

**Notice of Public Hearing**  
**US 59: from Spur 10 to SH 99**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct a public hearing on the proposed widening of US 59 from Spur 10 to SH 99, in Fort Bend County, Texas. The hearing will be conducted on Thursday, May 16, 2013, in the auditorium of Terry High School, 5500 Ave N, Rosenberg, Texas 77471. The purpose of the hearing is to discuss the social, economic and environmental effects of the proposed project and receive comments from the public. The hearing will begin with an open house from 5:30 to 6:30 pm. Project staff will answer questions on the proposed project during the open house. The formal public hearing will begin promptly at 6:30 pm, followed by a public comment period.

From Spur 10 to FM 762, TxDOT proposes to widen the existing 4-lane divided highway to a 6-lane highway divided by a grassy median. This segment would also include continuous 2-lane frontage roads where they are currently discontinuous. Grade separation/interchange improvements would be performed at various intersections. From FM 762 to SH 99, the proposed project would widen the existing 4-lane divided highway to 8 general-purpose lanes (4 each way), plus 2 additional high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes (one in each direction). Directions of travel would be separated by a concrete barrier. The segment would also include continuous 3-lane frontage roads, which are currently discontinuous 2-lane frontage roads.

The project would require approximately 54.95 acres of additional right-of-way and three commercial displacements. It would not require residential displacements. The project would increase vehicle capacity, reduce congestion, update US 59 to current design and safety standards, and rectify identified operational deficiencies

The Environmental Assessment, project exhibits, maps and design drawings will be available for review at the hearing. This information is available by appointment for review and copying at TxDOT's Houston District Office, 7600 Washington Avenue, Houston, Texas 77007, and at TxDOT's Fort Bend Area Office, 4235 SH 36, Rosenberg, Texas 77471.

All interested persons are invited to attend this hearing. Persons interested in attending the hearing that have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact the District Public Information Officer at (713) 802-5072 at least two working days before the hearing. The public hearing will be conducted in English. Requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs should be made at least two working days before the public hearing. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs. The TxDOT office is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, excluding state holidays.

Oral and written comments about this project may be presented at the hearing. Written statements may also be submitted to the TxDOT Houston District office at 7600 Washington Avenue, Houston, or mailed to the Director of Project Development, TxDOT Houston District, P.O. Box 1386, Houston, Texas 77251, or emailed to [hou-piowebmail@txdot.gov](mailto:hou-piowebmail@txdot.gov). Comments must be postmarked or emailed by May 30, 2013 to be included in the public hearing record.

