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**Notice**

**Draft Environmental Assessment Available for Public Review  
and  
Public Hearing**

**RM 620**

**From SH 71 to Hudson Bend Road**

**CSJs: 0683-02-066**

**Travis County, Texas**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), as the lead agency is proposing to widen the existing 4-lane divided rural roadway to a 6-lane divided urban roadway from SH 71 to Hudson Bend Road in Travis County, Texas. This notice advises the public that a draft environmental assessment (EA) is available for public review and that TxDOT will be conducting a public hearing on the proposed project. The hearing will be held on Feb. 20, 2020 at the Lake Travis High School Cafeteria, 3324 Ranch Road 620 South, Austin, TX 78738. Displays will be available during an open house at 5:30 p.m. with the formal hearing and presentation starting at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of the hearing is to present the planned improvements and to receive public comment on the proposed project.

The proposed project would widen the existing 4-lane divided rural roadway to a 6-lane divided urban roadway, with one additional travel lane in each direction, add raised medians, and add continuous bicycle/pedestrian accommodations along both sides of the roadway from SH 71 to Hudson Bend Road. The project is located within the cities of Lakeway and Bee Cave as well as unincorporated areas of western Travis County.

The Build Alternative would require the acquisition of approximately 34.3 acres of new (additional) ROW. Although additional right of way is required, no residential or non-residential structures would be displaced. Information concerning services and benefits available to affected property owners and information about the tentative schedule for right-of-way acquisition may be obtained from the district office at the address listed below.

The proposed project would require the use of approximately 0.4 acre from the City of Bee Cave Central Park, located along Bee Cave Parkway west of RM 620. This park is a designated public property subject to Chapter 26 of the Parks and Wildlife Code and Section 4(f) of 23 CRF 774.3(b). The southern portion of the project is also located within the Edwards Aquifer Contributing Zone. A TCEQ Contributing Zone Plan would be prepared for the project.

The draft EA, maps showing the project location and design, tentative construction schedules, and other information regarding the project are on file and available for inspection Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 7901 North IH 35, Austin, TX 78753 and at [TxDOT.gov](http://TxDOT.gov) and search keywords "RM 620 South". This information also will be available for inspection at the hearing. Verbal and written comments from the public regarding the project are requested and may be presented at the hearing, or submitted in person or by mail to the TxDOT Austin District Office. Comments must be received on or before March 6, 2020 to be part of the official hearing record.

The hearing will be conducted in English. Persons interested in attending the hearing who have special communication or accommodation needs, such the need for an interpreter, are encouraged to contact

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Matthew Cho, P.E., Transportation Engineer, Advanced Project Development, by phone at (512) 832-7000, or by email at [Matthew.Cho@txdot.gov](mailto:Matthew.Cho@txdot.gov). Requests should be made at least two days prior to the hearing. Every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate these needs.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the hearing, please contact Matthew Cho, P.E., Transportation Engineer, Advanced Project Development.

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 9, 2019, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.