



Notice

Final Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact Available for Public Review

Airport Boulevard

From Hiram Clarke Road to FM 521 (Almeda Road)

CSJs: 0912-71-386

Harris 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 Airport Boulevard project from Hiram Clarke Road to FM 521 (Almeda Road) in Harris 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 proposed Airport Boulevard project proposes to widen and extend Airport Boulevard from Hiram Clarke Road to FM 521, a distance of approximately 2.5 miles, in southwest Houston. The proposed project would connect the existing roadway segments and provide a continuous 4-lane boulevard with raised medians, bicycle lanes and pedestrian sidewalks. TxDOT owns right-of-way (ROW) which ranges from 100-120 feet in width for the proposed Airport Boulevard project. Approximately 7 acres of additional ROW would be required for detention areas though no residential or non-residential structures would be displaced.

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 combined EA and FONSI, certification of public involvement, and supporting documentation are available for public inspection at TxDOT-Houston District, 7600 Washington Avenue, Houston, Texas 77007, (713) 802-5000 and <http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/get-involved/about/hearings-meetings/houston/040617.html>. For further information, please contact Ms. Alexine Stittiams-Ward, at (713) 80S-5418 or Alex.StittiamsWard@TxDOT.gov.