



Notice of Availability of the Finding of No Significant Impact

This notice is to advise the public that the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has issued a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the widening of FM 2978 from Conroe-Hufsmith Road to FM 1488 in Montgomery County, Texas within the existing right-of-way. The project includes the construction of four detention ponds outside the existing right-of-way. (CSJ 3050-02-024, 3050-02-025, 3050-02-028). A traffic noise analysis is included in the Environmental Assessment for FM 2978 and there are three noise barriers that are proposed for construction. The document also includes predicted noise impact contours for currently undeveloped areas.

These impact contours are intended as a general guide to assist local planning officials and developers plan and construct new activities in locations that would not result in traffic noise impacts. It is important to note that on the date of approval/clearance of an environmental document (including the traffic noise analysis) for a proposed highway project; TxDOT is no longer responsible for providing noise abatement for new development. Copies of the FONSI, the approved Environmental Assessment and Certification of Public Involvement for this project are available for review and reproduction at the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Houston District Headquarters, 7600 Washington Avenue, Houston, Texas 77007. For further information please contact the Director of Project Development, TxDOT Houston District Office at (713) 802-5241.

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.