



Notice of Public Meeting
Farm-to-Market 1488 From Business 290 to Joseph Road
CSJ 0409-03-012
Waller and Harris Counties, Texas

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), Houston District, will hold a public meeting regarding the proposed roadway widening along Farm-to-Market (FM) 1488 from Business (BU) 290 to Joseph Road, in Waller and Harris Counties, Texas. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at the Fields Store Elementary School Cafeteria 31670 Giboney Rd, Waller, TX 77484. The meeting will be held in an open house format from 5:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. No formal presentation will be made.

The purpose of the public meeting is to present the proposed project to the public and receive comments. The proposed design would widen the existing FM 1488 from a two-lane, undivided roadway to a four-lane, divided roadway. The two-lane roadway between BU 290 and US 290 would be converted to a four-lane roadway with 18 ft. raised median, 10-ft. sidepaths to accommodate bicycles and pedestrians, and curb and gutter. The remainder of the proposed facility would be widened from two lanes to four lanes, with 10-ft. outside shoulders, 4-ft. inside shoulders, 5-ft. sidewalks to accommodate pedestrians, open ditch drainage and 40-ft. depressed grassy median. In addition, several curves on FM 1488 would be realigned to meet safety criteria. Widening and curve realignment would require additional ROW acquisition.

Maps showing the proposed project's location and design drawings will be available for review at the public meeting. This information will also be available by appointment Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., excluding State holidays, at the TxDOT Houston District Office, located at 7600 Washington Avenue, Houston, Texas 77007. To schedule an appointment at the Houston District, please contact Sofia Huang at (713) 802-5233. Information will also be available at TxDOT's maintenance office located at 400 FM 1488, Hempstead, TX. 77445. To schedule an appointment at the maintenance office, please contact Jeffery Earl at (979) 921-2401. The project information can also be viewed at TxDOT's website: <http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/get-involved/about/hearings-meetings.html>.

All interested persons are invited to attend this public meeting. Written comments must be postmarked or submitted electronically by March 18, 2020. Written comments may be submitted at the meeting. Written comments may also be submitted either in person or by mail to the TxDOT District Office, Director of Project Development, P.O. Box 1386, Houston, Texas 77251 or submitted electronically at HOU-PIOWebMail@txdot.gov or at the project website: <http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/get-involved/about/hearings-meetings.html>.

Materials for the public meeting will be presented in English. Persons interested in attending the meeting who have special communication or accommodation needs, or need an interpreter, are encouraged to contact TxDOT's Public Information Offices (713) 802-5076. Requests should be made at least two days prior to the public meeting. Every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate these needs.

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.