



TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

WELCOME!

Why Am I Here?

- Learn about the proposed project.
- Ask questions and provide comments on the proposed project.

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.



Project Purpose and Need

What is the purpose of this project?

- Alleviate increasing traffic congestion on this section of the US 59 Loop
- Upgrade this section of road to an urban interstate design as required by federal I-69 legislation

What are we trying to do?

- Improve mobility
- Improve safety



Project Details

The US 59 Loop corridor between the International Boulevard and the US 59/Loop 20 intersection is proposed to be upgraded to an urban interstate expressway.

Proposed Design Elements:

- Three mainlanes in each direction.
- Three-lane frontage roads on each side of the mainlanes.
- Elevating the mainlanes over the major street crossings at Airport Drive, Jacaman Road, University Boulevard, Del Mar Boulevard and Shiloh Road.
- Constructing sidewalks on each side and a bicycle/jogging path adjacent to the east-side frontage road.

Additional Right-of-Way: It is anticipated that approximately 182-acres of additional right-of-way would be needed from east of International Boulevard to the existing US 59/Loop 20 Interchange.

Project Integration With Other Work: This project will integrate with the Spur 400 and International Boulevard projects that are under construction as well as the future construction project of installing the Loop mainlanes over the I-35 and Union-Pacific Railroad. *(The mainlanes over McPherson Road would also be completed with those two projects.)*



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Project Location Map



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Typical Roadway Cross Sections



Project Schedule*

Ongoing Public Involvement



* This project schedule and dates are preliminary and subject to change.



How Can I Make Comments?

**Please submit all comments by
Tuesday, December 20, 2016**

- Make Verbal Comments Tonight.
- Submit a Written Comment Form Tonight.
- Mail or drop off written comments to:

**TxDOT – Laredo District Office
Attn: Mike Graham
1817 Bob Bullock Loop
Laredo, Texas 78043**
- Email comments to: Mike.Graham@txdot.gov



How Can I Stay Informed and Get Involved?

- Participate in commenting opportunity.
- Contact **Mike Graham** at **(956) 712-7742** or Mike.Graham@txdot.gov
- Invite the project team to meet with your group.
- Visit www.txdot.gov and search keywords **“US 59 Loop Project”**



Next Steps

- Compile and consider community input from tonight's public meeting and commenting period
- Finalize project design details
- Prepare and finalize an Environmental Assessment document