



Finding of No Significant Impact for a NEPA Assigned Federal Aid Project

Proposed Action: Mile 6 West Road

Project Limits: From Mile 9 North to SH 107

City: N/A **County:** Hidalgo **State:** Texas

TxDOT CSJ(s): 0921-02-168, 0921-02-286

In accordance with 23 CFR Section 771.119 and Section 771.121, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has determined that Mile 6 West Road Project from Mile 9 North to State Highway (SH) 107, widening from 2 to 4 lanes, will not have a significant impact on the human or natural environment.

This Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the Preferred Alternative is based on the final Environmental Assessment dated December 2015 and the entire project record. This decision documents the selection of Alternative D, presented in the final EA as the Preferred Alternative, which is described as:

This alternative would acquire variable amounts of additional ROW (minimum zero feet to a maximum of 50 feet at the intersections) from the east and west sides of the ROW to minimize adverse impacts to existing development as feasible as possible. Approximately 33 acres of new ROW would be required.

A Notice Affording Opportunity for a Public Hearing and notifying the public of availability of the draft EA was published in El Periódico on May 6, 2015 and in The Monitor on May 10, 2015.

No comments were received on the draft EA during the posted comment period.

A Notice Affording Opportunity for a Public Hearing and certification that a hearing opportunity was offered has been prepared and is available for review on request.

The final EA and reports contained in the file of record have been independently evaluated by TxDOT and determined to adequately and accurately discuss the need, purpose, alternatives, environmental issues, impacts of the proposed project, and appropriate mitigation measures. These documents provide sufficient evidence and analysis for determining that preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement is not required. These documents are incorporated by reference into this decisional document.

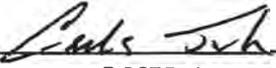
Based upon TxDOT's review and consideration of the analysis and evaluation contained in the EA for this project, and after careful consideration of all social, economic, and environmental factors, including input from the public involvement process, TxDOT hereby issues this Finding of No Significant Impact for the Mile 6 West Road project from Mile 9 North to SH 107.

TxDOT will ensure adherence and completion of all project commitments described in the final EA dated December 2015, Section 5.3. TxDOT will ensure that any and all local, state, or federal permit requirements and conditions are met and otherwise complied with.



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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 the Memorandum of Understanding dated December 16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.



TxDOT Environmental Affairs Division Director

12/15/15

Date



Environmental Document Certification Form

Project Name: Mile 6 West Road

Control Section Job Number (CSJ): 0921-02-168 and 0921-02-286

Document Type: EA EIS FONSI ROD

Document Stage: Draft Final

This checklist shall be used to certify that an environmental document is ready for public review (draft documents) or approval (final documents).

When all required items are satisfactorily completed, the District and ENV representatives will sign this form indicating the environmental document is certified and may proceed to public review or is ready for final approval.

This project meets all the following requirements:

- A. A project scope has been completed for the project.
- B. The document has been determined to be administratively complete.
- C. The document meets the requirements of technical review (43 TAC §2.49) as required to date.
- D. The required public participation has been completed as required to date.
- E. All consultation and coordination required for the environmental decision is complete and appropriately documented (for final environmental documents).
- F. Legal Review or Legal Sufficiency Review has been completed, as required.
- G. Current funding has been reviewed, and is as follows:

Mix of Federal/State/Local funding State-only funding Date Verified: 12/7/15

Comments: <Enter Comments>

Signed: DocuSigned by:
Ken Merritt Date: 12/8/2015
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Ken Merritt

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Michael Chavez Date: 12/8/2015
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Approved for Circulation (EAs only):

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Project Delivery Director

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