Documentation of Public Hearing Opportunity

Project Location
Comal and Guadalupe Counties

Farm-to-Market (FM) 1103
CSJs: 1268-01-013 and 1268-02-027

Project Limits
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October 28, 2016

«FirstName» «LastName»
«Addr1»
«City» «ST» «Zip»

RE: Categorical Exclusion Availability and Notice to Afford the Opportunity for a Public Hearing
Comal and Guadalupe Counties
FM 1103: From I-35 to Rodeo Way
(CSJs 1268-01-013 and 1268-02-027)

Dear «Salutation» «LastName»:

Please see attached the Notice of Availability and the Opportunity for a Public Hearing. This project will be schedule for letting after satisfactory completion of the environmental and public hearing process. If you have any questions about the project, please contact Brian Witherell, at (210) 615-5846 or Brian.Witherell@txdot.gov.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Bean, P.E.
Director of Transportation Planning and Development
Texas Department of Transportation
San Antonio District

Attachments
cc: Clayton Ripps, P.E.
Brian Witherell
Meghan P. Lind, Cox|McLain Environmental Consulting, Inc.

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.

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28 de octubre 2016

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RE: Aviso de la Oportunidad de una Audiencia Pública con relación a la Exclusión Categórica
Condados de Comal y Guadalupe
FM 1103: de I-35 hasta Rodeo Way
(CSJs 1268-01-013 y 1268-02-027)

Estimado/a «Salutation» «LastName»:

Por favor encuentre en este sobre un Aviso de Oportunidad de una Audiencia Pública con relación a la Exclusión Categórica. Empezará a evaluar presupuesto para la fase de construcción después que se completen estudios ambientales y audiencias públicas. Si tienen alguna pregunta sobre el proyecto, comuníquense con Brian Witherell, al (210) 615-5846 o Brian.Witherell@txdot.gov.

Sinceramente,

Jonathan Bean, P.E.
Director de Transportación y Desarrollamiento
Departamento de Transporte de Texas
Distrito de San Antonio

Documentos Adjuntos
cc: Clayton Ripps, P.E.
Brian Witherell
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La revisión ambiental, consultas y otras acciones requeridas por las leyes ambientales federales aplicables para este proyecto están siendo o han sido, llevado a cabo por TxDOT – en virtud de 23 U.S.C. §327 y un Memorando de Entendimiento fechado el 16 de diciembre del 2014, y ejecutado por la FHWA y TxDOT.

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Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF COMAL } SS

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Texas Department of Transportation
Opportunity for a Public Hearing
Ad#00183522

David Burck, being duly sworn, says:

That he is Publisher of the New Braunfels Herald-Zeitung, a daily newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas; that the publication, a copy of which is attached hereto, was published in the said newspaper on the following dates:

October 30, 2016

That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on those dates.
SIGNED:

Publisher

Subscribed to and sworn to me this 30th day of October 2016.

Rosie MV Willingham

Rosie Willingham, Business Manager, Comal County, Texas

My commission expires: December 19, 2016

ROSIE MV WILLINGHAM
Notary Public, State of Texas
My Commission Expires
December 19, 2016

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Meghan Pawlowski Lind
Cox-McLain Environmental Consulting, Inc.-PBS
6010 Balcones Dr. Suite 210
Austin, TX 78731

Notice

Opportunity for a Public Hearing

FARM-TO-MARKET (FM) 1103

From Interstate Highway (I) 35 to Rodeo Way

CSJs: 1268-01-013 and 1268-02-027

Comal and Guadalupe Counties, Texas

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is the Lead Agency proposing to widen FM 1103 from I-35 to 830 feet south of Rodeo Way in Comal and Guadalupe Counties, Texas. The total distance of the project is approximately 3.83 miles. Pursuant to Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, §2.106, this notice is affording an opportunity for a public hearing 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.

The proposed improvements include widening FM 1103 to a five-lane undivided roadway with a two-way left turn lane, medians, curbs, bike lanes, and sidewalks from I-35 to Rodeo Way. The purpose of the project is to increase mobility along FM 1103 in order to accommodate the projected increase in traffic and population growth. The project proposes bike lanes and sidewalks to increase mobility for pedestrians and bicyclists between I-35 and Rodeo Way, where currently there is limited pedestrian and bicycle facilities. The proposed roadway configuration would include four 11-foot-wide main lanes (two in each direction), one 12-foot-wide continuous left turn lane, and 6-foot-wide sidewalks and 5-foot-wide bike lanes on both sides of the roadway. Medians will be placed at various locations throughout the project area. The project area is within the cities of Schertz and Cibolo and the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Cibolo.

The existing right-of-way (ROW) for FM 1103 varies between 80 and 120 feet. The proposed ROW varies between 100 and 135 feet. New ROW would be acquired for the proposed project.

Although additional right-of-way is required, no residential or non-residential structures would be displaced. Information concerning services and benefits available to affected property owners and information about the tentative schedule for right-of-way acquisition may be obtained from the district office at the address listed below.

Portions of the project are located within a Federal Emergency Management Agency-designated 100-year floodplain. The hydraulic design for this project would be in accordance with current FHWA and TxDOT design policies. All proposed roadway and drainage improvements should be designed in a manner to avoid or minimize impacts to jurisdictional crossings; no wetlands would be affected by the proposed project.

Any environmental documentation or studies, maps showing the project location and design, tentative construction schedules, and other information regarding the project are on file and available for inspection Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the TxDOT San Antonio District Office (210-615-1110), 4615 NW Loop 410, San Antonio, TX 78229 and http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/projects/studies/san-antonio/fm1103.html.

Any interested citizen may request a public hearing covering the social, economic and environmental effects of the proposed location and design for this project. Requests for a public hearing must be submitted in writing on or before November 29, 2016 to the TxDOT San Antonio District Office, Attention: Brian Witherell, Environmental Coordinator, 4615 NW Loop 410, San Antonio, TX 78229.

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B. Certification

Public Hearing Opportunity Certification

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County Name Comal & Guadalupe Counties

Control Section Job Numbers (CSJ): 1268-01-013 & 1268-02-027

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I certify that the following statements are true and apply to the project identified above.

A. An opportunity has been afforded the public to request a hearing addressing the project location and design.

B. No request for a public hearing was received.

C. The economic and social effects of the project location and design and its impacts on the environment have been considered.

D. In determining economic, social, and environmental effects, the statutory provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 have been considered and complied with.

E. The project consistency with the goals and objectives of urban planning, as dictated by the community, has been considered.

F. Requirements of Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, Part 1, Chapter 2, Subchapter E, Section 2.106 have been met.

G. 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.

Signed: Dir TP&O **Date:** 12/21/16

Name/Title

Print Name: Jonathan Bean