

# US 59 CORRIGAN RELIEF ROUTE (FUTURE I-69) POLK COUNTY



LUFKIN DISTRICT

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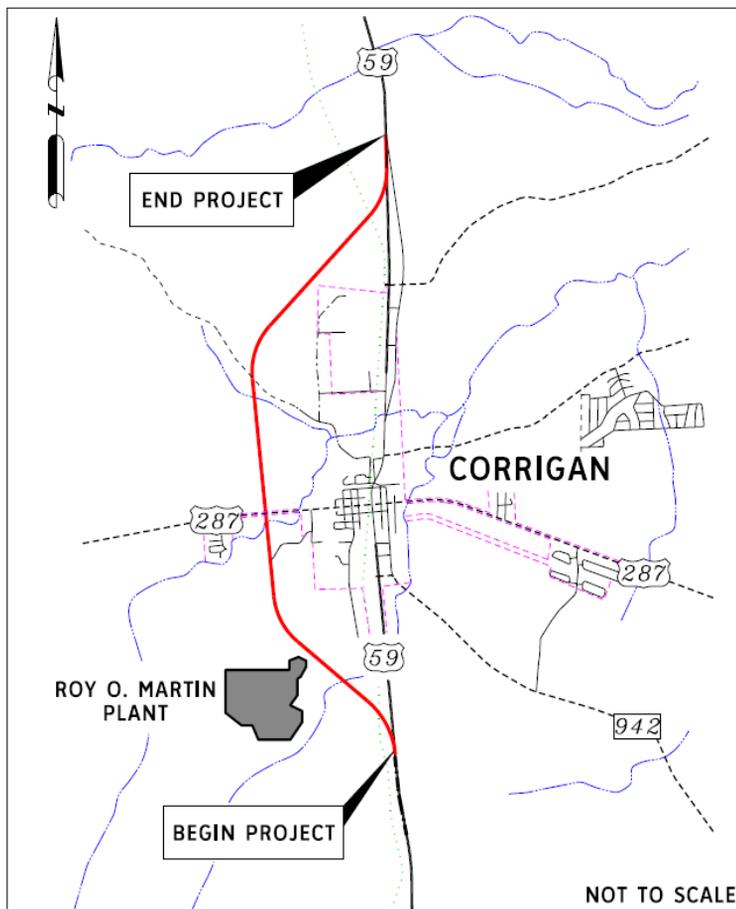
# Project Background

This project is dedicated to bringing US 59 in Corrigan, TX up to interstate standards. Due to the development along existing US 59 within Corrigan, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) performed alternative analyses and public involvement in the late 1990's. Due to budget constraints, the environmental studies and schematic development were stopped in early 2000's.

In 2008, the Texas Transportation Commission created the I-69 Advisory and five I-69 Segment Committees to increase citizen and community input in the planning of I-69 in Texas. With input from citizens in the area, the Segment Two Committee identified the Corrigan Relief Route as a top 5 priority section for development.

TxDOT held an open house in August 2014 where approximately 70% of respondents supported the previously identified W2 alternative for further development. Shortly thereafter, TxDOT had to make adjustments to the W-2 alternative south of US 287 to avoid impacting the new Roy O. Martin plant. TxDOT presented the revised alignment (W-2a) to the public in December 2015 and began schematic development and environmental studies in 2016.

## Project Location



This map shows the proposed alignment in red.

# Project Summary and Funding Points

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- The US 59/US 287 intersection in Corrigan is the first signalized intersection north of Houston.
- A relief route in Corrigan was identified as a top five priority section for I-69 development by the I-69 Segment Two Committee.
- The proposed relief route would consist of:
  - New US 59 northbound and southbound main lanes, which will have controlled access. Controlled access means there will not be direct access to the main lanes. Access to the main lanes is allowed via entrance and exit ramps.
  - Newly constructed overpasses along the relief route at Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR), US 287 and Union Springs Rd.
  - Frontage roads are not proposed.
- The relief route would be designed to meet interstate standard for possible future designation as I-69. It would also reduce congestion, improve mobility, and promote public safety.
- In 2012, \$5 million was allocated for project development services, including environmental studies, schematic design, and right of way acquisition.
- Current estimate for the total project cost (right of way and construction) is approximately \$160 million.

## Next Steps

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- TxDOT will review the public hearing comments, refine the schematic and environmental review document if necessary, and submit the schematic and environmental review document for approval.
- Once TxDOT receives approval of the schematic and environmental review document, TxDOT will begin right of way appraisals and acquisitions.
- The construction date will be set once funding becomes available.

# Polk County Project Updates

## Upcoming Construction Projects

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- **US 59 overlay** – scheduled to take bids March 2018 – this project involves resurfacing northbound US 59 lanes from SL 393 to approximately 2 miles north of SL 393.
- **Holly-Grove Road Bridge Replacement** – scheduled to take bids April 2018 – this project involves replacing an existing bridge at Menard Creek.
- **Improving guardrail and safety treating fixed objects** - scheduled to take bids May 2018 – FM 2610, FM 2665, FM 3277, and FM 350.

## Projects Currently under Construction

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- **US 59 overlay:** This project involves resurfacing the existing US 59 lanes from SL 393 south to the Trinity River. The project was awarded to Moore Brothers for \$2,215,251 and is anticipated to be completed Winter 2017.
- **Bluewater Road at Blue Branch:** This county road bridge replacement was awarded to Longview Bridge and Road for \$885,751. It is anticipated to be complete in Winter 2017.
- **US 59 at Bear Creek** - This upgrade bridge rail and approach project was awarded to CDM Holdings for \$813,304.98 with completion anticipated in early 2018.
- **Rock Island Road at Bundix Creek:** This county road bridge replacement was awarded to Drewery Construction for \$1,091,491. It is anticipated to be complete in Spring 2018.
- **Wells Landing at Kickapoo Creek:** This county road bridge replacement was awarded to CDM Holdings for \$1,452,873. It is anticipated to be complete in Summer 2018.

## Get Involved

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- US 59 Corrigan Relief Route Public Hearing: December 14, 2017  
Comments must be submitted to the Lufkin District Office on or before December 29, 2017.
- Learn more and sign up to receive email updates by visiting the online project page; visit [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov) and enter: US 59 Corrigan in the search area. Or, access quickly by scanning the following Quick Response (QR) code with your phone or tablet:



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