



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
FM 51 (Main Street) and SH 199
Roadway Reconstruction and Pedestrian Enhancements
Springtown, Texas**

Parker County and City of Springtown in conjunction with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), as the lead agency, are proposing to reconstruct FM 51 (Main Street) from Old Cottondale Road to Texas Drive in Parker County, Texas. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting a public hearing on the proposed project on February 5, 2019 at the Springtown Senior Center 1070 North Main Street, Springtown, TX 76082. Displays will be available for viewing at 6 p.m. with the formal hearing starting at 7 p.m. The purpose of the hearing is to present the planned improvements and to receive public comment on the proposed project. This hearing will be conducted in accordance with Chapter 26 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code and will present the project details as they relate to Section 4(f) *de minimis* impacts to Springtown Park.

The proposed project is needed to improve safety and reduce congestion on FM 51 and at the intersection of FM 51 and SH 199. The proposed project would reconstruct FM 51 from Old Cottondale Road to Texas Drive, including a bridge replacement and center turn lane on FM 51, and reconstruct the FM 51 and SH 199 intersection with additional turn lanes. The FM 51 and SH 199 project would provide congestion mitigation for Parker County residents by providing additional turn lanes at the intersection and through the City of Springtown to improve mobility. The project would also provide sidewalks within the project limits to improve pedestrian mobility and safety.

The proposed reconstruction would mostly be performed within the existing right of way of FM 51 and SH 199. Additional right of way is needed at the intersections of FM 51 and SH 199 and FM 51 and 5th street for turn lane and signal improvements. The proposed improvements would require approximately 0.812 acres of new right of way and 0.561 acres of permanent drainage easements. The proposed project would displace one Automated Teller Machine (ATM) and two commercial structures. No residences would be displaced. Information about the TxDOT Relocation Assistance Program, benefits and services for displacees, as well as information about the tentative schedules for right of way acquisition and construction can be obtained from the TxDOT Parker County Area Office at the address listed below. Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons and businesses.

The proposed project would require the purchase of new right of way from Springtown Park, which is owned by the City of Springtown and open to the public. The activities, attributes, and features of the park include: public open space, a pavilion, picnic tables, and a basketball court. The park is occasionally used for other activities, including livestock events. The additional right of way from the park is needed to add sidewalks that run parallel with the proposed FM 51 facility. Without the additional right of way, the proposed FM 51 facility could not provide safe pedestrian access within the areas adjacent to Springtown Park.

The proposed project crosses Walnut Creek and occurs within a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) designated 100-year floodplain.

Environmental documentation and a layout showing the project location and design are on file and available for inspection Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the following locations:

Springtown City Hall, 102 East Second St., Springtown, TX 76082;
TxDOT Parker County Area Office, 1427 W Bankhead, Weatherford, TX 76086; and,
TxDOT Fort Worth District Office, 2501 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX 76133

This information will also be available for inspection at the hearing and online at www.txdot.gov, keyword "FM 51 and SH 199."

The hearing will be conducted in English. Persons interested in attending the hearing who have special communication or accommodation needs, such as the need for an interpreter, are encouraged to contact Tanya Fitzgerald (817) 370-6610. Requests should be made at least five 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 Janet Crawford, P.E., at (682) 229-2800 or by email at janet.crawford@txdot.gov. 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 Fort Worth District Office, Attention: Loyl C. Bussell, P.E., 2501 Southwest Loop 820, Fort Worth, Texas 76133. Comments must be received on or before Wednesday, February 20, 2019 to be part of the official hearing record.

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.