



FM 1776 AT FM 1450

Public Meeting

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.

Agenda

- Introductions
- Purpose of the Public Meeting
- Project Description & Study Area
- Need and Purpose for the Project
- Alternatives Previously Considered & Feedback Received
- Recommended Alternative
- Schedule & Next Steps
- Submitting Comments and Q & A

- **Gene Powell** – TxDOT Odessa District Public Information Officer
- **Elected and Public Officials**
- **Naser Abusaad, P.E., AICP** – Consultant Project Manager

Purpose of the Public Meeting

- Update Public on Project
- Present Data and Findings
- Seek Input on Recommended Alternative



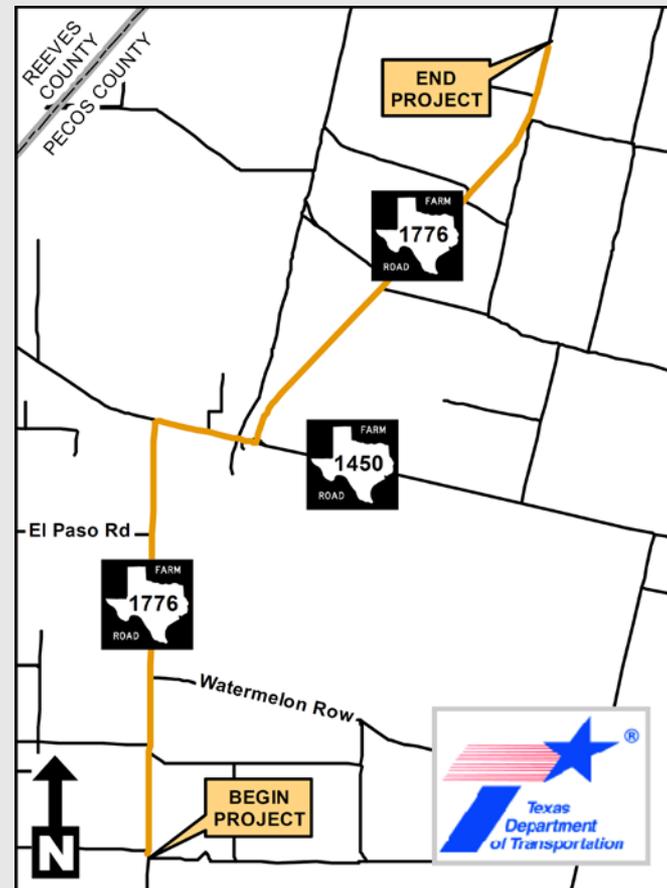
Project Description & Study Area

FM 1776 at FM 1450

- From 2 miles south of FM 1450
- To 2 miles north of FM 1450

Approximately 4 miles long

Develop & evaluate alternatives



Need and Purpose for the Project

- Project is needed because the intersection of FM 1776 at FM 1450 is operationally inefficient
- Purpose of project is to correct operational deficiencies and increase mobility in the project area



Need and Purpose for the Project

Operational Deficiencies

- FM 1776 through traffic must stop and make 2 turns to continue
- FM 1450 traffic must slow down with turning traffic
- No turning and deceleration lanes

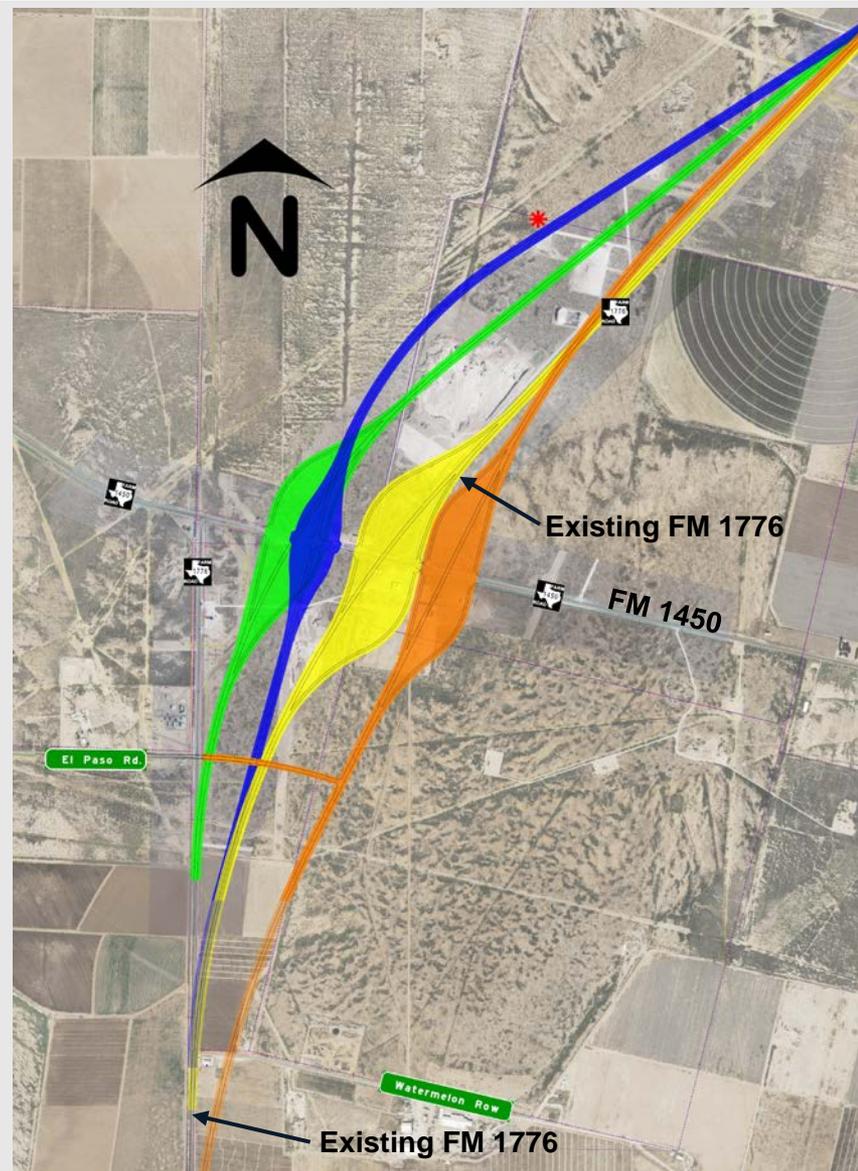


Alternatives Previously Considered & Feedback Received

No Build Alternative

4 Build Alternatives

- A.** West of existing north FM 1776
- B.** Close to existing north FM 1776 as possible
- C.** East of existing north FM 1776
- D.** Aligning FM 1776 perpendicular to FM 1450



Public Involvement

- January 10, 2017 (PM#1)
- April 4, 2017 (MAPO)

Feedback Received:

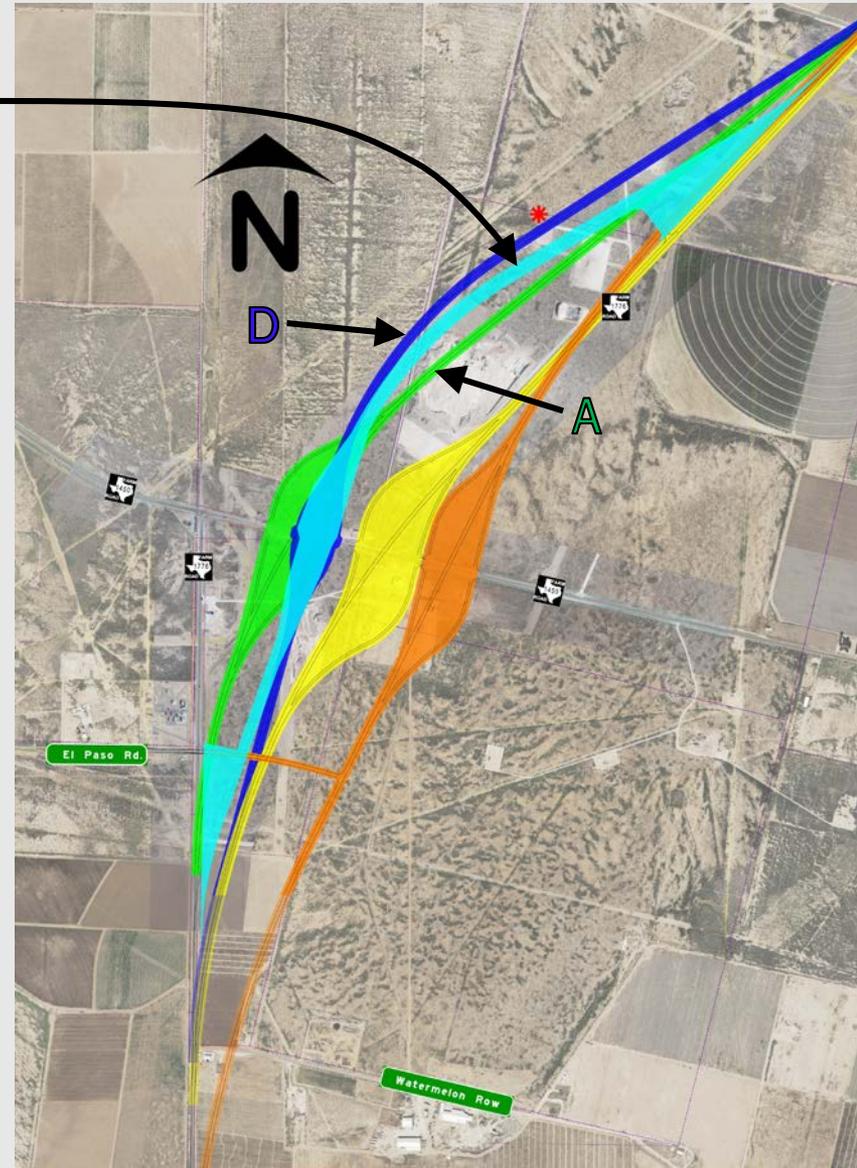
- Avoid Impacts to Co-op Cotton Gin
- Avoid Impacts to Fuel Station
- Add Turning Lanes to FM 1450
- Create a “Hybrid” Alternative between A and D
- Build all at once
- Minimize Impacts



Alternatives Previously Considered & Feedback Received

“Hybrid” Alternative (*aqua*)

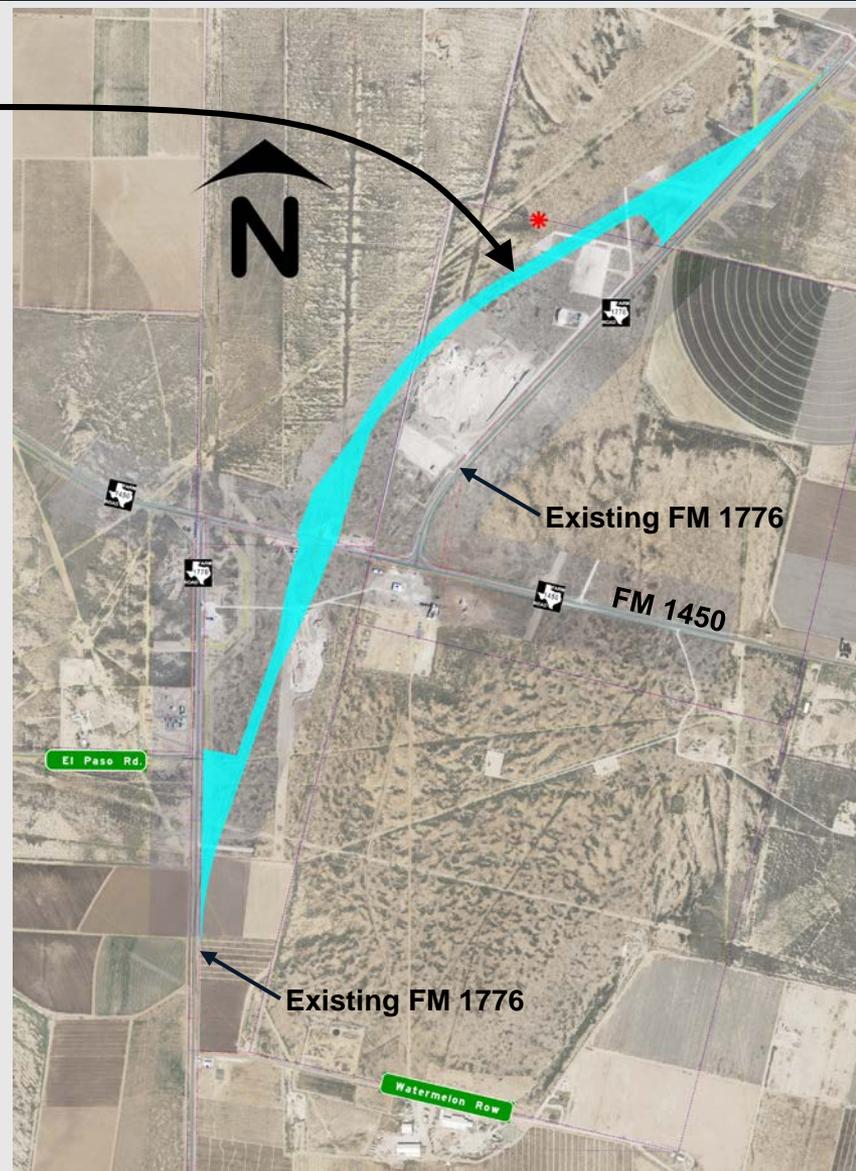
- Hybrid between Alternatives *A* and *D*
- Avoids Impacts to Cotton Gin
- Avoids Impacts to Fuel Station
- Adds Turning Lanes to FM 1450
- No need to construct over a period of years



Recommended Alternative

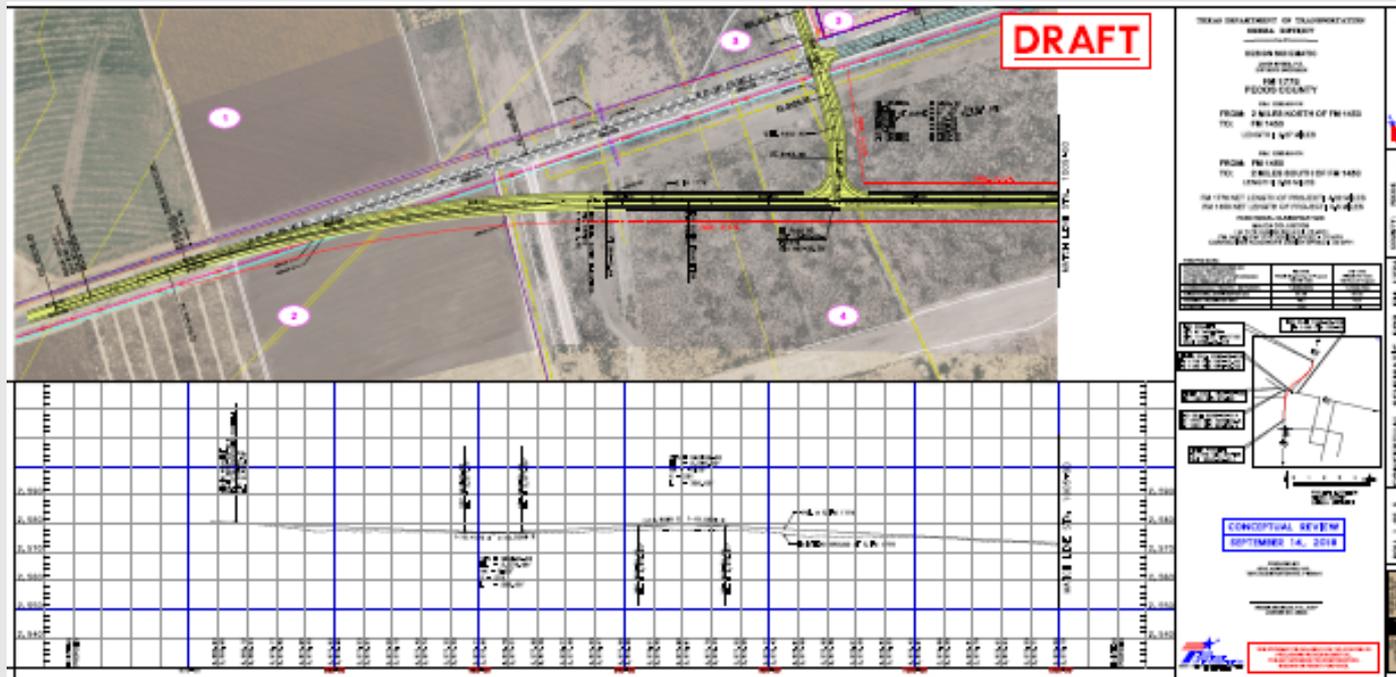
Recommended Alternative

- Realign FM 1776 to bridge over FM 1450
- Utilize existing FM 1776 as access to/from FM 1450
- No future ramps
- Preliminary Construction Cost Estimate \$7 million (current)

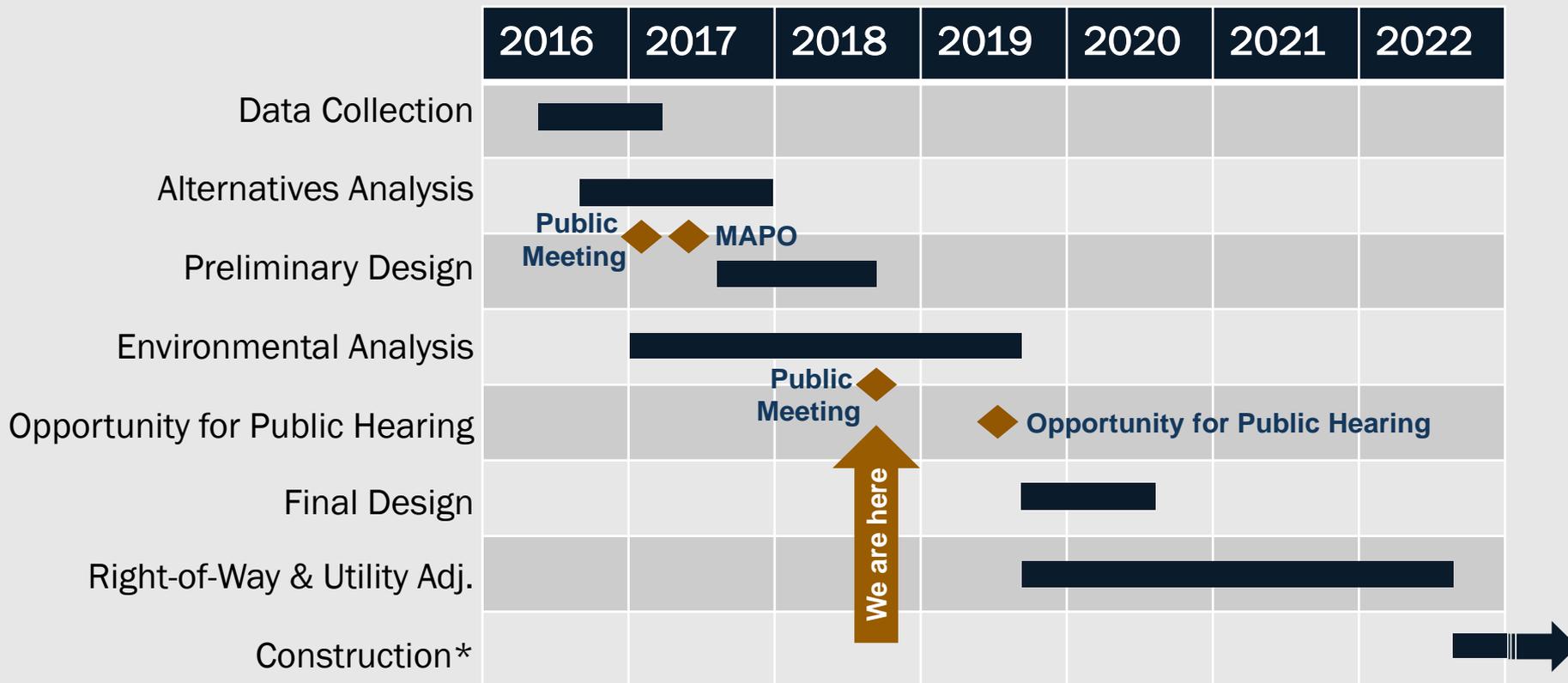


Recommended Alternative

Plans showing proposed lanes, typical sections, profile, and right-of-way are on display here this evening



Anticipated Schedule



* Pending the availability of funding

MAPO: Meeting with Affected Property Owners

Submitting Comments and Q&A

- Submit at today's meeting or
- Submit in writing to:

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or by email at Paul.Aparicio@txdot.gov

Comments must be postmarked by
November 9, 2018

- Q&A