxDOT: http://www.dot.state.tx.us/localinformation/ houston-district/. Aviso de la disponibilidad del resumen del reporte de la Audiencia Pública será publicado en periódicos locales cuando esté disponible para revisar.
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Notary Public in and for the State of Texas
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Texas Department of Transportation (TDOT) will conduct a Public Hearing regarding the proposed widening of FM 529 from Greenhouse Road to the proposed State Highway 99 (Grand Parkway). The hearing will be held on February 26, 2009 at the Cypress Springs High School, 7900 FM 146, Cypress, Texas 77433. Documents and exhibits will be available for viewing at 5:00 p.m. and the formal presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the hearing is to discuss the proposed widening of FM 529 from Greenhouse Road to SH 99 (Grand Parkway) from an undivided roadway with one 12-foot travel lane to a four-lane divided highway with two 12-foot travel lanes divided by a 16-foot-wide center turn lane (flush median). No additional right-of-way would be required for the proposed action, and no displacements would be necessary. A schematic plan showing the proposed location and geometric design of the proposed project and all other studies pertinent to the project are on file and are available for review at the District Project Development Office at 7800 Washington Avenue, Houston, Texas. Individuals interested in attending the Public Hearing who have special accommodation needs are encouraged to contact TDOT's Public Information Office at 713-802-5907 at least two working days prior to the Public Hearing. TDOT offices are open Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., excluding national holidays. Since the Public Hearing will be conducted in English, any requests for interpretation or other special accommodation needs should be made at least two working days prior to the Public Hearing. TDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs. All interested citizens are invited to attend this Public Hearing. Verbal or written comments relative to the proposed project may be presented at the hearing or submitted to the Director of Project Development, Texas Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 1386, Houston, Texas 77251-1386, at any time on or before March 13, 2009. The FM 529 Public Hearing Summary Report will be made available for public viewing at the TDOT website: http://www.dot.state.tx.us/local-information/houston/district. Notice of availability of the Public Hearing Summary Report will be published in local newspapers when it is available for review.
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PENNY STOW
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF TEXAS
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FEB. 4, 2010

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas
AVISO DE AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA

El Departamento de Transporte de Texas (TDOT) anuncia una audiencia pública sobre el proyecto de ampliación de la carretera FM 529. La audiencia se realizará el 13 de marzo de 2009 en el Auditorio de la Escuela Secundaria de Cypress Springs, 7900 Fm 529, Cypress, TX 77433. Los ciudadanos y los interesados tienen derecho a asistir y participar en la audiencia. Los documentos y los informes estarán disponibles para revisión a las 8:00 a.m. y la presentación formal comenzará a las 9:30 a.m.

El propósito de la audiencia es discutir el proyecto de ampliación de la carretera FM 529. La carretera es una ruta regional de 12 pies de ancho con dos carriles, y se proyecta ampliarla a una carretera con cuatro carriles de 12 pies de ancho, cada uno con dos carriles, para cada sentido y dividida por una separación central de 10 pies, con doble sentido para el tráfico inicial en la dirección norte-sur. La carretera se ampliará desde la Carretera de la Calle Tijera hasta la Carretera de la Carretera de la Carretera 149. No se requiere el consentimiento de los propietarios de terrenos adicionales para el proyecto. No se realizarán desplazamientos, pero podrán ser necesarios algunos cambios en el entorno de la carretera. La audiencia pública se realizará en el Auditorio de la Escuela Secundaria de Cypress Springs.

Personas interesadas en asistir a la audiencia pública o recibir información adicional son solicitadas a llamar al TDOT, número de teléfono (713) 807-5677, o a visitar la Oficina de Información de la Oficina de la Carretera 529, de lunes a viernes de 8:00 a 5:00, desde el 12 de marzo hasta el 13 de marzo. Se proporcionará una transmisión en línea en el sitio web del TDOT. Se recomienda a los asistentes a la audiencia pública que preparen preguntas en adelanto y que estén dispuestos a responder a las mismas.

Para obtener más información o transcripciones de los eventos, se puede visitar el sitio web de la TDOT: http://www.dot.state.tx.us/aud/program/audiencia pública.html. El horario de la audiencia pública será publicado en periódicos locales cuando sea necesario.
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COUNTY OF HARRIS

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Publisher's Representative

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The purpose of the hearing is to discuss the proposed widening of FM 529 from Greenhouse Road to SR 99 (Grand Parkway) from an undivided roadway, with two 12-foot travel lanes to a roadway with four 12-foot travel lanes divided by a 16-foot-wide center turn-lane (flush median). No additional right-of-way would be required for the proposed action, and no displacements would be necessary.

A schematic plan showing the proposed location and geometric design along with the environmental document and all other studies pertinent to the project are on file and available for review at the District Project Development office at 5600 Washington Avenue, Houston, Texas.

Persons interested in attending the Public Hearing who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact TxDOT’s Public Information Office at 713-303-5372 at least two working days prior to the Public Hearing. TxDOT offices are open Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., excluding national holidays. Since the Public Hearing will be conducted in English, any requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs should also be made at least two working days prior to the Public Hearing. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

All interested citizens are invited to attend this Public Hearing. Oral and written comments relative to the proposed project may be presented at the hearing or submitted to the Director of Project Development, Texas Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 1388, Houston, Texas, 77251-1388, at any time up to and before March 13, 2009.

The FM 529 Public Hearing Summary Report will be made available for public review at the TxDOT website: http://www.dot.state.tx.us/txdotinformation/county_district. Notice of availability of the Public Hearing Summary Report will be published in local newspapers when it is available for review.

January 29 & February 12, 2009
STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF HARRIS

Personally appeared before the undersigned, a Notary Public within and for said County and State, Lucia Bates, Representative for Kevin Barry, Publisher of the Memorial Examiner, a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Harris, State of Texas. Who being duly sworn, states under oath that the report of Legal Notices, a true copy of which is hereto annexed was published in said newspapers in its issue(s) of the

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The FM 529 Public Hearing Summary Report will be made available for public viewing at the TxDOT website: http://www.dot.state.tx.us/local_information/brazos_district. Notice of availability of the Public Hearing Summary Report will be published in local newspapers when it is available for review.

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Persons interested in attending the Public Hearing who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact TxDOT's Public Information Office at 713-802-5072 at least two working days prior to the Public Hearing. TxDOT offices are open Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., excluding national holidays. Since the Public Hearing will be conducted in English, any requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs should also be made at least two working days prior to the Public Hearing. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

All interested citizens are invited to attend this Public Hearing. Verbal and written comments relative to the proposed project may be presented at the hearing or submitted to the Director of Project Development, Texas Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 1336, Houston, Texas, 77251-1336, at any time on or before March 10, 2009.

The FM 529 Public Hearing Summary Report will be made available for public viewing at the TxDOT web site: http://www.dot.state.tx.us/local_information/houston_district. Notice of availability of the Public Hearing Summary Report will be published in local newspapers when it is available for review.

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The purpose of the public hearing is to present the findings of the preliminary engineering studies, environmental studies, and the recommended alignment for public input.

COMMENTS

The Texas Department of Transportation is seeking your comments on the proposed **Widening of FM 529 from Greenhouse Road to SH 99 (Grand Parkway)**. Both verbal and written comments are welcome.

If you would like to speak during the “Opportunity for Public Comment” portion of the hearing, please fill out a speaker registration card, available at the sign-in table. Each speaker will be limited to a period of three minutes.

Written comments may be submitted this evening or sent by mail to: Director of Project Development, Texas Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 1386, Houston, Texas 77251-1386.

Comments may also be submitted by E-mail to: HOU-PIOWebmail@dot.state.tx.us.

To be included in the official public hearing summary report, all written comments must be postmarked or E-mailed by March 13, 2009.

PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY REPORT

Please note that you will not receive a direct response to verbal or written comments. All verbal and written statements will be addressed in, and made a part of, the public hearing summary report. The report will be available in mid-2009. It can be viewed at the Houston District Office, 7600 Washington Ave., Houston, Texas, 77007. It will also be available on the TxDOT Houston District Office’s web page, http://www.txdot.gov. Notice of Availability to review the Public Hearing Summary Report will be published in the same newspapers that published the Notice of Public Hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

OPEN HOUSE
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

FORMAL PRESENTATION
7:00 p.m.

Welcome, Introductions, & History of the Project
Mr. Gabe Johnson, P.E.
Director of Transportation and Planning Development,
TxDOT – Houston District

Project Information & Design
Mr. Manny Francisco
Special Projects Coordinator,
TxDOT – Houston District

Environmental Studies
Ms. Amy M. Brook
Senior Associate,
Berg Oliver Associates, Inc.

Opportunity for Public Comment
Mr. Gabe Johnson, P.E.
Proposed Typical Section
Greenhouse Road to SH 99 (Grand Parkway)

NOTES:

PUBLIC HEARING
FM 529 from Greenhouse Road to SH 99 (Grand Parkway)

Thursday, February 26, 2009
Open House 6:00 p.m.
Presentation 7:00 p.m.

Cypress Springs High School
7909 Fry Road
Houston, TX 77433
**PROPIÓSITO DE AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA**

La razón de esta audiencia pública es para presentar los resultados de los estudios preliminares de ingeniería, estudios ambientales, y la alineación recomendada para comentarios del público.

**COMENTARIOS**

El Departamento de Transportación de Texas desea sus comentarios sobre la proposición del *Amplio de FM 529 desde la Calle Greenhouse hasta SH 99 (Grand Parkway)*. Comentarios verbales y escritos son apreciados.

Si usted quisiera presentar durante el tiempo de la “Oportunidad para Comentario del Público” de la audiencia, complete por favor la tarjeta de registro para expositores, disponible en la mesa de registro. Cada expositor va a ser limitado a un tiempo de tres minutos.

Comentarios escritos pueden ser sometidos esta tarde o por correo a: Director of Project Development, Texas Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 1386, Houston, Texas 77251-1386.

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Todos los comentarios escritos deben ser marcados por el correo postal o enviados por correo electrónico en o antes del 13 de marzo de 2009 para ser incluidos en el reporte oficial de la audiencia pública.

**REPORTE DE LA AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA**

Por favor note que no van a recibir contestas directamente a sus comentarios presentados en escrito o verbal. Todos los comentarios presentados en escrito o verbal van a ser discutidos en, y van a ser parte de, el reporte de la audiencia pública. El reporte va a ser disponible en la media parte de 2009. El reporte se puede revisar en Houston District Office, 7600 Washington Ave., Houston, Texas, 77007. También va a ser disponible en la página de web de la Oficina del Distrito de Houston de TxDOT, http://www.txdot.gov. Un Aviso de la Disponibilidad para revisar el Reporte de la Audiencia Pública va a ser publicada en los mismos periódicos donde se publicó el Aviso del Audiencia Pública.

**AGENDA DE AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA**

**FORMATO ABIERTO**

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

**PRESENTACIÓN FORMAL**

7:00 p.m.

Bienvenida, Introducción, y la Historia del Proyecto

Sr. Gabe Johnson, P.E.

Directivo de Transportación y Desarrollo de Planeamiento,

TxDOT - Distrito de Houston

Información del Proyecto y Diseño

Srta. Amy M. Brook

Socia Principal,

Berg+Oliver Associates, Inc.

Estudios Ambientales

Sra. Mandy Francisco

Coordinador de Proyectos Especiales,

TxDOT - Distrito de Houston

Oportunidad para Comentario del Público

Sr. Gabe Johnson, P.E.
AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA

FM 529 desde la Calle Greenhouse hasta SH 99 (Grand Parkway)

Jueves, 26 de Febrero de 2009
Formato Abierto 6:00 p.m.
Presentación 7:00 p.m.

Cypress Springs High School
7909 Fry Road
Houston, TX 77433
FM 529: from Greenhouse Rd to Proposed SH 99 (Grand Parkway)

WELCOME

PUBLIC HEARING

Presented by
Texas Department of Transportation - Houston District

February 26, 2009
Cypress Springs High School

Berg Oliver Associates, Inc.
PURPOSE OF PUBLIC HEARING

• PRESENT THE PROPOSED PROJECT DESIGN AND RESULTS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

• ALLOW PUBLIC TO SHARE COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED PROJECT
**NEED FOR AND PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT**

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TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**FM 529:** from Greenhouse Rd to Proposed SH 99 (Grand Parkway)

**PROJECT LOCATION MAP**
FM 529: from Greenhouse Rd to Proposed SH 99 (Grand Parkway)

TYPICAL SECTIONS

Existing Typical Section

Proposed Typical Section
FM 529: from Greenhouse Rd to Proposed SH 99
(Grand Parkway)

AVERAGE DAILY TRAFFIC (ADT) VOLUMES

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FM 529: from Greenhouse Rd to Proposed SH 99 (Grand Parkway)

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Estimated Start: October 2009
Construction to take approximately 2 years

To be constructed when funding is available.

Estimated Construction Cost: ~$37.59M (2009 Dollars)
Appendix E:  Photographs
Sign-in table

Citizens viewing the Exhibit Boards

Citizens viewing/discussing the Proposed Schematics

Citizen filling out a Comment Card at the Comment Table

Mr. Gabe Johnson (TxDOT-HOU) speaking during formal presentation

Citizens attending the formal presentation
Appendix F: Public Hearing Presentation, Transcript and Speaker Cards
WELCOME
PUBLIC HEARING

FM 529 PROPOSED WIDENING
FROM GREENHOUSE ROAD TO SH 99
(GRAND PARKWAY)
IN HARRIS COUNTY

February 26, 2009

FM 529 PUBLIC HEARING
INTRODUCTIONS

ELECTED OFFICIALS

FM 529 PUBLIC HEARING
PUBLISHED NOTICES

- HOUSTON CHRONICLE
  - MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2009 & MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2009
- KATY SUN & COPPERFIELD SUN
  - THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 2009 & THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2009
- LA VOZ
  - WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2009 & WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2009
ON FILE AND AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW

TxDOT HOUSTON DISTRICT OFFICE
7600 WASHINGTON AVENUE
HOUSTON, TEXAS

TxDOT WALLER AND WEST HARRIS COUNTY
AREA OFFICE
14838 NORTHWEST FREEWAY
HOUSTON, TEXAS

PROJECT LOCATION MAP

NEED FOR AND PURPOSE OF THE PROJECT

- REDUCE CURRENT CONGESTION.
- ACCOMMODATE FUTURE TRAFFIC NEEDS.
  Average Daily Traffic Volumes Increase: 111%
  Year 2008: 27,600 vehicles per day (vpd)
  Year 2028: 58,300 vpd
- REDUCE ACCIDENTS/IMPROVE SAFETY.

FM 529
PUBLIC MEETING

- MEETING WAS HELD AT THE CYPRESS SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA / COMMONS AREA.
FM 529
PROPOSED FACILITY

PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTION

FM 529
ESTIMATED COST AND SCHEDULE

- ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST: $37.59M (2009 DOLLARS)
- ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION:
  - GREENHOUSE ROAD TO WEST OF FRY ROAD - OCTOBER 2009
  - WEST OF FRY ROAD TO SH 99 - WHEN FUNDING IS AVAILABLE

FM 529
ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:
- NO-BUILD ALTERNATIVE
- RECOMMENDED BUILD ALTERNATIVE
  - NO ADDITIONAL RIGHT-OF-WAY REQUIRED
  - URBAN SECTION
FM 529
SUMMARY OF IMPACTS

NOISE
- NOISE LEVEL INCREASE: 4 - 8 DECIBELS
- NOISE BARRIERS PROPOSED

AIR QUALITY
- PROJECT MEETS NATIONAL AMBIENT AIR QUALITY STANDARDS

THE NEXT STEPS IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS

- PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY REPORT
- FHWA REVIEW OF PUBLIC HEARING SUMMARY REPORT
- AVAILABILITY OF REPORT TO PUBLIC
  - TxDOT DISTRICT OFFICE – HOUSTON
    (713) 802-5000
  - TxDOT AREA OFFICE – WALLER & WEST HARRIS COUNTIES
    (713) 934-5900
  - TxDOT WEB SITE – www.txdot.gov
COMMENT SESSION

ORAL COMMENTS
- COMPLETE SPEAKER CARD
- STEP UP TO MICROPHONE
- 3-MINUTE TIME LIMIT

WRITTEN COMMENTS
- PLACE IN COMMENT BOX TONIGHT
- POSTMARK OR E-MAIL COMMENTS BY March 13, 2009
- HOU-PIOWEBMAIL@DOT.STATE.TX.US

ORAL COMMENT PERIOD

- SUBMIT SPEAKER REGISTRATION CARD.
- USE MICROPHONE IN CENTER AISLE AND FACE COURT REPORTER.
- PLEASE ONLY COMMENT ON ISSUES RELEVANT TO THE FM 529 FROM GREENHOUSE ROAD TO SH 99 (GRAND PARKWAY) PROJECT.
- ORAL COMMENTS ARE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES.
- UNUSED TIME MAY NOT BE GIVEN TO ANOTHER SPEAKER.
REPORTER'S RECORD

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TxDOT PUBLIC HEARING

FM 529 PROPOSED WIDENING FROM GREENHOUSE ROAD
TO SH 99 (GRAND PARKWAY) IN HARRIS COUNTY

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On the 26th day of February, 2009, at 7 p.m., the
following proceedings came on to be heard in the
above-entitled cause held at Cypress Springs High
School, 7909 Fry Road, Cypress, Texas:

Proceedings reported by BRENDA A. FOSTER, CSR
in and for the State of Texas, reported by machine
 shorthand.
APPEARANCES

Mr. Gabe Johnson, Director of Transportation and Planning Development for TxDOT, Houston District

Mr. Manny Francisco, TxDOT Engineering Team for FM 529 proposed widening project

Ms. Amy Brook, Consultant Team, Berg-Oliver Associates, Inc.

Public Speaker: Mr. Roy Rowland
PROCEEDINGS

GABE JOHNSON: Good evening. Good evening, ladies and gentlemen. My name is Gabe Johnson. I'm a Director of Transportation, Planning and Development, for Texas Department of Transportation, Houston District.

Today's date is February 26th, 2009, and the time is approximately 7 p.m. At this time please turn off or silence any personal electronic devices for the remainder of this hearing. The purpose of this public hearing is to present the proposed project design and the results of the environmental studies for the improvements to F.M. 529 -- is it good?

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Speak up a little louder.

GABE JOHNSON: -- for F.M. 529 from Greenhouse Road to State Highway 99, known as Grand Parkway in Harris County and gather any comments you may have regarding these plans. The public hearing is being recorded by a certified court reporter for the formal public record. You may have noticed sign-in tables as you walked into the building this evening; and if you have not already done so, please sign in before you leave tonight. The sign-in sheets allow us to record tonight's participation and give you the
opportunity to be added to the project mailing list.

Also available at the sign-in tables are handouts which include project information and a common form for your use at tonight's hearing.

For those who wish to make an oral comment during the formal public comment session tonight, speaker registration cards are also provided at the sign-in table. The comment session will follow tonight's presentation. We will not answer questions during the presentation or comment session, but we will be available to answer your questions following the comment section. Please feel free to review the exhibits on display at tonight's public hearing. They will be available until the public comments are heard and we adjourn tonight.

At this point it's customary that we recognize elected officials if there is any. And it's my understanding there's no elected officials among you. If there is, please correct me and stand up.

(No response)

Thank you. The notices of public hearing were advertised in the Houston Chronicle, the Katy Sun, Copperfield Sun and La Voz. As specified in the public hearing notices advertised in the various newspapers mentioned, the schematic layout showing the location
and the design, the draft environmental document, which
is our environmental assessment document, and other
information related to the project are on file and
available for public review at TxDOT's Houston District
Office located at 7600 Washington Avenue in Houston,
Texas, and TxDOT's Waller and West Houston Area Office
at 14838 Northwest Freeway, Houston, Texas.

Participating with me in tonight's
presentation is Mr. Manny Francisco of TxDOT Houston
District for Project Development and Design and
Ms. Amy Brook of Berg-Oliver Associates, Incorporated,
for environmental studies.

I will now pass the meeting on to Mr. Manny
Francisco to discuss the project information and
design.

MANNY FRANCISCO: Thank you, Gabe. Good
evening. My name is Manny Francisco, and I'm part of
the TxDOT engineering team for the F.M. 529 proposed
widening project. TxDOT proposes to widen F.M. 529
from Greenhouse Road to the proposed State Highway 99
or the Grand Parkway in Harris County, Texas, as shown
in this picture. This project begins at Greenhouse
Road and continues westward approximately 3.3 miles to
the proposed State Highway 99. The existing F.M. 529
facility is an undivided rural section roadway with two
lanes, one in each direction. The existing posted speed limit is 45 miles per hour from Greenhouse Road to Fry Road. From Fry Road to the proposed State Highway 99, the speed limit varies from 55 miles per hour to 60 miles per hour.

The project is needed to reduce current congestion of the roadway, accommodate future traffic demands that would increase congestion and reduce accidents. Travel demand in the project area is anticipated to increase from approximately 19.1 percent in traffic volumes (from 27,600 vehicles per day to 58,300 vehicles per day) between 2008 and 2028.

The purpose of the proposed project is to increase capacity of the roadway and reduce congestion, accommodate current and future development on the project and improve traffic safety. Additional lanes would provide added capacity for future traffic volumes.

Public participation has included one public meeting held in November of 2006. That meeting presented TxDOT's recommended Build Alternative and gathered public input. Comments were received regarding safety, bicycle lanes, landscaping and noise walls. All comments received during the public involvement process were taken into consideration.
during the planning and preliminary design of the project and the development of the Recommended Build Alternative.

The proposed F.M. 529 facility will consist of four 12-foot travel lanes, two in each direction, 6' shoulders, a 16-foot wide continuous left-turn lane or flush median and curb and gutter drainage. Bicyclists could utilize the outside shoulders.

Based on this schematic design presented this evening, the estimated construction cost of the project is approximately $37.59 million. The first phase would involve construction of the segment from Greenhouse Road to west of Fry Road. This phase is expected to begin October of 2009 and would take approximately two years to complete. The second phase, construction of the segment from west of Fry Road to State Highway 99 is not yet funded. It would be constructed once funding is available.

This concludes the project information and schematic design portion of the presentation. At this time I would introduce Ms. Amy Brook, who will describe the environmental studies.

AMY BROOK: Thank you, Manny. Good evening. My name is Amy Brook, and I'm part of the consultant team for the F.M. 529 widening project. A
Draft Environmental Assessment has been prepared and received preliminary approval for further processing from the Federal Highway Administration in January of 2009, enabling us to hold this public hearing. We have copies of the document here this evening for your review at the environmental table.

An alternatives analysis was conducted for the proposed project. Two alternatives were examined. The No-Build Alternative would consist only of maintenance work on the existing facility. The Build Alternative is what is recommended and is being presented tonight. It requires no new right-of-way or displacements.

The alternatives analysis determined that the recommended alternative was the best fit scenario for the improvements of the FM 529 corridor as shown in the schematic displays presented this evening.

A noise analysis was performed during the environmental investigations associated with this project. Based on future traffic projections, the analysis showed that there are residential and business receptors that would approach, equal or exceed the noise abatement criteria. Therefore, two walls are being recommended east of Fry Road and one west of Fry Road. A noise workshop will be held with affected
residents prior to construction.

Impacts to air quality have been considered, and the results of the studies indicate that the project is within the federal criteria for air quality standards. Coordination was conducted with resource agencies throughout the environmental process. These agencies provided review, input and a concurrence on the assessment of impacts.

Following this public hearing, the next step in the environmental process will include the following actions: A Public Hearing Summary Report will be prepared to address the oral and written comments received at tonight's hearing and within the public comment period, which ends on March 13th, 2009. The summary report, as well as any changes as a result of tonight's hearing, will be submitted to the Federal Highway Administration for a review. Following the Federal Highway Administration's approval, this report will be available upon request. Public notification will be announced in the same publications used for the advertisement of this hearing. This summary will be available to the public in mid-2009 at the TxDOT District Office in Houston, at the TxDOT Area Office in Houston or through the TxDOT Web site.

Following approval of the summary report,
TXDOT will request a finding of "no significant impact" from the Federal Highway Administration.

Thanks for your attention, and I'll turn this meeting back over to Gabe Johnson.

GABE JOHNSON: Thank you, Ms. Brook. Now we will begin the formal public comment section. Only registered speakers will be called upon. Please raise your hand if you would like to speak for the record tonight and have not completed a speaker registration card, and our staff will help you assist you in getting you cards. Anybody interested to speak?

As we collect the cards and we will call on you. And at this point we don't have any elected officials to speak. The purpose of the public comment session is to receive your comments on the issues relevant to this project, and both written and oral comments will be considered equally. Oral comments are limited to three minutes. We will not respond to the questions during this time. TXDOT representatives and members of the consultant team will be available to answer your questions following the comment session.

Pardon me. The names of the speakers will be called upon and in order that we have received those and when your name is called, please come to the microphone and use the microphone in front of you and
face the court reporter so that she can make the
accurate record for tonight related to your comments.
A timed display on the screen will indicate the start
of each speaker's three minutes. The timer will count
down your remaining time. When the clock is at zero,
your speaking time is over. Once the three-minute
period is over, we ask that you allow the next speaker
to present their comment. You will not be allowed to
give unused time to another speaker. The comment
section will adjourn after all who have registered to
make oral comments have been given the opportunity to
speak.

At this point what I see is just one speaker;
and, Mr. Rowland, please come to the microphone.

MR. ROY ROWLAND: I have a comment
about -- good afternoon. I have a comment about the
design plan of this proposed project. Why aren't y'all
taking it six lanes all the way out to the Waller
County line on F.M. 529? I drive the road to Old Katy.
That's where I work. I've been living out in this area
since 1993. I've seen development grow, you know,
quite a bit over the past years; and I think that y'all
have a bottle-neck situation that's going on right now
at Barker Cypress and 529. The continuous left lane, I
feel, is a hazard. It's not safe. I think it should
be designed like it is for Barker Cypress with a median and left turn. That way you don't have head-on collisions like you do on State Highway 6. Everybody knows that who travel on Highway 6 a lot. So I feel like that this project should be going on to the Waller County line, not stop at the Grand, proposed Grand Parkway, simply because we have a lot of industrial traffic that comes from the Brookshire area and also a lot of people that are also being diverted over from 290 because 290 is such a congested mayhem over there, so they're using 529 as an alternate, using either Katy Hockley Road as the cut-through to come over to 529 or Fry Road and Barker Cypress.

I think it's inefficient, inadequate for the future development of this area on out to the county line. I do believe that there should be adequate money set aside and research on this so we can have more of a speedy project on this. It should be six lanes, I do believe in my opinion, on out to the Waller County line. That's all I have to say. Thank you, sir.

GABE JOHNSON: I think there is no other registered speakers, and now since there are no speakers, registered speakers to make a public comment, we will close the comment section of the hearing. And it's exactly 7:15 p.m., and the hearing is adjourned,
and thank you for your participation.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
   
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY
   
I, BREENDA A. FOSTER, Certified Shorthand Reporter
in and for the State of Texas, do hereby certify that
the above and foregoing contains a true and correct
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parties to be included in this volume of the Reporter's
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I further certify that the total cost for the
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WITNESS MY OFFICIAL HAND this the 12th day
of March, 2009.

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brendacsr@sbcglobal.net
**SPEAKER REGISTRATION CARD**

**PLEASE PRINT**

FM 529 Public Hearing – February 26, 2009
I desire to make an oral statement at this Public Hearing.

**Name**

Kay Rowland

**(Elected Position/Representing)**

6414 Garden Canyon Dr.

**Address**

Kaysville  UT  77449

**City** | **State** | **Zip**

Speakers will be limited to 3 minutes for comments.
Appendix G: Comment Forms
1. How did you hear about this meeting? ¿Cómo se informó de esta junta?

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Other (please explain):

2. What is your interest in this project? (highway user, local citizen, adjacent landowner, etc...?)

¿Cual es su interés en este proyecto? (usuario de la carretera, ciudadano local, dueño de propiedad adyacente, etc...?)

Local citizen (Settler's Village resident for 25+ years)

3. Please provide any comments that you may have on the FM 529 Improvements Project.

Por favor presente comentarios que usted pueda tener con respecto al Proyecto de Mejoramientos de FM 529.

My wife and I are both in favor of the project

(continue comments on the back of this form / siga con comentarios atrás de esta forma)

4. Do you want to be included on the mailing list for future meetings regarding this proposed project?

¿Quiere usted ser incluido en la lista de envío para recibir avisos de juntas futuras para este proyecto propuesto?

Name/Nombre: Timothy Fernández

Address: 6639 Liberty Valley Dr.

City: Katy

Zip Code: 77449
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   - Newspaper Periódico
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   - Received Notice in Mail Aviso por Correo
   - Other (please explain): __________

2. What is your interest in this project? (highway user, local citizen, adjacent landowner, etc...?)
   - Local Citizen

3. Please provide any comments that you may have on the FM 529 Improvements Project.
   (continue comments on the back of this form / siga con comentarios atras de esta forma)

4. Do you want to be included on the mailing list for future meetings regarding this proposed project?
   - Name/Nombre ________
   - Address/ Apartado ________

City/ Estado ________ Zip Code ________

Harris County (Condado de Harris), Texas
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   David Turner - CUS Const. Manager
   5030 Greenue Rd
   Suite 200
   Houston
   77063
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   **CVS is a land owner @ the intersection of 529 & Fwy**

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   Adjacent Landowner [ ]

3. Please provide any comments that you may have on the FM 529 Improvements Project. Please start ASAP!

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   Name/Nombre: PAULA ANGELLE
   Address/ Ciudad: 6914 CREEK VILLAGE DR.
   Zip Code: KATY, TX 77449
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   - Local Interest: ¿Cuál es su interés en este proyecto? (usuario de la carretera, ciudadano local, dueño de propiedad adyacente, etc...?)
   - Lanes have been met too many times head on.
   - Drivers entering turn lane too early (Green house at FM 529 west)
   - Get the medians done ASAP! Center turn lanes
   - (continue comments on the back of this form / siga con comentarios atrás de esta forma)

3. Please provide any comments that you may have on the FM 529 Improvements Project.
   - Name/Nombre: Susan Nichols
   - Address/ Ciudad: 1901 Brownstone Mills Dr. Cypress
   - Zip Code: 77433

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Traffic study at Settles Village and FM 529 due to elementar

School In Subdivision

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Name/Nombre: Charlie LaCroix

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   Homeowner in Acre

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   Sound barriers in front of Highland Creek Village

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   sabes si no me va afectar mi propiedad

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   Name/Nombre JOSE F  
   Address/ 19422 AZALCA  
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   LAND OWNER. outside of Savannah Village.

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   Please inform if the road improvement will need our land.

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3. **Please provide any comments that you may have on the FM 529 Improvements Project.**

   **FM 529 is identified on the H-GAC Regional Bikeway Plan.**
   I fully support 6 ft shoulders for this project, since...

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4. **Do you want to be included on the mailing list for future meetings regarding this proposed project?**

   - [ ] Name/Nombre: Peter Wang
   - [ ] Address/ Ciudad: 7111 Silent Star Ct
   - [ ] Zip Code: 77095

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they will provide important accessibility for bicycles.

The shoulders however, must have a smooth, even surface. Chip seal is a very bad idea. Keep rumble strips and reflectors out of the main body of the shoulder (OK between main lane and shoulder).

Please consult Ms. Teri Kaplan, TxDOT Houston Region, concerning bicycle-specific design guidelines.

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CSJ No. 1006-01-058 and 1006-01-059 (RS)
THANK YOU for including 6' shoulders in the planned widening of 529 fro Greenhouse to SH99. I'm hopeful that y'all will insure that it is to be a smooth surface (not Chip & seal) which can be used by cyclists and that it will be devoid of rumble strips, reflectors and other such hazards to cyclists. Thanks again!

Matt Hester
Below and attached are comments submitted regarding the FM 529 widening for your handling.

Raquelle Lewis

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you for planning for 6ft wide shoulders when widening Hwy 529. As an avid cyclist, please do NOT put rumble strips, bumps, "road toads" or other interferences in the shoulder lane. Cyclists deserve a safe and obstacle free place to ride. Thanks so much!!

Sandy Martin
77095
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   local citizen, also head of environmental group in the area

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   Name/Nombre: Jennifer Armstrong
   Address/ Dirección: 1016A Dunkleith Circle
   City/Ciudad: Cypress
   Zip Code: 77429
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<td>William W. Heimann</td>
<td>This project is long overdue. The road should have been widened simultaneously with the Barker Cypress to Greenhouse project.</td>
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<td>Please insist that TxDOT contractor provide good accommodation to each of the retail business along 529 throughout (before/after) the project.</td>
<td>During construction, TxDOT will do its best to ensure that Contractors coordinate with adjacent landowners and businesses regarding any driveway closings.</td>
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<td>No Name (adjacent retailer, believed to be David Tanner, CVS)</td>
<td>Very concerned about impact on CVS business over the 24 month of the project. #1 CVS is concerned about taking of ROW and the possible condemnation of our signage and parking lot in the future as we understand this could be six lane improvement over time. * What is TxDOT doing to assure these fixtures are not impacted. #2 CVS is concerned about traffic flow into property @ current curb cuts to CVS and adjacent parcels. The impact on previous projects throughout Greater Houston have been difficult if steps are not taken by the TxDOT contractor to coordinate driveway closings with store management and adjacent landowners. * What will TxDOT due to assure minimal impact on these retailers and business along 529?</td>
<td>The current proposed project requires no additional right-of-way (land) beyond the existing right-of-way. #1 - If another widening project occurs in the future, TxDOT would determine any ROW takings during development of that project and address any potential impacts at that time. #2 - TxDOT would maintain access to all businesses and residences at all times during the construction process. TxDOT will do its best to ensure that Contractors coordinate with adjacent landowners and businesses regarding any driveway closings.</td>
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<td>Paula Angelle</td>
<td>Please start ASAP!</td>
<td>TxDOT plans to start construction in October of 2009.</td>
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<td>Susan Nichols</td>
<td>Put medians with turn lanes vs. center turn lane. Have been met too many times head-on by drivers entering turn-lane too early. (Greenhouse at FM 529 westbound) Get the medians done ASAP! Center turn lanes without median are deadly. I don’t need to be a statistic.</td>
<td>This section of FM 529 is classified as a rural principal arterial with a design speed of 50 MPH. At this time, the project includes a center turn lane. The proposed widening of this roadway would improve safety in this area, and flush medians would provide storage space for left-turning vehicles. Continuous left-turn lanes (flush medians) are desirable on facilities with a design speed of more than 50 MPH. Raised medians are desirable on urban streets with a low design speed of less than 50 MPH. Development of raised medians may occur at a later date as a separate project.</td>
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<td>Charlie LaConti</td>
<td>Traffic study at Settlers Village and FM 529 due to elementary school in subdivision.</td>
<td>Traffic counts were obtained for FM 529 for the proposed project, and these counts included traffic going to and from the school. Since the school is not adjacent to the project, a specific traffic study or analysis for the school itself was not conducted.</td>
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<td>Richard Newton</td>
<td>Sound barrier in front on Highland Creek Village.</td>
<td>Based on traffic noise modeling, a noise wall is recommended in front of Highland Creek Village. A Noise Workshop for those residents adjacent to a recommended noise wall location was held on March 10, 2009.</td>
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<td>Jose F. Cruz</td>
<td>Saber si no me va afectar mi propiedad. [Translation: &quot;I want to know if this will affect my property.&quot;]</td>
<td>El proyecto propuesta no afectara su propiedad y no require tierra adicional. TxDOT va construir una pared para obstruir el ruido que afecta los residentes que viven en la calle Azalea Valley Drive. The proposed project requires no additional right-of-way (land) beyond the existing right-of-way. Therefore, no land would be acquired from your property. A noise wall has been recommended to be placed behind your row of houses along Azalea Valley Drive (along the right-of-way edge of FM 529).</td>
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<td>Equicap Group of Companies</td>
<td>Please inform if the road improvement will need our land.</td>
<td>The proposed project requires no additional right-of-way (land) beyond the existing right-of-way. Therefore, no land would be acquired from your property.</td>
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<td>Peter Wang</td>
<td>FM 529 is identified on the HGAC Regional bikeway plan. I fully support 6 ft shoulders for this project since they will provide important accessibility for bicycles. The shoulders however, must have a smooth, even surface. Chip seal is a very bad idea. Keep rumble strips and reflectors out of the main body of the shoulder (OK between main lane and shoulder). Please consult Ms. Teri Kaplan, TxDOT Houston Region, concerning bicycle-specific design guidelines.</td>
<td>FM 529 is identified in the H-GAC Regional bikeway plan as a bikeway need. TxDOT appreciates your support of the proposed 6-foot shoulders, which can be shared by bicyclists. The proposed project would result in a concrete facility; therefore, chip seal would not be used in paving. TxDOT will keep rumble strips and reflectors out of the main body of the shoulder.</td>
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<td>Matt Hester</td>
<td>THANK YOU for including 6' shoulders in the planned widening of 529 fro Greenhouse to SH99. I'm hopeful that y'all will insure that it is to be a smooth surface (not Chip &amp; seal) which can be used by cyclists and that that it will be devoid of rumble strips, reflectors and other such hazards to cyclists. Thanks again!</td>
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<td>Sandy Martin</td>
<td>Thank you, Thank you, Thank you for planning for 6ft wide shoulders when widening Hwy 529. As an avid cyclist, please do NOT put rumble strips, bumps, &quot;road toads&quot; or other interferences in the shoulder lane. Cyclists deserve a safe and obstacle free place to ride. Thanks so much!!</td>
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* denote comment forms submitted at the Public Hearing, but which contained no comment.