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Notice of Availability
Of Final Environmental Assessment (EA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)
for Public Review
FARM-TO-MARKET (FM) 1461
From State Highway (SH) 289 To County Road (CR) 123
CSJs: 1392-03-012 and 1973-01-015
Collin County, Texas

Pursuant to Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, §2.108, this notice advises the public that a final environmental assessment (EA) is available for public review and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has issued a finding of no significant impact (FONSI) for the proposed FM 1461 project from SH 289 to CR 123 in Collin County, Texas.

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.

The FM 1461 proposed improvements would consist of the reconstruction and widening of FM 1461 from SH 289 to CR 123 within the cities of Celina, McKinney, and Prosper in Collin County, Texas, a distance of approximately 7.10 miles.

Proposed improvements would involve the expansion from a two-lane rural highway to a four-lane urban highway. Expansion would consist of one 12-foot-wide travel lane and one 14-foot-wide outside shared-use lane in each direction, a proposed median to accommodate future the ultimate six-lane facility, and sidewalks located along both the eastbound and westbound lanes. The existing right-of-way (ROW) width is approximately 90 feet wide. The proposed ROW is anticipated to be approximately 172 feet and would require approximately 58 acres of new ROW. No residential or non-residential displacements are anticipated.

To avoid noise impacts that may result from future development adjacent to a proposed highway project, a traffic noise analysis is included in the final EA, which 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. On the date of approval/clearance of an EA/FONSI (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 approved, Final EA and FONSI Document, the Public Hearing Summary and Analysis Report, which includes the Responses to Public Comments, and the Certification of Public Involvement for this project, and supporting documentation are available for public inspection at TxDOT Dallas District Office, 4777 E. Highway 80, Mesquite, TX 75150-6643. The project materials are available online at http://www.keepitmovingdallas.com. For further information, please contact Mr. Daniel Salazar, Environmental Specialist, at (214) 320-4463 or by email at Daniel.Salazar@txdot.gov.