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Notice Affording an Opportunity for Public Hearing

SH 146: From BS 146 to Ferry Road

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) proposes to improve State Highway (SH) 146 with the construction of four main lanes over 0.87 miles (4,594ft) in the existing right-of-way (ROW) between Business Highway (BS) 146 and Ferry Road in Baytown, Harris County, Texas. The proposed project limits, including areas of restriping, extend approximately 1.45 mile.

The majority of the existing roadway within the project limits has six 12-foot lanes divided by a grassy median. The proposed project would extend four additional main lanes between the existing six 12-foot lanes. The existing six-lane roadway with a grassy median would become the proposed future frontage roads. The proposed project would be constructed entirely within the 300-336-foot existing ROW. The proposed project would include drainage improvements within the project limits. The proposed project would not require the acquisition of new ROW. There would be no displacements of residences or commercial structures. The proposed project would add capacity to the existing roadway in anticipation of future growth within the region. The purpose of the proposed project would be to improve capacity and provide a continuous roadway between BS 146 and northeast of Ferry Road. The proposed improvements are needed in order to accommodate existing traffic, future growth of the region, improve safety, and to improve connectivity.

The National Environmental Policy Act Environmental Assessment has been approved for this SH 146 project and is available to review. Exhibits showing aerial photography and schematic plans for the proposed project corridor, environmental document, tentative construction schedule, and other information relative to the project are on file and available by appointment for review Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. excluding city, and state holidays at the TxDOT Houston District Office, 7600 Washington Avenue, Houston, Texas 77007, or at <http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/get-involved/about/hearings-meetings/houston/sh146.html>. To schedule an appointment at the Houston District Office, or if you have general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project, please contact Manny Francisco, Jr. at (713) 802-5250.

Any interested citizen may request a public hearing covering the social, economic and environmental effects of the proposed location and design for this project. Requests for a public hearing must be submitted in writing on or before January 3, 2016 to the TxDOT Houston District Office, Director of Project Development, P.O. Box 1386, Houston, Texas 77251-1386.

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.

The Environmental Assessment document for this project has been approved for further processing by the TxDOT Environmental Affairs Division.

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