



TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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US 59 Upgrade Redland (Future I-69)
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Why am I here?

- Learn and ask questions about the proposed project
- Review the proposed improvements
- Provide comments and feedback

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 Dec. 16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.



Project Purpose and Need



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What are we trying to do?

- Enhance safety and improve mobility
- Provide more efficient hurricane evacuation
- Upgrade US 59 to meet interstate standards to provide system connectivity to I-69

What problems are we trying to address?

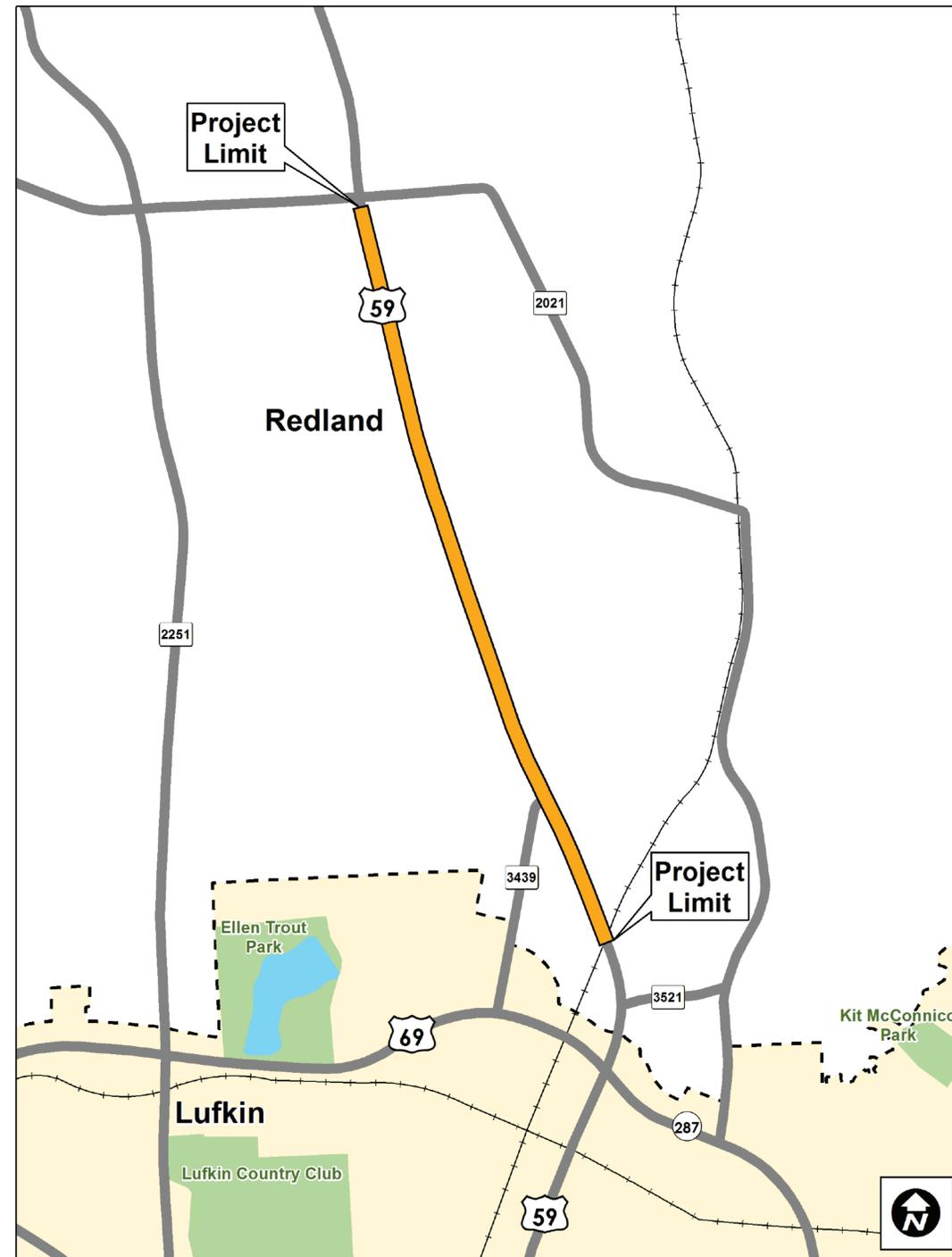
- Traffic safety and mobility
- Existing US 59 does not meet interstate standards



Project Location

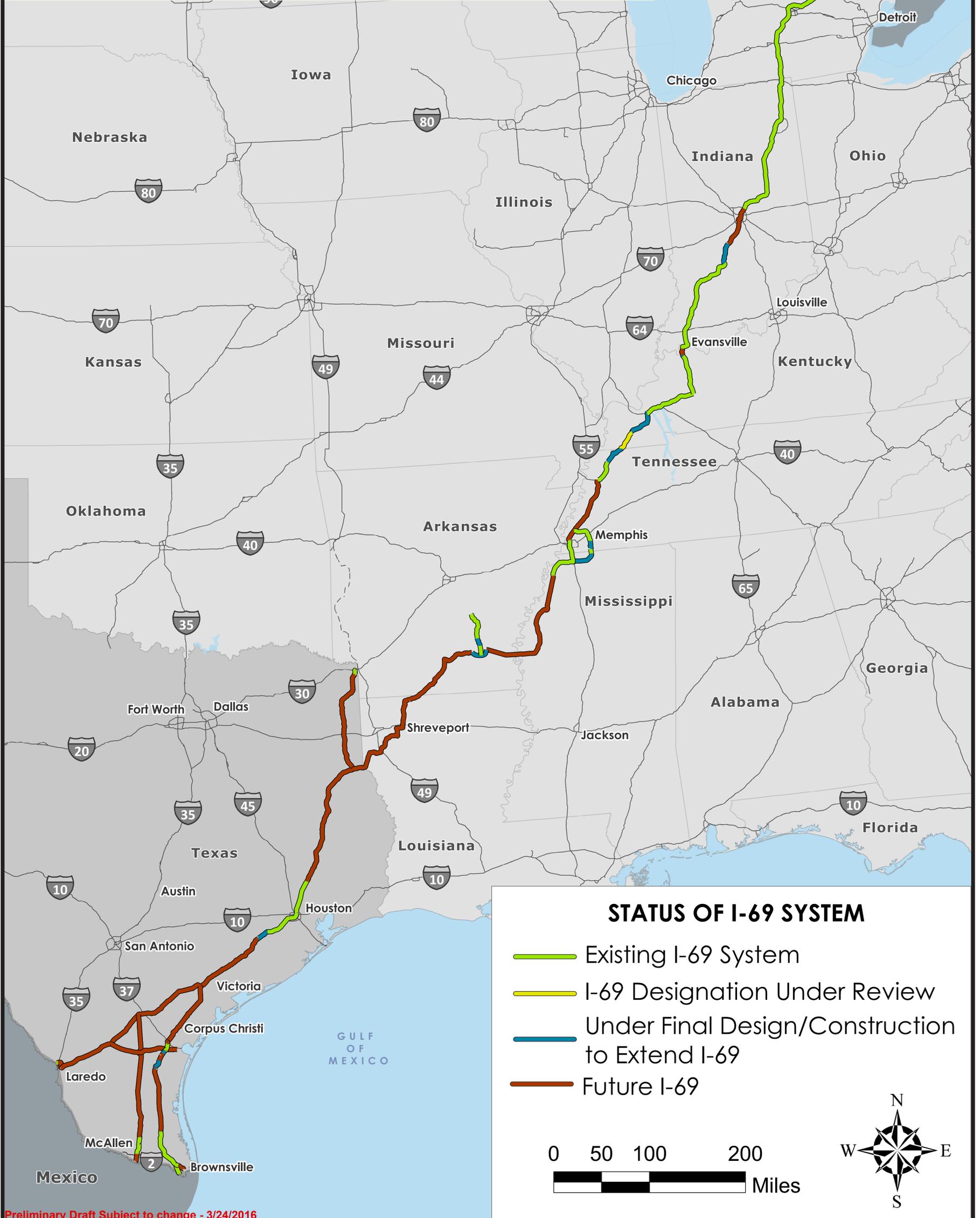
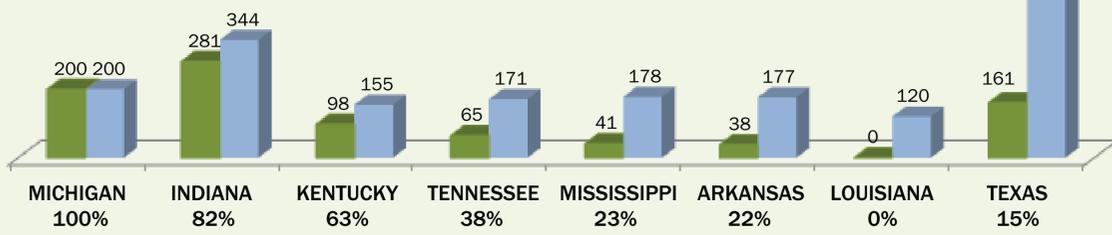


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I-69 System Status by State

- I-69 Open for Traffic (Miles)
- Total I-69 Route (Miles)



Preliminary Draft Subject to change - 3/24/2016



Proposed Improvements



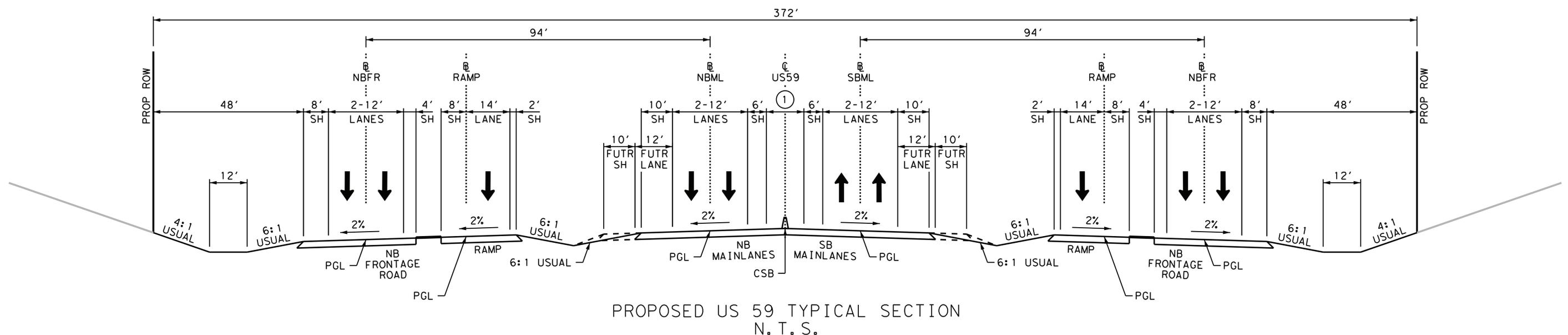
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The proposed project would provide:

- A controlled-access freeway section with northbound and southbound frontage roads. Controlled access means access to the main lanes will only be allowed via entrance and exit ramps
- Funding has been allocated for the project development services, including environmental studies, schematic design and right-of-way acquisition
- Construction funding was identified in the March 2017 Unified Transportation Program
- Current estimate for construction is approximately \$20.65 million



Typical Section



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Proposed controlled access freeway section consisting of:

- Two 12-foot-wide frontage road lanes
- Two 12-foot-wide main lanes in each direction
- Located within a right-of-way of approximately 372 feet

(Controlled access means there would not be direct access to the main lanes. Access to the main lanes would be provided via entrance and exit ramps.)



Next Steps



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- Survey work, schematic and environmental studies to begin summer 2017 and potential approval anticipated fall 2018
- Right of way and/or displacements are still being determined
- Once schematic and environmental are approved, the right-of-way acquisition process is estimated to begin in early 2019
- Right-of-way acquisitions and utility adjustments are expected to be completed in spring 2022
- Construction funding was allocated in the March 2017 Unified Transportation Program, with a proposed summer 2022 contract bid date



How can I stay informed?



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- Visit our websites:
 - www.txdot.gov (keyword “US 59 Redland”)
 - www.dot.state.tx.us/drivenbytexas/us59-angelina.htm
- Contact the TxDOT Lufkin District Office with any questions at 936-633-4469

All comments must be received by Wednesday, July 12, 2017, to be included in the official record of this meeting. Submit your comments online or mail them to the Lufkin District Office:

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