



## Notice

### Finding of No Significant Impact Available for Public Review

#### **Bicentennial Boulevard Extension Project From State Highway (SH) 107 to Trenton Road CSJ: 0921-02-352 Hidalgo County, Texas**

Pursuant to Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, §2.108, this notice advises the public that the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has issued a finding of no significant impact (FONSI) for the proposed Bicentennial Boulevard Extension Project from SH 107 to Trenton Road in Hidalgo 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 Bicentennial Boulevard Extension Project would extend Bicentennial Boulevard from SH 107 to Trenton Road as a new location, four-lane facility. The proposed 2.86-mile roadway extension would consist of a 12-foot wide inside travel lane (one in each direction), a 14-foot wide outside shared use lane for vehicles and bicycles (one in each direction), and 5-foot wide sidewalks for pedestrians. Other improvements include 12 and 13-foot wide left turn lanes at cross streets, curb and gutter and drainage improvements. The proposed Bicentennial Boulevard Extension Project would require approximately 1.9 acres of additional right-of-way, 0.2 acre of permanent easements and approximately 0.6 acre of temporary construction easements needed for anticipated construction of proposed noise barriers.

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 environmental assessment (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. Additionally, as TxDOT does not provide retroactive (retrofit) abatement (known as a Type II program), this project area would not be eligible for potential noise abatement until the next major highway improvement project.

Copies of the approved final EA and FONSI, certification of public involvement, and supporting documentation are available for public inspection at City of McAllen Development Center located at 311 N. 15th Street, McAllen, Texas 78501 and on the City of McAllen website at <https://www.mcallen.net/departments/engineering/txdot-public-hearing>. For further information, please contact the City Engineer, Yvette Barrera, P.E., at (956) 681-1151 or by e-mail at [ybarrera@mcallen.net](mailto:ybarrera@mcallen.net).