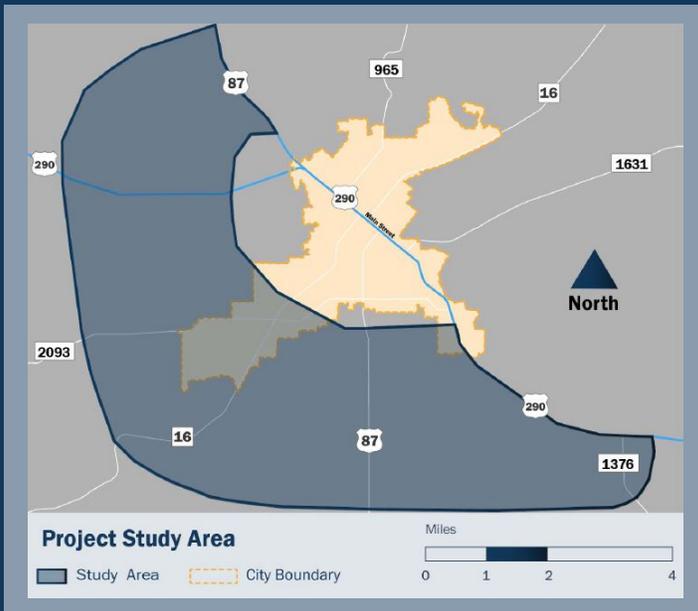


## Fact Sheet



### ABOUT THE STUDY

The City of Fredericksburg and Gillespie County, acting through the Gillespie County Relief Route Task Force and with support from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), are conducting a feasibility study to explore a potential US 290 relief route around Fredericksburg. The relief route would give people the option to travel around, rather than directly through, the city.

US 290 is an east-west highway that passes through downtown Fredericksburg and its Main Street tourist area. Discussions about a possible relief route have been ongoing in the Gillespie County area for many years. As traffic volumes and congestion continue to increase, the need for a relief route has become an important safety and quality-of-life issue for the community.

### STUDY PROCESS AND PURPOSE

The Fredericksburg Relief Route Study will identify and evaluate route options in order to develop a locally preferred option that reflects community values and is consistent with the minimum requirements agreed to by TxDOT, the City of Fredericksburg, and Gillespie County.

With input and feedback from the community, goals and objectives will be established and route options will be identified and evaluated. The project team will also develop an environmental constraints map and conduct travel demand modeling.

The study will conclude with the identification of a locally preferred option. This option will be the starting point for any future phases of project development, including a detailed environmental study, should the project advance.

### COMMUNITY DRIVEN EFFORT

The Gillespie County Relief Route Task Force, which was established in 2013, is charged with finding a solution to this high-priority transportation and community challenge.

It is the intent of the City, County, Task Force, and TxDOT to actively engage the community throughout the study process. By encouraging participation and community-wide dialogue, a transportation solution can be identified that preserves Main Street as the heart of Fredericksburg, minimizes community impacts and reflects community values.

There will be numerous opportunities for the public to provide input and feedback regarding the study and the potential relief route. Opportunities will include public workshops, open houses, and one-on-one or small group stakeholder meetings.

For more information or to take an interactive survey until June 15, 2018, visit [www.fbgtx.org](http://www.fbgtx.org), and search "Relief Route Task Force," or scan this QR code: Or, contact Joe Muck at [joe.muck@txdot.gov](mailto:joe.muck@txdot.gov) or 512.715.5702.



### TYPICAL PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS



\*Advancement from step to step is contingent upon the outcome of the previous step and the availability of funding.