



## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### Interstate Highway 10: From FM 359 to FM 3538

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct public hearings regarding proposed roadway improvements to Interstate Highway 10 (I-10) from Farm to Market (FM) 359 to FM 3538 in Waller and Austin counties, Texas. The hearings will be held in two locations, with each hearing presenting the same information: September 27, 2016, at Royal High School - Auditorium located at 34499 Royal Road, Brookshire, Texas 77423, and October 6, 2016, at Sealy High School - Thomas E. Golson Auditorium located at 2372 Championship Drive, Sealy, Texas 77474. The purpose of the hearing is to present the proposed improvements for I-10, and to receive public comment. Displays will be available for viewing at 5:30 p.m. with the formal hearing commencing at 6:30 p.m.

The existing interstate highway consists of a four-lane freeway with a grassy median and a two-way frontage road system. The existing right-of-way varies in width between 300 and 335 feet, except at interchange locations, which may be wider.

The proposed project would consist of reconstructing I-10 to add one additional through lane in each direction, rebuilding or replacing overpasses to provide additional clearance, and converting the existing frontage road system from two-way to one-way. The project would also replace the existing bridges over the Brazos River. New 5-foot-wide sidewalks would also be constructed on both sides between FM 359 and FM 1489. The proposed project is approximately 16 miles in length and would be constructed completely within existing right-of-way. No residential or commercial displacements are proposed. The purpose of the project is to add capacity, improve mobility and traffic safety, enhance the hurricane evacuation network, and improve roadway horizontal and vertical alignments including clearance at bridges.

Maps and other drawings showing the proposed project's location and design will be displayed at the hearing. Environmental documentation for the project will also be available for inspection at the hearing. This information is available by appointment Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the TxDOT Houston District Office located at 7600 Washington Avenue, Houston, Texas 77007. To schedule an appointment please contact Patrick Gant at (713) 802-5274. Information is also available at the TxDOT Yoakum District Office located at 403 Huck Street, Yoakum, Texas 77995, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at telephone number (361) 293-4300. The project information can also be viewed at TxDOT's website: <http://txdot.gov/inside-txdot/projects/studies/houston/ih10-waller-county.html>.

All interested people are invited to attend this public hearing. Verbal and written comments from the public regarding this project are requested. Written comments may be submitted either in person or by mail to the TxDOT Houston District Office, Director of Project Development, Texas Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 1386, Houston, Texas 77251-1386, submitted through the TxDOT website (listed above), or emailed to [HOU-PIOWebMail@txdot.gov](mailto:HOU-PIOWebMail@txdot.gov). Comments must be received or postmarked on or before October 21, 2016, in order to become part of the official hearing record.

The Public Hearing will be conducted in English. Spanish speakers will be present. Persons interested in attending the hearing who have special communication or accommodation needs, or need an interpreter, are encouraged to contact the TxDOT Houston District Public Information Officer at (713) 802-5076. Requests should be made at least two days prior to the public hearing. Every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate these needs.

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.