



Documentation of Public Meeting

Project Location

Ports-to-Plains Corridor Interstate Feasibility Study (HB 1079)

Project Limits

New Mexico and Oklahoma state lines to the I-35/Juarez-Lincoln Bridge in Laredo

Meeting Location

Online

Meeting Dates and Times

Tuesday August 25, 2020, 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday August 26, 2020, 4:00 p.m.

Presenters

Akila Thamizharasan, PE, PTOE, PMP, TxDOT

Steve Linhart, AICP, TxDOT

Wendy Travis, AICP, Garver

Elected Officials in Attendance

Mayor Brenda Gunter, City of San Angelo

Total Number of Attendees (approx.)

110 (including study team)

140 distinct users on website

Total Number of Commenters

3

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ATTACHMENT A
MEETING SUMMARY REPORT

Ports-to-Plains Public Meeting

August 25 & 26, 2020

4:00 p.m.

Online Virtual Public Meeting

On Tuesday, August 25, 2020, and Wednesday, August 26, 2020, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) held identical virtual public meetings for the Ports-to-Plains Corridor Interstate Feasibility Study that each began at 4:00 p.m. These meetings were delivered in a virtual public meeting format (no in-person meeting was held due to social distancing restrictions resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic) which included a live presentation and comment opportunity via WebEx. The meetings were recorded and available until Thursday, September 10, 2020. The Virtual Public Meeting page was available at <https://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/get-involved/about/hearings-meetings/transportation-planning/082620.html> which directed the attendee to click on the project <https://p2pvpm4.transportationplanroom.com/> with a link to join the meeting or watch the presentation at a later date. Project materials were posted at www.txdot.gov and p2pvpm4.transportationplanroom.com for public viewing. All comments were due on or before Thursday, September 10, 2020. Attachment B includes the Comment/Response Matrix.

MEETING OBJECTIVES

Meeting objectives for these public meetings were to:

- provide the public an opportunity to learn about the Ports-to-Plains Corridor Interstate Feasibility Study; and
- to provide an opportunity to receive public input on preliminary recommendations provided by the Advisory Committee.

TARGETED SEGMENT OUTREACH

A postcard providing information regarding the upcoming public meetings was distributed to elected officials, project stakeholders and the public via various methods. The postcard was also used as a “display ad” for online and email distribution. The following outreach methods were used to advertise the public meetings within the Corridor and are provided in **Attachment C**.

- Aug. 7 A postcard was mailed to 584 stakeholders identified on the Corridor Stakeholder Database
- Aug. 9 A display ad was published in English and Spanish in the following newspapers:
 - Amarillo Globe News
 - Big Spring Herald
 - Del Rio News-Herald
 - Eagle Pass News Leader
 - Laredo Morning Times
 - Lubbock Avalanche
 - Midland Reporter Telegram
 - Odessa American
 - San Angelo Standard Times
- Aug. 12 An email invitation with attached meeting notice was sent to elected officials

The public meeting notification was posted on the TxDOT project webpage, located at www.txdot.gov.

Approximately 110 meeting attendees logged their attendance into the WebEx (65 on Tuesday, Aug. 25, 2020, and 45 attendees, Aug. 26, 2020), and 20 attendees signed in on the Virtual Public Meeting web page (<https://p2pvpm4.transportationplanroom.com/>). A copy of the sign-in-sheet is provided in **Attachment D**.

INTERACTIVE PRESENTATION

Ms. Akila Thamizharasan, TxDOT Corridor Planning Branch Manager, served as the presenter for the public meetings. Each meeting opened at 4:00 p.m. and the presenter welcomed attendees to the Public Meeting for the Ports-to-Plains Corridor and thanked them for their attendance.

The presenter provided instructions for the virtual public meeting including the request to type names into the chat box and to sign-in on the website's landing page. The presenter told the audience that the meeting would be recorded and available online through September 10, 2020. All comments must be received on or before September 10, 2020 to help inform the Ports-to-Plains Advisory Committee. The presenter gave instructions to attendees for providing written comments:

- Written comments from the public regarding the study were requested and could be submitted by email to portstoplains@txdot.gov or mail to:
- Texas Department of Transportation
c/o Ports-to-Plains Study Team
5835 Callaghan Road, Ste. 200
San Antonio, Texas 78228
- An online comment form and a printable version were available at www.txdot.gov.
- The public could also call 512-486-5106 to ask questions about the project and access project materials at any time during the study process.

The presenter provided the purpose of the meeting as an opportunity for the public to learn about the Ports-to-Plains Corridor Interstate Feasibility Study and to provide input on preliminary recommendations provided by the Advisory Committee.

The presenter walked through the website's landing page pointing out where the sign-in information, maps, and comment information would be available.

The presenter informed the audience that comments or questions could be shared through the chat box and that after the presentation, attendees could unmute their devices for a question and answer session, and the study team would review the chat box to address comments and questions.

The presenter emphasized that participation is very important for the study.

The presenter reviewed the discussion review which had been divided into four different sections: HB 1079 Overview, Feasibility Study Findings that have been completed over the last year (analysis and findings); Advisory Committee Preliminary Recommendations (requesting feedback and thoughts); and the Advisory Committee Implementation Plan (phasing of recommended projects).

Overview of HB 1079

The presenter gave a brief overview of House Bill (HB) 1079. HB 1079 requires TxDOT to conduct a comprehensive feasibility study of the Ports-to-Plains (P2P) Corridor, as defined by Texas Transportation Code 225.069.

The study must evaluate the feasibility of, and costs and logistical matters associated with, improvements to the Corridor that create a continuous-flow, four-lane divided highway that meets interstate standards to the extent possible.

The bill required TxDOT to establish a P2P Advisory Committee:

- The committee is required to meet at least twice annually on a rotational basis in Lubbock and San Angelo.
- Membership of the committee is limited to elected officials or their appointees specifically named in HB 1079.
- The committee will review and compile reports from Segment Committees to form full Advisory Committee report.
- TxDOT is required to incorporate reports submitted by the committee into the feasibility study.

Additionally, TxDOT was required to establish Segment Committees. The Segment Committees are composed of:

- Volunteers who may represent cities, counties, metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), ports, chambers of commerce, and economic development corporations along the Corridor.
- The trucking industry.
- TxDOT representatives; and
- Other interested parties.

The presenter said that this was the public meeting to provide information regarding preliminary recommendations developed by the Advisory Committee.

The presenter then showed a map of the Corridor and three “segments” created for the Ports-to-Plains Corridor Feasibility Study, defined as:

- Segment #1 – New Mexico and Oklahoma borders to Hale/Lubbock County Line
- Segment #2 – Hale/Lubbock County line to Sutton/Edwards County line
- Segment #3 – Sutton/Edwards County line to I-35/Juarez-Lincoln Bridge in Laredo

The Feasibility Study milestone dates were presented highlighting the following:

- August 29, 2019 – Texas Transportation Commission minute order adopted
- June 30, 2020 – Segment Committee reports provided to Advisory Committee
- October 31, 2020 – Advisory Committee final recommendations due to TxDOT
- January 1, 2021 – TxDOT submits final report to Governor and Legislature

The presenter said that by the end of this year, the study would be completed

Feasibility Study Findings

The presenter provided the feasibility study scope which included stakeholder and public engagement throughout. An overview of types of analysis were given as follows:

- HB 1079 goals

- Existing and forecasted conditions
- Interstate feasibility analysis
- Preliminary recommendations
- Final recommendations and implementation plan
- Feasibility study report

Current and Future Corridor Conditions and Assessment

The presenter provided the following Corridor characteristics:

- 963 miles of primarily rural area in West and South Texas
- Designated by Congress as a High Priority Corridor on the National Highway System in 1998.
- Spans 26 counties
- Connects to the state's and the nation's strategic trade gateways of Laredo, Eagle Pass, and Del Rio to destinations north, west, and east.

The presenter discussed a bar chart that depicts the Corridor historical and forecasted population from 1990 to 2050. The population in the Corridor has grown from 1,362,255 in 1990 to 1,811,411 in 2017, an **increase of 33%** and is projected to grow from 1,996,680 in 2020 to 3,207,960 in 2050, an **increase of 61%**.

The presenter discussed a bar chart that depicts the Corridor historical and forecasted information for the median household income from 1990 to 2050. The median household income has grown from \$21,396 in 1990 to \$50,786 in 2017, an **increase of 137%**; and is projected to grow from \$50,460 in 2020 to \$131,467 in 2050, an **increase of 161%**.

The presenter discussed a bar chart that depicts the Corridor historical and forecasted employment from 1990 to 2050. Employment grew from 618,697 in 1990 to 845,071 in 2017, **an increase of 37%**. The employment is projected to grow from 894,768 in 2020 to 1,044,139 in 2050, **an increase of 17%**.

The presenter discussed a bar chart that depicts the Corridor historical and forecasted Gross Domestic Product (GDP) from 1990 to 2050. The GDP is projected to grow from \$155,377 million in 2020 to \$263,243 million in 2050, an **increase of 69%**.

The presenter discussed the map that displayed the 2050 Interstate annual average daily traffic. The presenter provided information on current and future Corridor traffic conditions including the following:

- Traffic volumes are projected to increase 67% from 2018 to 2050.
- Truck volumes are projected to increase 73% from 2018 to 2050.
- Truck traffic is higher north of San Angelo than in the southern half of the Corridor.
- Laredo has the highest truck traffic volumes of the Corridor.

The presenter discussed the map that displayed total Corridor crashes per 100 movements between 2014 and 2018. The presenter provided information on current and future Corridor safety conditions between 2014 to 2018 stating that there were 17,554 total crashes with 242 of those being fatal crashes resulting in 297 fatalities. The highest crash rates within the Corridor occurred through Amarillo, Big Spring, Midland, San Angelo, Sonora, and Del Rio.

The presenter provided information on current and future Corridor freight movement with a map depicting 2050 total freight tonnage to /from the Ports-to-Plains Corridor counties. Truck traffic using the Corridor connections across Texas is expected to grow. The most significant commodity growth is expected to occur in agriculture and food products, and construction-related bulk materials.

Next, the presenter asked Wendy Travis, AICP, TxDOT Consultant Study Team, to present the Analysis and Findings. Mrs. Travis explained that the Study Team reviewed the goals in HB 1079 and the planned projects and the interstate to determine the following Corridor Interstate Feasibility Analysis and Findings.

Analysis and Findings

The presenter discussed the map that displayed 2050 total freight tonnage to and from Ports-to-Plains counties. The interstate is projected to facilitate freight movement by carrying 5,100 trucks per day by 2050, an **increase of 34%** over the non-interstate. The interstate would provide **improved travel times** and **additional capacity** to address times of peak demand and decrease delays due to accidents.

The presenter discussed the ability of the energy industry to transport products to market on an interstate. The presenter discussed the map that displayed the 2050 petroleum product flow to and from Ports-to-Plains counties in tons. The analysis and findings include the following:

- The interstate is projected to add 76 million freight tons (99%) above the non-interstate.
- Currently, roughly half of the freight tons are energy-related.
- A significant portion of the future freight is expected to remain energy-related.
- The interstate would provide improved travel times, increased market access, and enhanced reliability for the transportation of energy products.

The presenter discussed the map that displayed the difference in 2050 average daily traffic between baseline and the interstate. The analysis and findings for the interstate to relieve traffic congestion includes the following:

- The interstate has more capacity and improves congestion over other corridors.
- The interstate results in higher speeds and diverts traffic from other corridors.
- The interstate diverts traffic from US 385 South of Hartley, US 84 between Lubbock and I-20, US 57 (Eagle Pass to San Antonio).
- The interstate diverts traffic from key national corridors including I-10, I-35, I-40, and I-70.
- The interstate diverts trips from Mexico to Midwestern states.

The interstate would have the ability to promote safety and mobility. The presenter discussed the map that displayed the average travel time savings for the study corridor and the existing interstate. Information provided included 2018 existing travel time, 2050 baseline travel time savings, and 2050 interstate travel time savings. If the entire corridor were upgraded to interstate standards, a motorist would save approximately **89 minutes** driving end to end as compared to today's travel time. The interstate upgrade is expected to **reduce the crash rate by 21%** over the non-interstate. The interstate provides an average travel time **savings of 1 ½ hours** for the length of the Corridor over the non-interstate.

The analysis and findings looked at three methods to obtain interstate designation including:

- Method 1: The USDOT Secretary may designate, if the corridor currently meets interstate standards
- Method 2: TxDOT may submit a proposal requesting designation as an interstate
- Method 3: By congressional act

Costs to upgrade the Corridor to interstate standards were broken down by construction (\$20.5 billion), right of way (\$2.1 billion), utilities (\$0.9 billion), and total. The total interstate cost estimate is \$23.5 billion. This is a planning level estimate and could change and be further refined.

In summary, the economic benefits of the Corridor include the following:

- Total Annual Travel Cost Savings of \$4.1B
- Total Annual Increase in GDP of \$2.84B
- Total Increase in Employment of 22,110 jobs
- Return on Investment of \$17B (76 percent)
- Benefit-Cost Ratio of 2.4 with a net present value of \$39.2B

The Corridor-wide travel cost savings is \$4.1B including the following:

- Vehicle operating costs = \$1,403 million
- Shipper/logistics = \$404 million
- Personal time & reliability costs = \$526 million
- Business time & reliability = \$1,729 million

Potential funding sources were provided even though no funding is currently available. Potential funding sources were presented including federal, local, and state funding as listed below.

- Federal
 - Federal Aid Highway program
 - US DOT Build Grant program
 - Infrastructure for Rebuilding America Grant Program
- State of Texas
 - Proposition 1
 - Proposition 7
 - State Infrastructure Bank
 - State Highway Fund
 - 2019 Legislative Session
- Local
 - Metropolitan planning organization

Advisory Committee Preliminary Recommendations

Mr. Steve Linhart, TxDOT Project Development Manager, presented the Advisory Committee Preliminary Recommendations.

The Advisory Committee developed Interstate upgrades and general locations of sections of the Corridor from the Panhandle to Sterling City and from Midland to I-35. Maps with locations were shown on the slides with a list of 20 upgrades including the Map ID and the description of the work.

The Advisory Committee also developed Interstate upgrades via relief routes. Maps with locations were shown on the slides with a list of 25 relief routes including the Map ID and the description of the work. The Advisory Committee recommends relief routes around cities with existing relief routes be constructed to interstate standards. A couple of studies are underway and are highlighted.

Safety/Operational Improvement preliminary recommendations were made for intersection improvements including 14 intersection improvements and five (5) interchange projects. These improvements and projects were shown on maps with locations and a list with Map IDs and a description of work.

Safety/Operational Improvement preliminary recommendations were made for eight (8) access and safety improvements. These improvements include roadway geometry, roadway drainage, and other access management improvements were shown on a map with locations and a list with Map IDs and a description of work.

Other safety/operational improvements preliminarily recommended include three (3) Border Patrol checkpoint improvements either by expansion and/or possible relocations. These improvements were shown on maps with locations and a list with Map IDs and a description of work.

Other safety/operational improvements preliminarily recommended include two (2) Study Overpasses near the southern Sutton County line. These projects were shown on maps with locations and a list with Map IDs and a description of work.

The next slide presented included two maps with summaries of the Advisory Committee preliminary recommendations.

Advisory Committee Implementation Plan

The Advisory Committee divided the plan into short- (0-5 years), mid-term (6-10 years), and long-term (11+ years). Various funding sources would need to be explored to construct the recommended projects. No dedicated funding has been identified.

The Advisory Committee recommends 11 interstate upgrade projects starting in the short-term (0 to 5 years) and 21 relief route projects. A map was presented with the location of the projects.

The Advisory Committee recommends seven (7) interstate upgrade projects starting in the mid-term (6 to 10 years) and four (4) relief route projects. A map was presented with the location of the projects.

The Advisory Committee recommends two (2) interstate upgrade projects starting in the long-term (11+ years) and 1 relief route project. A map was presented with the location of the projects.

A summary of all 20 interstate upgrade projects and 26 relief route projects are listed on one map. Please note that these safety/operational improvement projects would be constructed in conjunction with the interstate upgrade and relief route projects.

Ms. Thamizharasan opened the meeting for Questions and Answers. She requested that attendees state their name before beginning to ask a question or to use the chat box to submit questions.

Ms. Thamizharasan said that maps are located on the website if participants would like to review further.

Questions and Answers on August 25, 2020

A question was asked in the chat box by “P” as follows: “Can you please repeat which projects were set for the short-term?” The presenter showed Slide 46 which includes 11 Interstate upgrade projects total and 21 relief route projects.

A question was asked in the chat box by Allison Gully as follows: “Is this just a recommended timeline? When will the implementation plan be finalized?” The presenter said that this is a recommendation by the Advisory Committee with Segment Committee input as well as from TxDOT Districts. Funding has not been secured and projects may happen when funding is available.

The presenter said that as of now, this is the best implementation plan that could be followed.

A question was asked in the chat box by Bill Mackey as follows: “What factors were used to determine short, mid and long-term projects?”.

The presenter said the time ranges were based on discussions with the TXDOT District needs along the Corridor. Some projects may need more funding or studies, but these are the projects they believe could happen.

A question was asked in the chat box by Gary Saucier as follows: “How does the funding needed compare to funding needed across the state level total for highways?” The presenter said this was a great question – each project will be competing with other statewide projects and costs and benefits will be analyzed. Caroline Mays, TxDOT Director of Freight, Trade and Connectivity Section, Transportation Planning and Programming Division, stressed that there is no dedicated funding for the projects that are being recommended, and the projects will have to compete with other projects. The timeline could shift pending funding and development stages. TXDOT will go through detailed project development phases and then compete with the rest of the State. The needs of the entire state continue to grow, and the Districts must submit the projects to compete.

A question was asked in the chat box by “P” as follows: “For the short-term projects, does that mean they are set to begin next year or is there a certain start date? Has funding already been approved for those short-term projects?” The presenter said that funding has not been identified. Projects for short-term could begin if funding were available.

A question was asked in the chat box by Dr J B Boren as follows: “Has the study group considered costs related to increased law enforcement by the various jurisdictions due to the increase in drug and human trafficking which always follows interstate highway systems? Has any consultation been done with state law enforcement?”

Mrs. Mays said that this study was signed by the governor and the study requirements were in HB 1079. We did not study law enforcement and what would be required to police the interstate in the bill. TxDOT does not get involved with that enforcement, only local law enforcement of traffic data and not the law enforcement side.

A comment was made from Wendy Travis stating that “An interstate tie-in is an interchange project.” The presenter agreed.

A question was asked in the chat box by Matt Long as follows: “Was interstate tolling considered for the ROI [return on investment] calculations for the full project?” Mrs. Mays said that tolling was not considered, as this is a non-toll environment. Tolling would be a decision at a high level. This study looked at traditional funding.

A question was asked in the chat box by Allison Gully as follows: “For short-term projects, does that mean construction will actually start in 0-5 years or just design etc. will start? Looking at the executive summary for segment two, it shows construction for upgrading the interstate in the implementation plan to be a long-term plan, so I just wanted to clarify.” The presenter said that the study looked at when funding was available. Mrs. Mays said that we have a list of projects and some require more planning such as environmental, design, and engineering. The timelines were meant to guide the implementation plan.

A question was asked in the chat box by Juan & Ana Parras as follows: “Have you done an Environmental Justice assessment on the impact on low-income communities of Color who may be impacted by the Hwy.? Will any communities be relocated?” Mrs. Mays said that this feasibility study did not include this research. Project development would include analyzing impacts to low-income communities, noise, environmental impacts, and other resources to the Corridor. This was a high-level planning study. When the District takes any project to the development phase, impacts will be assessed.

A question was asked by Joe David Ross as follows: What is planned in the Del Rio/Edwards county zone from 2006-2011 – now it has been flip flop from I-10 to Sonora – it defeats the initial purpose of reducing pressure in Laredo. Mrs. Mays said she appreciated the question. This study is looking at the entire Corridor from Laredo to TX/OK line. Segment 3 looked at projects. The recommendation was for an interstate level throughout the Corridor. The region mentioned has projects such as relief routes and we hope you will review those. The emphasis is looking at the entire Corridor. One of the biggest issues is the trucking coming from Laredo and going through the entire Corridor and agriculture up north is also critical. This does not just focus on Amarillo and Lubbock.

Mr. Joe David Ross said he has been to many meetings with lots of discussion but has seen no dollars. He asked if he should call Del Rio to inquire. Mrs. Mays said that the Del Rio Mayor Lozano has been involved and has information for the entire Corridor.

A question was asked in the chat box by Juan & Ana Parras as follows: “Is there an alternative plan?”

The presenter said no, but this study has been conducted according to HB 1079. We do look at alternative routes in specific towns and cities for projects, but not in this study.

A question was asked in the chat box by Juan & Ana Parras as follows: “Are any committee members, environmental organizations, or individuals who address environmental issues?” Mrs. Mays said the membership of the committee was provided through the HB 1079, but environmental groups were not focused on; however, many public involvement stakeholder outreach has been done including environmental groups. There is always an environmental analysis component.

A question was asked in the chat box by “P” as follows: “What do you mean by alternate routes and relief routes?” The presenter said that alternative routes around towns and cities are reviewed. Roadways in small towns are not as desirable for expanding to interstate standards.

A question was asked in the chat box by Juan & Ana Parras as follows: “Are people of Color on the committee?” Mrs. Mays said the membership of the committee was dictated by HB 1079 and is comprised mainly of mayors and county judges up and down the Corridor. The membership is diverse: male, female, white and Latino.

A question was asked in the chat box by “P” as follows: “Through Eagle Pass, will it be a nonstop highway?” Mrs. Mays said the interstate is the recommendation meaning no at-grade intersections, stop lights, or intersections. Some of these projects will require additional studies.

A comment was made in the chat box by Matt Long as follows: “Thank you for the information and providing this Webinar!”

A comment was asked in the chat box by Minnie Abrego-Sanchez as follows: “Great presentation. Thank you. Minnie Abrego-Sanchez”.

A question was asked in the chat box by Deya Trevino as follows: “Will this interstate project cross tribal lands, if so, were any American Indian Tribal Council/s consulted?” Mrs. Mays said the proposal is improving existing roadways. This is a high-level planning study. When we get to the project level studies, the project team will engage/consult as required. Public meetings were held during this study to engage stakeholders. We had a long stakeholder list that we felt was inclusive.

A question was asked in the chat box by “P” as follows: “Or would it be something like loop 20 in Laredo, with frequent stop lights throughout?” Mrs. Mays said the whole recommendation is interstate with no traffic signals, traffic lights and at grade intersections. This will be an interstate facility.

Questions and Answers on August 26, 2020

A question was asked in the chat box by Mr. Alan Cox as follows: “Have the locations for the relief routes been identified yet? In particular, the one that is recommended for Lamesa?”. The presenter said that as part of the feasibility study, the location has not been identified yet. Studies will occur for Lamesa and the public will be involved.

A question was asked in the chat box by Mr. Stryker as follows: “When will the Governor or Legislature give their input on the 2021 recommendations?” Mrs. Mays said the Advisory Committee is finishing its report to submit to TxDOT. TxDOT is required to submit its report to the Governor by January 1, 2021. Elected officials will review the report and weigh in with their recommendations. The people that sponsored the Bill have been involved.

A question was asked in the chat box by Mr. Mark S. Willis as follows: “Where can we find the cost estimates for the projects in each of the timelines?”

Mrs. Mays said that this is a high-level cost estimate. These were not provided for each project. The team has worked with the TxDOT Districts and they will have to submit these cost estimates and go through project development with the local community. They will see what must be done, including ROW, design, and construction at the project level. This is a global cost estimate and much detailed information is in the Segment Committee reports. Most will be done at the project level. She stated that elected officials who sponsored the bill are State Senator Charles Perry and State Representative Four Price.

A question was asked in the chat box by Ms. Rebecca Ellwanger as follows: “If you've been identified as a land owner in a possible relief route near San Angelo, when will the decision be made for the final route?”

Globally, each relief route will be required to go through project development. The District is doing a study right now to look at relief routes in San Angelo. The timeline question should be asked of the

District. This study is not project-level specific. We can get you in touch with the San Angelo District to help answer that question.

Ms. Thamizharasan suggested that people could unmute to ask a question if desired or use the chat box.

The presenter asked if there were any other thoughts, questions, or comments from anyone.

A comment was made in the chat box by Mr. Steve Smith as follows: "Well prepared. Thank you."

A comment was made in the chat box by 72387 as follows: "Thank you TxDOT and Study Team".

A comment was made in the chat box by Matt Healy as follows: "Thanks for the information. Gave each of us a better idea of what is being proposed.'

A comment was made in the chat box by Mr. Mark S. Willis as follows: "Thank you, good work."

Mrs. Mays thanked everyone for their participation and input in the chat.

The presenter said that participation is very important and that all comments must be received by September 10, 2020 via Txdot.gov and search Ports to Plains as well as submitting comments by email or mail. The presenter provided another review of the virtual meeting web site pointing out where the sign-in information, maps, and comment information would be available.

The meeting adjourned at 5:11 pm on August 25, 2020 and at 4:45pm on August 26, 2020.

ATTACHMENT B
COMMENT/RESPONSE MATRIX

COMMENT/RESPONSE MATRIX
 Ports-to-Plains Corridor Feasibility Study
 Public Meeting #4
 Aug. 25 & 26, 2020

Comments provided by the public are listed in the comment/response matrix below. The comment forms received are found in Attachment E.

Number	Commenter Name	Date Received	Source	Comment Topic	Response
1	Jackson Hurst	8/27/2020	online	I approve and support the Ports to Plains Corridor Project because it will connect trade between the Mexico border to the upper plains.	Comment noted.
2	Chris Kinsey	9/3/2020	email	Hi, This my feedback regarding the I-27 extension project. I believe this will be a great thing for Texas and the city I live in, San Angelo.	Comment noted.
				Politics aside, what comes to my mind is FDR's New Deal. The post-depression economy was suffering as the Texas economy will suffer post-COVID. This region's economy will be affected more than most from its dependence on oil.	Comment noted.
				The I-27 extension will kick off the post-COVID Texas economic recovery. I think it'll be a call to action for a lot of Texans. Thanks for all of your hard work.	Comment noted.

Number	Commenter Name	Date Received	Source	Comment Topic	Response
3	Talus Murphy	8/26/2020	online	Between Lubbock and San Angelo: Wouldn't it be more beneficial to the State of Texas to use the much more traveled route through Post, Snyder, Sweetwater, and Bronte via US 84, IH20, SH 70 and US 277 instead of US 87 through Big Spring? The Midland connections to Lubbock and San Angelo are still important. Just that section of US 87 from Lamesa, through Big Spring to Sterling City seems far less important than the above-mentioned US 84, IH 20, SH 70, US 277 route connecting Lubbock to San Angelo through Post, Snyder, Sweetwater, and Bronte. It could then easily use the SL 306 freeway on the East side of San Angelo to connect further South. That would be far less destructive to the local communities than turning US 87 through San Angelo into a freeway. Thanks for your consideration.	Comment noted.

This matrix only includes information provided via Comment Forms. Verbal comments and "Chat Box" questions made during the meeting presentation are summarized in Attachment A (Meeting Summary).

**ATTACHMENT C
NOTICES**

Attachment C
Elected Officials Email Invitation

An email invitation with attached meeting notice was sent to the following list of elected and public officials on August 12, 2020.

From: [Akila Thamizharasan](#)
To: [Abby Dye, Assistant to Mayor Dan Pope](#); [Ashley Posthumus, President, Dalhart Chamber of Commerce](#); [Bob Brinkmann, Mayor, City of Dumas](#); [Carl Watson, Executive Director, Dumas Chamber of Commerce](#); [Dan Pope, Mayor, City of Lubbock](#); [David B. Mull, Judge, Hale County](#); [Dee Vaughan, County Commissioner, Moore County](#); [Denise Skidmore, Director, Public Relations Hillmar Cheese](#); [Ernie Houdashell, Judge, Randall County](#); [Gary Molberg, President and CEO, Amarillo Chamber of Commerce](#); [Ginger Nelson, Mayor, City of Amarillo](#); [Harold Keeter, Judge, Swisher County](#); [Humberto "Tito" Gonzalez Jr](#); [James Stroud, City Manager, City of Dalhart](#); [Jared Miller, City Manager, City of Amarillo](#); [Joe Kiely, Vice President of Operations, Ports-to-Plains Alliance](#); [Johnnie "Rowdy" Rhoades, Judge, Moore County](#); [Kasey Coker, Executive Director, The High Ground of Texas](#); [Kevin Carter, President, Amarillo Economic Development Corporation](#); [Kyle Ingham, Panhandle Regional Planning Commission](#); [Milton Pax, Vice Chairman, Board of Directors, Ports-to-Plains Alliance](#); [Nancy Tanner, Judge, Potter County](#); [Phillip Hass, Mayor, City of Dalhart](#); [Ricky Reed, Mayor, City of Stratford](#); [Roberto Rodriguez III](#); [Ronnie Gordon, Judge, Hartley County](#); [Ross Wilson, President and CEO of Texas Cattle Feeders Association](#); [Ross Wilson, President and CEO, Texas Cattle Feeders Association](#); [Sebastin Ysaguirre, Pottery County Director of Roads and Bridges](#); [Stephen Smith, Sutton County Judge, Advisory Committee vice chairman](#); [Terri Beth Carter, Judge, Sherman County](#); [Tonya Keesee, Executive Director, Plainview Chamber of Commerce](#); [Travis Muno, Administrator, Amarillo MPO](#); [Tyson Willis, Director of the Tulia Chamber of Commerce](#); [Wesley Ritchey, Judge, Dallam County](#); [Caroline Mays](#); [Peter Smith](#); [Roger Beall](#); [Brian Barth](#); [Bill Hale](#); [Marc Williams](#); [Trent Thomas](#); [Blake Calvert](#); [David Salazar](#); [Mark Jones](#); [John Speed](#); [Carl Johnson](#); [Steven Warren](#); [Brian Crawford](#); [Steve Linhart](#); [Charlie Leal](#); [Alvin New](#); [Emily Clisby](#); [Norma Rios](#); [Loretta Brown](#); [Travis, Wendy G.](#); [Dan Pope](#); [tcarter@co.sherman.tx.us](#); [Kristi Gillispie](#); [Savanna Barksdale](#); [Kylan Francis](#); [TPP Division Calendar](#); [Commission Support Office Shared Calendar](#); [SLA Calendar](#); [Jarred Shaffer](#); [Cheri Huddleston](#); [Julie Jerome](#); [Sherry Pifer](#); [Cordelia Valdez](#); [Gabriel DeOchoa](#); [Krista Jeacopello](#)
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Subject: HB 1079 - PORTS TO PLAINS CORRIDOR FEASIBILITY STUDY PUBLIC MEETING
Date: Wednesday, August 12, 2020 11:03:56 AM
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Sincerely,

Akila

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A Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) message

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From: Akila Thamizharasan
To: Neil Welch; Abby Dye, Assitan to Mayor Dan Pope; Arturo Fuentes, City Manager, City of Sonora; Bobby Burns, President and CEO, Midland Chamber of Commerce; Brad Bouma, Select Milk/Legacy Farms LP; Brenda Gunter, Mayor, City of San Angelo; Bruce Partain, President and CEO, Midland Chamber of Commerce; Bryan Cox, Judge, Martin County; Cameron Walker, Director, Permian Basin MPO; Charlie Bradley, Judge, Schleicher County; Curtis Parrish, Judge, Lubbock County; Dan Pope, Mayor, City of Lubbock; David Turner, Mayor, City of Odessa; Debby ValVerde, Executive Director, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce; Debi Hays, Ector County Judge; Deborah Horwood, Judge, Sterling County; Donna Garrett, Executive Director, Sonora Chamber of Commerce; Eddie McBride, President and CEO, Lubbock Chamber of Commerce; Foy O'Brien, Judge, Dawson County; Fred Thompson, Director Sterling City Economic Development Corporation; Fred Thompson, Director, Sterling City Economic Development Corporation; George Arispe, Mayor, City of Eldorado; Gloria McDonald, City of Big Spring Commissioner; Guy Andrews, Economic Development Director, San Angelo Economic Development Corporation; H. David Jones, Director, Lubbock MPO; Hal Spain, Judge, Coke County; Humberto "Tito" Gonzalez Jr; James Beauchamp, President, MOTRAN Alliance, Inc.; Jerry Morales, Mayor, City of Midland; John Austin Stokes, Executive Director, Concho Valley Council of Governments; John Baker, Mayor, City of Tahoka; John Esparza, CEO, Texas Trucking Association; John Medina, Assistant City Manager, Big Spring; John Osborne, Executive Director, Ports-to-Plains Alliance; Josh Stevens, Mayor, City of Lamesa; Karen Mize, President, Lamesa Area Chamber of Commerce; Kasey Coker, Executive Director, The High Ground of Texas; Kathryn Wiseman, Howard County Judge; Kim Halfmann, Judge, Glasscock County; Kristen Windham Court Coordinator, Lubbock County; Lane Horwood, Mayor, City of Sterling City; Major Hofheins, Director, San Angelo MPO; Michael Looney VP of economic development San Angelo Chamber of Commerce; Mike Braddock, Judge, Lynn County; Nicky Goode, Dawson County Judge; Patrick Payton, Mayor, Midland; Phillip Urrutia, Assistant City Manager, City of Odessa; Rick Bacon, Commissioner, Tom Green County; Roberto Rodriguez III; Shannon Thomason, Mayor City of Big Spring; Shawn Wade, Director Palms Cotton Growers; Stephen H. Smith, Judge, Sutton County; Stephen Robertson, Executive VP, Permian Basin Petroleum Association; Steve Floyd, Judge, Tom Green County; Steve Smith, Judge, Sutton County; Steve Verett, Executive VP, Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.; Terry Johnson, Judge, Midland County; Tim Pierce, Executive Director, South Plains Association of Governments; Wanda Shurley, Mayor, City of Sonora; Caroline Mays; Peter Smith; Roger Beall; Brian Barth; Bill Hale; Marc Williams; Trent Thomas; Blake Calvert; David Salazar; Mark Jones; John Speed; Carl Johnson; Steven Warren; Brian Crawford; Steve Linhart; Charlie Leal; Alvin New; Emily Clisby; Norma Rios; Loretta Brown; Travis, Wendy G.; Sarah Tankersley; John Osborne; David Jones; Jenny Hilton; Dan Pope; Kim Halfmann; David Turner; Parrish, Curtis; John Dewitt Jr; Rande Shields; Kylan Francis; TPP Division Calendar; SLA Calendar; Jarred Shaffer; Duffy Hinkle; Chen Huddleston; Emma Krabill [REDACTED]; Emma Krabill [REDACTED]; Sherry Pifer; Christine Allen; Kathryn Wiseman; Arms, Apri; Michael Halthcock; Cliff Hallford; Paula Dowell; Casey Wells; Joe Kiely; Lauren Garduno; Krista Jeacopello
Cc: Cohen, Sophie; Michel, Tracy L.; Penic, Michael; McCullough, Kirsten J.; Robert Ryan; Holder, Jerry D.; Bryan, Joseph G B.; Norma Rios
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From: Akila Thamizharasan [REDACTED] >

Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2020 11:04 AM

To: Abby Dye, Assitan to Mayor Dan Pope; Anna De La Garza, Bridge Operations Mgr, Eagle Pass Int'l Bridge System; Blanca Larson, Executive Director, Del Rio Chamber of Commerce; Bruno Lozano, Mayor, City of Del Rio; City of Eagle Pass Luis Sifuentes ([REDACTED]); Dan Pope, Mayor, City of Lubbock; David R. Saucedo, Judge Maverick County; Francisco G. Ponce, Judge Dimmit County; Humberto "Tito" Gonzalez Jr; James Kirby Snideman, Director, Laredo Urban Transportation Study (MPO); James Tullis Shahan, Judge Kinney County; Leo Martinez, President, Board of Directors, Del Rio Economic Development Corporation; Lewis G. Owens Jr., Judge Val Verde County; Liliana Flores, Director, US Customs and Border Protection, Del Rio Port of Entry; Margie Montez, Superintendent, Del Rio Int'l Bridge; Melissa Huddleston, Executive Director, Laredo Motor Carriers Association; Miguel Conchas, President/CEO, Laredo Chamber of Commerce; Morris Libson, Chairman, Eagle Pass Business and Economic Development Council; Nick Gallegos, Executive Director, Middle Rio Grande Development Council; Pete Saenz, Mayor City of Laredo,; Raul S. Villareal, President, Laredo Licensed U.S. Customs Brokers Association, Inc.; Roberto Rodriguez III; Sandra Garcia, Assistant to Mayor City of Eagle Pass; Sandra Martinez, Executive Director, Eagle Pass Chamber of Commerce; Sid Cauthorn, Ports to Plains Alliance; Stephen Smith, Sutton County Judge, Advisory Committee vice chairman; Tano E. Tijerina, Judge Webb county; Wayne Seiple, Mayor, City of Carrizo Springs; Yvette Limon, Director, Laredo Int'l Bridge System; Caroline Mays; Peter Smith; Roger Beall; Brian Barth; Bill Hale; Marc Williams; Trent Thomas; Blake Calvert; David Salazar; Mark Jones; John Speed; Carl Johnson; Steven Warren; Brian Crawford; Steve Linhart; Charlie Leal; Alvin New; Emily Clisby; Norma Rios; Loretta Brown; Travis, Wendy G.; Lalo Uribe ([REDACTED]); Dan Pope; Cordelia Valdez; TPP Division Calendar; SLA_Calendar; Homero Balderas; Steve Smith; Jarred Shaffer; Cheri Huddleston; Sherry Pifer; Elizabeth M. Ortiz; Melinda Mata; Jose Emilio Ramos; Cordelia Valdez; Cheri Huddleston; Ronnie Guest; Krista Jeacopello

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MARTES Y MIÉRCOLES 25 y 26 de agosto de 2020 a las 4 p.m.

Únase en línea en txdot.gov, palabras clave "Ports-to-Plains". Se proporcionará un enlace a la reunión en la página web del proyecto para la presentación y para comentar.

Se solicitan comentarios escritos del público con respecto al estudio y también se pueden enviar por correo a TxDOT, c / o Ports-to-Plains Study Team, 5835 Callaghan Rd, Ste. 200, San Antonio, Texas 78228, o por correo electrónico a portstoplains@txdot.gov. Todos los comentarios se deben recibir el jueves 10 de septiembre de 2020 o antes.

Propósito de las reuniones: El propósito de la reunión es presentar recomendaciones para el estudio de viabilidad del corredor interestatal de puertos a llanuras preparado por el Comité Asesor del estudio y solicitar comentarios del público.

Información general: La 86ª Legislatura de Texas aprobó la Ley 1079 para estudiar el Corredor de Puertos-a-Llanuras, incluyendo una evaluación de la viabilidad, y los costos y asuntos logísticos asociados con mejoras que crean una carretera de cuatro carriles de flujo continuo que cumpla con los estándares de carreteras interestatales en la medida de lo posible incluyendo mejoras que extienden la Interestatal 27 entre las fronteras de Nuevo México y Oklahoma y Laredo. El corredor de Puertos-a-Llanuras se muestra a la derecha.

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The invitation email and attachment were sent to these elected and public officials and major stakeholders.

Segment 1

Organization	Name	Title
Amarillo Chamber of Commerce	Gary Molberg	President
Amarillo Economic Development Corporation	Kevin Carter	President
Amarillo MPO	Travis Muno	Administrator
City of Amarillo	Jared Miller	City Manager
City of Amarillo	Ginger Nelson	Mayor
City of Dalhart	Phillip Hass	Mayor
City of Dalhart	James Stroud	City Manager
City of Dumas	Bob Brinkmann	Mayor
City of Lubbock	Dan Pope	Mayor
City of Stratford	Ricky Reed	Mayor
Dalhart Chamber of Commerce	Ashley Posthumus	President
Dallam County	Wesley Ritchey	Judge
Dumas Chamber of Commerce	Carl Watson	Executive Director
Hale County	David B. Mull	Judge
Hance Scarborough LLP	Cheri Huddleston	Legislative Consultant
Hartley County	Ronnie Gordon	Judge
The High Ground of Texas	Kasey Coker	Executive Director
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Moore County	Johnnie Rhoades	Judge
Moore County	Dee Vaughan	County Commissioner
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Plainview Chamber of Commerce	Tonya Keesee	Executive Director
Ports-to-Plains Alliance	Joe Kiely	Vice President of Operations
Ports-to-Plains Alliance	Milton Pax	Vice Chairman, Board of Directors
Potter County	Nancy Tanner	Judge
Potter County	Sebastin Ysaguirre	Director of Roads and Bridges
Public Relations Hilmar Cheese	Denise Skidmore	Director
Randall County	Ernie Houdashell	Judge
Sherman County	Terri Beth Carter	Judge
Sutton County	Stephen Smith	Judge
Swisher County	Harold Keeter	Judge
Texas Cattle Feeders Association	Ross Wilson	President and CEO
Tulia Chamber of Commerce	Tyson Willis	Director
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Segment 2

Organization	Name	Title
Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce	Debbye ValVerde	Executive Director
City of Big Spring	Gloria McDonald	Commissioner
City of Big Spring	John Medina	Assistant City Manager
City of Big Spring	Shannon Thomason	Mayor
City of Eldorado	George Arispe	Mayor
City of Lamesa	Josh Stevens	Mayor
City of Lubbock	Dan Pope	Mayor
City of Lubbock	David Jones	
City of Midland	Jerry Morales	Former Mayor
City of Midland	Patrick Payton	Mayor
City of Odessa	David Turner	Mayor
City of Odessa	Phillip Urrutia	Assistant City Manger
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City of Sonora	Arturo Fuentes	City Manager
City of Sonora	Wanda Shurley	Mayor
City of Sterling City	Lane Horwood	Mayor
City of Tahoka	John Baker	Mayor
Coke County	Hal Spain	Judge
Concho Valley Council of Governments	John Austin Stokes	Executive Director
Dawson County	Nicky Goode	Judge
Ector County	Debi Hays	Judge
Glasscock County	Kim Halfmann	Judge
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Howard County	Kathryn Wiseman	Judge
Lamesa Area Chamber of Commerce	Karen Mize	President
Lubbock Chamber of Commerce	Eddie McBride	President and CEO
Lubbock County	Curtis Parrish	Judge
Lubbock County	Kristen Windham	Court Coordinator
Lubbock MPO	David Jones	Director
Lynn County	Mike Braddock	Judge
Martin County	Bryan Cox	Judge
Mayor Dan Pope's Office	Abby Dye	Assistant to the Mayor
Midland Chamber of Commerce	Bobby Burns	President and CEO
Midland County	Terry Johnson	Judge
Midland	Sarah Tankersley	
MOTRAN Alliance, Inc.	James Beauchamp	President
Palins Cotton Growers	Shawn Wade	Director
Permian Basin MPO	Cameron Walker	Director
Permian Basin Petroleum Association	Stephen Robertson	Executive Vice President
Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.	Steve Verett	Executive Vice President
Ports-to-Plains Alliance	John Osborne	Executive Director

San Angelo Chamber of Commerce	Bruce Partain	President and CEO
San Angelo Chamber of Commerce	Michael Looney	VP Economic Development
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Schleicher County	Charlie Bradley	Judge
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Sonora Chamber of Commerce	Donna Garrett	Executive Director
South Plains Association of Governments	Tim Pierce	Executive Director
Sterling City Economic Development Corporation	Fred Thompson	Director
Sterling County	Deborah Horwood	Judge
Sutton County	Stephen Smith	Judge
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TxDOT	Neil Welch	Area Engineer
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Subway Odessa	David Turner	
Port to Plains	Duffy Hinkle	
Hance Scarborough Law	Cheri Huddleston	
Steward Health Care	Emma Krabill	

Segment 3

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City of Carrizo Springs	Wayne Seiple	Mayor
City of Del Rio	Bruno Lozano	Mayor
City of Eagle Pass	Luis Sifuentes	Mayor
City of Eagle Pass	Sandra Garcia	Assistant to Mayor
City of Eagle Pass	Homera Balderas	Bridge Operations Manager
City of Laredo	Pete Saenz	Mayor
City of Lubbock	Dan Pope	Mayor
Del Rio Chamber of Commerce	Blanca Larson	Executive Director
Del Rio Economic Development Corporation	Leo Martinez	President, Board of Directors
Del Rio International Bridge	Margie Montez	Superintendent
Dimmit County	Francisco G. Ponce	Judge
Eagle Pass Business and Economic Development Council	Morris Libson	Chairman
Eagle Pass Chamber of Commerce	Sandra Martinez	Executive Director
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Laredo Motor Carriers Association	Melissa Huddleston	Executive Director
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Ports-to-Plains Alliance	Sid Cauthorn	Board Member/Past Chair President
Sutton County	Stephen Smith	Judge
Texas Transportation Commission	Alvin New	Commissioner
Texas Department of Transportation	Humberto "Tito" Gonzalez, Jr.	Director
Texas Department of Transportation	Roberto Rodriguez, III	Engineer
U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Del Rio Port of Entry	Liliana Flores	Director
Val Verde County	Lewis G. Owens, Jr.	Judge
Webb County	Tano E. Tijerina	Judge
Webb County	Lalo Uribe	Executive Administrator
Webb County	Elizabeth Ortiz	Administrative Secretary
Webb County	Melinda Mata	Court Administrator
Webb County	Cordelia Valdez	Executive Assistant

Attachment C
Postcard Mailout

*A bilingual postcard was mailed to stakeholders included on the following database on
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MARTES Y MIÉRCOLES 25 y 26 de agosto de 2020 a las 4 p.m.

Únase en línea en txdot.gov, palabras clave "Ports-to-Plains". Se proporcionará un enlace a la reunión en la página web del proyecto para la presentación y para comentar.

Se solicitan comentarios escritos del público con respecto al estudio y también se pueden enviar por correo a TxDOT, c / o Ports-to-Plains Study Team, 5835 Callaghan Rd, Ste. 200, San Antonio, Texas 78228, o por correo electrónico a portstoplains@txdot.gov. Todos los comentarios se deben recibir el jueves 10 de septiembre de 2020 o antes.

Propósito de las reuniones: El propósito de la reunión es presentar recomendaciones para el estudio de viabilidad del corredor interestatal de puertos a llanuras preparado por el Comité Asesor del estudio y solicitar comentarios del público.

Información general: La 86ª Legislatura de Texas aprobó la Ley 1079 para estudiar el Corredor de Puertos-a-Llanuras, incluyendo una evaluación de la viabilidad, y los costos y asuntos logísticos asociados con mejoras que crean una carretera de cuatro carriles de flujo continuo que cumpla con los estándares de carreteras interestatales en la medida de lo posible incluyendo mejoras que extienden la Interestatal 27 entre las fronteras de Nuevo México y Oklahoma y Laredo. El corredor de Puertos-a-Llanuras se muestra a la derecha.

Para más información: Para obtener más información o si tiene una capacidad de comunicación especial o necesita un intérprete, puede hacer una solicitud al menos dos días antes de la reunión en portstoplains@txdot.gov o (512) 486-5106. TxDOT hará todos los esfuerzos razonables para satisfacer estas necesidades. Visítenos en línea en txdot.gov, palabras clave "Ports-to-Plains".



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Abernathy Chamber of Commerce				P.O. Box 539	Abernathy	TX	79311
Abernathy ISD				505 7th St.	Abernathy	TX	79311
Abernathy Municipal Airport				P.O. Box 310	Abernathy	TX	79311
Affiliated Foods/TriState Baking/Plains Dairy				P.O. Box 30300	Amarillo	TX	79120
Alibates Flint Quarries National Monument				P.O. Box 1460	Fritch	TX	79036
Alibates Flint Quarries National Monument				P.O. Box 1460	Fritch	TX	79036
Amarillo Association of Realtors	Mr.	David	Sougstad	2400 S. Travis			
Amarillo Chamber of Commerce	Mr.	Gary	Molberg	1000 S. Polk St.	Amarillo	TX	79105
Amarillo College	Dr.	Russell	Lowery-Hart, Phd	2201 S Washington	Amarillo	TX	79109
Amarillo College				2201 S Washington	Amarillo	TX	79109
Amarillo College Moore County				1220 E 1st St	Dumas	TX	79029
Amarillo Convention & Visitor'S Council	Mr.	Dan	Quandt	1000 S. Polk St.	Amarillo	TX	79101
Amarillo EDC	Mr.	Kevin	Carter	801 S. Filmore St., Ste 205	Amarillo	TX	79101
Amarillo International Airport	Mr.	Michael	Conner	10801 Airport Blvd	Amarillo	TX	79111
Amarillo ISD				7200 Interstate 40 West	Amarillo	TX	79106
Amarillo Metropolitan Planning Organization	Mr.	Cody	Balzen	P.O. Box 1971	Amarillo	TX	79105
Amarillo Metropolitan Planning Organization	Mr.	Travis	Muno	P.O. Box 1971	Amarillo	TX	79105

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Amarillo Port of Entry				10801 Airport Blvd.	Amarillo	TX	79111
Association Of Amarillo Indian				516 N. Taylor St.	Amarillo	TX	79107
Azteca Milling Company		Angel	Garcia	1388 County Road U, Box 620	Plainview	TX	79072
B&W Pantex				P.O. Box 30020	Amarillo	TX	79120-0030
Bell				P.O. Box 482	Fort Worth	TX	76101
BSA Health System				1600 Wallace Boulevard	Amarillo	TX	79106
Buffalo Lake National Wildlife Refuge				P.O. Box 179	Umbarger	TX	79091
Bushland ISD				2400 Wells Street	Bushland	TX	79012
Canyon Chamber of Commerce, City of Danyon	Commissioner	Roger	Remlinger	301 16th St.	Canyon	TX	79015
Canyon Economic Development Corporation	Mr.	Don	Lee	1604 4th Ave., Ste 21	Canyon	TX	79015
Canyon EDC	Ms.	Evelyn	Ecker	1604 4 th Ave., Ste 21	Canyon	TX	79015
Canyon ISD				3301 N 23rd St	Canyon	TX	790015
Center City Of Amarillo, Inc.	Ms.	Beth	Duke	1009 S. Polk St. #3408	Amarillo	TX	79101
Central Plains Center	Ms.	Sherri	Bohr	2700 Yonkers (Adm. Building)	Plainview	TX	79072
City of Abernathy	Councilwoman	Bilinda	Prater	P.O. Box 310	Abernathy	TX	79311
City of Abernathy	Councilman	Matt	Riley	P.O. Box 310	Abernathy	TX	79311
City of Abernathy	Councilman	Jared	Shannon	P.O. Box 310	Abernathy	TX	79311

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City of Abernathy	Councilman	Gary	Stone	P.O. Box 310	Abernathy	TX	79311
City of Abernathy				P.O. Box 310	Abernathy	TX	79311
City of Amarillo	Councilwoman	Elaine	Hays	601 S. Buchanan	Amarillo	TX	79101
City of Amarillo	Councilwoman	Freda	Powell	601 S. Buchanan	Amarillo	TX	79101
City of Amarillo	Councilman	Eddy	Sauer	601 S. Buchanan	Amarillo	TX	79101
City of Amarillo	Councilman	Howard	Smith	601 S. Buchanan	Amarillo	TX	79101
City of Amarillo	Mr.	Jared	Miller	601 S. Buchanan St., Room 303	Amarillo	TX	79105
City of Amarillo, Economic Development Department	Mr.	Andrew	Freeman	601 S. Buchanan	Amarillo	TX	79101
City of Canyon	Mr.	Jon	Behrens	301 16 th St.	Canyon	TX	79015
City of Canyon	Mayor	Gary	Hinders	301 16 th St.	Canyon	TX	79015
City of Canyon	Mayor Pro-Tem	Cody	Jones	301 16 th St.	Canyon	TX	79015
City of Canyon	Commissioner	Paul R.	Lyons	301 16 th St.	Canyon	TX	79015
City of Canyon	Commissioner	Randy	Ray	301 16 th St.	Canyon	TX	79015
City of Dalhart	Councilman	Brian	Brewer	205 Rock Island Ave.	Dalhart	TX	79022
City of Dalhart	Councilman	Dwayne	Smith	205 Rock Island Ave.	Dalhart	TX	79022
City of Dalhart	Councilman	Troy	Ferguson	205 Rock Island Ave.	Dalhart	TX	79022
City of Dalhart	Councilman	Clinton	Hale	205 Rock Island Ave.	Dalhart	TX	79022

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City of Dalhart	Councilman	Rusty	Hancock	205 Rock Island Ave.	Dalhart	TX	79022
City of Dalhart	Councilwoman	Sherri	Haschke	205 Rock Island Ave.	Dalhart	TX	79022
City of Dalhart	Councilman	John	Loeppky	205 Rock Island Ave.	Dalhart	TX	79022
City of Dalhart	Councilman	Billy	Sisco	205 Rock Island Ave.	Dalhart	TX	79022
City of Dalhart	Mr.	James	Stroud	205 Rock Island Ave.	Dalhart	TX	79022
City of Dalhart	Councilman	Brian	Walton	205 Rock Island Ave.	Dalhart	TX	79022
City of Dalhart	Councilman	Tim	Yee	205 Rock Island Ave.	Dalhart	TX	79022
City of Dumas	Commissioner	Pat	Sims	P.O. Box 438	Dumas	TX	79029
City of Dumas	Commissioner	Ben	Maples	P.O. Box 438	Dumas	TX	79029
City of Dumas	Mr.	Arbie	Taylor	P.O. Box 438	Dumas	TX	79029
City of Dumas	Commissioner	Justin	Willis	P.O. Box 438	Dumas	TX	79029
City of Hale Center	Councilwoman	Karen	Boyce	P.O. Box 532	Hale Center	TX	79041
City of Hale Center	Councilman	Richard	Castillo	P.O. Box 532	Hale Center	TX	79041
City of Hale Center	Councilwoman	Christine	Reyna	P.O. Box 532	Hale Center	TX	79041
City of Hale Center, Hale Center EDC	Mr.	Dennis	Burton	P.O. Box 532	Hale Center	TX	79041
City of Plainview	Representative	Eric	Hastey	901 Broadway St.	Plainview	TX	79072
City of Plainview	Representative	Susan	Blackerby	901 Broadway St.	Plainview	TX	79072

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City of Plainview	Representative	Norma	Juarez	901 Broadway St.	Plainview	TX	79072
City of Plainview	Representative	Teressa	King	901 Broadway St.	Plainview	TX	79072
City of Plainview	Mr.	Jeffrey	Snyder	901 Broadway St.	Plainview	TX	79072
City of Plainview	Representative	Nelda	VanHoose	901 Broadway St.	Plainview	TX	79072
City of Plainview	Representative	Evan	Weiss	901 Broadway St.	Plainview	TX	79072
City of Plainview	Representative	Larry A.	Williams	901 Broadway St.	Plainview	TX	79072
City of Stratford	Mr.	Tommy	Bogart	P.O. Box 188	Stratford	TX	79084
City of Stratford	Councilman	Mike	Dominguez	P.O. Box 188	Stratford	TX	79084
City of Stratford	Councilwoman	Ann	Johnson	P.O. Box 188	Stratford	TX	79084
City of Stratford	Councilman	Greg	Wright	P.O. Box 188	Stratford	TX	79084
City of Stratford	Councilman	Joe	Zak	P.O. Box 188	Stratford	TX	79084
City of Tulia	Councilman	Jason	Jack	127 SW Second St. #300	Tulia	TX	79088
City of Tulia	Mayor	Israel "Bibo"	Ramirez	127 SW Second St. #300	Tulia	TX	79088
City of Tulia	Councilwoman	Kathy	Vestal	127 SW Second St. #300	Tulia	TX	79088
City of Tulia	Mr.	Dion	Miller	P.O. Box 847	Tulia	TX	79088
Clarendon College - Amarillo Cosmetology Center	Dr.	Robert K.	Riza, Phd	3211 Sw 26th	Amarillo	TX	79109
Clarendon College- Amarillo Campus				3211 SW 26th	Amarillo	TX	79201

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Clayton Municipal Airpark				97 Air Park St.	Clayton	NM	88415
Convergys Corporation	Ms.	Shari	Barnes	3701 West Loop 289	Lubbock	TX	79407
Covenant Hospital	Mr.	Alan	King	2601 Dimmitt Rd	Plainview	TX	79072
Dalhart Area Chamber of Commerce				102 E. 7 th St.	Dalhart	TX	79022
Dalhart ISD				701 E. 10th	Dalhart	TX	79022
Dalhart Municipal Airport				11908 Airport Road	Dalhart	TX	79022-5925
Dallam County	Commissioner	Levi	James	414 Denver Ave., Ste 301	Dalhart	TX	79022
Dallam County	Commissioner	Corey	Crabtree	P.O. Box 9395	Dalhart	TX	79022
Dallam County	Commissioner	Floyd	French	P.O. Box 9395	Dalhart	TX	79022
Dallam County	Commissioner	Carl	McCarty	P.O. Box 9395	Dalhart	TX	79022
Dumas EDC	Mr.	Michael	Running	900 N. Dumas Ave.	Dumas	TX	79029
Dumas ISD				421 W. 4th St.	Dumas	TX	79029
Dumas/Moore County Chamber of Commerce	Mr.	Carl	Watson	1901 S. Dumas Ave.	Dumas	TX	79029
Frank Phillips College				2890 FM281	Dalhart	TX	79022
G Boren Services	Ms.	Geneva	Boren	18 Briercroft Office Park	Lubbock	TX	79412
Gebo Distribution Co., Inc.				2803 Olton Road	Plainview	TX	79072
Golden Spread Electric Cooperative Inc	Mr.	Mark	Schwartz	P O Box 9898	Amarillo	TX	79105-9898

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Grand Castle Water Supply Corp	Ms.	Anne C	Streger	1405 Kings Row	Plainview	TX	79072-9244
Hale Center ISD				103 W. Cleveland	Hale Center	TX	79041
Hale County	Commissioner	Kenny	Kernell	500 Broadway	Plainview	TX	79072
Hale County	Commissioner	Harold	King	500 Broadway	Plainview	TX	79072
Hale County	Commissioner	Mario	Martinez	500 Broadway	Plainview	TX	79072
Hale County	Commissioner			500 Broadway	Plainview	TX	79072
Hale County Airport				10 Miller Blvd	Plainview	TX	
Hale County Cycling Club				2308 W 5th St	Plainview	TX	79072-7612
Hale County Farm Bureau Federation				808 S Columbia St	Plainview	TX	79072-8652
Halfway Coop Gin				771 W US Highway 70	Plainview	TX	79072-0736
Halfway Water Supply Corp	Mr.	Ray	Sooter	806 W US Highway 70	Plainview	TX	79072-0737
Happy ISD				500 NW Third Street	Happy	TX	79042
Hartley County	Commissioner	Robert "Butch"	Owens	1223 Denrock	Dalhart	TX	79022
Hartley County	Commissioner	Chad	Hicks	1910 Navajo Trail	Dalhart	TX	79022
Hartley County	Commissioner	David	Ford	5020 County Road R	Dumas	TX	79029
Hartley County	Commissioner	David	Vincent	P.O. Box 412	Hartley	TX	79044
Hartley ISD				P.O. Box 408	Hartley	TX	79044

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High Plains UWCD No. I				2930 Avenue Q	Lubbock	TX	79411
Kress ISD				200 E. 5th	Kress	TX	79052
Lake Meredith National Recreation Area				P.O. Box 1460	Fritch	TX	79036
Lake Meredith National Recreation Area				P.O. Box 1460	Fritch	TX	79036
Lubbock Christian University				5601 19th Street	Lubbock	TX	79407
Maxor National Pharmacy Services Corp.				320 South Polk Street	Amarillo	TX	79101
Moore County	Commissioner	Dee	Vaughan	715 S. Dumas Ave.	Dumas	TX	79029
Moore County	Commissioner	Daniel	Garcia	715 S. Dumas Ave., Room 202	Dumas	TX	79029
Moore County Airport	Mr.	Brandon	Cox	5932 US-87	Dumas	TX	79029
Moore County, Road & Bridge Department	Mr.	Wes	McDougal	P.O. Box 100	Dumas	TX	79029
North Plains Groundwater Conservation District	Ms.	Kristen	Blackwell	P.O. Box 795	Dumas	TX	79029
Northwest Texas Healthcare System				1501 South Coulter Street	Amarillo	TX	79106
Palo Duro Canyon State Park				11450 Park Road 5	Canyon	TX	79015
Panhandle Grain & Feed Association				P.O. Box 30201	Amarillo	TX	79120
Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District				P.O. Box 637	White Deer	TX	79097
Panhandle Regional Planning Commission	Mr.	Kyle	Ingham	P.O. Box 9527	Amarillo	TX	79105
Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.				8303 Aberdeen Ave	Lubbock	TX	79424

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Plainview Chamber Of Commerce And Agriculture				1906 W 5th St	Plainview	TX	79072-6932
Plainview Downtown Assoc Inc				PO Box 1173	Plainview	TX	79073-1173
Plainview ISD				2417 Yonkers St	Plainview	TX	79072
Ports-To-Plains Alliance		Duffy	Hinkle	1500 Broadway, Ste. 600	Lubbock	TX	79401
Potter County	Commissioner	H.R.	Kelly	500 South Fillmore St., Ste 125	Amarillo	TX	79101
Potter County	Commissioner	Leon	Church	500 South Fillmore, Ste 122	Amarillo	TX	79101
Potter County	Commissioner	Mercy	Murguia	500 South Fillmore, Ste 123	Amarillo	TX	79101
Potter County	Commissioner	Alphonso	Vaughn	500 South Fillmore, Ste 124	Amarillo	TX	79101
Potter County, Road and Bridge Department	Mr.	Sebastin	Ysaguirre	2419 Willow Creek	Amarillo	TX	79107
Randall County	Mr.	Tim	Sorrells	301 W Highway 60	Canyon	TX	79015
Randall County	Commissioner	Mark	Benton	501 16 th St., Ste 305	Canyon	TX	79015
Randall County	Commissioner	Buddy	DeFord	501 16 th St., Ste 305	Canyon	TX	79015
Randall County	Commissioner	Christy	Dyer	501 16 th St., Ste 305	Canyon	TX	79015
Randall County	Commissioner	Bob	Robinson	501 16 th St., Ste 305	Canyon	TX	79015
Regence Health Network, Inc.	Mr.	Rick	Love	2801 W 8th	Plainview	TX	79072
Rita Blanca Electric Cooperative Inc				P O Box 1947	Dalhart	TX	79022-1947
Rita Blanca National Grassland	Mr.	Mike	Atkinson	714 Main St.	Clayton	NM	88415

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River Road ISD				9500 US Hwy N-287	Amarillo	TX	79108
Seth Ward Water Supply Corporation				P.O. Box 729	Plainview	TX	79073-0729
Sherman County	Commissioner	Dana	Buckles	701 N. 3 rd St.	Stratford	TX	79084
Sherman County	Commissioner	Jeff	Crippen	701 N. 3 rd St.	Stratford	TX	79084
Sherman County	Commissioner	David	Davis	701 N. 3 rd St.	Stratford	TX	79084
Sherman County	Commissioner	Terry	Mathews	701 N. 3 rd St.	Stratford	TX	79084
Sherman County Development Committee				P.O. Box 652	Stratford	TX	79084
South Plains Association of Governments				1323 58th St.	Lubbock	TX	79412
South Plains College				1401 College Ave	Levelland	TX	79336
South Plains Electric Cooperative Inc	Mr.	Dale	Ancell	P O Box 1830	Lubbock	TX	79408
Southwestern Public Service Company	Ms.	Alice	Jackson	600 S Tyler St Ste 1800	Amarillo	TX	79101
Stratford ISD				P.O. Box 108	Stratford	TX	79084
Suddenlink Communications	Mr.	Dave	Gilles	6710 Hartford Ave	Lubbock	TX	79413
Swisher County	Commissioner	Larry	Buske	119 South Maxwell	Tulia	TX	79088
Swisher County	Commissioner	Danny	Morgan	119 South Maxwell	Tulia	TX	79088
Swisher County	Commissioner	Joe	Murrell	119 South Maxwell	Tulia	TX	79088
Swisher County	Commissioner	Lloyd	Rahlf	119 South Maxwell	Tulia	TX	79088

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Organization/ Business	Sal.	First Name	Last Name	Address	City	State	Zip
Swisher County, Tulia City and Swisher County Airport	Judge	Harold	Keeter	119 S. Maxwell	Tulia	TX	79088
Swisher Electric Cooperative Inc	Mr.	Dwain	Tipton	P O Box 67	Tulia	TX	79088-0067
Texas A&M Agrilife Research And Extension Center At Amarillo	Dr.	Brent W.	Auvermann, Phd	6500 W. Amarillo Blvd.	Amarillo	TX	79106
Texas A&M Agrilife Research And Extension Center At Amarillo	Mr.	Brandon	Dukes	6500 W. Amarillo Blvd.	Amarillo	TX	79106
Texas Ag Industries Association- Lubbock Regional Meeting				395 FM 155	La Grange	TX	78945
Texas Senate	Sen.	Charles	Perry	11003 Quaker Ave., #101	Lubbock	TX	79424
Texas Senate	Sen.	Kel	Seliger	P.O. Box 9155	Amarillo	TX	79105
Texas Tech University				2500 Broadway	Lubbock	TX	79409
Texline ISD				P.O. Box 60	Texline	TX	79087
Toot'n Totum Food Stores, LLC				1201 South Taylor	Amarillo	TX	79101
Tradewind Airport				4105 Tradewind St	Amarillo	TX	798118
Tulia ISD				702 NW 8th St	Tulia	TX	79088
U.S. House of Representatives	Ms.	Jodey	Arrington	1312 Texas Ave., Ste 219	Lubbock	TX	79401
U.S. House of Representatives	Mr.	Mac	Thornberry	620 South Taylor Street, Ste 200	Amarillo	TX	79101
United Farm Industries Inc 050193				P.O. Box 40	Plainview	TX	79073-0040
United Supermarkets	Mr.	Robert	Taylor	P.O. Box 6840	Lubbock	TX	79493
United Supermarkets/Amigos	Mr.	Rodney	White	3501 Olton Rd	Plainview	TX	79072

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Vista College of Lubbock				4620 50th St	Lubbock	TX	79414
Wayland Baptist University				1900 W. 7th Street	Plainview	TX	79072
Wayland Baptist University - Amarillo	Dr.	Bobby	Hall, Phd	1900 W. 7th Street	Plainview	TX	79072
Wayland Baptist University - Amarillo				4530 Canyon Dr	Amarillo	TX	79109-6009
Wayland Baptist University Lubbock Campus				801 N Quaker Ave	Lubbock	TX	79416
West Texas A&M University	Dr.	Walter	Wendler, Phd	2403 Russell Long Blvd	Canyon	TX	79015-001
West Texas A&M University				2403 Russell Long Blvd	Canyon	TX	79015-0001
West Texas A&M University Amarillo Center	Ms.	Michelle	Howington	720 S Tyler	Amarillo	TX	79101
		Corky	Newkam	206 S. Gray Stone Ln	Amarillo	TX	79124
	Mr.	Gregg	Bynum	8607 Dallington Dr.	Amarillo	TX	79109

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Organization/ Business	Sal.	First Name	Last Name	Address	City	State	Zip
Angelo State University				2601 W. Avenue N	San Angelo	TX	76909
Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce	Ms.	Debbye	ValVerde	215 West 3 rd St.	Big Spring	TX	79720
Big Spring EDC	Mr.	Terry	Wegman	215 W 3rd St	Big Spring	TX	79720
Big Spring ISD	Mr.	Jay	McWilliams	708 11th Place	Big Spring	TX	79720
Big Spring McMahon-Wrinkle Airport				3200 Rickabaugh Dr	Big Spring	TX	79720
Christoval ISD	Dr.	David	Walker	20065 3rd St	Christoval	TX	76935
Citibus				PO Box 2000	Lubbock	TX	79457
City of Big Spring	Mr.	Todd	Darden	310 Nolan St.	Big Spring	TX	79720
City of Big Spring	Councilmember	Jim	DePauw	310 Nolan St.	Big Spring	TX	79720
City of Big Spring	Councilmember	Doug	Hartman, Jr.	310 Nolan St.	Big Spring	TX	79720
City of Big Spring	Councilmember	Raul	Marquez, Jr.	310 Nolan St.	Big Spring	TX	79720
City of Big Spring	Councilmember	Terry	McDaniel	310 Nolan St.	Big Spring	TX	79720
City of Big Spring	Councilmember	Gloria	McDonald	310 Nolan St.	Big Spring	TX	79720
City of Big Spring	Councilmember	Camila	Strande	310 Nolan St.	Big Spring	TX	79720
City of Eldorado	Council Member	Vicki	Farmer	P.O. Box 713	Eldorado	TX	76936
City of Eldorado	Council Member	Dan	Halbert	P.O. Box 713	Eldorado	TX	76936
City of Eldorado	Council Member	Oscar	Martinez	P.O. Box 713	Eldorado	TX	76936
City of Eldorado	Council Member	Wayne	McGinnes	P.O. Box 713	Eldorado	TX	76936

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Organization/ Business	Sal.	First Name	Last Name	Address	City	State	Zip
City of Eldorado	Council Member	Paul	Rebuck	P.O. Box 713	Eldorado	TX	76936
City of Eldorado	Council Member	J. Mack	Redish	P.O. Box 713	Eldorado	TX	76936
City of Lamesa	Council Member	Marie	Briseno	601 S. 1 st St.	Lamesa	TX	79331
City of Lamesa	Ms.	Shawna	Burkhart	601 S. 1 st St.	Lamesa	TX	79331
City of Lamesa	Council Member	Bobby	Gonzales	601 S. 1 st St.	Lamesa	TX	79331
City of Lamesa	Council Member	Luciano	Reyes	601 S. 1 st St.	Lamesa	TX	79331
City of Lamesa	Council Member	Rick	Moreno	601 S. 1 st St.	Lamesa	TX	79331
City of Lamesa	Council Member	Doug	Morris	601 S. 1 st St.	Lamesa	TX	79331
City of Lamesa	Council Member	Dore Evan	Rodriguez	601 S. 1 st St.	Lamesa	TX	79331
City of Lamesa	Council Member	Brant	Stewart	601 S. 1 st St.	Lamesa	TX	79331
City of Lubbock	Mr.	W. Jarrett	Atkinson	P.O. Box 2000	Lubbock	TX	79457
City of Lubbock	Councilman	Juan A.	Chadis	P.O. Box 2000	Lubbock	TX	79457
City of Lubbock	Councilman	Randy	Christian	P.O. Box 2000	Lubbock	TX	79457
City of Lubbock	Councilman	Jeff	Griffith	P.O. Box 2000	Lubbock	TX	79457
City of Lubbock	Councilwoman	Latrelle	Joy	P.O. Box 2000	Lubbock	TX	79457
City of Lubbock	Councilman	Steve	Massengale	P.O. Box 2000	Lubbock	TX	79457
City of Lubbock	Councilwoman	Shelia	Patterson Harris	P.O. Box 2000	Lubbock	TX	79457
City of Lubbock Utilities				PO Box 10541	Lubbock	TX	79408

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City of Midland	Council Member	Scott	Dufford	300 N. Loraine	Midland	TX	79701
City of Midland	Council Member	Jack	Ladd	300 N. Loraine	Midland	TX	79701
City of Midland	Council Member	Sharla	Hotchkiss	300 N. Loraine	Midland	TX	79701
City of Midland	Council Member	Lori	Blong	300 N. Loraine	Midland	TX	79701
City of Midland	Council Member	J. Ross	Lacy	300 N. Loraine	Midland	TX	79701
City of Midland	Council Member	John	Norman	300 N. Loraine	Midland	TX	79701
City of Midland	Council Member	John B.	Love, III	300 N. Loraine	Midland	TX	79701
City of Midland	Council Member	Spencer	Robnett	300 N. Loraine	Midland	TX	79701
City of Midland	Mr.	Courtney	Sharp	300 N. Loraine	Midland	TX	79701
City of Midland	Council Member	Michael	Trost	300 N. Loraine	Midland	TX	79701
City of San Angelo	Councilman	Lane	Carter	72 W. College Ave.	San Angelo	TX	76903
City of San Angelo	Council Member	Billie	DeWitt	72 W. College Ave.	San Angelo	TX	76903
City of San Angelo	Council Member	Lucy	Gonzales	72 W. College Ave.	San Angelo	TX	76903
City of San Angelo	Mrs.	Brenda	Gunter	72 W. College Ave.	San Angelo	TX	76903
City of San Angelo	Council Member	Tommy	Hiebert	72 W. College Ave.	San Angelo	TX	76903
City of San Angelo	Council Member	Harry	Thomas	72 W. College Ave.	San Angelo	TX	76903
City of San Angelo	Council Member	Tom	Thompson	72 W. College Ave.	San Angelo	TX	76903
City of San Angelo	Mr.	Daniel	Valenzuela	72 W. College Ave.	San Angelo	TX	76903

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City of San Angelo, Economic Development Dept.	Mr.	Guy	Andrews	69 N Chadbourne St Ste 120.8	San Angelo	TX	76903
City of Tahoka	Mayor Pro-Tem	Ray	Box	P.O. Box 300	Tahoka	TX	79373
City of Tahoka	Council Member	Shiloh	Braddock	P.O. Box 300	Tahoka	TX	79373
City of Tahoka	Council Member	Ryan	Curry	P.O. Box 300	Tahoka	TX	79373
City of Tahoka	Council Member	Ronny	Jolly	P.O. Box 300	Tahoka	TX	79373
City of Tahoka	Council Member	Johnny	Rosas	P.O. Box 300	Tahoka	TX	79373
City of Tahoka	Mr.	Jerry W.	Webster	P.O. Box 300	Tahoka	TX	79373
Coke County	Commissioner	Donald	Robertson	13 E. 7 th St.	Robert Lee	TX	76945
Coke County	Commissioner	Joe	Sefcik	13 E. 7 th St.	Robert Lee	TX	76945
Coke County	Commissioner	Paul	Williams	13 E. 7 th St.	Robert Lee	TX	76945
Coke County	Commissioner	Marshall	Millican	13 E 7th Street	Robert Lee	TX	76945
Coke County UWCD				P. O. Box 1110	Robert Lee	TX	76945
Concho Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.		Kelly	Lankford	PO BOX 3388	San Angelo	TX	76902
Dawson County	Commissioner	Russell	Cox	P.O. Box 1268	Lamesa	TX	79331
Dawson County	Commissioner	Nicky	Goode	P.O. Box 1268	Lamesa	TX	79331
Dawson County	Commissioner	Tony	Hernandez	P.O. Box 1268	Lamesa	TX	79331
Dawson County	Commissioner	Ricky	Minjarez	P.O. Box 1268	Lamesa	TX	79331
Forsan ISD	Mr.	Randy	Johnson	411 W 6th St	Forsan	TX	79733

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Glasscock County	Commissioner	Charles	Gully	117 E. Currie	Garden City	TX	79739
Glasscock County	Commissioner	Mark	Halfmann	117 E. Currie	Garden City	TX	79739
Glasscock County	Commissioner	Gary	Jones	117 E. Currie	Garden City	TX	79739
Glasscock County	Commissioner	John	Seidenberger	117 E. Currie	Garden City	TX	79739
Glasscock County ISD	Mr.	Scott	Bicknell	240 W Bearkat Ave	Garden City	TX	79739
Glasscock Groundwater Conservation District	Ms.	Rhetta	Yanez	32 Main St	Garden City	TX	79739
Goodfellow Air Force Base				351 Kearney Blvd bldg 430 suite 119e	Goodfellow Airforce Base	TX	76908
Grady ISD	Mr.	Leanardo	Gonzales	3500 FM 829	Lenorah	TX	79749
Grape Creek ISD	Ms.	Angie	Smetana	8207 US Hwy 87 North	San Angelo	TX	76901
Greenwood ISD	Mr.	Edward	Elliott	2700 FM 1379	Midland	TX	79706
Howard County	Commissioner	Craig	Bailey	300 Main St., Room 207	Big Spring	TX	79720
Howard County	Commissioner	John	Cline	300 Main St., Room 207	Big Spring	TX	79720
Howard County	Commissioner	Oscar	Garcia	300 Main St., Room 207	Big Spring	TX	79720
Howard County	Commissioner	Jimmie	Long	300 Main St., Room 207	Big Spring	TX	79720
Idalou ISD	Mr.	Jim	Waller	601 S. Walnut	Idalou	TX	79329
Klondike ISD	Mr.	Steve	McLaren	2911 County Rd H	Lamesa	TX	79331
KLST	Mr.	Victor	Glenn	2800 Armstrong St	San Angelo	TX	76903
Lamesa Chamber of Commerce				PO Box 880	Lamesa	TX	79331

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Lamesa Economic Development	Mr.	Sean	Overeynder	123 Main Ave.	Lamesa	TX	79331
Lamesa ISD	Mr.	Jim	Knight	212 N Houston	Lamesa	TX	79331
Lamesa Municipal Airport				1704 Country Rd N	Lamesa	TX	79331
Lipan-Kickapoo WCD	Mr.	Leon	Braden	9538 York Rd	Vancourt	TX	76995
Lubbock Chamber of Commerce	Mr.	Eddie	McBride	1500 Broadway, Ste. 101	Lubbock	TX	79401
Lubbock Christian University	Mr.	John	King	5601 19th Street	Lubbock	TX	79407
Lubbock County	Commissioner	Jason	Corley	904 Broadway, Ste 101	Lubbock	TX	79401
Lubbock County	Commissioner	Gilbert A.	Flores	904 Broadway, Ste 101	Lubbock	TX	79401
Lubbock County	Commissioner	Bill	McCay	904 Broadway, Ste 101	Lubbock	TX	79401
Lubbock County	Commissioner	Chad	Seay	904 Broadway, Ste 101	Lubbock	TX	79401
Lubbock Economic Development Alliance	Mr.	John	Osborne	1500 Broadway, Sixth Floor	Lubbock	TX	79401
Lubbock International Airport	Ms.	Kelly	Campbell	5401 N Martin L King Blvd	Lubbock	TX	79401
Lubbock ISD	Dr.	Kathy	Rollo	1628 19th St	Lubbock	TX	79401
Lubbock Port of Entry				2203 E. Jamestown St.	Lubbock	TX	79403
Lubbock-Cooper ISD	Mr.	Keith	Bryant	13807 Indiana Ave	Lubbock	TX	79423
Lynn County	Commissioner	John	Hawthorne	1940 CR BB	Tahoka	TX	79373
Lynn County	Commissioner	Fred	Perez	121 Plum Street	Sonora	TX	76950
Lynn County	Commissioner	Larry	Durham	290 CR K	Wilson	TX	79381

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Lynn County	Commissioner	Matt	Woodley	P.O. Box 1852	Tahoka	TX	79373
Lynn County	Commissioner	Don	Blair	RR 2	O'Donnell	TX	79351
Lyntegar Electric Cooperative, Inc.		Greg	Henley	PO BOX 970	Tahoka	TX	79373
Martin County	Commissioner	Robin	Barnes	P.O. Box 1330	Stanton	TX	79782
Martin County	Commissioner	Koy	Blocker	P.O. Box 1330	Stanton	TX	79782
Martin County	Commissioner	Bobby	Holland	P.O. Box 1330	Stanton	TX	79782
Martin County	Commissioner	Kenny	Stewart	P.O. Box 1330	Stanton	TX	79782
Mesa UWCD	Mr.	Jacob	Hernandez	212 N. Ave. G	Lamesa	TX	79331
Midland Airpark				P.O. BOX 60305	Midland	TX	79711
Midland Chamber of Commerce	Mr.	Bobby	Burns	303 W. Wall St., Ste 200	Midland	TX	79701
Midland Chamber of Commerce	Ms.	Helen	Cooley	303 W. Wall St., Ste 200	Midland	TX	79701
Midland County	Commissioner	Robin	Donnelly	500 N. Lorraine St., Ste 1100	Midland	TX	79701
Midland County	Commissioner	Randy	Prude	500 N. Lorraine St., Ste 1100	Midland	TX	79701
Midland County	Commissioner	Scott	Ramsey	500 N. Lorraine St., Ste 1100	Midland	TX	79701
Midland County	Commissioner	Luis D.	Sanchez	500 N. Lorraine St., Ste 1100	Midland	TX	79701
Midland Development Corporation	Mr.	John	Trischitti	200 N. Lorraine St., Ste 610	Midland	TX	79701
Midland International Airport				P.O. BOX 60305	Midland	TX	79711
Midland ISD	Mr.	Orlando	Riddick	615 W Missouri Ave	Midland	TX	79701

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Midland Port of Entry				P.O. Box 60596	Midland	TX	79711
New Deal ISD	Mr.	Matt	Reed	P.O. Box 280	New Deal	TX	79350
New Home ISD	Mr.	Shane	Fiedler	P.O. Box 248	New Home	TX	79383
O'Donnell ISD	Ms.	Cathy	Palmer	501 5th St	O'Donnell	TX	79351
Permian Basin MPO	Ms.	Lorraine	Quimiro	9601 Wright Drive, Suite #1	Midland	TX	79706
Permian Basin MPO	Mr.	Cameron	Walker	9601 Wright Drive, Suite #1	Midland	TX	79706
Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission				P.O. Box 60660	Midland	TX	79711-0660
Permian Basin UWCD	Ms.	Donna	Springer	708 West N Saint Peter St	Stanton	TX	79782
Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.				4517 West Loop 289	Lubbock	TX	79414
Plateau UWC and Supply District	Mr.	Jon	Cartwright	P.O. Box 324	Eldorado	TX	76936
Reece Albert, Inc.				3001 Foster Road	San Angelo	TX	76903
Reliant Energy				2745 Dallas Parkway, Suite 200	Plano	TX	75903
Republic Services				1422 Hughes Avenue	San Angelo	TX	76903
San Angelo Chamber of Commerce	Ms.	Kayla	Boyett	418 West Avenue B	San Angelo	TX	76903
San Angelo Chamber of Commerce	Mr.	Michael	Looney	418 West Avenue B	San Angelo	TX	76903
San Angelo Chamber of Commerce	Mr.	Bruce	Partain	418 West Avenue B	San Angelo	TX	76903
San Angelo EDC	Mr.	Guy	Andrews	Business Resource Center, 69 N. Chadbourne St.	San Angelo	TX	76903
San Angelo ISD	Dr.	Carl	Dethloff	1621 University Ave	San Angelo	TX	76904

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San Angelo MPO	Mr.	Major	Hofheins	510 N Chadbourne St	San Angelo	TX	76903
San Angelo MPO	Mr.	Pete	Madrid	510 N Chadbourne St	SAn Angelo	TX	76903
San Angelo Regional/Mathis Airfield				8618 Terminal Cir	San Angelo	TX	76904
San Angelo State Park				3900-2 Mercedes Rd	San Angelo	TX	76901
Sands Consolidated ISD	Mr.	Wayne	Henderson	P.O. Box 218	Ackerly	TX	79713
Schleicher County	Commissioner	Johnny F.	Mayo	P.O. Box 317	Eldorado	TX	76936
Schleicher County	Commissioner	Kirk	Griffin	P.O. Box 621	Eldorado	TX	76936
Schleicher County	Commissioner	Lynn	Meador	P.O. Box 646	Eldorado	TX	76936
Schleicher County	Commissioner	Matt	Brown	P.O. Box 0	Eldorado	TX	76936
Schleicher ISD	Mr.	Robert	Gibson	205 W Fields Ave	Eldorado	TX	76936
Sonora Chamber of Commerce				205 US-277	Sonora	TX	76950
Sonora EDC	Mr.	David L.	Smith	307 East Oak St.	Sonora	TX	76950
Sonora ISD	Mr.	Ross	Ashenbeck	807 S Concho Ave	Sonora	TX	76950
South Plains Association of Governments				1323 58th St	Lubbock	TX	79412
Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative	Mr.	William	Whitten	PO Box 677	Eldorado	TX	76936
Stanton ISD	Dr.	Merl	Brandon	200 N College	Stanton	TX	79782
Sterling City	Council Member	Randy	Guetersloh	508 3rd Street, PO Box 1022	Sterling City	TX	76951
Sterling City	Council Member	Karen	Hodges	508 3rd Street, PO Box 1022	Sterling City	TX	76951

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Sterling City	Council Member	George	Rodriguez	618 4 th St.	Sterling City	TX	76951
Sterling City	Mr.	Richard	Seals	508 3rd Street, PO Box 1022	Sterling City	TX	76951
Sterling City	Council Member	Bill	Smith	508 3rd Street, PO Box 1022	Sterling City	TX	76951
Sterling City	Council Member	Charlie	Stevens	508 3rd Street, PO Box 1022	Sterling City	TX	76951
Sterling City Economic Development Corporation	Mr.	Fred	Thompson	902 4th St (Hwy 87)	Sterling City	TX	76951
Sterling City ISD	Mr.	Bob	Rauch	700 7th St, PO BOX 786	Sterling City	TX	76951
Sterling County	Commissioner	Reed	Stewart	13600 US Hwy 87N	Sterling City	TX	76951
Sterling County	Commissioner	Tommy	Wright, Jr.	Box 1007	Sterling City	TX	76951
Sterling County	Commissioner	Ross	Copeland	Box 518	Sterling City	TX	76951
Sterling County	Commissioner	Edward	Michulka, Jr.	Box 868	Sterling City	TX	76951
Sterling County UWCD	Mr.	Jack	Clark	311 508 3rd Street PO Box 1022	Sterling City	TX	76951
Sutton County	Commissioner	Fred	Perez	121 Plum St.	Sonora	TX	76950
Sutton County	Commissioner	Carl	Teaff	211 E. Mulberry St.	Sonora	TX	76950
Sutton County	The Honorable	Steve	Smith	300 E. Oak. Ste. 4	Sonora	TX	76950
Sutton County	Commissioner	Miguel	Villanueva	305 Santa Rosa	Sonora	TX	76950
Sutton County	Commissioner	Bob	Brockman	P.O. Box 331	Sonora	TX	76950
Sutton County UWCD	Ms.	Meredith	Allen	301 S Crockett Ave	Sonora	TX	76950
Tahoka ISD				2129 N Main St, P.O. BOX 1230	Tahoka	TX	79373

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T-Bar Airport	Mr.	Jerry	Webster	P.O. Box 300	Tahoka	TX	79373
Texas Pacifico				106 S. Chadbourne Street	San Angelo	TX	76904
Texas Senate	Ms.	Laura	Lewis	P.O. Box 12068	Austin	TX	78711
Texas Senate	The Honorable	Charles	Perry	P.O. Box 12068	Austin	TX	78711
Texas Senate	The Honorable	Kel	Seliger	P.O. Box 12068	Austin	TX	78711
Texas Tech University				Box 41047	Lubbock	TX	79409
Tom Green County	Commissioner	Rick	Bacon	113 West Beauregard	San Angelo	TX	76903
Tom Green County	Commissioner	Sammy	Farmer	113 West Beauregard	San Angelo	TX	76903
Tom Green County	The Honorable	Steve	Floyd	113 West Beauregard	San Angelo	TX	76903
Tom Green County	Commissioner	Bill	Ford	113 West Beauregard	San Angelo	TX	76903
Tom Green County	Commissioner	Ralph	Hoelscher	113 West Beauregard	San Angelo	TX	76903
Twin Buttes Reservoir	Ms.	Lynn	Wright	3407-A S. Chadbourne	San Angelo	TX	76903
U.S. House of Representatives	Mr.	Will	Hurd	1104 West 10th	Del Rio	TX	78840
U.S. House of Representatives	Mr.	Jodey	Arrington	1312 Texas Ave. Ste 219	Lubbock	TX	79401
U.S. House of Representatives	Mr.	Mike	Conaway	33 East Twohig, Suite 307	San Angelo	TX	76903
Wall ISD	Mr.	Russell	Dacy	8065 Loop 570	Wall	TX	76957
Water Valley ISD	Mr.	Fabian H.	Gomez	18000 Wildcat Dr	Water Valley	TX	76958
Wilson ISD	Mr.	Jerry	Burger	1411 Green Ave	Wilson	TX	79381

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	Ms.	Victoria	Powers	P.O. Box 1585	Sonora	TX	76950

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AEP Texas Central	Mr.	Gilbert	Hughes	2120 W. Wheeler	Aransas Pass	TX	78336
Alenco Communications Inc.				427 N Broadway St	Joshua	TX	76058
Americanos Usa				801 San Bernardo Ave	Laredo	TX	78040
Amistad National Recreation Area				10477 Highway 90 West	Del Rio	TX	78840
Association Of Laredo Forwarding Agents Inc				102 Lake Geneva Dr	Laredo	TX	78041-1918
Association of Logistics and Forwarding Agents	Mr.	Jesus	Marina	901 Hildago St.	Laredo	TX	78041
AT&T				5704 N San Bernardo Ave	Laredo	TX	78041
Autobuses Adame Ltd				814 Houston St	Laredo	TX	78040
Bank & Trust	Mr.	Willie	Hyslop	1200 Veterans Blvd	Del Rio	TX	78840
Border Chapter Of The American Petroleum Institute				P O Box 2363	Laredo	TX	78044-2363
Brackett ISD	Dr.	Guillermo	Mancha, Jr.	201 N. Ann Street	Brackettville	TX	78832
Bridge, Board Member	Mr.	Frank H.	Mendoza	109 West Broadway	Del Rio	TX	78840
Brotherhood Of Maintenance Of Way Employees				2116 Lima Loop	Laredo	TX	78045-6420
Buffalo Girls and The Brown Bag	Ms.	Shannon	Brown	410 Veterans Blvd	Del Rio	TX	78840
Carrizo Springs Cons ISD	Dr.	Alberto	Gonzales	300 N. 7th St.	Carrizo Springs	TX	78834
Geniza Community Development Corporation				119 Pauline	Del Rio	TX	78840
Geniza Community Reinvestment Corporation	Mr.	Alfredo R.	Delgado	119 Pauline	Del Rio	TX	78840-0000
Center for the Study of Western Hemispheric Trade	Dr.	Stephen	Meardon	5201 University Blvd	Laredo	TX	78041

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Central 57 Importers and Exporters, Inc.				1401 Industrial Blvd./ P.O. Box 530	Eagle Pass	TX	78853
Chaparral WMA				64 Chaparral WMA Dr	Cotulla	TX	78014
City of Carrizo Springs	Council Member	Mario	Ruiz	308 West Pena St.	Carrizo Springs	TX	78834
City of Carrizo Springs	Council Member	Jesse	Johnson	308 West Pena St.	Carrizo Springs	TX	78834
City of Carrizo Springs	Mayor Pro-Tem	Benny	Rocha	308 West Pena St.	Carrizo Springs	TX	78834
City of Carrizo Springs	Mayor Pro-Tem	Sandra C.	Little	308 West Pena St.	Carrizo Springs	TX	78834
City of Carrizo Springs	Council Member	Oscar	Puente	308 West Pena St.	Carrizo Springs	TX	78834
City of Del Reio, International Bridge Board Member	Ms.	Dora	Alcala	100 Royal Way Drive	Del Rio	TX	78840
City of Del Rio	Councilperson	Alfredo "Fred"	Carranza, Jr.	109 W. Broadway	Del Rio	TX	78840
City of Del Rio	Councilperson	James	DeReus	109 W. Broadway	Del Rio	TX	78840
City of Del Rio	Councilperson	Elizabeth "Liz"	Elizalde de Calderon	109 W. Broadway	Del Rio	TX	78840
City of Del Rio	Councilperson	Rowland	Garza	109 W. Broadway	Del Rio	TX	78840
City of Del Rio	Councilperson	Raul	Ojeda	109 W. Broadway	Del Rio	TX	78840
City of Del Rio	Ms.	Elsa	Reyes	109 W. Broadway	Del Rio	TX	78840
City of Del Rio	Councilperson	Diana	Salgado	109 W. Broadway	Del Rio	TX	78840
City of Del Rio	Mr.	Matt	Wojnowski	109 W. Broadway	Del Rio	TX	78840
City of Del Rio	Mayor	Bruno "Ralphy"	Lozano	109 W. Broadway St.	Del Rio	TX	78840
City of Del Rio Transportation				109 W. Broadway	Del Rio	TX	78840

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City of Del Rio, Economic Development Department	Ms.	Oriana	Fernandez	109 W. Broadway	Del Rio	TX	78840
City of Eagle Pass	Mr.	George	Antuna	100 S. Monroe	Eagle Pass	TX	78852
City of Eagle Pass	Mayor Pro-Tem	William W.	Davis	100 S. Monroe	Eagle Pass	TX	78852
City of Eagle Pass	Councilwoman	Yolanda P.	Ramon	100 S. Monroe	Eagle Pass	TX	78852
City of Laredo	Councilman	George J.	Altgelt	1110 Houston St.	Laredo	TX	78040
City of Laredo	Councilman	Roberto	Balli	1110 Houston St.	Laredo	TX	78040
City of Laredo	Ms.	Rosario	Cabello	1110 Houston St.	Laredo	TX	78040
City of Laredo	Councilman	Rudy	Gonzalez, Jr.	1110 Houston St.	Laredo	TX	78040
City of Laredo	Councilman	Marte A.	Martinez	1110 Houston St.	Laredo	TX	78040
City of Laredo	Councilman	Mercurio	Martinez, Jr.	1110 Houston St.	Laredo	TX	78040
City of Laredo	Councilman	Vidal	Rodriguez	1110 Houston St.	Laredo	TX	78040
City of Laredo	Mayor	Pete	Saenz	1110 Houston St.	Laredo	TX	78040
City of Laredo	Councilman	Alberto	Torres, Jr.	1110 Houston St.	Laredo	TX	78040
City of Laredo	Councilwoman	Nelly	Vielma	1110 Houston St.	Laredo	TX	78040
City of Laredo Utilities				5816 Daugherty Ave	Laredo	TX	78041
Ciudad de Acuna	Mr.	Trinidad	Herrera	Gobierno de Unidad 1619	cd Acuna	Mexico	
Comite de Desarrollo Industrial Economico de Nuevo Laredo (CODEIN)	Arq.	Jose Alfredo	Leal	Calle Lago de Chapala No. 5940, Colonia Los Encinos,	Nuevo Laredo	Tamps.	88290
Congressman Will Hurd	Ms.	Carmen	Gutierrez	1104 West 10th	Del Rio	TX	78840

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Conway Southern Express				109 Industrial Blvd	Del Rio	TX	78840-8502
Cougar Bus Lines Limited				209 Flecha Ln	Laredo	TX	78040
Crystal City ISD	Mr.	Edward	Churchill	613 W. Zavala St	Crystal City	TX	78839
Del Monte Foods Co				2205 Old Uvalde Hwy	Crystal City	TX	78839
Del Rio Airport	Mr.	Juan	Onofre	109 W. Broadway	Del Rio	TX	78840
Del Rio Aqua Development	Mr.	Frank H.	Larson	P.O. Box 421147	Del Rio	TX	
Del Rio Area Development Foundation				1915 Veterans Blvd	Del Rio	TX	78840-3327
Del Rio Chamber of Commerce	Ms.	Blanca G.	Larson	1915 Veterans Blvd.	Del Rio	TX	78840
Del Rio Economic Development Corporation	Mr.	Leo	Martinez	109 W. Broadway	Del Rio	TX	78840
Del Rio EDC	Mr.	Frank H.	Larson	109 W. Broadway St.	Del Rio	TX	78840
Del Rio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce				305 S. Main/P.O. Box 1936	Del Rio	TX	78840
Del Rio Hispanic Chamber of Commerce	Ms.	Otila	Gonzalez	704 W. Chapoy St.	Del Rio	TX	78840
Del Rio International Airport				1104 W 10th St	Del Rio	TX	78840
Del Rio International Bridge	Ms.	Margie	Montez	109 W. Broadway St.	Del Rio	TX	78840
Del Rio News-Herald	Ms.	Karen	Gleason	2205 North Bedell Avenue	Del Rio	TX	78840
Del Rio Parks Foundation	Ms.	Laura	Gill Vasconcellos	114 E Martin St	Del Rio	TX	78840
Del Rio Port of Entry				3410 Spur 239, International Bridge	Del Rio	TX	78840
Del Rio SP Credit Union				106 N Main St	Del Rio	TX	78840-4630

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Devils River SNA - Big Satan Unit				Devils River State Natural Area HCR 1 BOX 513	Del Rio	TX	78840
Devils River SNA - Del Norte Unit				21715 Dolan Creek Rd	Del Rio	TX	78840
Devils Shores Water Supply Corporation	Mr.	Eric	Hale	P0 Box 421535	Del Rio	TX	78842-1535
Dimmit County	Commissioner	Juan	Carmona	103 N. 5 th St.	Carrizo Springs	TX	78834
Dimmit County	Commissioner	Mike	Uriegas	103 N. 5 th St.	Carrizo Springs	TX	78834
Dimmit County	Commissioner	Alonso G.	Carmona	1602 N. First Street	Carrizo Springs	TX	78834
Dimmit County	Honorable	Franciso G.	Ponce	212 N. 4th Street	Carrizo Springs	TX	78834
Dimmit County	Commissioner	Valerie	Rubalcaba	P.O. Box 357	Asherton	TX	78827
Dimmit County Airport				615 Airport Drive	Carrizo Springs	TX	78834
Eagle Pass Business and Economic Development Council	Mr.	Morris	Libson	100 South Monroe	Eagle Pass	TX	78852
Eagle Pass Chamber of Commerce	Ms.	Sandra	Martinez	400 E Garrison St.	Eagle Pass	TX	78852
Eagle Pass International Bridge System	Ms.	Anna	De La Garza	100 South Monroe	Eagle Pass	TX	78852
Eagle Pass ISD	Mr.	Samuel	Mijares	587 Madison St.	Eagle Pass	TX	77852
Eagle PassPort of Entry				160 Garrison St.	Eagle Pass	TX	78852
Edison Mission Group				804 Carnegie Center	Princeton	NJ	8540
Edwards County	Commissioner	Kenneth	Reed	1778 Tx Hwy 41	Rocksprings	TX	78880
Edwards County	Commissioner	Lee D.	Sweeten	P.O. Box 371	Camp Wood	TX	78833
Edwards County	Commissioner	William	Epperson	P.O. Box 546	Rocksprings	TX	78880

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Edwards County	Commissioner	Matt	Fry	P.O. Box 593	Rocksprings	TX	78880
El Aguila Rural Transit System	Mr.	Roberto	Martinez	4801 Daughtery St.	Laredo	TX	78041
El Metro	Mr.	George	Altgelt	1301 Farragut, 3rd floor	Laredo	TX	78040
ERCOT	Mr.	Bill	Magness	7620 Metro Center Drive	Austin	TX	78744
Exelon Wind LLC				350 North St Paul St, Ste. 2900	Dallas	TX	75201
Go Del Rio Inc	Ms.	Carmen	Weise	714 N Bedell Ave	Del Rio	TX	78840-4111
Greater Laredo Development Foundation	Ms.	Olivia	Varela	604 Amistad Drive	Laredo	TX	78041-0000
Greater South Del Rio Development Association				114 W. Greenwood	Del Rio	TX	78840-5854
Greyhound Bus Lines				P.O. Box 660362	Dallas	TX	75266
Greyhound Bus Lines				401 N 1st St	Carrizo Springs	TX	78834
HEB				P.O Box 839999	San Antonio	TX	78283
International Association Of Sheet Metal Air Rail & Transportation				210 W Redwood Cir	Laredo	TX	78041-3166
Kerrville Bus Line				1430 E Houston St	San Antonio	TX	78202
Kickapoo Cavern SNA				W US Highway 90	Brackettville	TX	78832
Kinney County	Commissioner	Dennis	Dodson	P O Box 348	Brackettville	TX	78832
Kinney County	Commissioner	Mark	Frerich	P O Box 348	Brackettville	TX	78832
Kinney County	Commissioner	Pat	Melancon	P O Box 348	Brackettville	TX	78832
Kinney County	Commissioner	Joe	Montalvo	P O Box 348	Brackettville	TX	78832

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Kinney County	Honorable	James	Tullis Shahan	P O Box 348	Brackettville	TX	78832
Kinney County GCD				P.O. BOX 369	Brackettville	TX	78832
Kinney-Val Verde County Farm Bureau				PO Box 420755	Del Rio	TX	78842-0755
Kunafin	Mr.	Frank	Junfin	P.O. Box 190	Queando	TX	78877
Laredo Association of Realtors	Ms.	Ana	Quesada	616 Leal St.	Laredo	TX	78041
Laredo Chamber of Commerce	Mr.	Miguel	Conchas	2310 San Bernardo	Laredo	TX	78040
Laredo Development Foundation				616 Leal St./ P.O. Box 2682	Laredo	TX	78044
Laredo EDC	Ms.	Olivia	Varela	P.O. Box 2682	Laredo	TX	78044
Laredo International Airport				5210 Bob Bullock Loop	Laredo	TX	78041
Laredo Licensed U.S. Customs Brokers Association	Mr.	Raul S.	Villarreal	1 W End Washington St, P3	Laredo	TX	78040
Laredo Licensed U.S. Customs Brokers Association, Inc.	Ms.	Monica	Salinas Ramos	1 W End Washington St, P3	Laredo	TX	78040
Laredo Motor Carriers Association	Mr.	Ernesto	Gaytan, Jr.	216 W. Village Blvd. Suite 102	Laredo	TX	78045
Laredo Motor Carriers Association	Ms.	Melissa	Huddleston	216 W. Village Blvd. Suite 102	Laredo	TX	78045
Laredo MPO	Mr.	James Kirby	Snideman	1120 San Bernardo Ave.	Laredo	TX	78040
Laredo Port of Entry				P.O. Box 3130	Laredo	TX	78044
Laughlin AFB	Mr.	Robert	Benton	427 Liberty Drive	Laughlin AFB	TX	78843
Laughlin AFB	Mr.	Joel	Lonston	427 Liberty Drive	Laughlin AFB	TX	78843
Laughlin AFB 47 CES	Mr.	Ramon	Flores	427 Liberty Drive	Laughlin AFB	TX	78843

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Laughlin Air Force Base				427 Liberty Drive	Laughlin AFB	TX	78843
Light Transport Foundation				525 S Main Street, Suite 309A	Del Rio	TX	78840-5814
Logistics & Manufacturing Association Port Laredo	Ms.	Alma	Acevedo	P.O. Box 451391	Laredo	TX	78045
Lower Colorado River Authority	Mr.	Don	Kiser	3700 Lake Austin Blvd.	Austin	TX	78703
Maverick County	Commissioner	Gerardo "Jerry"	Morales	1508 Las Quintas Blvd.	Eagle Pass	TX	78852
Maverick County	Commissioner	Rosy	Cantu	253 Ruela St.	Eagle Pass	TX	78852
Maverick County	Commissioner	Pete	Venegas	3905 Deer Run Blvd.	Eagle Pass	TX	78852
Maverick County	Judge	David R.	Saucedo	500 Quarry St	Eagle Pass	TX	78852
Maverick County	Commissioner	Roberto	Ruiz	96 Calle Siete Lomas	Eagle Pass	TX	78852
Maverick County Memorial International Airport				1514 Industrial Park Boulevard	Eagle Pass	TX	78852
Maverick County Development Corporation				P.O. Box 3693	Eagle Pass	TX	78852
Medina Electric Coop.	Mr.	Bobby	Waid	PO Box 370	Hondo	TX	
Mexican Consulate		Jose Luis	Diaz Mirah	2207 N Bedell Ave	Del Rio	TX	78840
Mexican Consulate		Nirce	Gomez	2207 N Bedell Ave	Del Rio	TX	78840
Mexican Customs Broker Association	Mr.	Edgardo Pedraza	Quintanilla	Ave. Cesar Lopez de Lara #3603	Nuevo Laredo	Tam ps.	88000
Middle Rio Grande Development Council	Mr.	Nick	Gallegos	307 W Nopal St	Carrizo Springs	TX	78834
Middle Rio Grande Development Council	Ms.	Karinas	Salas	307 W Nopal St	Carrizo Springs	TX	78834
Middle Rio Grande Development Council				307 W Nopal St	Carrizo Springs	TX	78834

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Ports-to-Plains Alliance	Mr.	Sid	Cauthorn	P.O. Box 4010	Del Rio	TX	78841
Real-Edwards C and R District	Ms.	Tina	Ashley	106 East 4th Street	Camp Wood	TX	78833
Reliant Energy				1000 Main St	Houston	TX	77002-6336
Rio Grande Natural Resource Conservation Foundation				10427 Highway 90 West	Del Rio	TX	78840-0404
Rocksprings ISD	Mr.	Daron	Worrell	201 N. US Hwy 77	Rocksprings	TX	78880
San Felipe-Del Rio Consolidated ISD	Dr.	Carlos	Rios	Administration Bldg, 315 Griner St	Del Rio	TX	78840
Solid Waste Dept.	Mr.	Stephen	Geiss	6912 TX-359	Laredo	TX	78043
South Texas Development Council	Mr.	Juan E.	Rodriguez	1002 Dickey Ln	Laredo	TX	78043
Southwest Texas Junior College	Ms.	Connie W.	Buchanan	207 Wildcat Dr	Del Rio	TX	78840
Sul Ross University	Dr.	Bill	Kibler	205 Wildcat Dr	Del Rio	TX	78840
TAMIU – Small Business Development Center	Mr.	Michael I.	Gonzalez	5201 University Blvd	Laredo	TX	78041
Texas A&M International University	Dr.	Pablo	Arenaz	5201 University Blvd	Laredo	TX	78041
Texas Border Initiative for Leadership Development				PO Box 2292	Del Rio	TX	78841-2292
Texas Center for Border and Economic Development	Mr.	Federico	Schaffler	5201 University Blvd	Laredo	TX	78041
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	Mr.	Jaime A.	Garza	707 E. Calton Rd.	Laredo	TX	78041
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	Mr.	Joe	Joplin	21715 Dolan Creek Rd.	Del Rio	TX	78840
Texas Senate	Ms.	Judith	Zaffirini	1407 Washington Street	Laredo	TX	78040
Texas Senate	Mr.	Pete	Flores	P.O. Box 4100	Del Rio	TX	78841-100

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The Bank & Trust	Ms.	Twana	Billeaudeau	1200 Veterans Blvd	Del Rio	TX	78840
The Bank and Trust	Ms.	Martha	Briones	1200 Veterans Blvd	Del Rio	TX	78840
Time Warner Cable				2438 Monarch Dr Suite A-500	Laredo	TX	78045
Topaz Power Group				7300 CPL Rd	Laredo	TX	78041
U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Del Rio Port of Entry	Ms.	Liliana	Flores	2300 Highway 90 East	Del Rio	TX	78840
U.S. House of Representatives		Will	Hurd	1104 West 10th	Del Rio	TX	78840
U.S. House of Representatives		Henry	Cuellar	602 E. Calton Road, Suite 2	Laredo	TX	78041
United ISD	Mr.	Robert J.	Santos	201 Lindenwood	Laredo	TX	78045
USAF, 47 Civil Engineer	Mr.	Florentino	Gomez	427 Liberty Drive	Laughlin AFB	TX	78843
Val Verde Community Foundation				109 Griner St	Del Rio	TX	78840-5506
Val Verde County	Ms.	Generosa	Garcia-Ramon	400 Pecan St.	Del Rio	TX	78840
Val Verde County	Judge	Lewis G.	Owens, Jr.	400 Pecan St.	Del Rio	TX	78840
Val Verde County	Commissioner	Gustavo "Gus"	Flores	400 Pecan St., 1 st Floor	Del Rio	TX	78840
Val Verde County	Commissioner	Robert Beau	Nettleton	400 Pecan St., 1 st Floor	Del Rio	TX	78840
Val Verde County	Commissioner	Juan Carlos	Vazquez	400 Pecan St., 1 st Floor	Del Rio	TX	78840
Val Verde County	Commissioner	Martin	Wardlaw	400 Pecan St., 1 st Floor	Del Rio	TX	78840
Webb County	Judge	Tano E.	Tijerina	1000 Houston St 3rd Floor	Laredo	TX	78040
Webb County	Commissioner	John	Galo	1000 Houston St. 1 st Floor	Laredo	TX	78040

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Webb County	Commissioner	Jesse	Gonzalez	1000 Houston St. 1 st Floor	Laredo	TX	78040
Webb County	Commissioner	Cindy	Liendo	1000 Houston St. 1 st Floor	Laredo	TX	78040
Webb County	Commissioner	Rosaura "Wawi"	Tijerina	1000 Houston St. 1 st Floor	Laredo	TX	78040
Webb County Community Action Agency	Mr.	Javier	Ramirez	520 Reynolds Street, 2nd floor	Laredo	TX	78040
Webb County, Economic Development Department	Mr.	James E.	Flores	1308 San Agustin	Laredo	TX	78040
Webb County-City of Laredo Regional Mobility Authority	Mr.	Douglas	Howland	1817 Bob Bullock Loop	Laredo	TX	78043
WF Solutions	Ms.	Ofelia	Reyes	1927 N. Bedell	Del Rio	TX	78840
Wintergarden GCD	Mr.	Ed	Walker	P.O. Box 1433	Carrizo Springs	TX	78834

Attachment C
Newspaper Advertisement

A display ad was published in English and Spanish in the following newspapers on Sunday, August 9, 2020: Amarillo Globe-News, Big Spring Herald, Del Rio News Leader, Eagle Pass News Leader, Laredo Morning Times, Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, Midland Reporter-Telegram, Odessa America and San Angelo Standard Times.

FOOD & HOME

Spicy salad features jerk seasoning

By Linda Gassenheimer
Tribune News Service

Jerk seasoning, a Jamaican specialty, helps create a spicy, one-dish salad that's perfect for hot summer evenings.

This spice mixture usually contains allspice, along with onion, thyme, nutmeg and cinnamon.

For this quick dinner, I use prepared jerk seasoning that can be found in the spice section of the market.

Helpful hints

Any brand of jerk seasoning can be used. Any type of quick cooking steak can be used.

Countdown

Prepare salad



Jerk Steak Salad. [LINDA GASSENHEIMER/TNS]

Ingredients, including corn, red bell pepper, cilantro and lettuce. **Make steak.** Add to salad plates.

Shopping list

To buy: 1 package frozen corn kernels, 1 red bell pepper, 1 bunch celery, 1 bunch cilantro, 1 package washed,

ready-to-eat salad, 1 bottle jerk seasoning and 3/4 pound skirt steak.

Staples: canola oil, reduced-fat oil and vinegar dressing.

JERK STEAK SALAD

Recipe by Linda Gassenheimer

Ingredients:

- 2 cups corn kernels
- 1 cup red bell pepper cubes
- 1 cup sliced celery
- 1/4 cup chopped cilantro
- 4 cups washed lettuce
- 1/4 cup reduced-fat oil and vinegar dressing

- 3/4 pound skirt steak
- 1/2 tsp jerk seasoning
- 2 teaspoons canola oil

Steps:

Add corn, red bell pepper, celery, 2 tablespoons cilantro and lettuce to a bowl, toss with dressing. Divide between two plates. Remove visible fat from steak. Rub

seasoning on both sides. Heat oil in skillet over medium-high heat. Add steak and saute 2 minutes, turn and saute 2 minutes. Reduce heat and cook another 2 minutes. Remove, carve into 1/2- to 1-inch slices. Place on salad. Spoon pan juice over steak. Sprinkle remaining cilantro. Yield 2 servings.

White Wine-Poached Salmon with Vegetable Medley

By Linda Gassenheimer
Tribune News Service

Countdown

Make salmon dish. Sauté tomatoes in same skillet

Shopping list

To buy: 3/4 pound wild-caught salmon fillets, 1 bottle dry white wine, 1 bottle ground allspice, 1 bottle dried thyme, 1 package broccoli florets, 1 pound red potatoes and 1 container grape tomatoes.

Staples: canola oil, carrots, salt and black peppercorns.

Poaching salmon in white wine produces a moist, flavorful result. Broccoli, carrots and potatoes poached with the salmon add to the flavor and the resulting sauce. Sautéed grape tomatoes complete the dish.

Helpful hints

Cherry tomatoes can be used instead of grape tomatoes.

Use the same pan to cook the salmon, vegetable medley and tomatoes.

WHITE WINE-POACHED SALMON WITH VEGETABLE MEDLEY

Recipe by Linda Gassenheimer

Ingredients:

- 2 1/2 cups water, divided use
- 1/2 cup dry white wine
- 1 teaspoon ground allspice
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1 cup broccoli florets
- 1 cup sliced carrots
- 1 pound red potatoes, cut into 1/2-inch pieces
- 3/4 pound wild-caught salmon fillets
- 3 teaspoons canola oil, divided use
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 1 cup grape tomatoes

Steps:

Add 2 cups water, white wine, allspice, thyme, broccoli, carrots and potatoes

to large saucepan. Bring to a simmer over medium heat, cover and cook 5 minutes. Add remaining 1/2 cup water and salmon. Cover and simmer gently, 5 minutes. Do not boil.

Transfer vegetables and salmon to two dinner plates. Bring liquid in saucepan to a boil and reduce by half, 3 to 4 minutes. Remove saucepan from heat and stir in 1 teaspoon canola oil and add salt and pepper to taste. Spoon sauce over salmon and vegetables.

Add 2 remaining teaspoons canola oil to the same saucepan along with grape tomatoes. Sauté 2 minutes. Add salt and pepper to taste. Arrange around salmon and vegetables. Yield 2 servings.

DEAR MONTY

Home seller upset as buyer refuses to share appraisal

Reader question: Is the seller of a home privy to the home's appraisal

value for which the buyer paid? Does the agent representing the

buyer have that information? Who is entitled to the information or can

access it? Is the agent or his/her company in a position to assist the

seller in obtaining the information as the buyer is unwilling to share it? The closing is in a few weeks. It seems the appraisal must be significantly higher than the listing price. We are moving to another state and considering canceling the sale and renting the house. What are the financial ramifications if we decide to back out?

Monty's answer: A lack of critical information may impact my response, so these comments are qualified and general. While it is undoubtedly true that the appraisal may have exceeded the purchase price, several other possibilities are equally plausible. Every state has real estate laws that vary. Many states, but not all, have pre-drafted fill-in-the-blank forms for uniformity. Unless the purchase contract requires the buyer to share the appraisal, it may not be mandatory. You need to consult a local attorney to review your agreement and render an opinion on the appraisal sharing requirement if there is one. Also, ask the attorney about the ramifications were you to break the contract.

Other possibilities

1. Many buyers do not have an obligation or a willingness to share such information from a privacy point of view. Privacy could well be the reason the buyer has refused your request.
 2. Have you not received a copy of the lender's approval document? With the closing still a few weeks away, the buyer may not yet have convinced the lender to make the loan.
 3. There may be an ongoing negotiation on the rate and terms.
 4. The appraisal may be too low. A negotiation may be in process on how to overcome the shortfall.
 5. Your agent may not know the amount of the appraisal.
- Finally, it is unclear if you have read the contract — it may include the answers you are seeking.

Richard Montgomery is the author of "House Money - An Insider's Secrets to Saving Thousands When You Buy or Sell a Home." He advocates industry reform and offers readers unbiased real estate advice. Follow him on Twitter at @dearmonty, or at DearMonty.com

ESTUDIO DE VIABILIDAD DEL CORREDOR INTERESTATAL DE PUERTOS-A-LLANURAS

Acompáñenos en la reunión pública virtual

TxDOT organizará dos reuniones públicas virtuales en vivo para presentar información sobre el estudio de viabilidad del corredor interestatal de puertos a llanuras. Las reuniones públicas virtuales en vivo tendrán información idéntica presentada se ofrecerán en dos momentos diferentes para permitir oportunidades convenientes de participación pública ya que no se llevará a cabo una reunión en persona. La presentación en vivo a través de WebEx se grabará y estará disponible hasta el jueves 10 de septiembre de 2020.

MARTES Y MIÉRCOLES 25 y 26 de agosto de 2020 a las 4 p.m.

Únase en línea en tdot.gov/palabrasclave/Ports-to-Plains. Se proporcionará un enlace a la reunión en la página web del proyecto para la presentación y para comentar. Se solicitan comentarios escritos del público con respecto al estudio y también se pueden enviar por correo a TxDOT, c/o Ports-to-Plains Study Team, 5835 Callaghan Rd, Ste. 200, San Antonio, Texas 78228, o por correo electrónico a portstoplains@tdot.gov. Todos los comentarios se deben recibir el jueves 10 de septiembre de 2020 o antes.

Propósito de las reuniones: El propósito de la reunión es presentar recomendaciones para el estudio de viabilidad del corredor interestatal de puertos a llanuras preparado por el Comité Asesor del estudio y solicitar comentarios del público.

Información general: La 89ª Legislatura de Texas aprobó la Ley 1070 para estudiar el Corredor de Puertos-a-Llanuras, incluyendo una evaluación de la viabilidad, y los costos y asuntos logísticos asociados con mejoras que crean una carretera de cuatro carriles de flujo continuo que cumple con los estándares de carreteras interestatales en la medida de lo posible incluyendo mejoras que extienden la interestatal 27 entre las fronteras de Nuevo México y Oklahoma y Laredo. El corredor de Puertos a Llanuras se muestra a la derecha.

Para más información: Para obtener más información o si tiene una solicitud de comunicación especial o necesita un intérprete, puede hacer una solicitud al menos dos días antes de la reunión en portstoplains@tdot.gov o (512) 436-6106. TxDOT hará todos los esfuerzos razonables para satisfacer estas necesidades. Visite en línea en tdot.gov/palabrasclave/Ports-to-Plains.

PORTS-TO-PLAINS CORRIDOR INTERSTATE FEASIBILITY STUDY

Join us for a Virtual Public Meeting

TxDOT will host two live virtual public meetings to present information on the Ports-to-Plains Corridor Interstate Feasibility Study. The live virtual public meetings will have identical information presented and are being offered at two different times to allow convenient public participation opportunities since no in-person meeting will be held. The live presentation via WebEx will be recorded and available through Thursday, Sept. 10, 2020.

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY Aug. 25 & 26, 2020 at 4 p.m.

Join online at tdot.gov, keyword "Ports-to-Plains". A meeting link will be provided on the project webpage for the presentation and to comment. Written comments from the public regarding the study may also be submitted by mail to TxDOT, c/o Ports-to-Plains Study Team, 5835 Callaghan Rd, Ste. 200, San Antonio, Texas 78228, or by email to portstoplains@tdot.gov. All comments must be received on or before Thursday, Sept. 10, 2020.

Meeting Purpose: The purpose of the meeting is to present recommendations for the Ports-to-Plains Corridor Interstate Feasibility Study prepared by the Study Advisory Committee and solicit feedback from the public.

Overview: The 89th Texas Legislature passed house bill 1070 to study the Ports-to-Plains Corridor, including an evaluation of the feasibility of, and the costs and logistical matters associated with improvements that create a continuous flow, four-lane divided highway that meets interstate highway standards to the extent possible, including improvements that extend interstate 27 between the New Mexico and Oklahoma borders and Laredo. The Ports-to-Plains Corridor is shown to the right.

For more information: For more information or if you have a special communication accommodation or need for an interpreter, a request can be made at least two days prior to the meeting at portstoplains@tdot.gov or (512) 436-6106. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs. Visit us online at tdot.gov, keyword "Ports-to-Plains."

HOME HELP

TIP OF THE WEEK
Change your fan direction

With the right settings, ceiling fans can help circulate cool air and cut energy costs during the summer. These instructions from Home Depot will teach you how to select the correct ceiling fan direction for the warmest summer months.

In the summer, ceiling fans should rotate counterclockwise so the blades push cool air down in a column, making the air feel cooler than it is. It allows you to turn

your thermostat up a few degrees and save money. Typically, you can set the counterclockwise rotation by pushing the direction switch on the side of the motor housing down, but be sure to check your fan's instruction manual to confirm. If you are unsure if your fan is turning the correct direction, stand directly under the fan and look up. If the fan is moving counterclockwise and you feel a rush of air, it's in the correct setting for summer.

More Content Now

Check this out, at the library this week

Thank you parents and caregivers for signing up your children to Summer Reading Program, and thank you to all the young readers for tuning in to Storyland and performances, joining us in Kids Camp and Code Club.

We also want to thank Katelyn Moore from Usborne Books & More for helping to facilitate Kids Camp, stories that were shared in Kids Camp will be available for checkout soon. Also, any stories read during our Storyland times are also available for check out. Although Summer Reading Program is over, registration for Code Club is still open and participants can log in at their convenience.

We still have craft kits leftover over from summer reading program which are available at the front desk until supplies last. Prize winners for our top readers spots, and raffle giveaways have been notified and may also pick up their prize at the circulation desk. If you registered your child for Summer Reading Program come by the library to pick up their Imagine Your Story! Certificate and a Read a Book certificate from Subway to redeem for a kids meal.

Continue to follow our Facebook page for updates on fall programs and updates on library services.

This week's reviews include large print mystery. As Yuletide settles upon Gwenafwy Abbey, in "The Hour of Death" (LP M WIL) By Jane Willan, the Welsh convent's peace is shattered when Tiffany Reese, president of the Village Art Society,

is found dead on the floor of the parish hall. Sister Agatha, whose interests lie more with reading and writing mysteries than with making the abbey's world-renowned organic Gouda, begins her investigation. Tiffany's half-brother, Kendrick Geddings, emerges as the prime suspect as he and Tiffany had been locked in a vicious battle for control of the family estate. But if Sister Agatha thinks she has the case wrapped up, she'll have to think again.

Independent and tenacious journalist Vivian DeMarco is back in Walton, Georgia, for one reason, to do her job and get out, in "Deadly Deceit" (LP M WAL N) By Natalie Walters.

When her boss suddenly dies under suspicious circumstances, Vivian's only hope for finding the truth, and the next big story, is small-town law enforcement's lanky poster boy, Deputy Ryan Frost. But the deeper they dig, the more twisted the truth becomes, and Vivian finds herself fighting for not only answers but also her life. False leads, incriminating emails, and someone called The Watcher force Vivian to confront the secret of her past and decide: How much is she willing to risk for the sake of a headline.

On vacation in Italy, British sisters Elena and Margot Standish are moving on from personal losses of the Great War in "Death in Focus" (LP M PER A) By Anne Perry.

While photographing the Italian landscape, Elena meets a striking man named Ian. She spontaneously shares a train trip home with him, but shocking events lead Elena to Berlin. Elena's grandfather, who, unbeknownst to his family was once the head of MI6, knows Adolf Hitler and the Third Reich are

on the rise and realizes Elena may be in dangerous predicament. Her grandfather's MI6 contacts may be the only people who can get her out alive if Elena can tell the difference between her allies and her enemies.

There's nothing like a hot cup of murder to warm up the holiday season in "Christmas Cocoa Murder" (LP M OCO C) By Carlene O'Connor, Maddie Day, and Alex Erickson. Siobhan hopes for a quiet Christmas but her wishes are dashed when the local Santa turns up dead in a carnival dunk tank of hot cocoa. Christmas Cocoa and a Corpse by Maddie Day details how businessman Jed Greenburg is found dead with a chocolate Labrador retriever whimpering over his body. Was it hot cocoa that killed Jed, or was it Cocoa the dog? Alex Erickson's Death by Hot Cocoa describes a Christmas-themed escape game that seems like the perfect pre-holiday treat for bookstore café owner Krissy Hancock. But then the host is found dead in a pool of hot cocoa.

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Texas Health Care Association Issues statement on HHSC's new allowance of limited visitation in Nursing and Long-term Care facilities

Special to the Herald

AUSTIN, TEXAS - Late yesterday afternoon, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) announced new guidance on visitation in nursing and long-term care facilities. This marks an important new chapter in the COVID-19 pandemic, as visitors have not been allowed in these facilities since the initial restrictions began in mid-March.

"These families and residents are more than deserving of these new guidelines that allow for limited visitation," said Kevin Warren, President and CEO of Texas Health Care Association (THCA). "Many of us could not fathom the kind of prolonged separation from our own loved ones that they have endured, and I am glad that we have finally begun to tackle this in Texas like other states."

Conditions for limited visitation at nursing facilities require no confirmed COVID-19 cases in staff in the last fourteen days, no active positive cases in residents, and for facility staff to be tested for COVID-19 weekly.

"While we are encouraged by yesterday's announcement, families have already begun to ask about visiting, but many questions about the testing re-

quirements and additional conditions remain unclear to begin scheduling those visits," continued Warren. "Testing has been an ongoing challenge. Whether its administration costs, access, or delays in receiving results, there have been myriad of challenges in implementing a predictable and reliable testing protocol for long-term care. We look forward to working with HHSC and state leaders on this component."

It must also be noted that while the federal government is providing some testing support, it has initially focused on facilities with confirmed positive cases of COVID-19. As these visitation guidelines are laid out, a facility, rightly, must have no active cases so is therefore not eligible for assistance with testing from the federal government.

"If we are finally acknowledging the need for safe visitation to begin, then it is essential that we have a commitment to a long-term solution for adequate and rapid testing in our facilities," concluded Warren.

To schedule an interview with Kevin Warren, please reach out to Elliott Griffin at the information listed above.

Sparks fill TSTC Welding Technology lab this summer

Special to the Herald

Sparks from welding torches were a daily occurrence this summer at Texas State Technical College's Breckenridge campus.

Students have been completing labs in preparation for entering the workforce when they receive their certificates. But the work does not stop once the torches are laid down.

For Ethan Hammond and Zane Fitch, a career path has been blazed. "TSTC has helped me with more than just learning to weld things. They have helped me write a resume and given me advice on how to approach job interviews," Fitch said. "I know what to expect during a job interview, thanks to the people at TSTC."

That knowledge was one of the reasons Hammond chose to attend TSTC. The Cisco native said having someone help in the job interview process was important.

"Because of TSTC, I have my resume built right now," he said. Fitch said he first found interest in welding while helping his brother-in-law on a job site. He said TSTC was the route he wanted to take because of the hands-on training.

"I decided that I wanted to go to school and get a certificate. I knew that would open up more job opportunities for me," he said. "The hands-on approach offered here is great for us. We are able to learn things and put our knowledge to use."

Hammond has already put some of his skills to use by welding barbecue pits. He knows that this career path will benefit his family in the long run.

"This is a career in which you can actually work for yourself," he said. "I have done that with some projects after class."

Instructor Stephen Hope said his goal is to see the students succeed.

"It has been exciting to see all the students come in and know little to nothing about welding. To be able to help them understand the fundamentals and see the students succeed is such an amazing goal," he said.

Hammond said the Breckenridge campus has the perfect learning environment for future welders.

"We have 30 (welding) bays here, and it runs efficiently," he said. "Our class is small, but the work we do pays off. I think people interested in a welding career should consider coming here."

Hammond was drawn to the Breckenridge campus because it offered the program in a small town like his hometown of Cisco.

"This is a nice campus for the community. I wanted to go to a smaller campus, and this was the one that caught my attention," Hammond said.

Hope said he appreciates the work the students put in and knows the ultimate goal is at the end of the program.

"Working for TSTC has been such a wonderful experience. The greatest part is being able to watch the students graduate and pursue their new careers," he said.

Registration for the fall semester is underway. For more information, go to tstc.edu.

Menu

Senior Center Menu

Monday: Salisbury Steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli, vanilla pudding, bread, milk.

Tuesday: Macaroni Beef Casserole, mixed vegetables, strawberry short

cake, rolls, milk.

Wednesday: Beef Stir Fry, oriental vegetables, white rice, peach cobbler, egg roll, milk.

Thursday: Meatloaf, peas with pearl onions, yellow squash, mixed berries, bread, milk.

Friday: Fish sticks, sweet potato fries, stewed tomatoes, sliced apples, milk.

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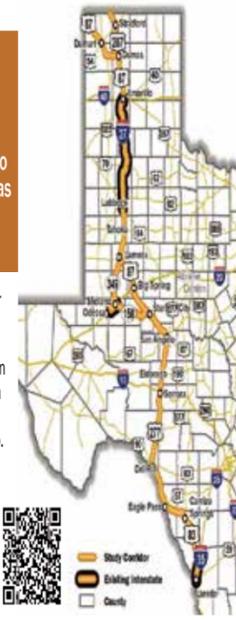
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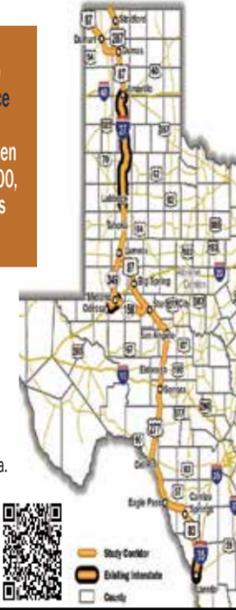
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JUDGE

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to cloud and muddy the waters," Owens added.

The county judge said he has spoken to City Councilman Raul C. Ojeda, Councilman Alfredo "Fred" Carranza Jr. and City Manager Matt Wójnowski.

"I told them that I really believe it's a conflict of interest that you have a councilwoman, who is the director of a nursing home – and I don't know whether it is or it isn't, but I think there is a conflict of interest – who has been pushing to hire Dr. Gutierrez as the local health authority for the city, who has

actually gone out and spoken to commissioners, trying to get that done, when Dr. Gutierrez is a medical director at two of our local nursing homes, and Councilwoman Liz Elizalde De Calderon is the director of one of those nursing homes," Owens said.

"I think we need to look at all that and see how we're going to handle that," the county judge said.

Friday morning Owens posted a video on Facebook saying that Gutierrez's status as local health authority for Val Verde County will not be in the agenda for Monday's special called meeting.

"We've had several phone calls since Wednesday, asking

for him (Gutierrez) to come up with a plan. Why don't we give him an opportunity to come up with a plan, now that he is already signed with the city and he works with the county at the same time," Owens said in the video.

Owens also said city council members asked him to give Gutierrez an opportunity to come up with a plan.

"So I had to file my agenda by nine o'clock today in order to have a meeting which we were going to have a special called meeting anyway on Monday. There is not, I repeat there is not an item on Monday's meeting to discuss employment of Dr. Gutierrez's as local health authority,"

the county judge said.

Interviewed by the News-Herald on Wednesday, Owens said he is also concerned about the number of COVID deaths among local nursing home residents in relation to the total number of COVID-related deaths in the county.

"I saw some numbers a little while ago, and I'm not pointing fingers at any one nursing home, but out of 63 individuals who were COVID-positive when they passed – and I didn't say that they passed because of COVID, but they were COVID-positive when they passed – 11 of those are from nursing homes, and when you look at that, they are our most

vulnerable population, and all 11 passed in the nursing homes. They never made it to Val Verde Regional Medical Center. That is what I was told last night, so I have a concern," Owens said.

Owens said Wednesday city officials never discussed Gutierrez's appointment as the city's local health authority with county officials.

"They talked about helping us with the funds for the contact tracers. They talked about helping us with the funds for an RN. They talked about helping us with funds for the doctors. The city talked about all this. We never sat in a meeting, other than one we had in April, where we told them

we were about to hire a local health authority ... and at that point there was a conversation where they said the city would hire him too, and then it went away, because I told them that he (the local health authority) could only work for one boss," Owens said.

"The local health authority advises anybody that's seeking advice, but he can only work for one entity, or it gets cloudy," Owens said.

Each one of Councilwoman Elizabeth "Liz" Elizalde de Calderon, and Dr. J.J. Gutierrez responded to Owens' allegations with written statements, each one of them clarifying their positions.

AGENT

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vehicles were en route to Del Rio.

The Uvalde County Sheriff's Office posted a video of sheriff's deputies and Uvalde Police Department officers saluting the hearse as Gonzales passed by.

News 4 San Antonio reported Gonzales lost his battle with COVID-19 on Wednesday.

Last week, the Del Rio Sector also mourned the loss of another one of their own. Agent Agustin Aguilar Jr. of Eagle Pass, died in the line of duty losing his battle with COVID-19 on July 25.

Graveside services for Aguilar were held Saturday in Eagle Pass. Aguilar's death was deemed the first

COVID-19-related death of a Border Patrol agent in the Del Rio Sector.

Gonzales' visitation will be held Tuesday, from 5 to 9 p.m. at the Trinity Chapel of Faith, with a Rosary will beginning at 7 p.m.

Gonzales was born on Oct. 19, 1970 in Del Rio, and is survived by his wife of 30 years, Maria T. Gonzales of Del Rio according to his obituary posted by Trinity.

Other survivors also include his parents Cenaída and Antonio E. Gonzales; children: Mayra Elizabeth Vazquez and husband Edgar Vazquez, Catherine Lizette Ponce and husband Robert Fabian Ponce, and Isabella Gonzales, all of Del Rio; grandchildren: Lysette, Edeline, Kamila, Khloe, and Edgar Antonio. Preceding him in

death was his grandmother, Virginia Nuncio.

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Alejandro Gonzalez, 45, entered into eternal rest Thursday, August 6, 2020.

Few people in our lives are gifted enough to leave a lasting impression on us, even if we only know them for a short time. Such was the blessing of Alejandro Gonzalez.

Alex, as he was known by all those who knew him was such a person. He was a devoted and loving husband and father, a son any parent would be proud of, a brother we could always count on and a friend you could rely on.

From very early on, Alex was not a man of many words but one thing was evident, his passion for baseball. He began his career in Little League and played through high school as a



pitcher for Nixon. He was invited to try out for the Milwaukee Brewers where he would no doubt become a star. Instead, he took a greater path and chose to be a star for his family. Never losing his passion for baseball, he was able to visit MLB stadiums with his family. His determination and ethics al-

so poured into his work and his dedication to his job was only matched by his dedication to his family and friends. There was never a favor that was too big or too small for him and his larger than life smile and infectious laugh was all you needed to know it.

Music was also important to Alex. In fact, if it wasn't for music, he would've never met Yadira. They fell in love on the dance floor and it's been a "balle" ever since. His cook outs will be missed too just as in everything else in his life, he gave it his full attention and love. We'll never forget the get-togethers in his backyard, whether it was for a birthday, anniversary or just because someone said, "nos juntamos?"

Alex has left a very big hole in our hearts and lives

but we are grateful and blessed to have known and loved him and to be loved by him. We will miss our Alex... "babe", "daddy", "mano", "mijo", "cunis"...for the rest of our lives. On behalf of the entire family, we would like to extend our gratitude for all the prayers, love and support during this difficult time. We want to express our sincerest thanks to Dr. Zamarron and the nurses and staff at Doctor's hospital's ICU Covid unit. Special thanks to nurses Hilda and Brittany for the compassion and dedication they gave Alex. It was truly appreciated.

"Our family chain is broken and nothing seems the same, but as God calls us one by one the chain will link again." - Ron Tramer
Mr. Gonzalez is preceded in death by his mother; Guadalupe Gonzalez, sister; Lo-

rena Gonzalez, father-in-law; Ramon T. Medina. Left to cherish his memory are his wife; Yadira Isabel Gonzalez, children; Alejandro Ramon Gonzalez, and Yaritza Ariana Gonzalez, father; Jose C. Gonzalez, siblings; Maria Esther (Pablo) Rodriguez, Ana Laura (Daniel) Cedillo, and Jose C. Gonzalez, Jr., mother-in-law; Teresa V. Medina, brothers-in-law; Ramon (Trine) Medina, Jr., and Enequel Medina, sister-in-law; Yahaira (Jose Arturo) Rodriguez, nephews & nieces; Juan Jose, Pablo IV, David Antonio Rodriguez, Alysha Briana, Daniel Cedillo, Jr., Justin M. Medina, Lynette Rodriguez, Alex Rodriguez, and Amber Rodriguez.

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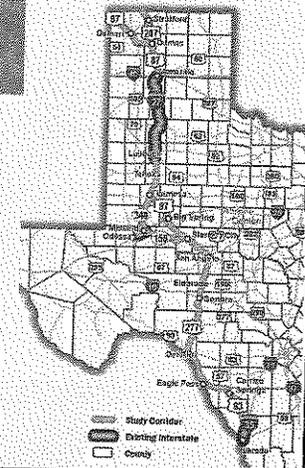


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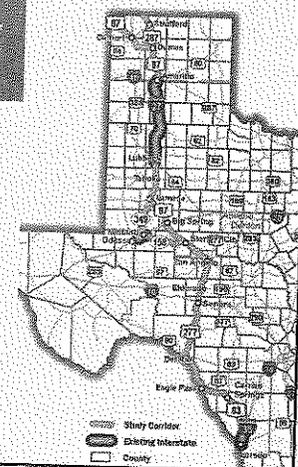


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COMMENTARY

Computer isn't needed to back up iPhone

By Jim Rossman
Dallas Morning News

This week's reader question concerns backing up an iPhone without using a computer.

"I know I need to update the iOS software, but I'm afraid I might lose my saved information if there are any glitches. I have an iCloud account and routinely back up my data. But, being technologically challenged, I am not sure how to retrieve info I might lose."

In the early days of the iPhone, backups had to be done by connecting the phone to a computer, but as cellular service got faster, it became feasible to send your data over the internet to Apple's iCloud servers to back it up.

You can still back up your iPhone to your computer with the Lightning cable, but it is a lot easier to go with just the iCloud backup, which sends the data directly from the phone to the cloud.

These days every Apple ID account includes five gigabytes of storage you can use to back up your iPhone data.

This was pretty good when iPhones had eight or 16 gigabytes of on-board storage, but with current iPhones having up to 256 GB, you can fill up your five free gigabytes in a hurry.

Personally, I pay Apple \$2.99 per month for 200 GB of iCloud storage that I share with my wife to back up both iPhones.

The next level up is two terabytes of iCloud storage for \$9.99 per month.

My wife and I are currently using 60 GB for photos, 4 GB for iPhone backups, 6 GB for documents from our apps and 5 GB for iMessages. This leaves us 124 GB for future use.

If you open the iCloud preference pane, you can choose which apps are allowed to push their data to iCloud.

There is an option to enable iCloud Backup, which includes some Apple app data, Apple Watch backups, device settings, home screen and app organization, iMessage and text messages, photos and videos, records of your Apple purchase history, ringtones and voicemail.

There are separate buttons in the iCloud preference pane to back up contacts, calendars, bookmarks, notes and voice memos, mail and health data.

The backups happen when your phone is connected to power, locked and on Wi-Fi.

There is also a "back up now" button so you can manually kick off a backup.

If you ever need to use your backup, you'll need an iPhone (new or used) with no data on it. You should also make sure the new iPhone has enough space to hold all your stuff.

During the initial phone setup, you'll be asked whether you'd like to restore from your iCloud backup.

You'll sign in with your Apple ID and you'll be presented with the available backups on your account.

For full restore instructions, go to support.apple.com/en-us/HT204184.

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Aria Me headphones test hearing, adjust sound to fit user's ear

I have reviewed more than a few sets of headphones over the years, and sometimes it gets hard to tell them apart.

I've reviewed wired headsets, wireless earbuds, Bluetooth, over-the-ear and around-the-neck headphones.

Sometimes it takes some doing to figure out what makes one better than the next when they all seem so similar.

For this reason, I find I'm agreeing to review fewer pairs of headphones, but a pitch from Avantree about its Aria Me Bluetooth Over-Ear Headphones got my attention.

Aria Me headphones use an app on your phone to create a personalized custom profile based on your hearing.

Your custom profile is loaded to the headphones, so you get a better sound experience no matter the source of your music.

When you unbox the Aria Me headphones, you charge them up and pair them via Bluetooth to your phone.

You are instructed to download the Avantree Audio app to your iOS or Android phone, and if everything is paired up, you should see your phone listed when you launch the app.

After you select your phone, you're asked to create a custom hearing profile by taking a brief hearing test.

If you've ever taken a hearing test (I get one every year), you know you are going to be hearing a series of tones delivered at different frequencies.

You use an onscreen dial to change the volume of the tone to a point where you can barely hear it.

I took the dial down until the tone was inaudible, then turned it up until I could barely hear it, then pressed the "next" button.

You'll go through a range of frequencies, one ear at a time. When you finish, the app creates a sound profile that adjusts the frequency response of the music to match the levels of your hearing.

I know from previous hearing tests that I have a "notch" in my hearing. I have trouble hearing mid- to high-level tones.

When the custom profile for



my hearing was loaded onto the Aria Me headphones, I was very pleased with the sound mix.

You can turn the custom profile on or off by holding down the play/pause button on the headphones, so it's very simple to hear the difference the custom profile makes in your music enjoyment.

This custom profile is a little like setting the frequency sliders on an equalizer.

If you have ever explored iTunes or Apple Music, you know there is an equalizer with 10 sliders to set the frequency levels to customize the sound.

That's great if you listen only through iTunes, but it doesn't help when you choose to listen to Spotify or Pandora or YouTube.

Avantree loads your custom profile to the headphones so you get that nice sound no matter where you get your music.

WHAT'S IN THE BOX

The Aria Me headphones are smallish and very light, but the sound is substantial.

They have internal batteries that power the headphones that are recharged by plugging in a microUSB cable to the headphones or by placing the headphones on an included charging stand that is very handy.

The charging stand also plugs in with microUSB.

The Aria Me will play 24 hours of music on a charge, but if you run out of power, there is an included cable to let you plug into a 3.5mm headphone jack to keep listening.

The headphones have active noise canceling that can be turned on with a flick of a switch.

The noise canceling is good, but the music clarity suffered a bit (to my ears) when noise canceling was turned on.

If you're in a plane or coffee shop with a constant background noise, the Aria Me's noise canceling is great and you can use noise canceling even without music playing to get a little relief from your surroundings.

The headphones have a microphone built-in for making and taking phone calls as well as a detachable boom mic that plugs in on the bottom of the left ear cup to put a microphone closer to your mouth.

The headphones come with a zippered hard case that holds everything, including the boom mic, charging cable and 3.5mm headphone cable.

OTHER FEATURES

The Aria Me feature Qualcomm AptX HD, which can deliver 24-bit high-definition audio over Bluetooth.

They also feature Qualcomm AptX LL, which stands for low latency.

This means with the right Bluetooth transmitter, you can watch video and play games, and the sound will sync up perfectly.

With some of the other Bluetooth headphones I've used, watching movies was no fun because the sound was half a second behind the actors' lips.

The Aria Me headphones do not include a Bluetooth transmitter for your TV, but Avantree does sell several, starting at \$35.99.

The headphones can connect to more than one Bluetooth device.

I connected them to my iPhone and laptop.

When I was playing a YouTube video on my laptop and I received a call, the video stopped, and I was able to hear the phone ring and pick up the call.

When I hung up the call, I pressed play on my laptop and the YouTube video started again.

There are buttons on the right ear cup for volume and to play/pause songs.

The right cup also has the power switch, which is also used to begin Bluetooth pairing.

The left ear cup has buttons to

enable active noise canceling, to answer or hang up phone calls and a mute button.

There is also a mute switch on the boom microphone.

I found the leather ear cushions to be large enough to over my big ears and comfortable enough to wear for several hours.

I found both mics sounded very natural, but the boom mic was a bit better. I was pleased with how my voice sounded from both mics.

The music from every source on my phone or laptop sounded very clear, and I have to admit I heard some nuances in songs I'd not been able to hear.

For instance, one of my Pandora stations played James Taylor's "Fire and Rain," and I noticed for the first time the song included a stand-up bass that was played with a bow.

I'm not sure I'd ever heard that bass so clearly.

I really enjoyed listening to some familiar songs to see if I could hear anything new.

These are great headphones that are made even better by the custom hearing profiles that work with any Bluetooth source.

The level of noise canceling rivals headphones that cost twice as much, and they are very comfortable.

Aria Me headphones are available from Amazon. The regular price is \$149.99, but you can get them for \$134.99 with the code J3BEE75R through Aug. 30.

(Note that neither I nor the Dallas Morning News benefit financially from any purchase made through this link or coupon code.)

Pros: Inexpensive for the features, custom audio profile, comfortable, great sound and convenient charging stand.

Cons: Wish the charge port was USB-C instead of microUSB, which seems dated.

Bottom line: Avantree realizes that no two people hear the same way. The Aria Me wants to help everyone hear music as best they can.

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Facebook turns blind eye to bogus advertisers



IT'S GEEK TO ME

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Geek Note: I've been warning you that my question queue was running on fumes. All too few of you responded with new column fodder. So, now you've done it - you've left it up to me to decide on a topic to fill this week's issue. You're just going to have to live with the results.

The topic I have chosen for this week is actually one that I've discussed before. In fact, the landmark 500th Issue of It's Geek to Me (Geek Note: I.G.T.M. #500, Feb 19, 2017) dealt with it. By contrast, you are reading Issue #682. Nevertheless, it was an important issue back then, and is even more so now, as the environment on Facebook, and the quantity and types of threats hanging around out there are worse than ever before.

Facebook has become one of those companies and services that nobody seems willing to admit that they like, yet nearly

every person and business seems to have a presence there. Yes, that includes me. Besides my personal page, I have pages for this column, for The Geek Lights on the Corner, and others. Unfortunately, Facebook does not seem content to be a neutral third-party offering online space to all of us to express ourselves. Facebook has an obvious political agenda, and rather than merely being the world's largest social media platform, CEO Mark Zuckerberg seems determined to make it into a social engineering platform. So, when you read "Thanks, Mark!" in my column, I hope you'll remember to whom it refers.

Other than Facebook's non-neutrality, which takes the form of Facebook manipulating which content you see first, if at all, the company seems content to turn a blind eye to bogus advertisers that use the platform to reach huge

numbers of people with phony, and even malware-laden ads. I have personally seen products advertised that I know with absolute certainty cannot be for sale, because they do not exist - at least not yet. Scammers find a cool gizmo in a Kickstarter campaign, and swipe all its pictures and videos, and re-package them to look like an item being advertised for sale. They rope-in thousands of people, each of whom pays out money, many of whom provide credit card information. Then they innocently wait for their order to arrive. By the time these buyers get frustrated and start to look into where their package is, the scammer has long-since closed up shop and moved on to the next scam. Reporting it to Facebook does not help. It's gotten bad enough, I don't even bother to open Facebook ads anymore.

There are still plenty of click-bait, and click-farming

scams out there as well. Facebook has done little, if anything to educate their user base to the dangers of these. If you haven't already read I.G.T.M. Issue 500, you owe it to yourself to check it out.

Just having an account on Facebook puts you and your contacts at some amount of risk. Chances are that at some point you've gotten a friend request from someone you're already friends with. When you look at the profile, it's got all your friend's pictures and personal information, but the account is freshly created. If you accept the friend request, the scammer now has the ability to participate in group chats with you and your other contacts, and can create further bogus accounts. The goal of all this is to steal personal information, spread malware, and harvest Facebook user accounts which actually sell on the dark web for up to \$50 each.

I'm not saying you should stop using Facebook. But if you do use it, or if you allow your kids to use it, you need to educate yourself about the risks. You should be on constant guard of your privacy, and know what you share, and with whom. And please, resist the temptation to respond to every post you read that challenges you to identify a song, count a number of triangles, or reply to someone who claims to be giving away a \$250,000 recreational vehicle. Remember TINSTAAFL - "There is no such thing as a free lunch."

Good luck - and happy computing! Now get out to my website and ask some questions, or I'll have to come up with another preachy topic next week!

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Government impostor scams



START WITH TRUST

HEATHER MASSEY >> Massey is the Regional Director of the Better Business Bureau in the Permian Basin. Check out www.bbb.org or call 563-1880.

It is no secret that COVID-19 has brought confusion along with concern. This confusion provides opportunities for scammers to target consumers in new, creative ways. A recent study from BBB shows that reports on government impostor scams have decreased, but the pandemic has allowed for these scams to take new forms that may be more difficult to recognize. From posing as CDC officials to preying on CARES funds, impostors are once again taking advantage of trying times.

A recent survey from AARP showed that 44% of people in the U.S. have

been contacted by someone posing as a government employee. The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) also reports \$450 million dollars lost to government impostor scams since 2015. Last year, reports of scammers posing as IRS agents dropped, while scammers posing as Social Security Administration (SSA) employees quadrupled.

In 2019, Texans submitted 10% of Scam Tracker reports on government impostor scams. And while reports are decreasing nationally, Texas has seen an increase of 35% in the first six months of 2020 over all of 2019. Recognizing these scams can be crucial to Texans' financial safety.

Different versions of this scam may include promises of a fake government grant, and the grant "winner" simply needs to pay a fee or provide personal information. Then, the scammer disappears, and the grant never arrives. In other versions, the scammer calls victims pretending to be from the IRS or SSA, claiming there is unpaid money and the consumer will be arrested until they pay off the debt in full. Government impostors often use fear tactics to pressure people into acting quickly, and spoof caller ID to appear legitimate.

Government impostor scams can be costly and reporting them is

an important factor in preventing them for others. Use this information from your Better Business Bureau on how to properly report government fraud:

>> **IRS:** The Internal Revenue Service advises people to fill out the "IRS Impersonation Scam" form on the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Impersonation's website, tigta.gov.

>> **Social Security:** The Office of the Inspector General, Social Security Administration (SSA IG) has its own online form to take complaints about frauds impersonating the SSA.

>> **Federal Trade Commission:**

Contact the FTC at 877-FTC-HELP or ftc.gov.

>> **Internet Crime Complaint Center:** Reach the FBI's IC3 at ic3.gov/complaint.

>> **Cellphone carrier:** which may offer free services such as scam call identification and blocking, ID monitoring, a second phone number to give out to businesses so you can use your main number for close friends or a new number if you get too many spam calls.

>> **BBB Scam Tracker:** File a report on BBB.org/ScamTracker to let others in your area know to watch for this scam.

Visit us at BBB.org/FakeGov to view the full report.

Huawei: Smartphone chips running out under U.S. sanctions

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BEIJING Chinese tech giant Huawei is running out of processor chips to make smartphones due to U.S. sanctions and will be forced to stop production of its own most advanced chips, a company executive says, in a sign of growing damage to Huawei's business from American pressure.

Huawei Technologies Ltd., one of the biggest producers of smartphones and network equipment, is at the center of U.S.-Chinese tension over technology and security. The feud has spread to include the popular Chinese-owned video app TikTok and China-based messaging service WeChat.

Washington cut off Huawei's access to U.S. components and technology including Google's music and other smartphone services last year. Those penalties were tightened in May when the White House barred vendors worldwide from using U.S. technology to produce components for Huawei.

Production of Kirin chips designed by Huawei's own engineers will stop Sept. 15 because they are made by contractors that need U.S. manufacturing technology, said Richard Yu, president of the company's consumer unit. He said Huawei lacks the ability to make its own chips.

"This is a very big loss for us," Yu said Friday at an industry conference, China Info 100, according to a video recording of his comments posted on multiple websites.

"Unfortunately, in the second round of U.S. sanctions, our chip producers only accepted orders until May 15. Production will close on Sept. 15," Yu said. "This year may be the last generation of Huawei Kirin high-end chips."

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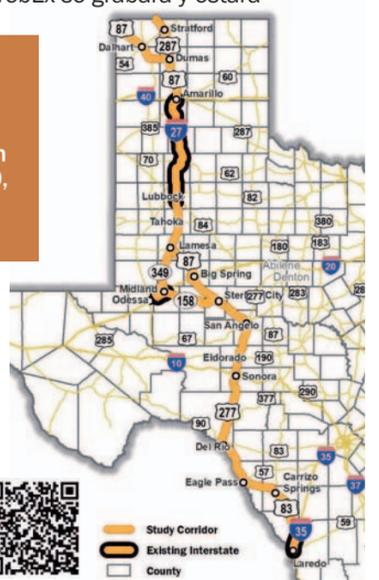
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Mendy McNulty swabs the nose of her son, 7-year-old Andrew, in their home in Mount Juliet, Tenn. Six thousand U.S. parents and kids are swabbing their noses twice a week to answer some of the most vexing mysteries about the coronavirus. MARK HUMPHREY/AP

US kids, parents perform DIY tests for coronavirus science

Data could help determine safety of in-class instruction

Lindsey Tanner
ASSOCIATED PRESS

In a comfy suburb just outside Nashville, a young family swabs noses twice a month in a do-it-yourself study seeking answers to some of the most vexing questions about the coronavirus.

How many U.S. children and teens are infected? How many kids who are infected show no symptoms? How likely are they to spread it to other kids and adults?

“The bottom line is we just don’t know yet the degree to which children can transmit the virus,” said Dr. Tina Hartert of Vanderbilt University, who is leading the government-funded study.

Evidence from the United States, China and Europe shows children are less likely to become infected with the virus than adults and also less likely to become seriously ill when they do get sick. There is also data suggesting that young children don’t spread the virus very often but that kids ages 10 and up may spread it just as easily as adults. The new study aims to find more solid proof.

“If we don’t see significant transmission within households, that would be very reassuring,” Hartert said.

Some 2,000 families in 11 U.S. cities are enrolled in the DIY experiment, pulled from participants in previous government research. In all, that’s 6,000 people. They have no in-person contact with researchers. Testing supplies are mailed to their homes.

They collect their own nasal swabs for COVID-19 tests, and less often blood and stool samples. The specimens are mailed to the study organizers. Participants get text messages asking about symptoms and reminding them to test and they fill out questionnaires.

The study could help determine the safety of in-class education during the pandemic. But results aren’t expected before year’s end.

For Mendy and Joe McNulty and their two youngest sons in Mt. Juliet, Tennessee, nasal swabbing at home is a family affair. Testing supplies are spread out on a carefully wiped-down kitchen counter, where the four gather to perform what has become a ritual. Mendy McNulty helps the boys with their swabbing.

“We were excited to be able to feel like we could contribute somehow,” she said, explaining why the family chose to participate. “This virus is so unknown. Any little bit we can do felt like we were doing something to help.”

It’s hard to pin down the exact number of COVID-19 cases in kids. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says at least 175,000 cases have been confirmed in those ages 17 and under, accounting for less than 10% of all confirmed cases. But the true number is likely much higher because many kids have silent infections or only vague symptoms and don’t get tested.

Data on kids and coronavirus spread is also murky. Hundreds of infections have been reported in children and staff members at U.S. day care centers, but whether kids or adults were the main spreaders isn’t known.

The family study is also investigating whether children with asthma or allergies might have some protection against COVID-19. Anecdotal evidence suggests they might but “we don’t know what the mechanism of that might be,” said Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. The institute is paying for the research.

As a mom, former school teacher and scientist, Hartert is anxious to help fill in the gaps. She acknowledges it’s possible that none of the families will get infected, but given the number of COVID-19 cases around the country, she says that’s highly unlikely.

Mendy McNulty says so far her family has remained healthy. She and her husband are both 39 and don’t feel overly worried about getting infected.

She’s interested in what happens when her kids return to school in mid-August – two classroom days a week with masks and social distancing, three days online.

“Schools are like little petri dishes anyway,” said McNulty, also a former teacher.

“I am prepared to bring everyone home” if outbreaks occur, she said.

The boys – 7-year-old Andrew and 9-year-old Hudson – were excited to take part in the study, McNulty said. She helps them do the nose swabbing, and they both say it doesn’t really hurt.

“Sometimes it tickles,” Andrew said. Other times, “it feels like she’s sticking it up super far.”

Dr. David Kimberlin says he and other infectious disease specialists have been waiting for the kind of data the study will provide.

“Generally speaking, the virus behaves differently in children than adults,” said Kimberlin, a pediatrics professor at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. “Why is that? We just need to know so much more.”

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COVID-19

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327 total hospitalizations (info released Friday)

• 10 patients in ICU w/COVID-19 (info released Friday)

Age breakdown — (info released Friday)

- 0-19: 332 patients
- 20-29: 597 patients
- 30-39: 450 patients
- 40-49: 364 patients

- 50-59: 350 patients
- 60-69: 255 patients
- 70+: 254 patients

Texas

As of 4:45 p.m. Aug. 7 - Texas DSHS

- 4,000,532 tests administered
- 474,524 total cases reported
- 7,039 daily new cases
- 8,096 deaths total
- 293 newly reported deaths
- 134,760 active cases
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**Attachment C
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Virtual Public Meeting - Ports-to-Plains

Meetings and Notices Schedule

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Instructions for viewing a live virtual public meeting
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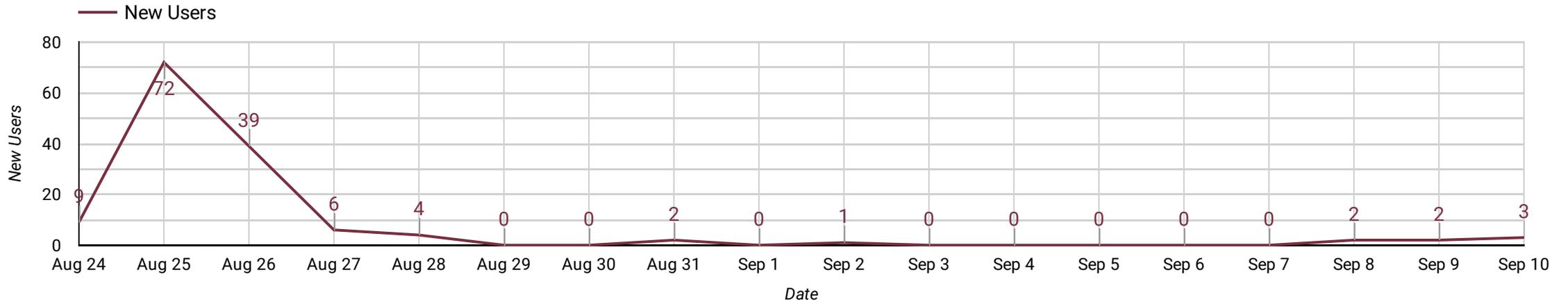
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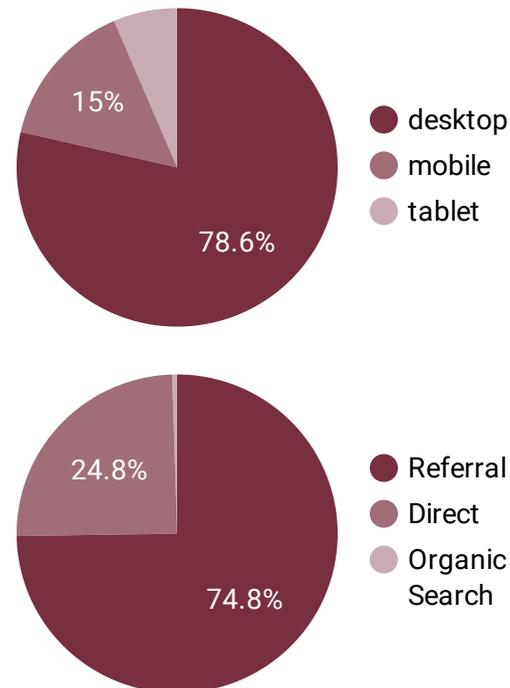


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Can't make it to our virtual public meeting today at 4 p.m on the Ports-to-Plains Corridor Interstate Feasibility Study?

Visit www.txdot.gov/.../projects/studies/statewide/ports-plains.html to join tomorrow's meeting at 4 p.m. and to learn more about the study.



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August 22nd:



Impressions	4,447
Total engagements	134
Media engagements	100
Detail expands	18
Link clicks	6
Retweets	4
Profile clicks	4
Likes	2

August 24th:



TxDOT @TxDOT
 TxDOT wants your input on the Ports-to-Plains Corridor Interstate Feasibility Study that looked at the possibility of extending Interstate 27 in South and West Texas.

Join us at <http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/projects/studies/statewide/ports-plains.html> ... tomorrow at 4 p.m. for a virtual public meeting. pic.twitter.com/JsbZUfwyio

Impressions	4,388
Total engagements	87
Media engagements	60
Detail expands	12
Link clicks	7
Likes	5
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Retweets	1

August 25th:



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Impressions	4,349
Total engagements	69
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Link clicks	3
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Replies	1

ATTACHMENT E
COMMENTS RECEIVED

Attachment E Comment Cards

Comment cards were submitted via an online comment form, via email, or mailed on a printed comment card. The comment submission method (source) is listed in the comment response matrix found in Attachment B.

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Ports-to-Plains Public Meeting Comment Submission
Date: Thursday, August 27, 2020 9:53:01 AM

A comment form for the Ports-to-Plains Corridor Interstate Feasibility Study Public Meeting has been submitted.

Name: Jackson Hurst

Address: [REDACTED]

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Representing: self

Comments: I approve and support the Ports to Plains Corridor Project because it will connect trade between the Mexico border to the upper plains.

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From: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: I-27 Ports to Plains
Date: Thursday, September 3, 2020 7:37:05 PM

Comment received during the public meeting comment period. Please incorporate into the meeting summary and project record. Thanks.

From: Jon Kinsey [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, September 3, 2020 4:40 PM
To: GPA_portstoplains <GPA_portstoplains@txdot.gov>
Subject: I-27 Ports to Plains

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Hi,

This my feedback regarding the I-27 extension project. I believe this will be a great thing for Texas and the city I live in, San Angelo.

Politics aside, what comes to my mind is FDR's New Deal. The post-depression economy was suffering as the Texas economy will suffer post-COVID. This region's economy will be affected more than most from it's dependence on oil.

The I-27 extension will kick off the post-COVID Texas economic recovery. I think it'll be a call to action for a lot of Texans.

Thanks for all of your hard work,

Chris Kinsey

A Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) message

#EndTheStreakTX

From: [REDACTED]
Subject: Ports-to-Plains Public Meeting Comment Submission
Date: Wednesday, August 26, 2020 3:33:58 PM

A comment form for the Ports-to-Plains Corridor Interstate Feasibility Study Public Meeting has been submitted.

Name: Talus Murphy

Address: [REDACTED]

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Representing:

Comments: Between Lubbock and San Angelo: Wouldn't it be more beneficial to the State of Texas to use the much more traveled route through Post, Snyder, Sweetwater, and Bronte via US 84, IH20, SH 70 and US 277 instead of US 87 through Big Spring? The Midland connections to Lubbock and San Angelo are still important. Just that section of US 87 from Lamesa, through Big Spring to Sterling City seems far less important than the above mentioned US 84, IH 20, SH 70, US 277 route connecting Lubbock to San Angelo through Post, Snyder, Sweetwater, and Bronte. It could then easily use the SL 306 freeway on the East side of San Angelo to connect further South. That would be far less destructive to the local communities than turning US 87 through San Angelo into a freeway. Thanks for your consideration.

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PORTS-TO-PLAINS CORRIDOR FEASIBILITY STUDY (HB 1079)

FACT SHEET

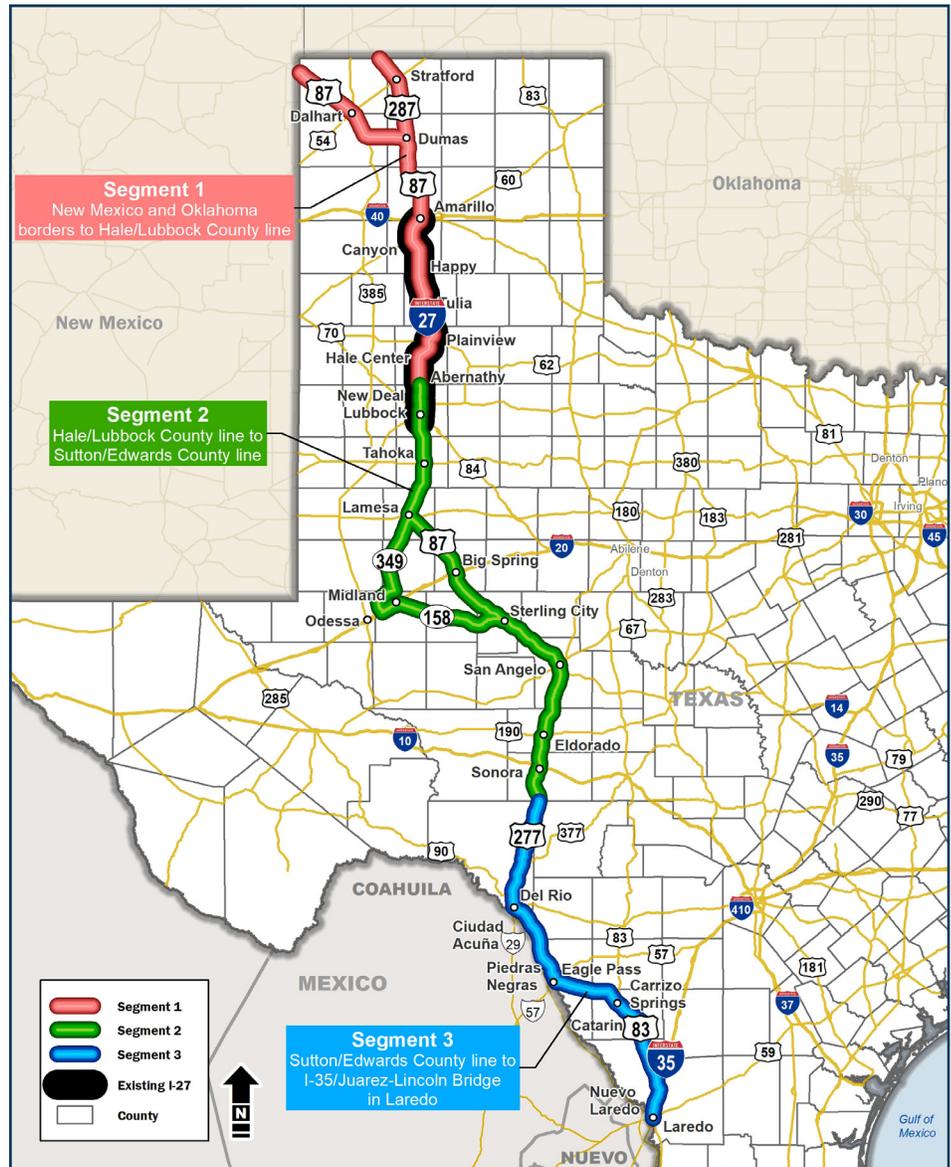
Spring 2020

The 86th Texas Legislature passed House Bill 1079 relating to a study of the Ports-to-Plains Corridor, including an evaluation of the feasibility of certain improvements to Interstate Highway 27 (I-27), by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT).

The Ports-to-Plains Corridor Feasibility Study evaluates the feasibility of, and the costs and logistical matters associated with, improvements that create a continuous flow, four-lane divided highway that meets interstate highway standards to the extent possible, including improvements that extend I-27. The study evaluates those highways that comprise the Ports-to-Plains Corridor. The feasibility study will examine two alternatives: identifying areas that are suitable for four-lane divided highway improvement or areas that are suitable for interstate highway development.

The study limits stretch 963 miles between the New Mexico and Oklahoma borders and Laredo. This includes sections of I-20, I-27, I-35, US 83, US 87, US 277, US 287, SH 158, and SH 349. The corridor is divided into three segments as shown on the map.

PORTS-TO-PLAINS CORRIDOR FEASIBILITY STUDY SEGMENTS



COUNTIES

Coke, Dallam, Dawson, Dimmit, Edwards, Glasscock, Hale, Hartley, Howard, Kinney, Lubbock, Lynn, Martin, Maverick, Midland, Moore, Potter, Randall, Schleicher, Sherman, Sterling, Sutton, Swisher, Tom Green, Val Verde, Webb

PORTS-TO-PLAINS CORRIDOR FEASIBILITY STUDY MILESTONES

- June 10, 2019** The governor signed House Bill 1079 into law
- June 30, 2020** Segment Committees submit reports to Advisory Committee
- October 31, 2020** Advisory Committee submits recommendations to TxDOT
- January 1, 2021** TxDOT submits report to the Governor and Texas Legislature

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 Caroline Mays, AICP
 Caroline.Mays@txdot.gov

TxDOT Director,
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 Connectivity Section

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION



Public Meetings

Quarterly public meetings will be held on a rotational basis in the following cities:

- Amarillo
- Lubbock
- San Angelo
- Laredo

Additional public meetings will be held in other communities throughout the corridor.

TxDOT welcomes and expects the public to provide feedback and to inform the department of any concerns, community features, and other topics that would help in the development of the Ports-to-Plains Corridor Feasibility Study.

Advisory Committee

House Bill 1079 establishes that the study will have an Advisory Committee to guide the planning process. On August 29, 2019, the Texas Transportation Commission passed Minute Order 115567 creating the Ports-to-Plains Advisory Committee.

Membership includes the county judge or designee of each county along the Ports-to-Plains Corridor; and the mayor or designee of the following cities:

Amarillo, Big Spring, Carrizo Springs, Dalhart, Del Rio, Dumas, Eagle Pass, Eldorado, Lamesa, Laredo, Lubbock, Midland, Odessa, San Angelo, Sonora, Sterling City, Stratford, and Tahoka.

Segment Committees

TxDOT, in conjunction with the Advisory Committee, shall establish segment committees for each geographic segment along the Ports-to-Plains Corridor as determined by the department.

Membership could potentially include the following entities:

Municipalities, counties, Metropolitan Planning Organizations, ports, chambers of commerce, economic development organizations, oil and gas industry, trucking industry, TxDOT representatives, and any other interested parties.

MEETING SCHEDULE



STUDY UPDATES: For periodic updates, please visit txdot.gov; search keywords “Ports-to-Plains Corridor”



PORTS-TO-PLAINS CORRIDOR FEASIBILITY STUDY (HB 1079)

COMMENT CARD

Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 25 & 26, 2020 4 p.m.
Virtual Public Meeting

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Comments (Please Print)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

REPRESENTING: _____

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TARJETA DE COMENTARIO

martes y miércoles, 25 y 26 de agosto de 2020 4pm
Reunión Pública Virtual

Gracias por participar en la reunión pública virtual de TxDOT. Por favor, utilice el espacio a continuación para enviar comentarios por escrito; adjunte páginas adicionales si es necesario. Puede enviar un correo electrónico a portstoplains@txdot.gov o correo postal a la dirección que se indica a continuación. Todos los comentarios escritos deben ser enviados y sellados antes del jueves, 10 de septiembre de 2020. Gracias por sus comentarios.

COMENTARIOS (POR FAVOR ESCRIBA CON LETRA MOLDE.) _____

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- Soy empleado de TxDOT
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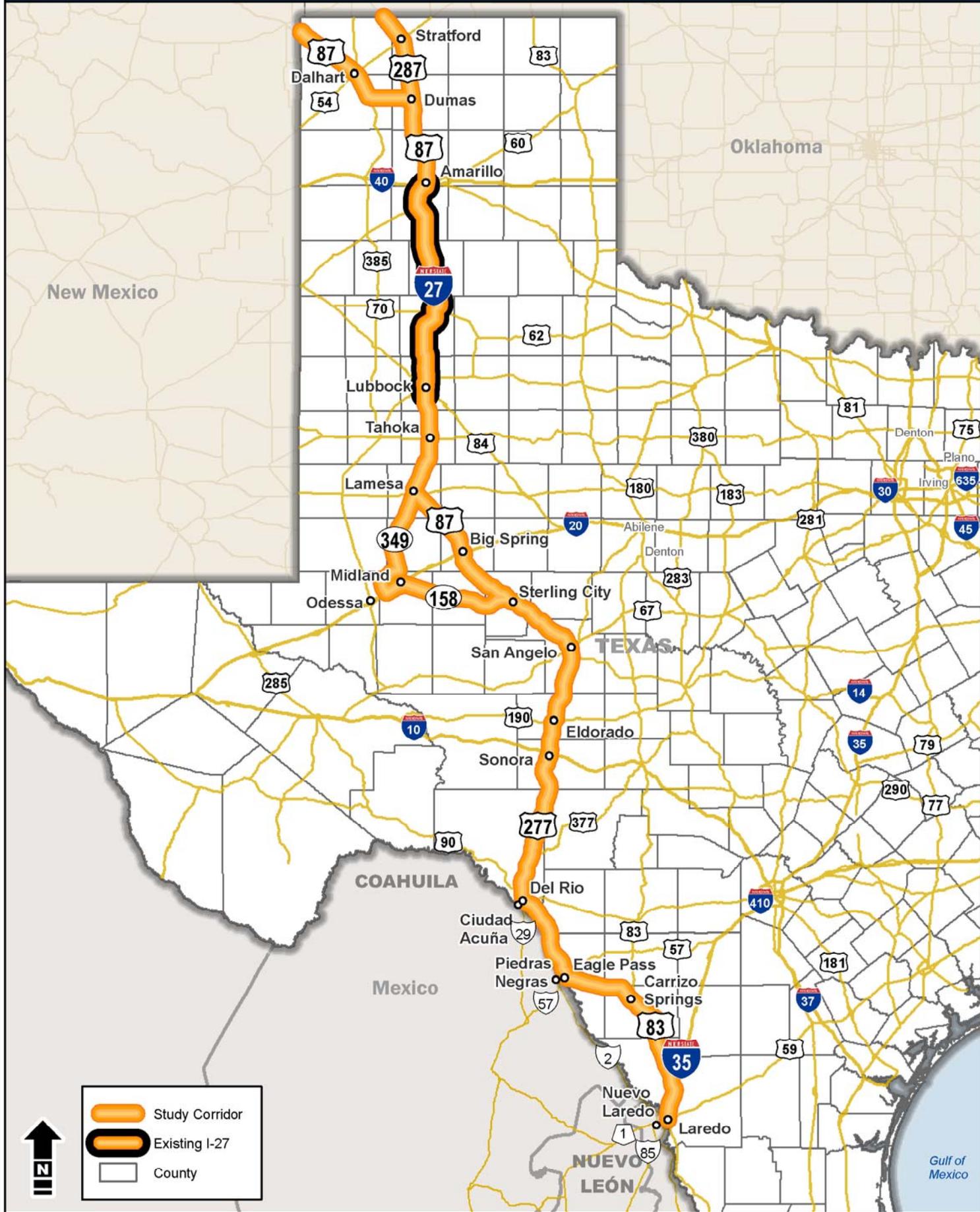
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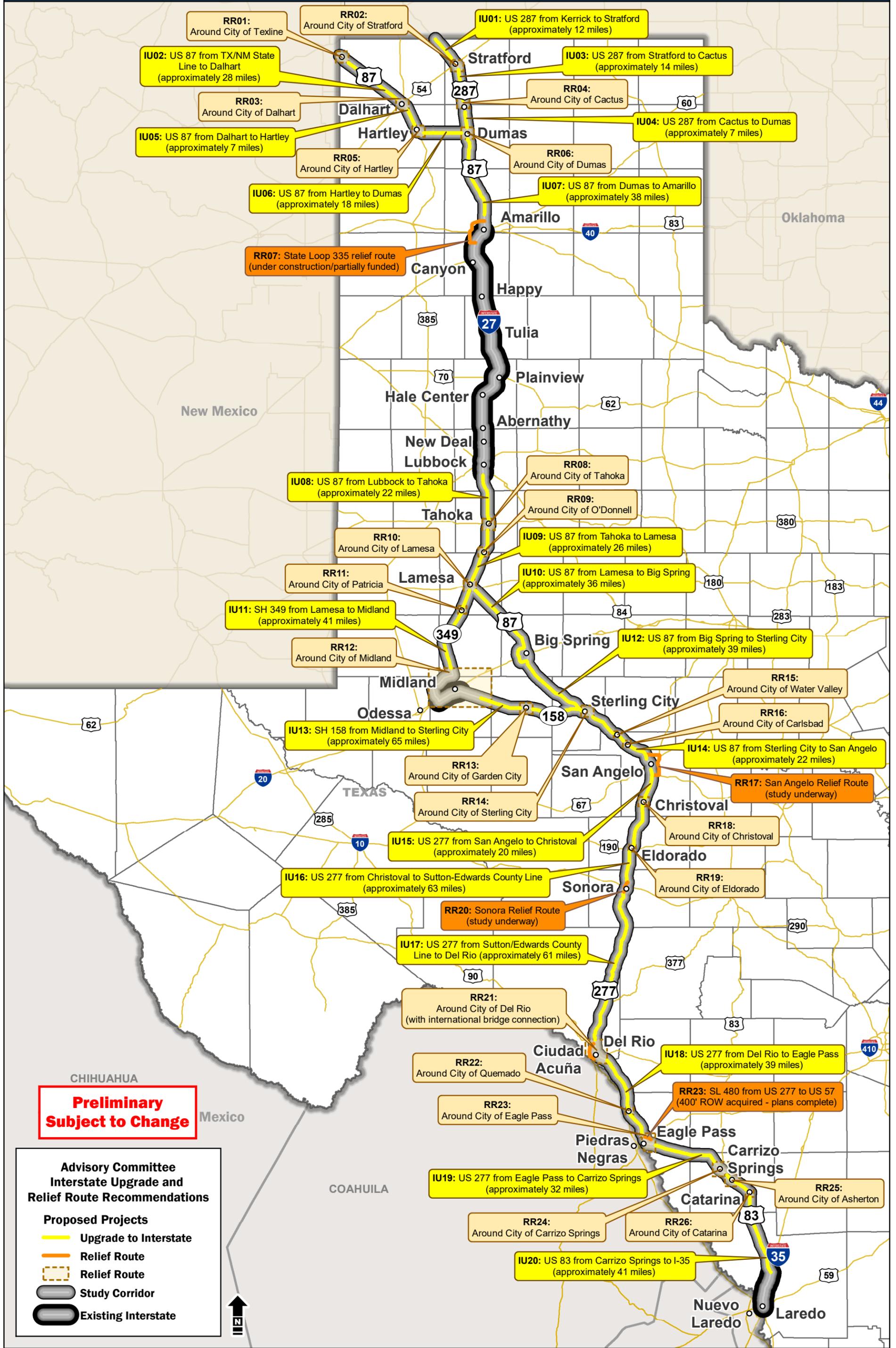
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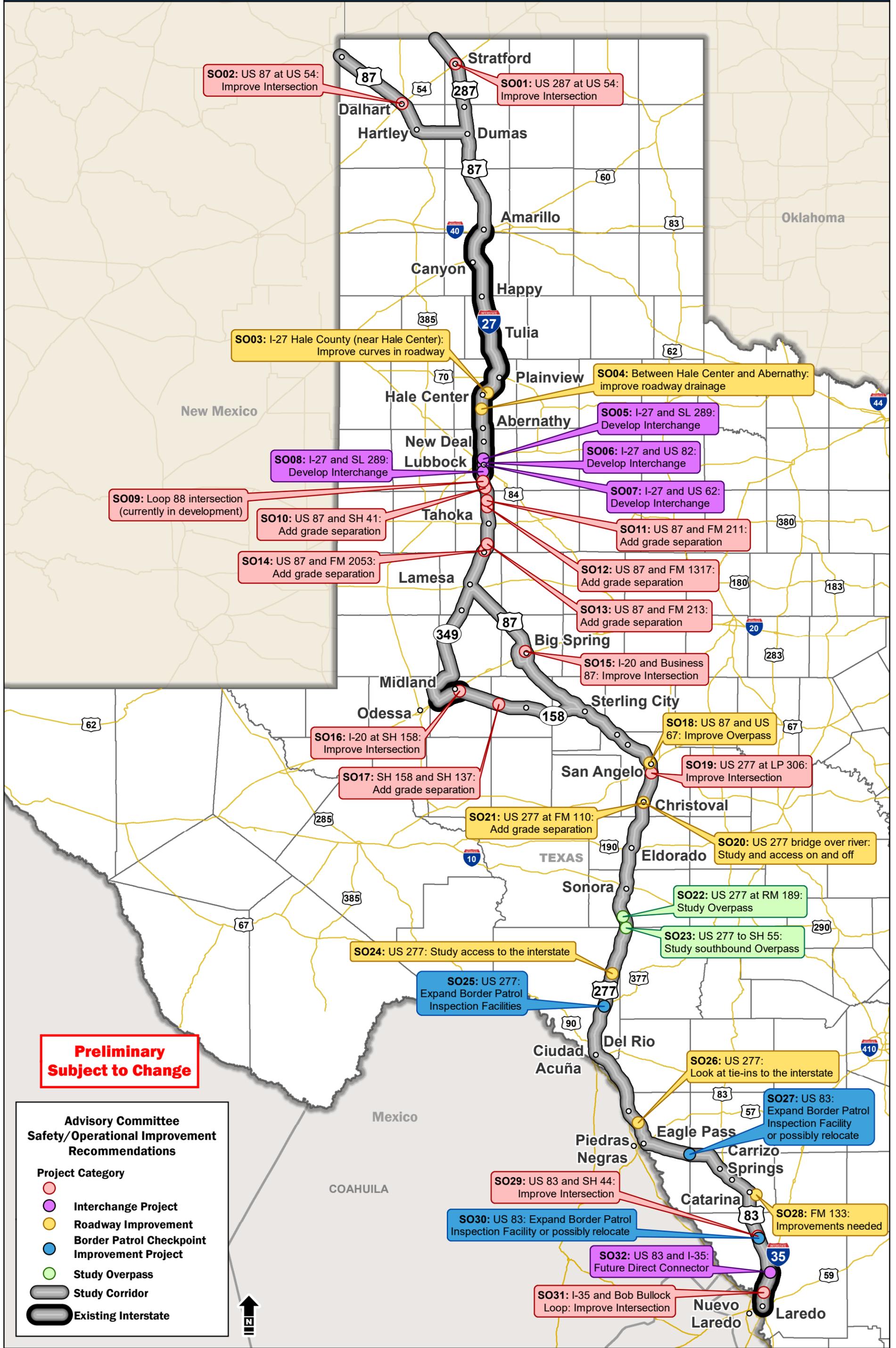




Ports-to-Plains Corridor Feasibility Study (HB 1079) - Corridor









Ports-to-Plains Corridor Interstate Feasibility Study (HB 1079)

Public Meeting

Virtual Public Meeting



- Welcome to the Ports-to-Plains Corridor Interstate Feasibility Study Public Meeting. **Please type your name in the chat box.** Also, after the presentation, please make sure you have signed-in on the meeting website's landing page.
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- To minimize background noise, please **periodically check your devices** to ensure they are muted.
- To share a comment or ask a question, you may add it to the **chat box on the right side of the screen.**
- After the presentation, attendees can unmute their devices for a **question and answer session**, and the study team will also review the chat box to address your comments and questions.



- **The purpose of this meeting** is to provide the public an opportunity to learn about the Ports-to-Plains Corridor Interstate Feasibility Study and to provide input on **preliminary recommendations** provided by the Advisory Committee.
- The presentation will include both **audio and visual components** and will be in English. The meeting will be recorded and available online for the public to view through Thursday, September 10, 2020.
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- You may **call** 512-486-5106 to ask questions about the project and access project materials at any time during the study process.



Ports-to-Plains Corridor Public Meeting

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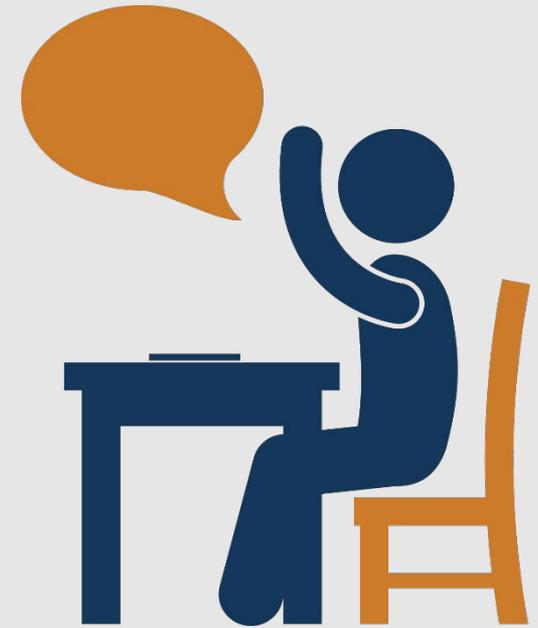
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◀ **Submit a Comment**



Your participation gives you the opportunity **to provide input** into the Ports-to-Plains Corridor Interstate Feasibility Study





- 1 HB 1079 Overview
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HB 1079 Overview





House Bill (HB) 1079 requires TxDOT to conduct a comprehensive feasibility study of the Ports-to-Plains (P2P) Corridor, as defined by Texas Transportation Code 225.069.

- The study must evaluate the feasibility of, and costs and logistical matters associated with, improvements to the corridor that create a continuous-flow, four-lane divided highway that meets interstate standards to the extent possible.





- HB 1079 requires TxDOT to establish a **P2P Advisory Committee (committee)**:
 - The committee is required to meet at least twice annually on a rotational basis in Lubbock and San Angelo.
 - Membership of the committee is limited to elected officials or their appointees specifically named in HB 1079.
 - The committee will review and compile reports from segment committees to form full advisory committee report.
 - TxDOT is required to incorporate reports submitted by the committee into the feasibility study.

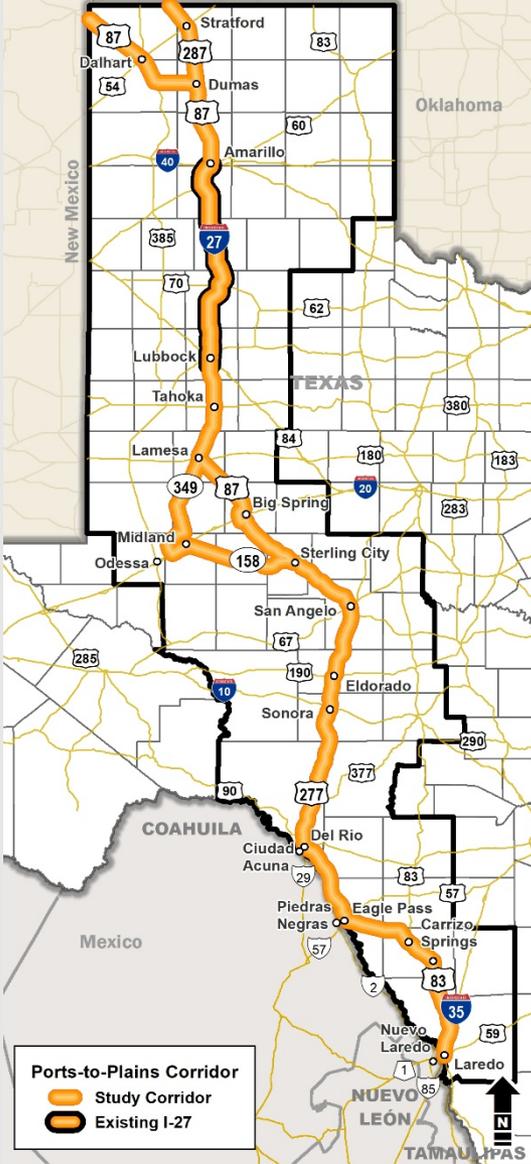


- Additionally, TxDOT is required to establish **Corridor Segment Committees**. The segment committees are composed of:
 - Volunteers who may represent cities, counties, metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), ports, chambers of commerce, and economic development corporations along the corridor;
 - The trucking industry;
 - TxDOT representatives; and
 - Other interested parties.

Ports-to-Plains Corridor and Segments



Ports-to-Plains Corridor



Segment 1

New Mexico and Oklahoma borders to Hale/Lubbock County line

Segment 2

Hale/Lubbock County line to Sutton/Edwards County line

Segment 3

Sutton/Edwards County line to I-35/Juarez-Lincoln Bridge in Laredo

Corridor Segments





August 29, 2019

1

**Texas
Transportation
Commission
Minute Order
Adopted**

June 30, 2020

2

**Segment
Committee
Reports Provided
to Advisory
Committee**

October 31, 2020

3

**Advisory
Committee Final
Recommendations
Due to TxDOT**

January 1, 2021

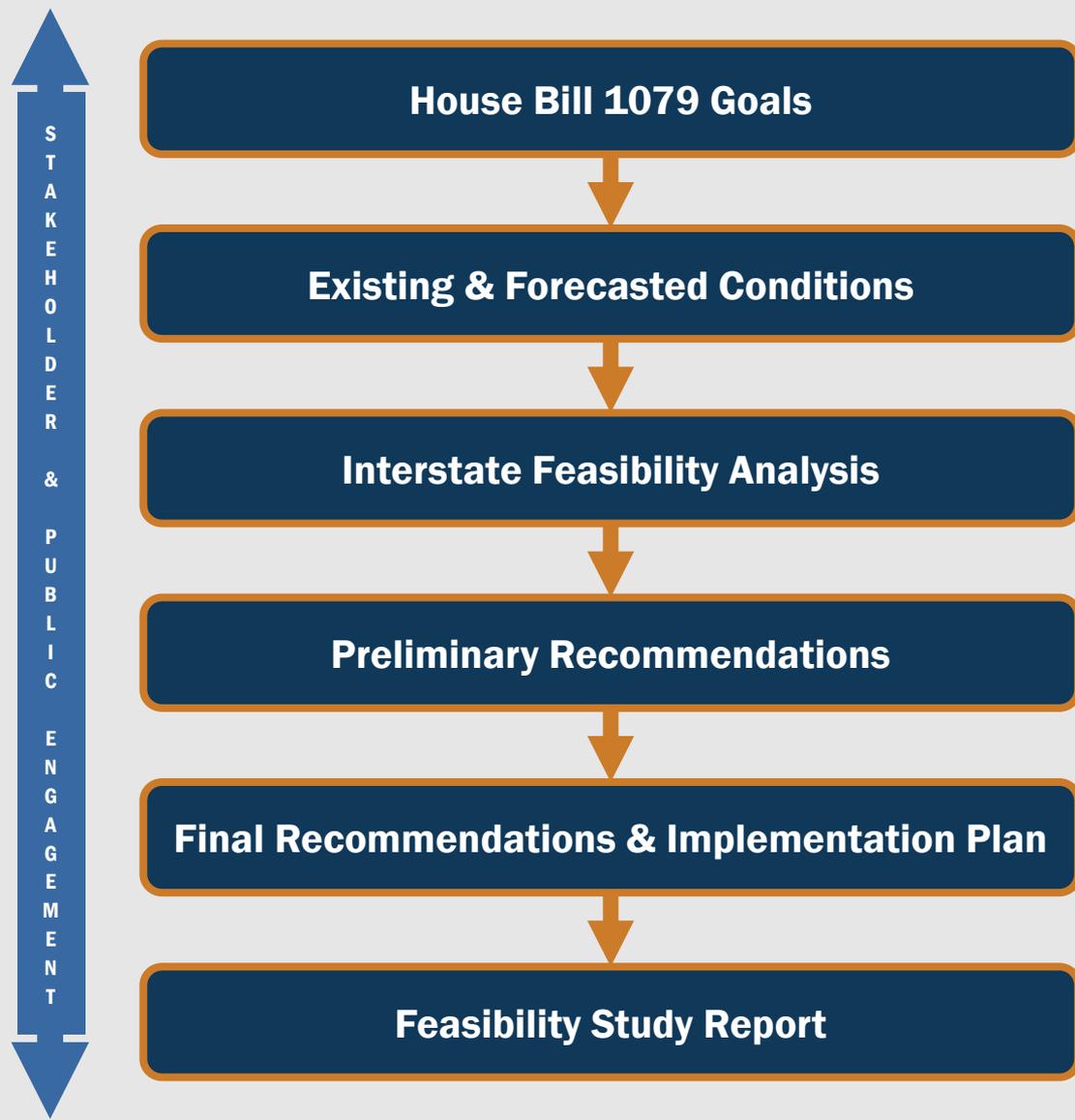
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Feasibility Study Findings







Current and Future Corridor Conditions and Assessment



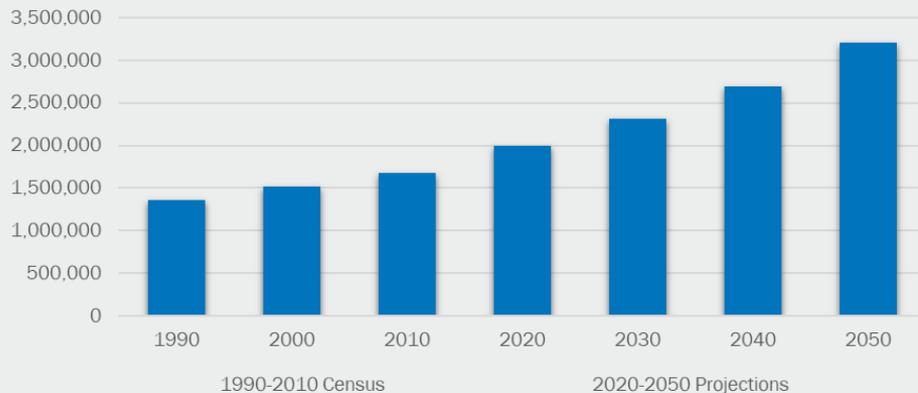
Corridor Characteristics:

- **963 miles** of primarily rural area in West and South Texas
- Designated by Congress as a **High Priority Corridor** on the National Highway System in 1998.
- Spans **26 counties**
- Connects to the state's and the nation's strategic **trade gateways** of Laredo, Eagle Pass, and Del Rio to destinations north, west, and east.





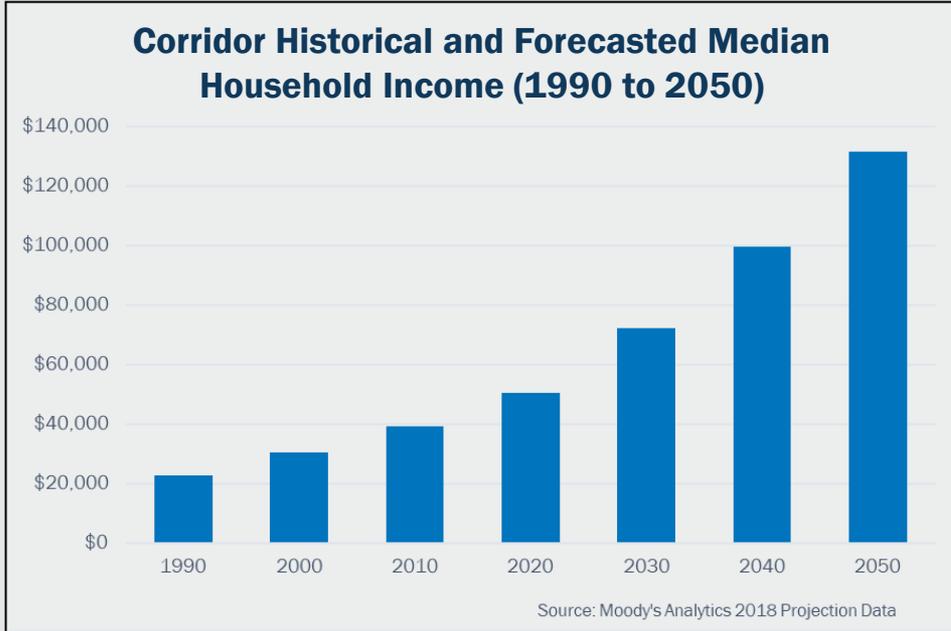
Corridor Historical and Forecasted Population (1990 to 2050)



Source: Texas Demographic Center (Census and 2018 Projection Data)

Population

- Grew from 1,362,255 in 1990 to 1,811,411 in 2017, an **increase of 33%**.
- Projected to grow from 1,996,680 in 2020 to 3,207,960 in 2050, an **increase of 61%**.

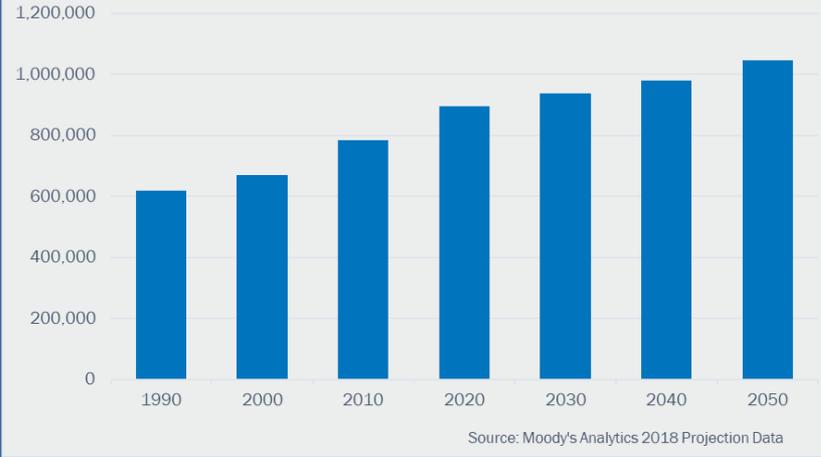


Median Household Income

- Grew from \$21,396 in 1990 to \$50,786 in 2017, an increase of **137%**.
- Projected to grow from \$50,460 in 2020 to \$131,467 in 2050, an increase of **161%**.



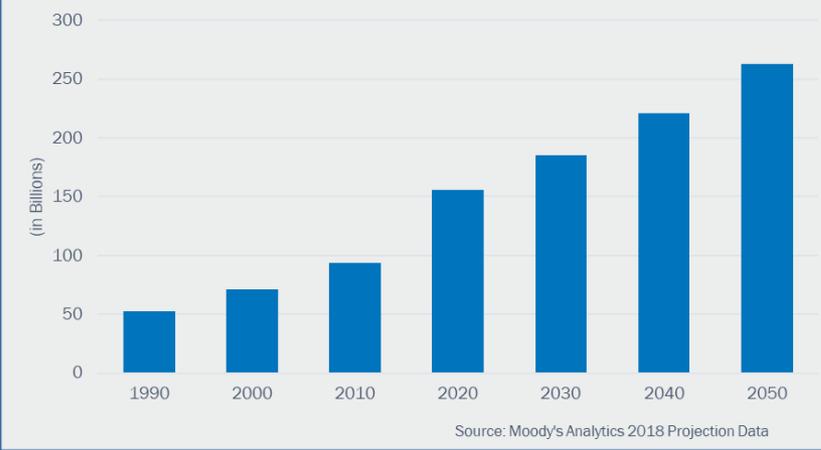
Corridor Historical and Forecasted Employment (1990 to 2050)



Employment

- Grew from 618,697 in 1990 to 845,071 in 2017, an increase of 37%.
- Projected to grow from 894,768 in 2020 to 1,044,139 in 2050, an increase of 17%.

Corridor Historical and Forecasted GDP (1990 to 2050)



Gross Domestic Product (GDP)

- Projected to grow from \$155,377 million in 2020 to \$263,243 million in 2050, an increase of 69%.



Traffic:

- Traffic volumes are projected to increase 67% from 2018 to 2050.
- Truck volumes are projected to increase 73% from 2018 to 2050.

Truck traffic is higher north of San Angelo than in the southern half of the corridor.

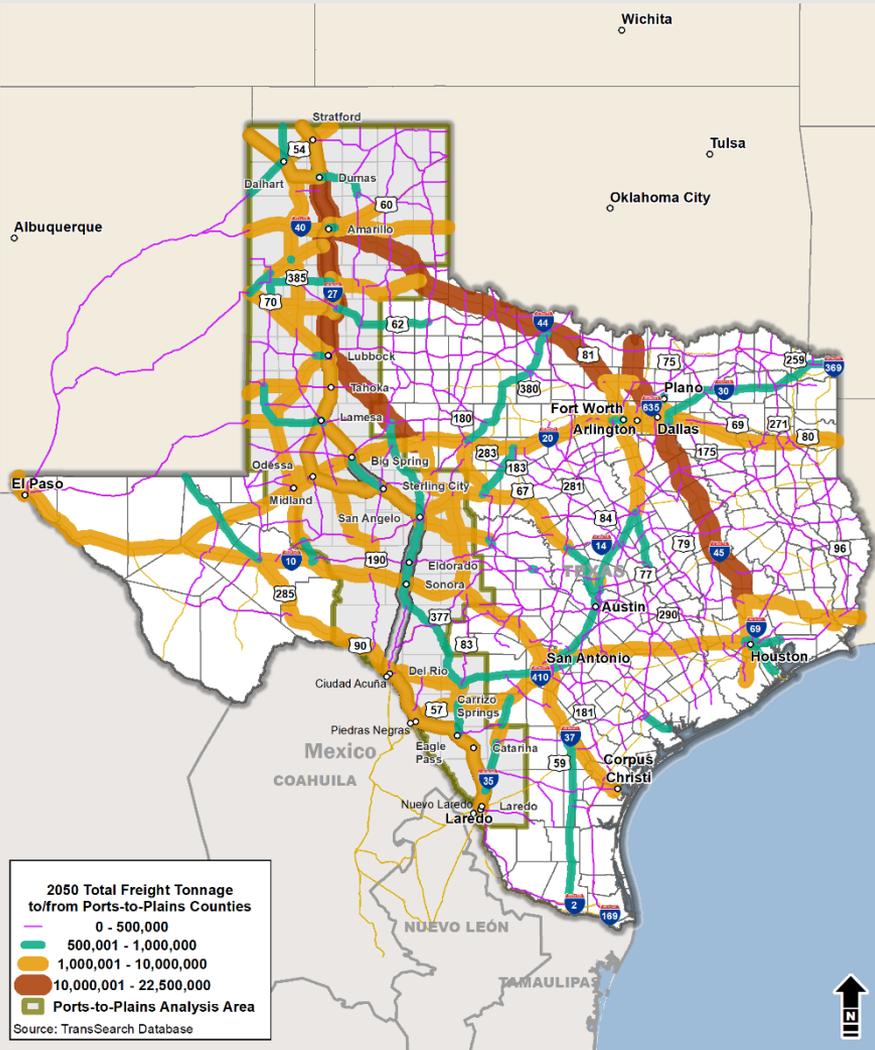
Laredo has the highest truck traffic volumes of the corridor.



Between 2014 to 2018:

- Between 2014 and 2018 there were 17,554 total crashes with 242 of those being fatal crashes resulting in 297 fatalities
- The highest crash rates within the corridor occurred through Amarillo, Big Spring, Midland, San Angelo, Sonora, and Del Rio.

Current and Future Corridor Freight Movement



- Truck traffic using the corridor connects across Texas is expected to grow.
- The most significant commodity growth is expected to occur in agriculture and food products, and construction-related bulk materials

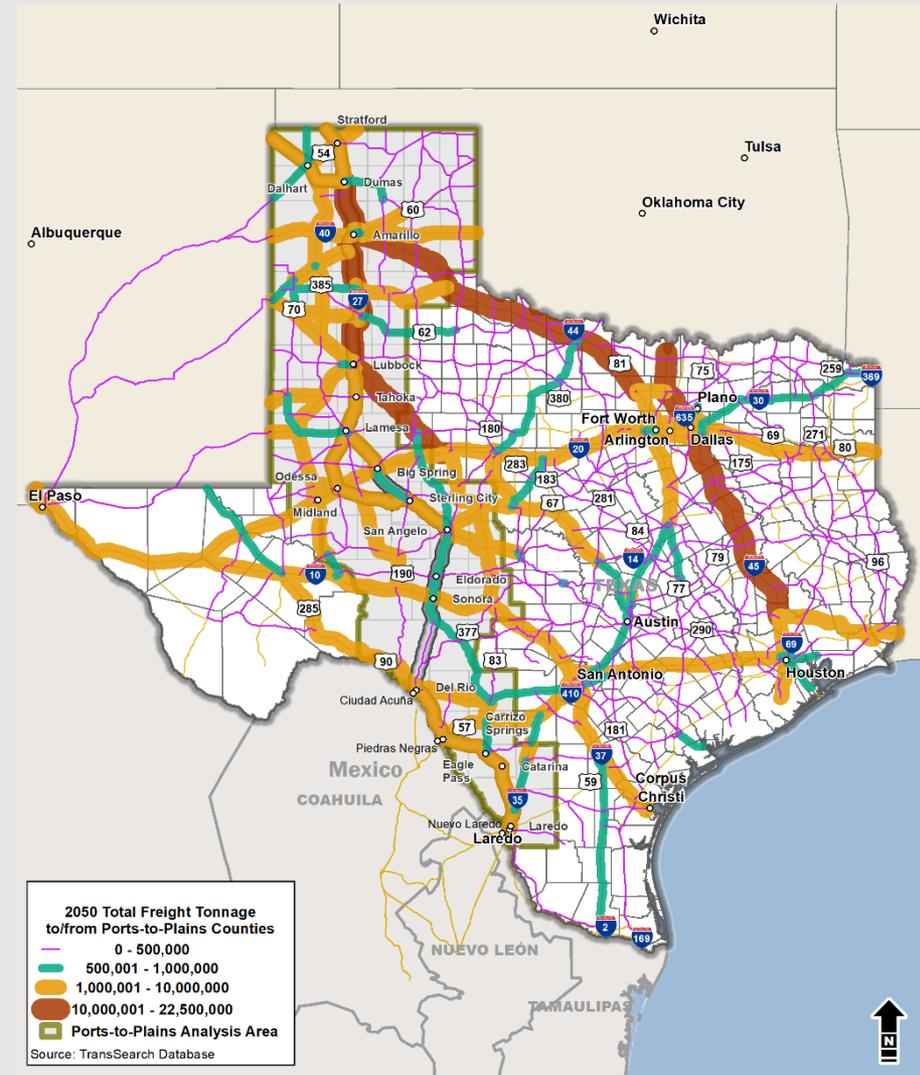


Analysis and Findings



Facilitate Freight Movement

- The interstate is projected to carry 5,100 trucks per day by 2050, an increase of 34% over the non-interstate.
- The interstate will provide **improved travel times** and **additional capacity** to address times of peak demand and decrease delays due to accidents.

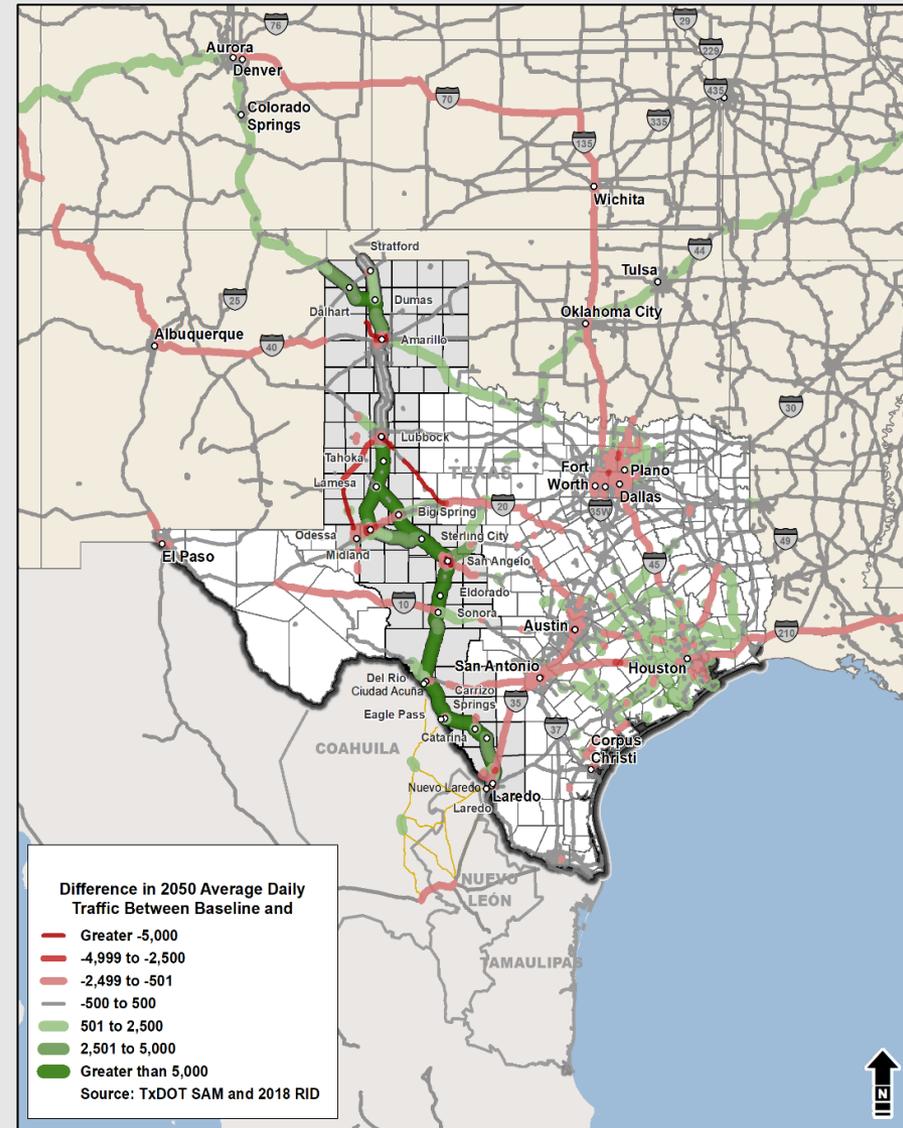




Traffic Congestion Relief

The interstate:

- Has more capacity and improves congestion over other corridors.
- Results in higher speeds and diverts traffic from other corridors.
- Diverts traffic from US 385 South of Hartley, US 84 between Lubbock and I-20, US 57 (Eagle Pass to San Antonio
- Diverts traffic from key national corridors including I-10, I-35, I-40 and I-70.
- Diverts trips from Mexico to Midwestern states.

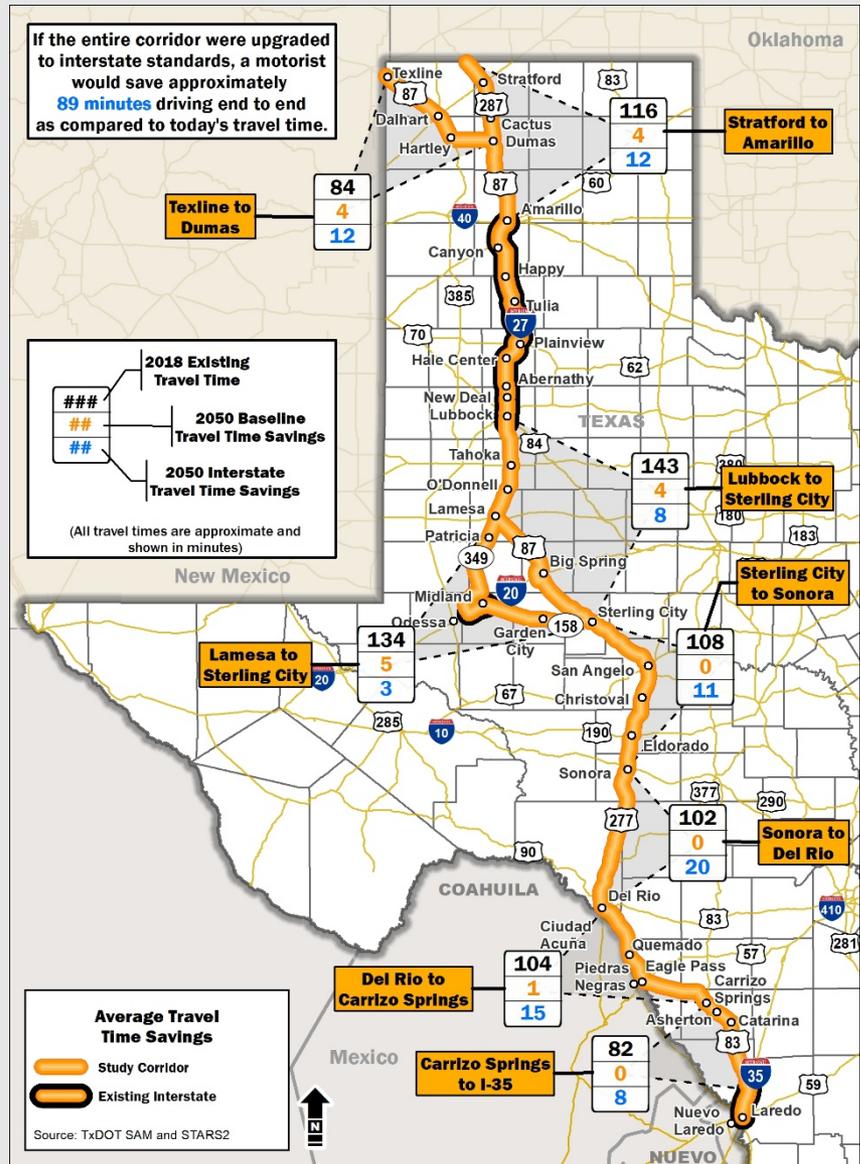




Ability to Promote Safety and Mobility

Safety: The interstate is expected to **reduce the crash rate by 21%** over the non-interstate.

Travel Time: The interstate provides an average travel time savings of **1 ½ hours** for the length of the corridor over the non-interstate.





Interstate Suitability Findings

Three methods to obtain interstate designation:

Method 1: The USDOT Secretary may designate, if the corridor currently meets interstate standards

Method 2: TxDOT may submit a proposal requesting designation as an interstate

Method 3: By congressional act



Costs to Upgrade the Corridor to Interstate Standards

	Corridor Preliminary Interstate Estimate <i>(Some Rural Frontage Roads)</i>
Interstate	<i>4-Lane Divided: 811 miles*</i>
Frontage Roads in Urban Areas***	<i>All** (2-lane)</i>
Frontage Roads in Rural Areas***	<i>533 out of 718 miles (1-lane)</i>
Construction	\$20.584 billion (\$25.4 M/mi)
Right of Way	\$2.058 billion
Utilities	\$0.874 billion
Total	\$23.516 billion

*Miles do not include I-27, I-20, and I-35

** Estimate includes approximately 100 miles of frontage roads in urban areas

***Number of lanes shown are in each direction. Frontage roads are assumed to be on both sides of the interstate.



Economic Development Impacts and Return on Investment

Total Annual Travel Cost Savings	\$4.1B
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Total Annual Increase in GDP	\$2.84B
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Total Increase in Employment	22,110
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Return on Investment	76%
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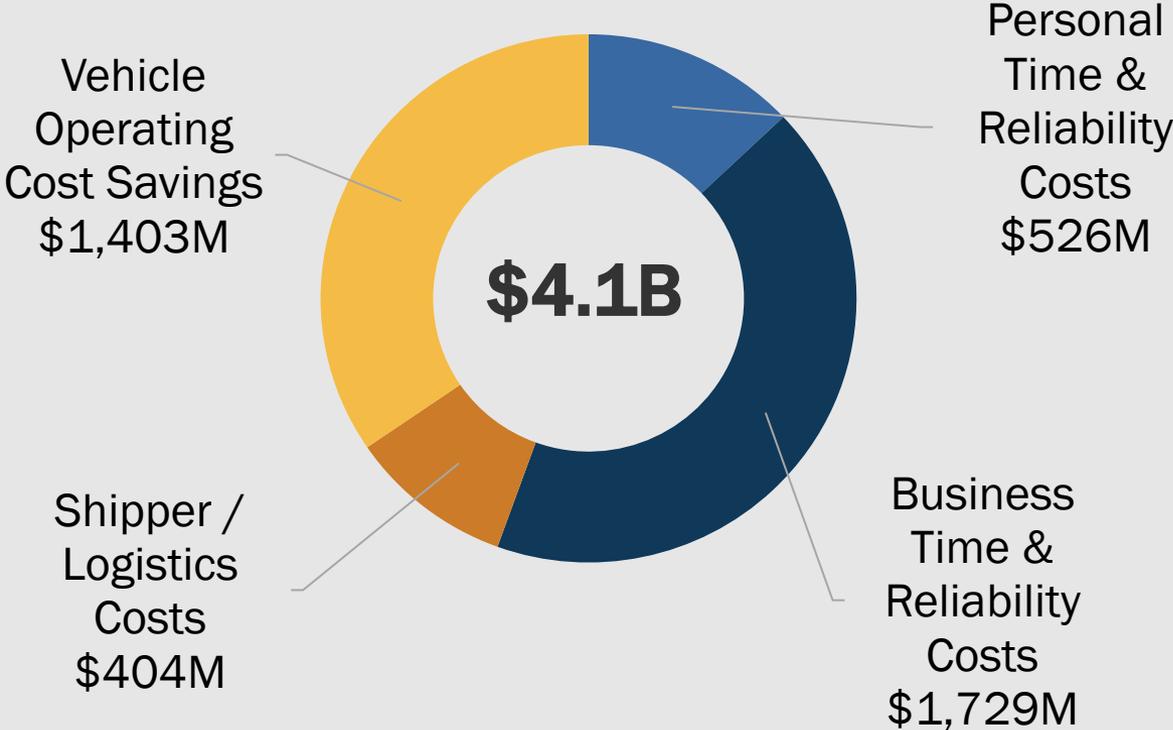
- \$17B Net Return on Investment

Benefit-Cost Ratio	2.4
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- Net Present Value of \$39.2B



Corridor-wide Travel Cost Savings





Potential Funding Sources

Federal

- **Federal-Aid Highway Program**
Supports state highway systems
- **USDOT Build Grant Program**
Max award is \$25M. Projects should have significant local and/or regional impacts.
- **Infrastructure for Rebuilding America Grant Program**
Grant to rebuild aging infrastructure. May be used for up to 60% of project's eligible cost.



Local

- **Metropolitan Planning Organization**
Amarillo MPO; Lubbock MPO; San Angelo MPO; Permian Basin MPO; Laredo Urban Transportation Study



State of Texas

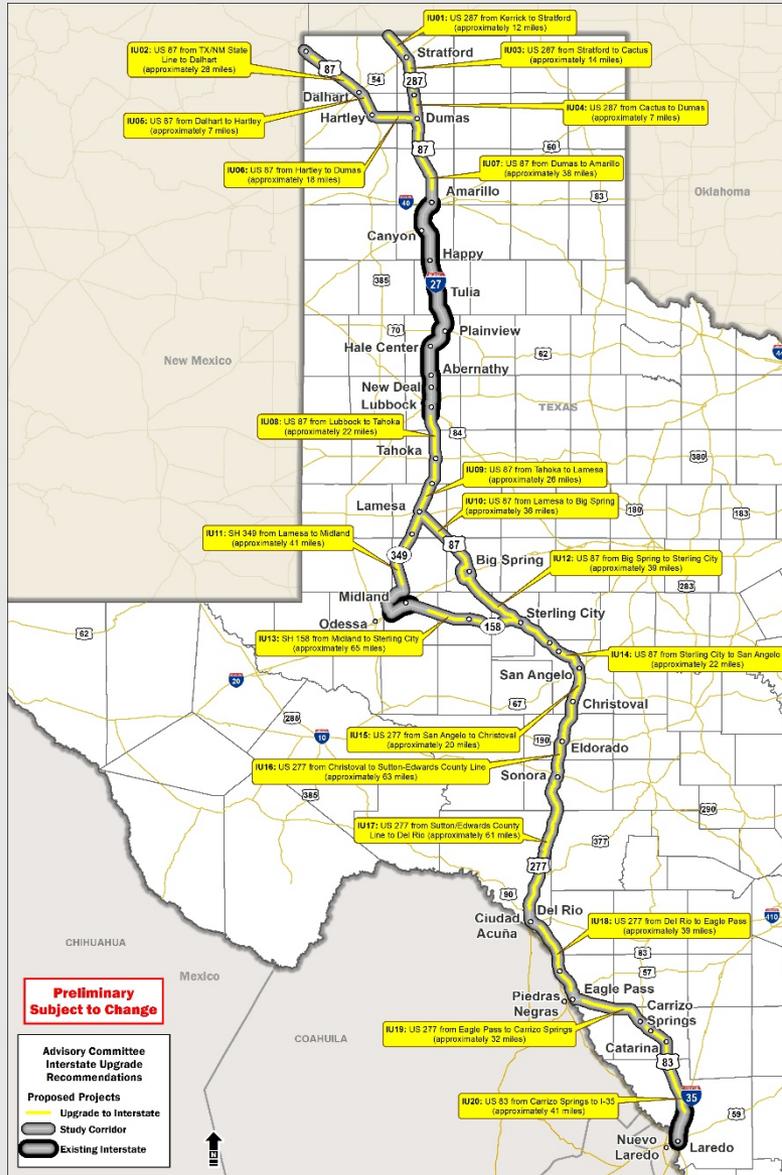
- **Proposition 1**
Tax based to construct, maintain, or acquire ROW for public roadways
- **Proposition 7**
Tax based to construct, maintain, or acquire ROW for public roadways; or repay bonds
- **State Infrastructure Bank**
At or below market rate loans for ROW acquisition, utility relocation, etc.
- **State Highway Fund**
Primary source of transportation funding for Texas
- **2019 Legislative Session**
SB 500 and HB 1 fund county roads in energy sectors. Grant process. Local match.





Advisory Committee Preliminary Recommendations



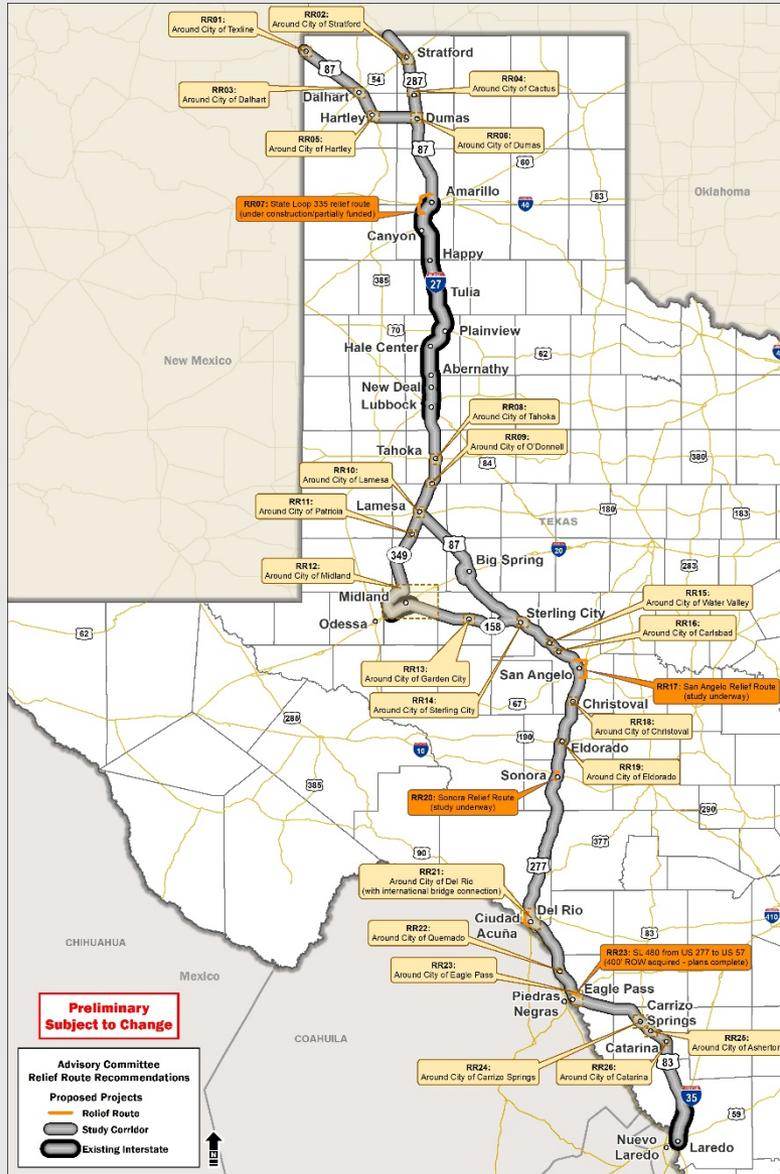


Interstate Upgrades

Map ID	Description of Work
IU13	SH 158 from Midland to Sterling City (approx. 65 miles)
IU14	US 87 from Sterling City to San Angelo (approx. 22 miles)
IU15	US 277 from San Angelo to Christoval (approx. 20 miles)
IU16	US 277 from Christoval to Sutton-Edwards County Line (approx. 63 miles)
IU17	US 277 from Sutton/Edwards County Line to Del Rio (approx. 61 miles)
IU18	US 277 from Del Rio to Eagle Pass (approx. 39 miles)
IU19	US 277 from Eagle Pass to Carrizo Springs (approx. 14 miles)
IU20	US 83 from Carrizo Springs to I-35 (approx. 41 miles)



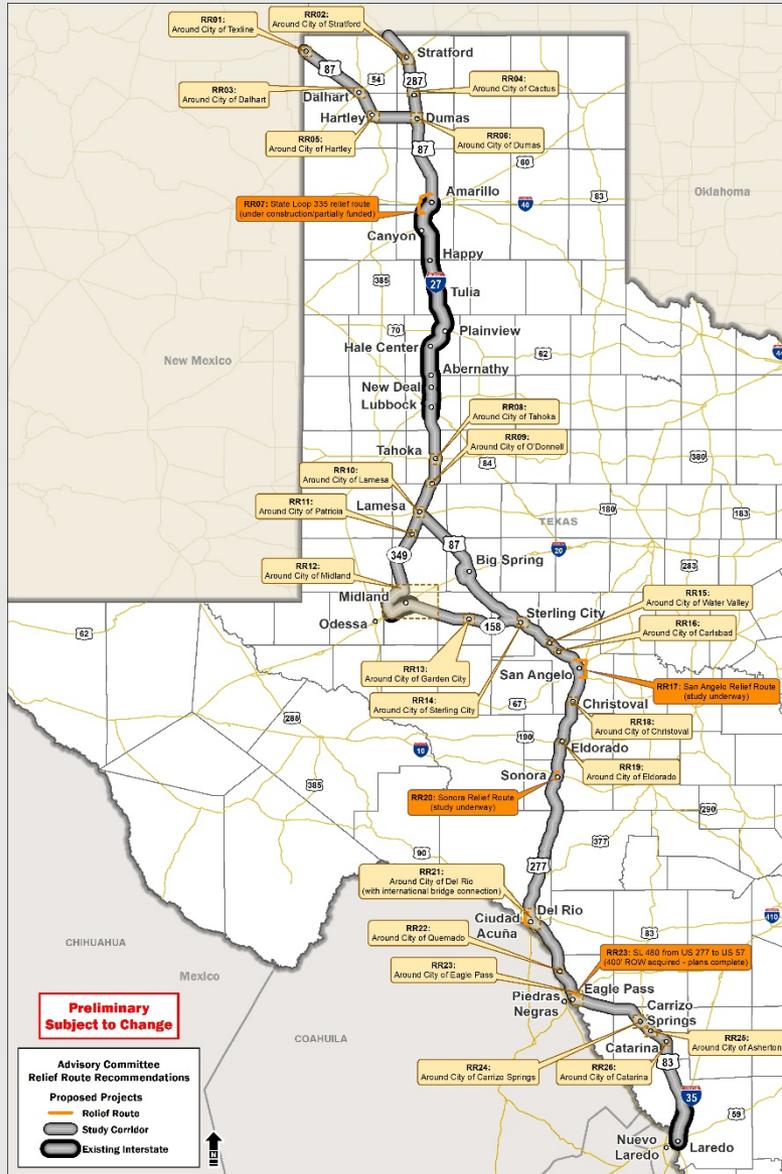
Relief Routes



Map ID	Description of Work
RR01	Around City of Texline
RR02	Around City of Stratford
RR03	Around City of Dalhart
RR04	Around City of Cactus
RR05	Around City of Hartley
RR06	Around City of Dumas
RR07	State Loop 335 relief route off US 87, extends along west side of Amarillo (under construction/partially funded)
RR09	Around City of O'Donnell
RR10	Around City of Lamesa
RR11	Around City of Patricia
RR12	Around City of Midland
RR13	Around City of Garden City
RR14	Around City of Sterling City



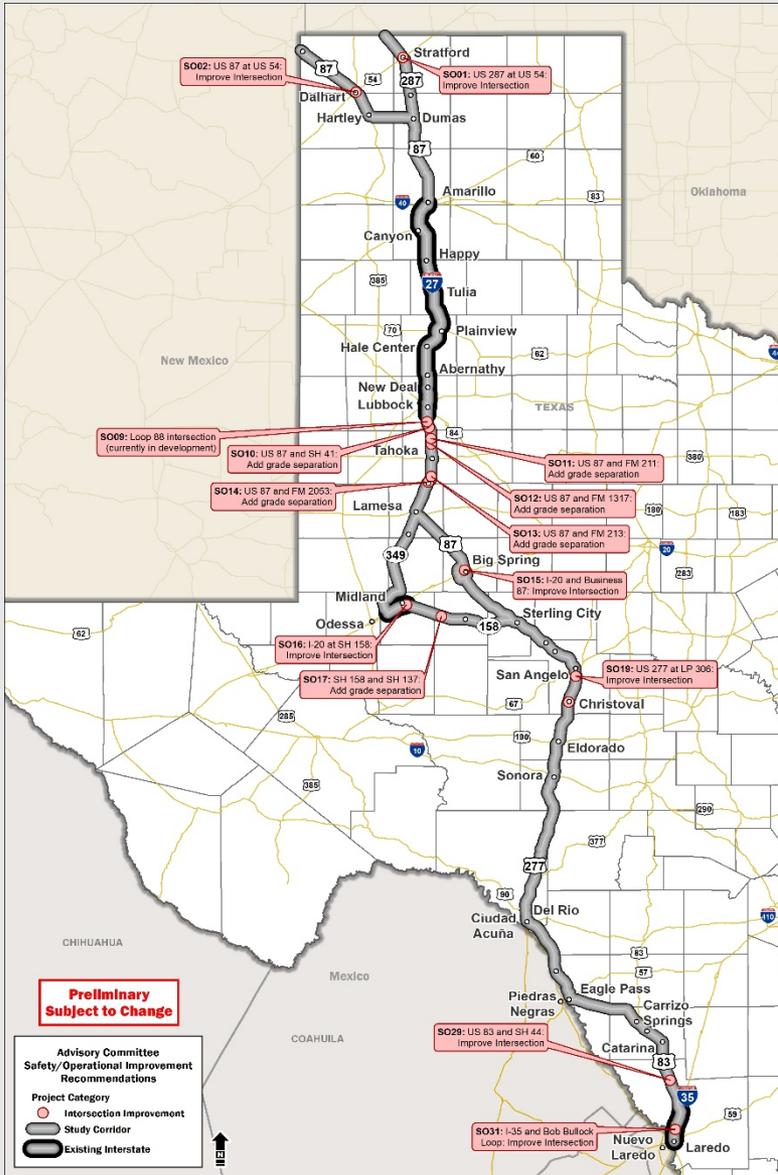
Relief Routes



Map ID	Description of Work
RR15	Around City of Water Valley
RR16	Around City of Carlsbad
RR17	Around East side of San Angelo (study underway)
RR18	Around City of Christoval
RR19	Around City of Eldorado
RR20	Around City of Sonora (study underway)
RR21	Loop 79 extension around City of Del Rio including international bridge connections
RR22	Around City of Quemado
RR23	SL 480 from US 277 to US 57 around Eagle Pass (400' ROW acquired - plans complete)
RR24	Around City of Carrizo Springs
RR25	Around City of Asherton
RR26	Around City of Catarina



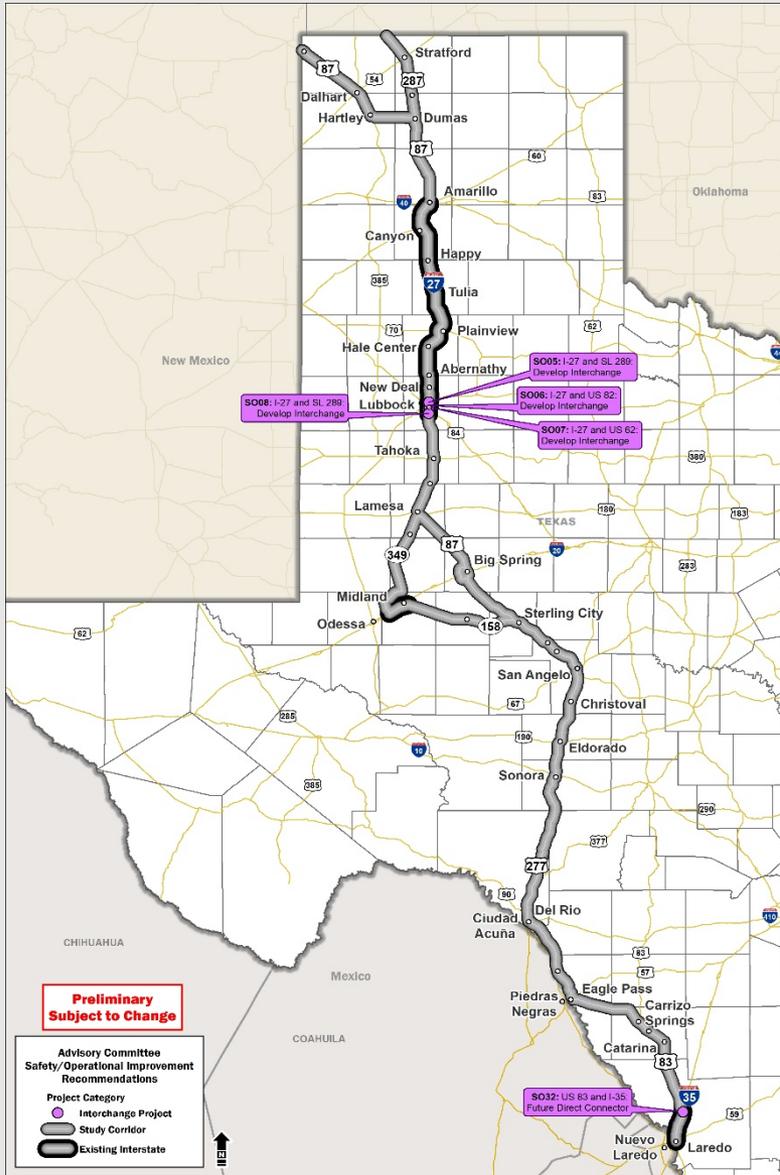
Intersection Improvements



Map ID	Description of Work
S001	US 287 at US 54: Improve Intersection
S002	US 87 at US 54: Improve Intersection
S009	Loop 88 intersection (currently in development)
S010	US 87 and SH 41: Add grade separation
S011	US 87 and FM 211: Add grade separation
S012	US 87 and FM 1317: Add grade separation
S013	US 87 and FM 213: Add grade separation
S014	US 87 and FM 2053: Add grade separation
S015	I-20 and Business 87: Improve Intersection
S016	I-20 at SH 158: Improve Intersection
S017	SH 158 and SH 137: Add grade separation
S019	US 277 at LP 306: Improve Intersection
S029	US 83 and SH 44: Improve Intersection
S031	I-35 and Bob Bullock Loop: Improve Intersection



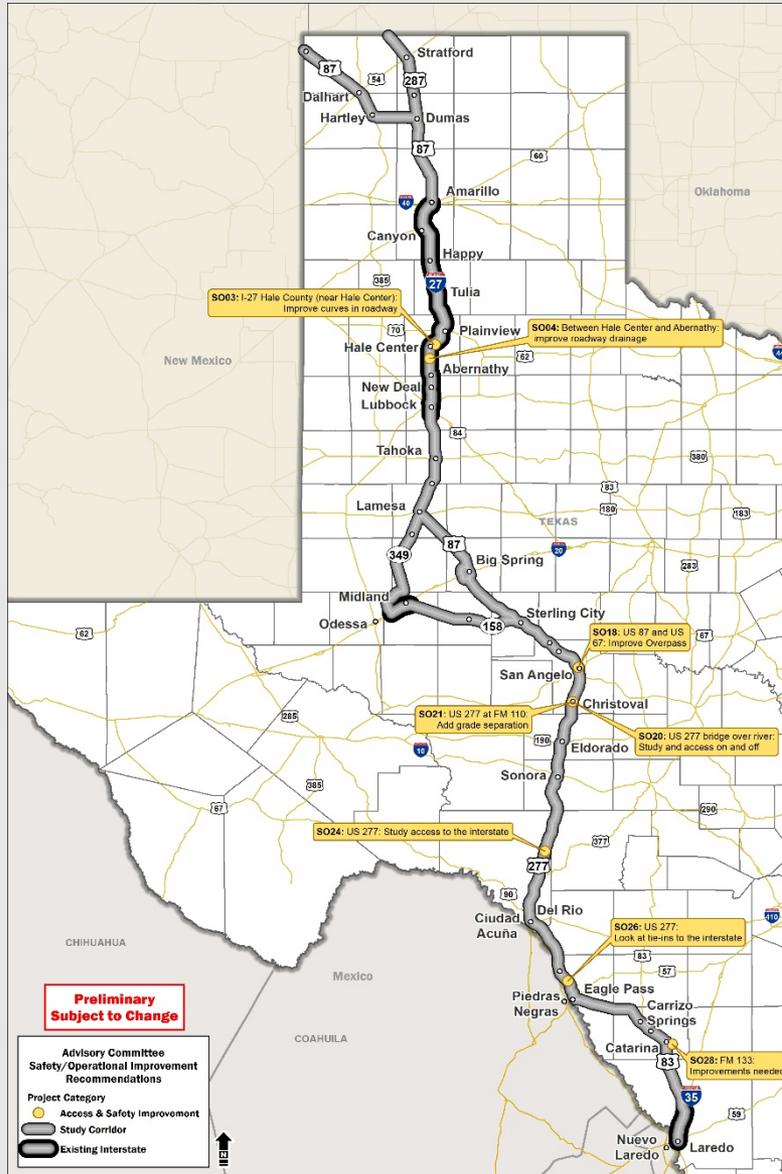
Interchange Projects



Map ID	Description of Work
S005	I-27 and SL 289: Develop Interchange
S006	I-27 and US 82: Develop Interchange
S007	I-27 and US 62: Develop Interchange
S008	I-27 and SL 289: Develop Interchange
S032	US 83 and I-35: Future Direct Connector



Access and Safety Improvements

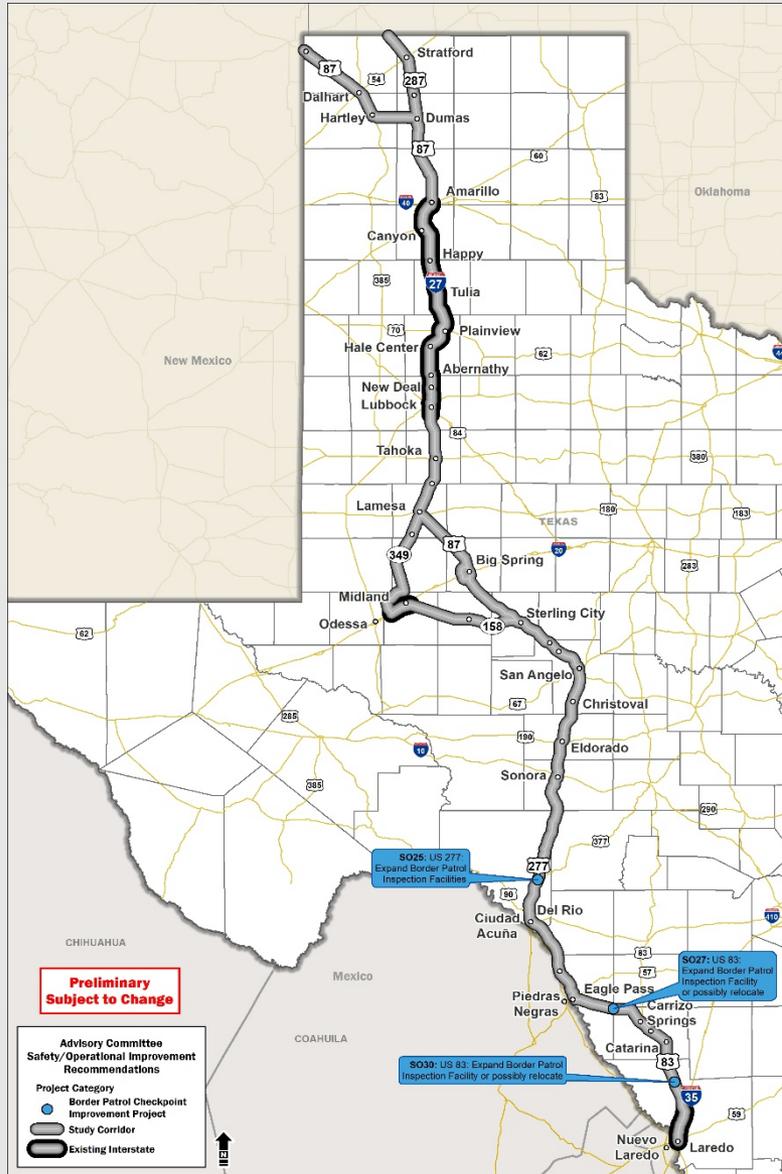


Map ID	Description of Work
S003	I-27 Hale County (near Hale Center): Improve curves in roadway
S004	Between Hale Center and Abernathy: Improve Roadway Drainage
S018	US 87 and US 67: Improve Overpass
S020	US 277 bridge over river: Study and access on and off
S021	US 277 at FM 110: Add grade separation
S024	US 277: Study access to the interstate
S026	US 277: Look at tie-ins to the interstate
S028	FM 133: Improvements needed



Border Patrol Checkpoint Improvements

Map ID	Description of Work
S025	US 277: Expand Border Patrol Inspection Facilities
S027	US 83: Expand Border Patrol Inspection Facility or possibly relocate
S030	US 83: Expand Border Patrol Inspection Facility or possibly relocate





Study Overpass

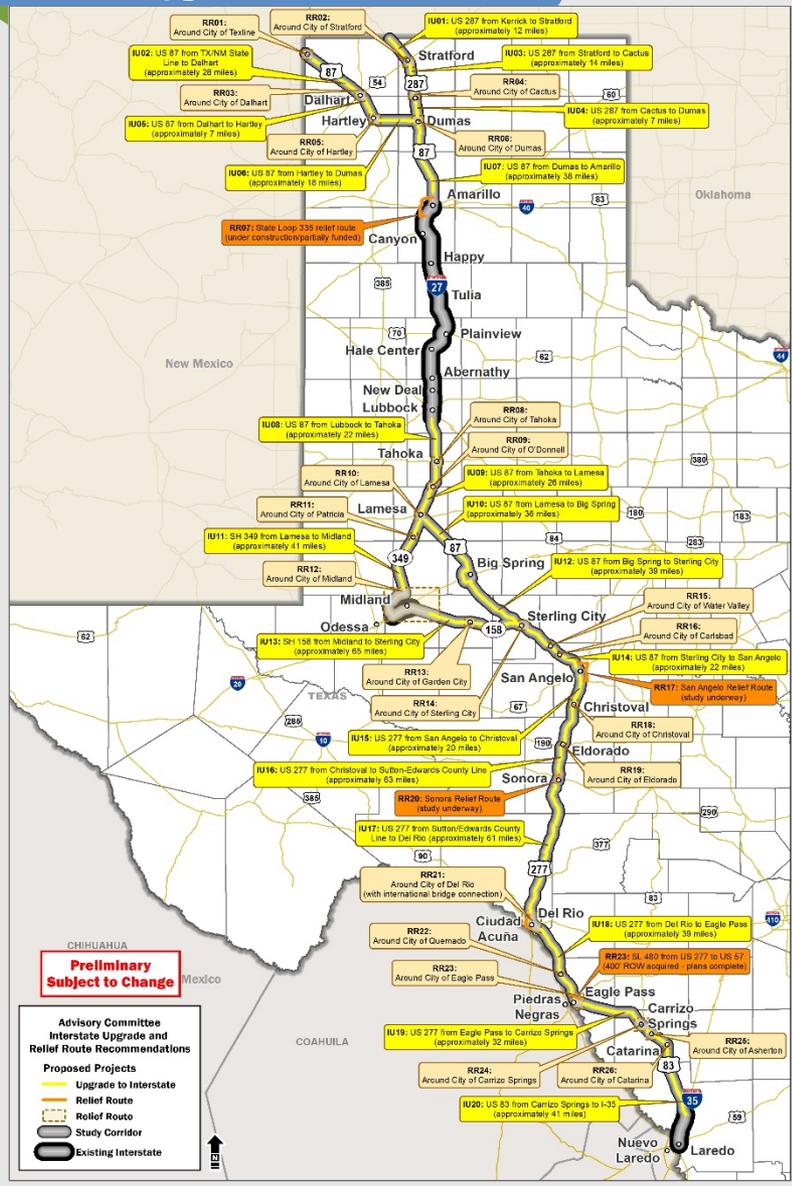
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S022	US 277 at RM 189: Study Overpass
S023	US 277 to SH 55: Study Overpass



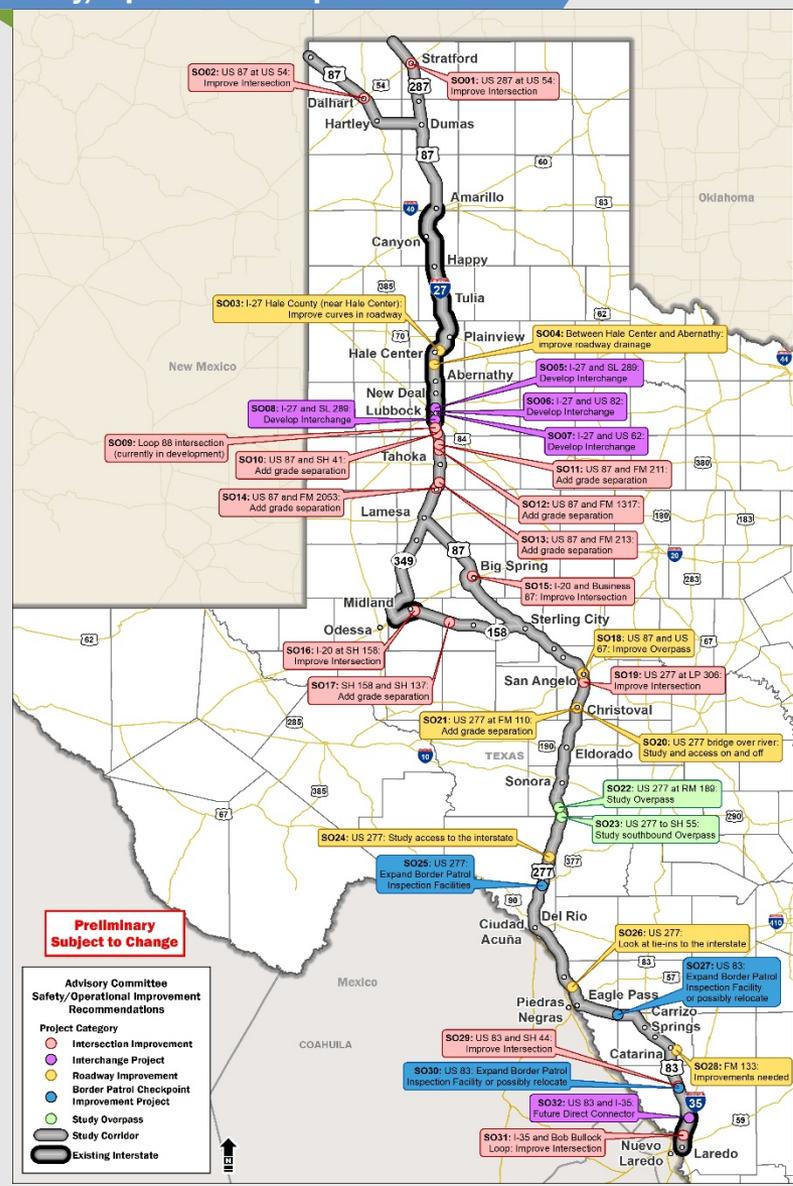


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Interstate Upgrades and Relief Routes



Safety/Operational Improvements





Advisory Committee Implementation Plan





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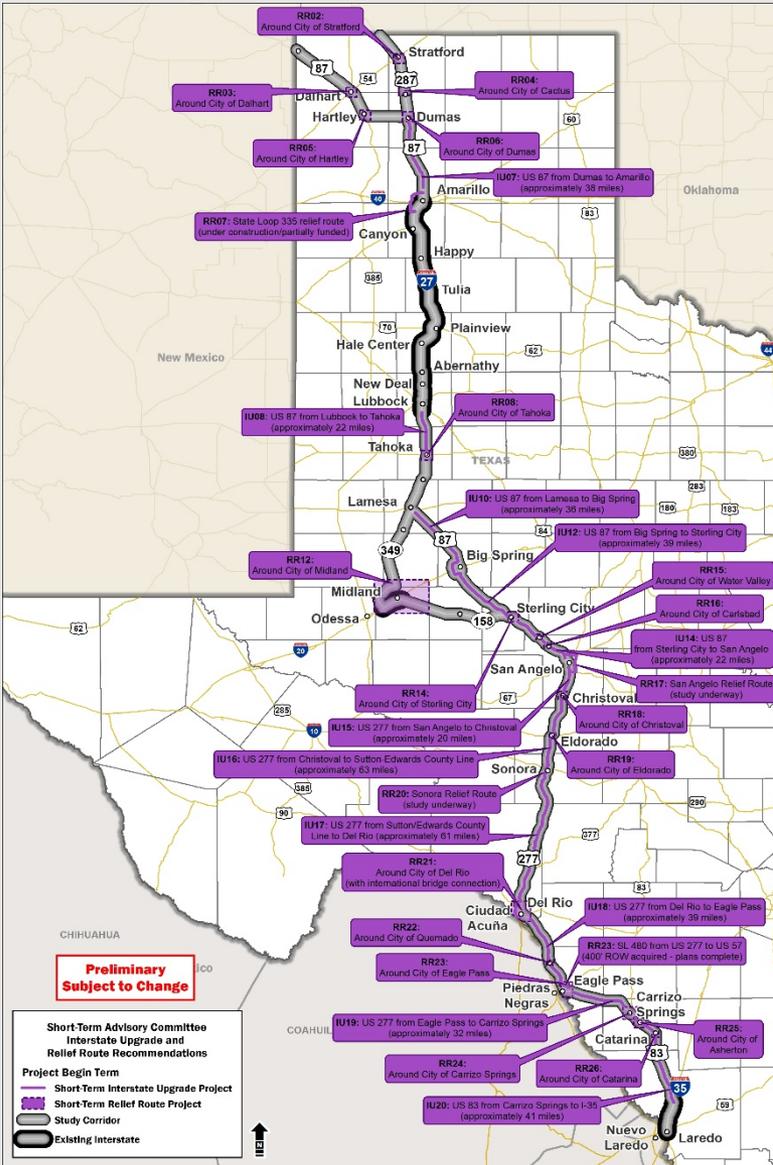
Mid-Term (6-10 years)

Long-Term (11+ years)

*Various funding sources would need to be explored
to construct the recommended projects.
No dedicated funding has been identified.*

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Projects Starting in the Short-term (0 to 5 years)

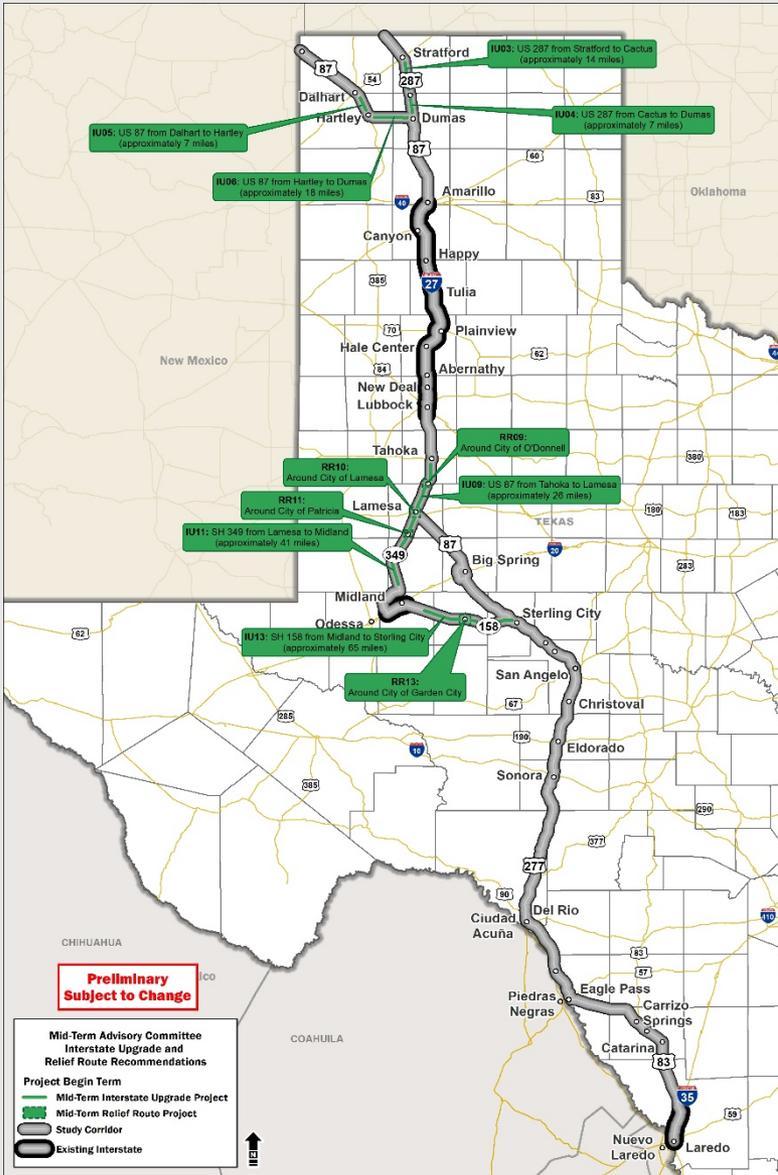


11 Interstate Upgrade Projects

21 Relief Route Projects

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Projects Starting in the Mid-term (6 to 10 years)



7 Interstate Upgrade Projects

4 Relief Route Projects

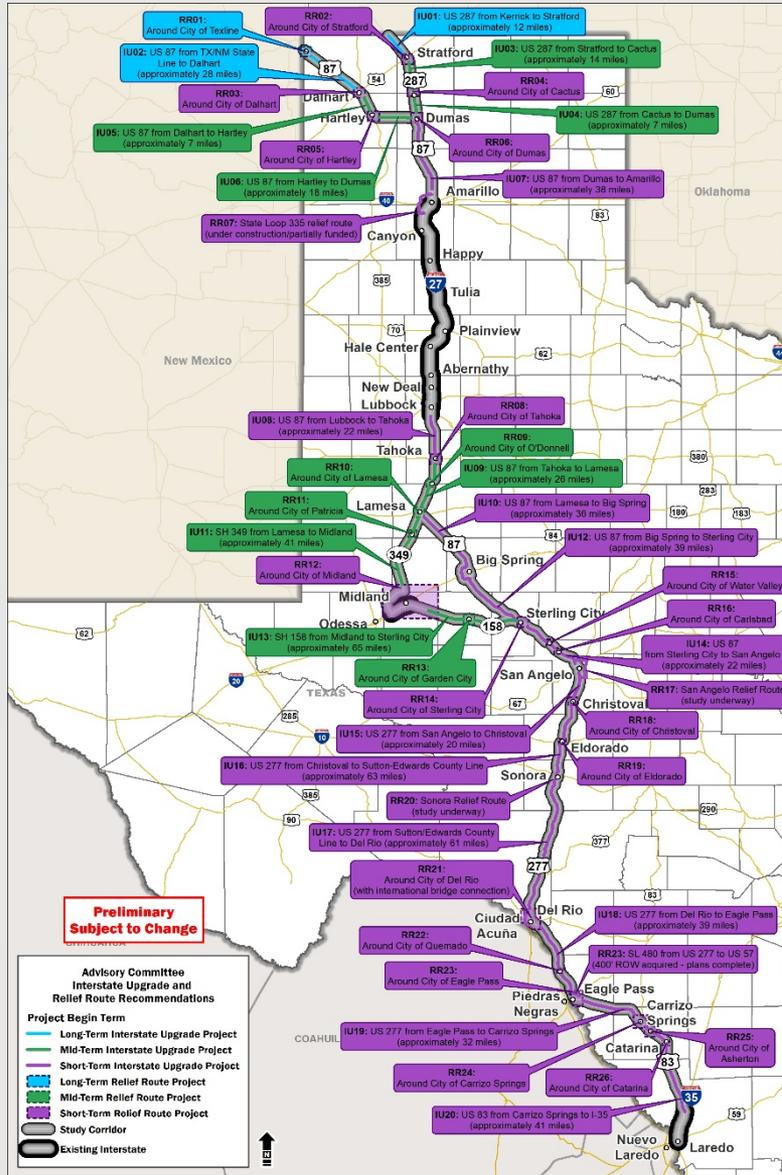
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Projects Starting in the Long-term (11+ years)



2 Interstate Upgrade Projects

1 Relief Route Projects



20 Interstate Upgrade Projects

- 11 starting in short-term
- 7 starting in mid-term
- 2 starting in long-term

26 Relief Route Projects

- 21 starting in short-term
- 4 starting in mid-term
- 1 starting in long-term

Note: Safety/operational improvement projects will be constructed in conjunction with the interstate upgrade and relief route projects.



Time for Q & A

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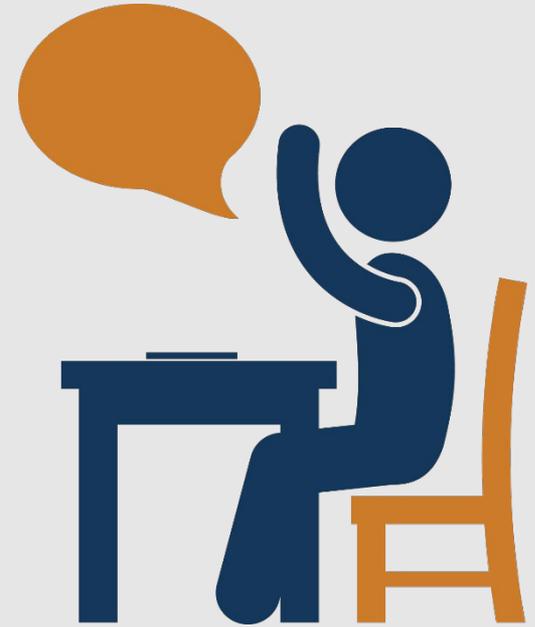
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Public Feedback

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TxDOT is hosting two live virtual public meetings to provide the public an opportunity to learn about the Ports-to-Plains Corridor Interstate Feasibility Study and to provide input on preliminary recommendations provided by the Advisory Committee.

Virtual Meetings: August 25 and 26, 2020

Two identical virtual public meetings will be held **Tuesday, August 25 and Wednesday, August 26 at 4 p.m.** These will be in a webinar format (no in-person meeting), which will include a live presentation and comment opportunity via WebEx. The meetings will be recorded and available until Thursday, September 10, 2020. Visit the [August 25](#) or [August 26](#) virtual public meeting pages to join the webinars or watch the presentations at a later date.

Phone Number

If you do not have internet access, you may call (512) 486-5106 to ask questions about the project and access project materials at any time during the study process. Comments must be received on or before Thursday, September 10, 2020 to be included in the official record.

Written Comments

All comments must be received on or before Thursday, September 10, 2020. Formal comments may be submitted by mail, email, or online comment form as described on the [Submit a Comment](#) page. You may also contact TxDOT to ask questions about the project at any time during the study process.

Study Description

The 86th Texas Legislature passed House Bill 1079 to study the Ports-to-Plains Corridor, including an evaluation of the feasibility of, and the costs and logistical matters associated with improvements that create a continuous flow, four-lane divided highway that meets interstate highway standards to the extent possible, including improvements that extend Interstate 27 between the New Mexico and Oklahoma borders and Laredo.

Special Accommodations

TxDOT makes every reasonable effort to accommodate the needs of the public. The virtual public meeting will be in English. If you need special communication accommodation or need for an interpreter, a request can be made. If you have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can also be made to accommodate most needs. Please call (512) 486-5106 at least 2 working days prior to the meeting. Please be aware that advance notice is requested as some accommodations may require time for TxDOT to arrange.



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Attend the Virtual Meeting

When it is time, join the virtual public meeting by clicking the graphic above.

- **Meeting number (access code):** 160 639 8797
- **Meeting password:** P2Pstudy
- **Select your desired audio option**
- **Or join by phone:** 1-415-655-0003

The meeting will be recorded and available online for the public to view through Thursday, September 10, 2020.

Meeting Format

The public meeting will begin at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, August 25.

Project staff will give a presentation regarding the project. The presentation will include both audio and visual components and will be in English. After the presentation, the project team will respond to questions and comments from attendees.

- Please type your name in the chat box when you enter the live event.
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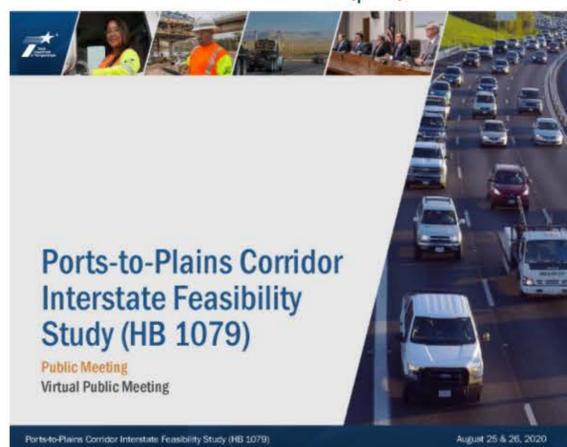
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Presentation (video)



Presentation (pdf)



Presentation

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Exhibits & Materials

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Meeting Format

The public meeting will begin at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, August 26.

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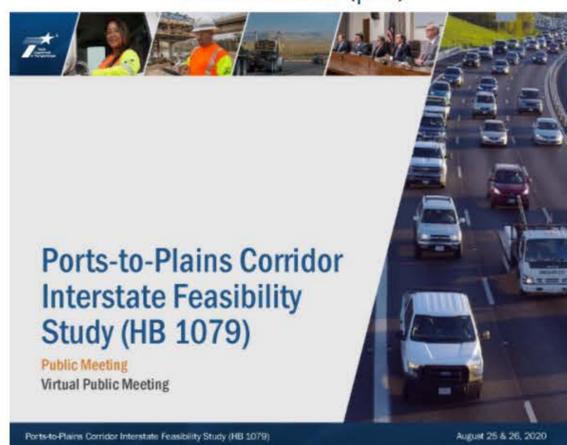
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Presentation (video)



Presentation (pdf)



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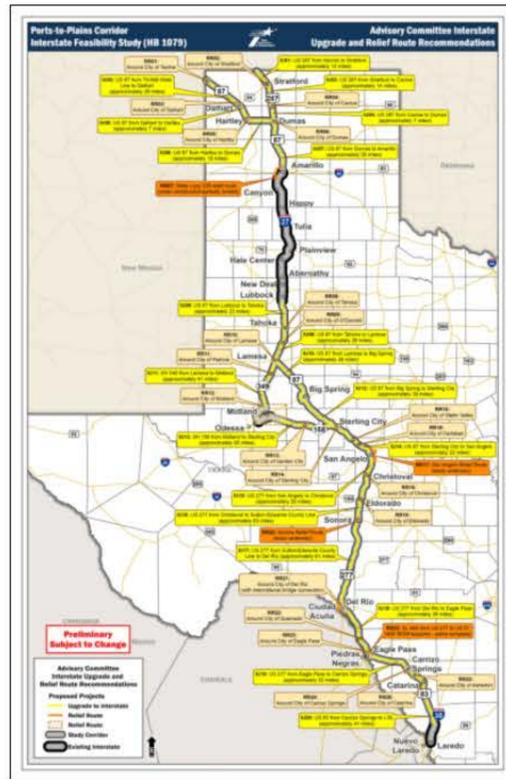
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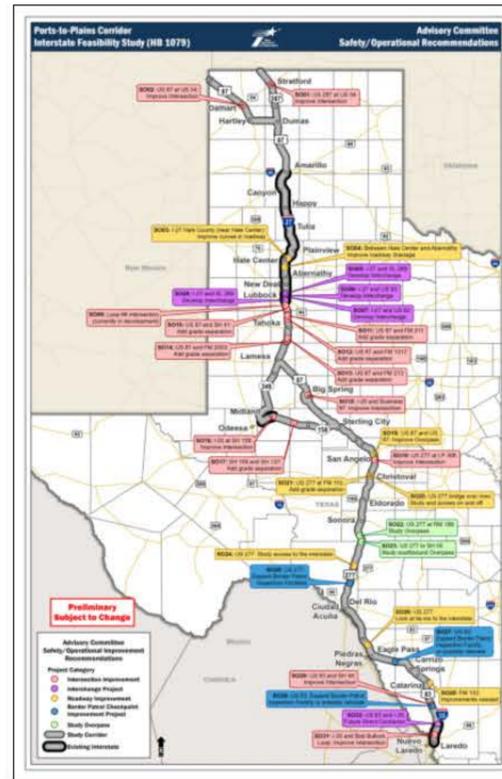
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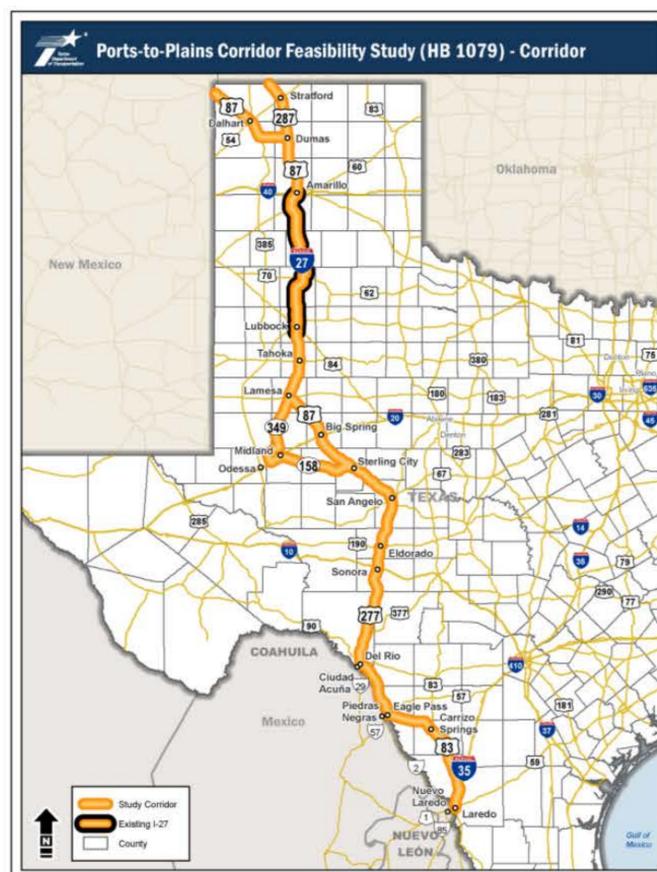
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The Ports-to-Plains Corridor Feasibility Study evaluates the feasibility of, and the costs and logistical matters associated with, improvements that create a continuous flow, four-lane divided highway that meets interstate highway standards to the extent possible, including improvements that extend I-27. The study evaluates those highways that comprise the Ports-to-Plains Corridor. The feasibility study will examine two alternatives: identifying areas that are suitable for four-lane divided highway improvement or areas that are suitable for interstate highway development.

The study limits stretch 963 miles between the New Mexico and Oklahoma borders and Laredo. This includes sections of I-20, I-27, I-35, US 83, US 87, US 277, US 287, SH 158, and SH 349.



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What are the Advisory Committee's preliminary recommendations?

You can view the [preliminary recommendation maps here](#).

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What is the Ports-to-Plains Corridor?

Beginning with the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, corridors have been designated by Congress in Federal transportation legislation as high priority corridors on the National Highway System for inclusion in the NHS as specific routes or general corridors. The Ports-to-Plains Corridor is a proposed divided highway corridor stretching 963 miles from Laredo through West Texas to Denver, Colorado. The corridor was designated by Congress as a High Priority Corridor on the National Highway System in 1998. In Texas, the Ports-to-Plains Corridor is comprised of sections of Interstate 20, Interstate 27, Interstate 35, US 83, US 87, US 277, US 287, State Highway 158, and State Highway 349.

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Why is this study being conducted?

The 86th Texas Legislature passed House Bill 1079 relating to a study of the Ports-to-Plains Corridor, including an evaluation of the feasibility of certain improvements to Interstate Highway 27 (I-27), by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). The governor signed the bill into law on June 10, 2019. The law requires TxDOT to submit a report on the results of the study to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the House of Representatives, and the presiding officer of each standing committee of the legislature with jurisdiction over transportation matters not later than January 1, 2021.

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What is the difference between the "Initial Assessment on the Potential Extension of Interstate 27 within the Ports-to-Plains Corridor" that TxDOT completed in 2015 and this Corridor Feasibility Study?

In early 2015, TxDOT conducted a high-level planning and public outreach effort for the Ports-to-Plains Corridor. As part of the study, TxDOT hosted listening sessions in Amarillo, Lubbock, Midland-Odessa, Big Spring, Eagle Pass and San Angelo to gather stakeholder input. TxDOT considered this input regarding the evaluation and development of the Ports-to-Plains Corridor as part of the interstate highway network.

The Ports-to-Plains Corridor Feasibility Study that is being conducted is required by House Bill 1079. This study will include an evaluation of improvements that extend I-27 and improvements that would create a continuous flow four-lane divided highway that meets interstate highway standards.

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Would only existing highway corridors be studied to extend I-27?

The study will evaluate those highways that comprise the Ports-to-Plains Corridor. The feasibility study will examine two alternatives – identifying areas that are suitable for four-lane divided highway improvement or areas that are suitable for interstate highway development. During the evaluation, it may be determined that upgrading an existing highway to interstate standards would create significant engineering challenges due to constraints such as steep terrain or adverse environmental impacts. In those areas, deviation from the existing highway may be identified. Where the existing highway extends through a community to the extent that upgrading it to interstate standards would create significant adverse environmental impacts, the need to construct a highway on a new alignment (a "relief route") around that community would be studied.

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Is the Ports-to-Plains Corridor in Texas going to be constructed to interstate standards?

Using a data-driven planning process, this study will evaluate the need for and feasibility of extending I-27 in Texas. Although Congress has designated this corridor as a "High Priority" corridor on the National Highway System, it has not designated this corridor as a "High Priority Corridor designated as Future Interstate." There would be many steps and coordination between the state and federal government, should this Ports-to-Plains Corridor Feasibility Study determine that extending I-27 is recommended. It is noted that currently, there is no funding currently programmed by TxDOT and the Texas Transportation Commission to construct this corridor to interstate standards.

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How is membership in the Advisory and Segment Committees determined?

House Bill 1079 requires TxDOT to establish an Advisory Committee to assist in conducting the study. The bill is explicit that the membership in the Advisory Committee shall include the county judge, or an elected county official or the administrator of the county's road department, as designated by the county judge, of each county along the Ports-to-Plains Corridor; and the mayor, or city manager or assistant city manager, as designated by the mayor of Amarillo, Big Spring, Carrizo Springs, Dalhart, Del Rio, Dumas, Eagle Pass, Eldorado, Lamesa, Laredo, Lubbock, Midland, Odessa, San Angelo, Sonora, Sterling City, Stratford, and Tahoka.

The bill also requires TxDOT, in conjunction with the Advisory Committee, to establish segment committees for each geographic segment along the Ports-to-Plains Corridor as determined by TxDOT. Per the bill, the segment committees are composed of municipalities, counties, Metropolitan Planning Organizations, ports, chambers of commerce, economic development organizations, oil and gas industry, trucking industry, TxDOT representatives, and other interested parties.

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Will the public have an opportunity to participate in the study?

Public input is an integral part of the planning process. TxDOT welcomes and expects the public to provide feedback and to inform the department of its concerns, interest, community features, and other topics that would be beneficial. The law requires public meetings to be held quarterly on a rotational basis in Amarillo, Laredo, Lubbock and San Angelo. Additional public meetings to engage the public will also be scheduled in other communities along the corridor. These meetings will be advertised through various means once the date, time and location are confirmed.

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What are the key milestones in the study?

Per House Bill 1079, not later than June 30, 2020, each Segment Committee must submit to the Advisory Committee a report that includes their priority recommendations for improvement and expansion of the Ports-to-Plains Corridor. Not later than October 31, 2020, the Advisory Committee must review and compile the reports submitted by each Segment Committee and submit to TxDOT, including a summary and any recommendations based on those reports. TxDOT must submit a report on the results of the Ports-to-Plains Corridor Feasibility Study to the governor, lieutenant governor, the speaker of the House of Representatives, and the presiding officer of each standing committee of the legislature with jurisdiction over transportation matters not later than January 1, 2021.

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