



Documentation of Public Meeting

Project Location

Cooke County, Texas

US 82 Reliever Route Study – Gainesville, Texas

Project Limits

I-35 and FM 678

Meeting Location

Gainesville Civic Center, 311 South Weaver Street, Gainesville, TX 76240

Meeting Date and Time

Tuesday, May 16, 2017, 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Translation Services

Spanish

Elected Officials in Attendance

John Klement, Cooke County Commissioner

Total Number of Attendees

158 (excluding staff and consultants)

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A. Comment Response Matrix

Comments pertaining to the Public Meeting were accepted through Wednesday, May 31, 2017. 141 comments were received. Comments received after this deadline are still being received and evaluated but are not reflected in the summary analysis below. The Comment/Response Matrix is included behind this summary page. The number of comments received by topic area is included below. Many comments covered several topic areas.

Number of Comments Received by Topic Area

Topic Area	Number of Comments Received
Preferred alternative	47
Taking of property	39
New alternative - North	31
Reliever Route not needed	15
New alternative	12
Economic impact	12
Rural character	9
Proximity to school	8
Enhance current US 82	6
Environmental impact	5
I-35 Interchange	5
Historic feature	4
Environmental impact - water resources	4
Survey	3
Congestion	3
Safety	3
Environmental impact - noise	3
General study comment	3
Support Reliever Route	3
Local plans	2
Elevate roadway	2
Environmental impact - water resources	1
Improve intersections/signals	1
Preferred roadway type	1
Community Impact	1

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Comments received May 16, 2017 - May 31, 2017

Commenter	Commenter Name	Date Received	Source	Comment Topic	Response
1	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	I prefer an established and existing exit at Lone Oak exit (3002) being used.	As part of previous study efforts conducted by TxDOT to address mobility issues in the greater Gainesville area, a reliever route near the US 82 / IH 35 interchange was identified as a long term solution. In order for a reliever route to make an impact at the US 82 / IH 35 interchange, the reliever route needs to be close enough to the interchange which has been confirmed by traffic analyses conducted during this study. Utilizing existing roads such as FM 3002 or FM 922 will not divert enough traffic away from the US 82 / IH 35 interchange due to the distance from the interchange in Gainesville. In addition, new ROW would be required along those roads which would also potentially impact homes and/or businesses on those roadways.
				I also wonder why the survey in Nov 2016? It was only open 30 days in the month of Thanksgiving.	TxDOT put together the online survey as way to reach people that could not make the public meeting in October 2016.
2	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Do not build near Fort Fitzhugh- Our family land 100 acres since 1800 in adjacent	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				Fort Fitzhugh- Historical significance	TxDOT acknowledges the importance of preserving and minimizing impacts on historic properties, including Fort Fitzhugh. Our study team is conducting a preliminary environmental constraints assessment for this proposed project. The assessment will include a historical analysis and every attempt would be made to avoid registered historic structures.
3	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	We are newlyweds with an infant son, one son at NCTC and my oldest son and his family are all living and making a living at our indoor arena on Spring Creek Rd. Our events bring people in from overseas and across the nation. We have 4 homes and businesses that will be destroyed if you choose Spring Creek Rd. Strictly Opposed!!	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties, structures and the businesses they support will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
4	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	I believe Gainesville does not need this loop at all.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
				Highway 82 could be expanded.	There are ongoing efforts on US 82 in Gainesville to increase mobility. Although a detailed study has not been performed, consideration to expand US 82 through Gainesville was included in the feasibility study performed several years ago and public input influenced the decision to not further investigate expanding existing US 82.
				Beautiful horse farms- the heart of Gainesville - will be destroyed if you move forward with this unfunded project.	To the extent possible, TxDOT works to minimize impacts on environmentally sensitive areas, structures and historic properties.
5	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Alternative J has negative impact on my property crossing two pastures.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				Suggest moving route to North of Gainesville where development benefited or merging yellow H and blue L to connect to I-35 along RD 218. Alternative K will cross high point Temp on Hill on my property and make two pastures unusable. My property is East side of road 2071. Property ID affected is ID#[REDACTED].	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
				The proposed alternative J would cross historic hill, cross two ponds that would be invaluable and make property of little value to correct tenant who raises livestock, I understand there is no infrastructure to support new homes along the route and alternative J would take revenue away from proposed livestock in Gainesville and North.	If the property is needed for the roadway, an independent appraiser will assess the property to determine their opinion of the value for the property needed. Also, they will determine whether or not they think the use of the remaining property changes because of the highway and they will evaluate whether or not compensation needs to be made as a result of that potential change.
				Route J would cross a flood plain (river and feed creek) and a railroad that would negatively impact livestock.	To the extent possible, TxDOT works to minimize impacts on environmentally sensitive areas, structures and historic properties.
6	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Alternatives H and J bisect my client's land leaving the land on the south side without water access to corrals.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017. Should the acquisition of Right-of-Way be required for this project, TxDOT will follow all applicable state and federal laws as noted in the <i>Landowners Bill of Rights</i> which is available on the Texas Attorney General's and/or TxDOT's website.
				Crosses Terrapin Hill, the highest point in Cooke County which contradicts the PUC ruling on Docket #38597.	To the extent possible, TxDOT works to minimize impacts on environmentally sensitive areas, structures and historic properties. TxDOT acknowledges the importance of preserving and minimizing impacts on historic properties. Our study team is conducting a preliminary environmental constraints assessment for this proposed project. The assessment will include a historical analysis and every attempt would be made to avoid registered historic sites.
				Fails to follow utility ROW. Results in approx. 50% of [REDACTED] land useless for its current use. Destroys the only pond of Farm [REDACTED]. Approximately 200 acres of land are negatively impacted.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017. Should the acquisition of Right-of-Way be required for this project, TxDOT will follow all applicable state and federal laws as noted in the <i>Landowners Bill of Rights</i> which is available on the Texas Attorney General's and/or TxDOT's website.
				Recommended moving route to the N/E side of town, where the business district 13 located, infrastructure and tax credits are available for new development. No infrastructure so SE side of Gainesville, so the land that is destroyed for its current use (framing and ranching) will not be attractive for housing or business development. East of [REDACTED] property Alt. H and J cross a large number of acres of floodplain, the river and several creeks that feed into it.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
7	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	I am opposed to routes J, K, and L. I know that several families and businesses will be displaced if either of those routes are chosen. I would choose to look elsewhere.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.

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8	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	I am opposed to routes J, K, and L. Several families and businesses in the area will have to relocate losing family farms that have been passed from generation to generation. Members of this community will most likely take legal action to prevent it.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
9	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Major congestion at HW 82 and 35 only comes because of the rail lights, a intersection would alleviate the problem and not cause the amount of conflict being proposed. The proposed disrupts too many lives.	There are ongoing efforts on US 82 in Gainesville to increase mobility. Although a detailed study has not been performed, consideration to expand US 82 through Gainesville was included in the feasibility study performed several years ago and public input influenced the decision to not further investigate expanding existing US 82.
10	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	My family and I make our living where 3 of the routes go through. If those routes are chosen it would destroy our place of business and homes.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
11	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Alternative J goes right through our house.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
12	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	I am against the reliever route project.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
				This does not solve the problem of congestion 82 because that includes local traffic including Zodiac.	There are ongoing efforts on US 82 in Gainesville to increase mobility which will help to address the issues from local traffic.
13	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	J, K, L will take out my farm ██████████	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				If safety is your highest priority, re-design I-35 curve at Weaver St. exit and I-35/82 intersection. If you are going to make a loop, a 2-lane road is inadequate from the state.	The schematic for the IH 35 expansion addresses the curve at Weaver Street and all other curves along IH 35 that do not meet current design standards. There are ongoing efforts on US 82 in Gainesville to increase mobility. If a reliever route is built, initially a 2-lane roadway may be constructed; however, the ultimate configuration is a 4-lane divided highway.
14	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Concerned about the environmental impact.	To the extent possible, TxDOT works to minimize impacts on environmentally sensitive areas, structures and historic properties.
15	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Our property was used partially as a school about 85 years ago. It was then a community center and then given back to the previous owners. We are part of a "Cross Timeline" if Texas I have many old large oak trees.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties, structures and the businesses they support will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017. Our study team is conducting a preliminary environmental constraints assessment for this proposed project. The assessment will include a historical analysis and every attempt would be made to avoid registered historic structures.
				Given the routes are not going to benefit businesses along the route. Why go to through rural land? Other than cost.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
16	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Either elevate 82 or go north to keep from destroying family land and houses. I have been told it is too expensive to elevate with no study proving as so I have a petition circulating to force this study.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
				Going north is a shorter route, less expensive, and could be extended to reconnect west of I-35.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
				The proposed location crossing 678 is the most dangerous place along the whole highway with a blind curve on the east side and a blind hill on the west.	If the reliever route is constructed, there will likely be overpasses at the intersections of Farm to Market roads.
17	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Please consider: going north of 82 rather than south.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
				[A]voiding flood plain, repairing areas of 82 that are prone to flooding	To the extent possible, TxDOT works to minimize impacts on environmentally sensitive areas, structures and historic properties. TxDOT will continue to work to improve the existing US 82 and minimize roadway flooding.
				[E]levating the new route, and minimizing the need to relocate homes.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.

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18	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Coming out of 151 is my preference.	Thank you for your comment. As we continue working through this process all comments will be carefully considered. TxDOT will continue to refine alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process, including improving safety and addressing congestion while minimizing impacts on adjacent properties, as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
19	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Go north past Gainesville.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
				I moved to Gainesville from NY when we bought the facility on Spring Creek Rd. We have just renovated 4 homes and our entire facility costing over a million dollars. This project would end my families dream as a Christian based equestrian property where we hold church and bring people into the community to compete. I also have a newborn baby which I had hoped to raise on our ranch.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties, structures and the businesses they support will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
20	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Go North 35 Loop 371 into 82	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
				My home taken out by J.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties, structures and the businesses they support will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				Noise would be bad for children and animals, live stock would not have room to graze.	The impact of noise will be considered as the study team refines alternatives. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact of noise on properties as it refines alternative alignments.
21	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Create a North Loop of I-35 from 371 to HWY 82.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
				Our home I son Alternative J (Purple) is a certified licensed active Cooke County Foster Home. This route is on top of our house.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties, structures and the businesses they support will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
22	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Some form of alternative L would be my preferred route.	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
				One that would not interfere with future growth of the most patriotic little town in the USA! The FM 309 route could be a major thoroughfare for our city in the future and should not be clogged up with receiver route traffic. I think that route north and parallel to 82 should be considered.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
23	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	The red/yellow (H and I) routes are too close to Chalmers Elementary and the state school.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties, structures and the businesses they support will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
24	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Run 3 miles north of 82 Gainesville.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
25	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	The relief route needs to be North of Gainesville. It is a much shorter and more cost effective route.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
				Building a relief route south of Gainesville will kill Gainesville business.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
26	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	None of these routes are advantageous to anyone. Traffic on 82 is the least problem in North Texas. Money would be better spent to improve existing roads.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
				If it was to go through why not straight down 922. Already has existing right of way.	As part of previous study efforts conducted by TxDOT to address mobility issues in the greater Gainesville area, a reliever route near the US 82 / IH 35 interchange was identified as a long term solution. In order for a reliever route to make an impact at the US 82 / IH 35 interchange, the reliever route needs to be close enough to the interchange which has been confirmed by traffic analyses conducted during this study. Utilizing existing roads such as FM 3002 or FM 922 will not divert enough traffic away from the US 82 / IH 35 interchange due to the distance from the interchange in Gainesville. In addition, new ROW would be required along those roads which would also potentially impact homes and/or businesses on those roadways.
27	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Three miles North of 82 to I-35	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
28	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	None of the above. Need to go a few miles North of 82 to tie into I-35	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
29	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Alternative H an J would destroy my horse facility including 4 homes, 2 barns and a riding arena at a very large replacement cost. More to follow.	Thank you for your input. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on homes and other structures as alternative alignments are refined through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
30	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	We are currently building our home on 3092, so alternative H would be a disaster for us.	Thank you for your input. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on homes and other structures as alternative alignments are refined through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				The part of our property that would be affected is home to egrets, cranes, owls, bluebirds, and turkeys. Please do not choose this route!!	TxDOT will work to minimize the impact on animal habitats, sensitive environmental areas and wetlands.
31	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	State has too much money	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.

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32	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	This will bypass all new restaurants going in on 35.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
				All alternative will be on top of existing home- nice, new homes. I do not see the need! The best alternative is H and it is a wide road already existing most of the way. All others are going to involve homes. Our family home place will be affected by all by alternative H.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties, structures and the businesses they support will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
33	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Alternative J goes right through my house. I live on 208 the yellow route is mostly an existing road to expand on and I believe the new portion is through pasture land.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				This project is taking business away from all the new businesses being build on I-35 in Gainesville.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
34	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	I don't prefer any of the routes. If you have to do it put it North of Gainesville. Less houses and negative intrusion as the southern routes. If people want to go around Gainesville take 377 south in Whitesboro	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
35	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Traffic studies have apparently been extensively studies, however, what are the economic impacts to the community with the Reliever Route? Have those studies been conducted, where are their results when pairs with the traffic? I have seen examples throughout the nation where reliever routes and bypasses have been built to alleviate stress on the communities only to have the communities fail due to the bypass/reliever routes. Businesses in the form of convince stores, gas stations, and car dealerships move out first followed by fast food restaurants and chain places. Eventually the economic centers outfit to the relievers and the congestion occurs again with the unfortunate effect of a vacated city center. go downtown Gainesville one block off Broadway and see the empty stores because of the businesses on Ground and HWY 82 as it currently exists.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
				Additional Thoughts: Remove stop lights over I-35 and put clover leaf entrance and exits from HWY 82 - the stop lights are the problem.	The approved IH 35 schematic does not include cloverleafs at the proposed intersection. There are ongoing efforts on US 82 in Gainesville to increase mobility. This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
				Take the money earmarked for tearing up farmland and bridging over flood plains and use it to purchase the businesses along HWY 82 if the city limits and widen the existing roads (Preferred option).	There are ongoing efforts on US 82 in Gainesville to increase mobility. This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
				Go wrap up towards the outlet mall from a similar starting point, considerably less land to develop but the current property-owners may be harder to steal their land from them.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
36	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for indicating your route preference.
37	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	H is the most sensible	Thank you for indicating your route preference.
38	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Please confirm that the historic Butterfield Stage Line is not disturbed in these chosen routes. Also there are springs in some of the routes along HW 82.	Our study team is conducting a preliminary environmental constraints assessment for this proposed project. The assessment will include a historical analysis and every attempt would be made to avoid registered historic structures.
				Add cloverleaf back at 82 and 35.	The approved IH 35 schematic does not include cloverleafs at the proposed intersection. There are ongoing efforts on US 82 in Gainesville to increase mobility. This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
39	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	I don't prefer any of the suggested routes. All of the routes that are listed will affect my land and/or home. These proposed routes will negate entire reason that I moved to my current location. Additionally, the construction of these routes will cause damage to homes and land that have been in families for generations. Most of the acreage is used to provide incomes for families. With the construction for any of these routes you will be making many families suffer because they won't have land to raise cattle or grow crops, etc. There is a reason people move out the location where the routes are and it is because they don't want to live in town.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
				Creating these routes will bring traffic to quite and peaceful homes, more businesses and crime around residential areas, and will make it impossible for ranchers and farmers to work.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties, structures and the businesses they support will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
40	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Red (I) is the shortest length (8.5 miles) and has the lowest potential displacement of residential structures(6). H and J go through my (2013) residence and through my (2008) commercial business which do not appear to be on dated map.I vote to take the north south part of the yellow (H) and merge that with east west part of red (I) as the best, least impact.	Thank you for your route preference. Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties, structures and the businesses they support will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017. The map shown at the May 16, 2017 meeting included parcel and land use data from April 2017 from Cooke County. The digital imagery was taken in September 2014 for the USDA. If the routes go over your properties, it is possible they were not visible because they were completely under the alignment.
41	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Email	We do not need a reliever route around Gainesville	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.

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42	██████████	5/16/2017	Email	Alternatives J,K,L go right over the top of my personal house and property. It would divide my property so that getting to my 3 rentals homes and barn would be cumbersome. Furthermore, I just built a very nice house in 2016 that would need to be purchased because I do not want to live on a highway. I prefer route H&I as those follow an existing road.	Thank you for providing your route preferences. Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties, structures and the businesses they support will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
43	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	According to http://ftp.dot.state.tx.us/pub/txdot/get-involved/wfs/us-82-reliever-route/materials/011117-survey-results.pdf the decision to build this \$80,000,000 highway is being made based on input and interest from 214 respondents out of a municipal population of 15,000 people. So .01% of the population of Gainesville has responded to this perceived need and only 69% of those who responded felt there was some need for a reliever route. 24% of those did not feel it was needed and 7% of those did not care. This project is being presented as a going concern of the citizens of Cooke County. According to this data it is very possible more than 99% do not even know of the existence of the study.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts. TxDOT put together the online survey as way to reach people that could not make the public meeting in October.
				The current level of traffic does not justify the expense of a brand new 15 mile road. It would be a stretch to suggest that the traffic pattern through Gainesville will increase to the level that would cause significant congestion through Gainesville in the next 20 years. That is total speculation. If the new road were necessary the proposed routes would only alleviate congestion on the east to south/south to east route and would accomplish nothing on the north to east/east to north, west to east/west to south or west to north congestion. That means the projected expense would be quadrupled by the time these other concerns are addressed. There are at least two alternatives that have not been discussed.	Traffic modeling has been done for the corridor showing significant increase in traffic by 2040 for the US 82 corridor.
				The first is elevating Highway 82 for a couple of miles on the east and west approaches to I35. This solves all of the concerns about the traffic flow to and from all directions. It has been said that this would be too expensive and that there is not enough easement available. Yet the expense is unknown because there has been no study to analyze this cost and no engineer has studied the requirements of the easement.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
				The second alternative is a much shorter route north of town. A route around the north side of the city would connect out close to the outlet malls and could eventually be extended to connect back with Hwy 82 on the west side of town. Although this route would also take in family land there would be much less required and fewer dwellings affected. This might actually be the best alternative. A study of these two alternatives must be made before any commitment to a new and possible lightly used and very expensive roadway is constructed.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
				TxDOT has stated that safety is the number one priority of the project. Yet the Alternative routes J,K and L cross CR 678 at the most dangerous section of CR 678. There is a blind hill on the west side and a blind curve on the east side. Even if an overpass is used this will not solve the issue of access from the cross-traffic. Considering it to be a strong possibility that the above information will be ignored and minimized by those pushing this needless construction it is necessary to mention that CR 3092 offers the safest and least intrusive route for this construction. It is obviously not a concern of those planning this route that a new highway of this magnitude cuts across lands that have been in families for many generations.	If the reliever route is constructed, there will likely be overpasses at the intersections of Farm to Market roads. Thank you for providing your route preference.
				Much of this land is held onto, not for financial reasons but in spite of financial concerns. Choosing a route that has the least intrusion into these lands is important to those who have given their lives to holding on through very tough times. I request a study of the feasibility of elevating 82. This is the only construction that will address all of the concerns of all of those affected. I also request a study of a north bypass route connecting from east of 3092 to the area of the outlet mall. I have begun accumulating signatures on a petition demanding this study.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties, structures and the businesses they support are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on affected properties as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
44	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	The yellow route may hit some of my property, but I do not prefer one over the other. I have lived on family land for 75 years. I would like to know route before I die.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties, structures and the businesses they support are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on affected properties through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
45	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	As a ██████████ for Lake Kiowa Property Owners, would be for this project - building after the fact such as on 380 is not good business sense to me.	Thank you for providing your input.
46	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
47	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Go North I-35 to 371 create a loop north of 82.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
				My home is on the purple route (J). My parents home is on alternative K.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
48	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	There are homes, farms and ranches in my area. The purple route would destroy those properties and would be so close to me. I've spent my adult life building my ranch - this would destroy it.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
49	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	371 North of Gainesville	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.

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50	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Please consider north of Gainesville where there is little housing - FM 371 - keep businesses in Gainesville going.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
				The routes that are considered have too many people living there. Choose less populated areas	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
51	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	I propose building a loop north of 82 from FM 371 to 1202 overpass. It would benefit Gainesville's business park, impacting less homes	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
52	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	"J" has a better crossing of the Elm fork flood plain. H and I cross the creek itself at a very unstable channel. L has a lot in the flood plain and the way it is drawn goes down the middle of the creek.	To the extent possible, TxDOT works to minimize impacts on environmentally sensitive areas including flood plains and creeks. Thank you for providing this valuable information.
				Also I don't like L because it goes through two of my barns but if you've got the money I could part with them.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				I will miss the peace and quiet. 82 would be better relieved to cut off between Muenster and Lindsay. Go north of Lindsay and Gainesville and back to 82, about Oakridge, you could cross I-35 at about the RR crossing	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
53	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	This route seems to have the most houses in the way. This route is not preferred because it will cross our family property that has been in the family for over 100 years. I do not see the need for a reliever route at all	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				I do not see the need for a reliever route at all	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
54	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Merge H with either K or L. J is too long, too many houses and commercial properties	Thank you for providing feedback on route alternatives. TxDOT continues to review and refine alternatives that will minimize the impact on houses and commercial properties.
55	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Move the reroute north of Gainesville to the overpass by the old outlet mall going east to his 371 the 151. It would help with Gainesville growing North with Industrial park. Just make it a business route to the North. This would not affect as many homes as all the other routes.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
56	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Should be 4 lane with controlled access. Overpasses should be used with no stop signs or red lights on relief route.	Thank you for providing your input.
57	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
58	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	A route that starts 2.5 miles north of 82 from I-35 and heads east back to E.HWY 82. It effects no homes, cheaper to build for the state, no buy outs of homes or buildings	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
59	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
60	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Actually none of the routes are good. This will wipe out ranches, farms, and dairies.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
				Has the environmental study identified everything?	The US 82 Reliever Route Study includes a preliminary analysis of environmental constraints, which were presented at the May 16, 2017 meeting. Once a preferred alternative is identified, additional environmental study will be done.
				I'm very disappointed with the timing, distribution of the 2016 survey. It was Thanksgiving too.	TxDOT put together the online survey as way to reach people that could not make the public meeting in October.
61	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	This is totally not needed. Traffic problem is on North I-35. Not lot of traffic going East from I-35 at Valley View. 82 East already least congested in Cooke County - Ruins lots of beautiful country side.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
				Ruins lots of beautiful country side.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
62	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	My house was built in 1858 and it would be a shame to destroy this historical home for the convenience of a few trucks	Historic properties and structures will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
63	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
64	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Stupid idea, I have lived in this same place for 56 years, it was our families farm since 1946. So north of 82	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
65	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
66	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Would prefer something less invasive to me and my neighbors. Something north of Elm Creek or possibly South of us, such as 922 FM. Not excited about a 4 lane Highway next door to me.	As part of previous study efforts conducted by TxDOT to address mobility issues in the greater Gainesville area, a reliever route near the US 82 / IH 35 interchange was identified as a long term solution. In order for a reliever route to make an impact at the US 82 / IH 35 interchange, the reliever route needs to be close enough to the interchange to make a meaningful impact which has been confirmed by traffic analyses conducted during this study. Utilizing Elm Creek or FM 922 would not divert enough traffic away from the US 82 / IH 35 interchange due to the distance from the interchange in Gainesville.

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67	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	3 miles north of 82	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
68	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Strongly prefer alternative H. Close enough to town to benefit local merchants, shortest route, fairly straight. Could use some of 3092. Alt. H only alternative	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
69	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	I don't want the highway to come south of farm road 220	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
70	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Go north side of Gainesville 6.5 miles total	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
				[N]o major creek south, this is flood area, south already has relief, save state money please, north will relief the traffic.	The US 82 Reliever Route Study includes a preliminary analysis of environmental constraints, which were presented at the May 16, 2017 meeting. Once a preferred alternative is identified, additional environmental study will be done. Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
71	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	It certainly looks like routes I and L would have the least impact on residents and farms.	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
72	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
73	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
74	██████████	5/16/2017	Post-it Note		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
75	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	I know that this is going to be built but I don't want to see it next to a school	Thank you for providing feedback on route alternatives. TxDOT continues to review and refine alternatives that will minimize the impact on properties and structures, including schools.
76	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	I am good with 82, it does not go through the city. TX Dot is working on the few problems on 82 right now. Why spend the money to make another road for big trucks.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
77	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Solve the problem of congestion by working the problem out in the north of Gainesville.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
				We have a 100 year old family dairy. I say no to the whole reliever route south of Gainesville.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
78	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Alternative J is longer however it is a loop (start) around Gainesville not in the city limits and L would also serve as a good beginning then alternative K- The 3 that get to 82 the farthest out.	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
79	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	I am opposed to the reliever route. I do not think it is necessary. Most of the traffic on 82 comes from zodiac to Wal-Mart area.	Thank you for providing input.
				The reliever route will not help this traffic, if traffic is trying to get to Denton they can use 377 @ Whitesboro to the east side of Denton or you can build the route north to come out by the old outlet mall and try to revive that area.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
				The reliever route will not help this traffic, if traffic is trying to get to Denton they can use 377 @ Whitesboro to the east side of Denton or you can build the route north to come out by the old outlet mall and try to revive that area. Stay away from the farmland that has been in families for generations. I am very opposed to route J. I have land that I plan to build a retirement home and the road will run right through my land, right by my pond. The land has been in my family for many years.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				There was not congestion at 92 and 35 until you took out the clover leaf's. Now the red lights make the traffic back up. Please do away with the reliever route all together.	The approved IH 35 schematic does not include cloverleafs at the proposed intersection. There are ongoing efforts on US 82 in Gainesville to increase mobility. This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
80	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	I own land bordering ██████████. If you take the corner shown on Alternative H, I will probably loose an oil well and a pond used for drinking water for cows.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
81	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	If you are going to build a loop - stay out of city limits	Thank you for providing input.
82	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	Approve of the loop, but not close to town. Choose the farther out the better	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
83	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
84	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
85	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	These routes are all going to destroy our life, people's farms and ranches, history and the livelihood of many votes in Cooke county.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				We don't want any of these attractions. Don't destroy our county to make developers rich	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
86	██████████	5/16/2017	Comment Form	My husband has a business on hwy 82. trucks are backed up all the time. The route needs to be out of city limits to help keep trucks out of the way of cars. The further outside the city limits on hwy 82 the better!	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
				The route needs to be out of city limits to help keep trucks out of the way of cars. The further outside the city limits on hwy 82 the better!	Thank you for providing input on route preference.

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87	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Email	I am writing to strongly object to all of the proposed routes except Proposed Route J, or the one that loops the farthest out from the city of Gainesville.	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
				The other proposed routes would significantly disrupt the lives and properties that consist largely of productive farm lands that have been in families for many years. When you consider the long-term losses resulting from the construction of the other proposed routes there is no way to fairly compensate the people affected. I understand the need for a reliever route in this area. My belief is that selecting Route J would be the least disruptive option.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
88	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Email	BLS Production Co., Inc. would like to have it shown on record that routes "J", "K" and "L" would have an impact on existing oil production operated by BLS Production Co., Inc. The attached map shows six producing oil wells and one oil facility on either side of FM 151, just south of the HWY 82 intersection. If route "J", "K" or "L" is chosen it would be necessary for some of these wells to be plugged and abandoned as well as moving or abandoning the oil facility.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				TX DOT would then be required to compensate BLS Production Co., Inc. and the lease owners for the lost revenue of the life of the wells and the cost of moving the oil facility.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
89	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Comment Form	I am not in favor of alternatives H and I. Please do not ruin my kids safety of being able to enjoy our nice neighborhood!	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
90	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Email	I am a Gainesville Resident currently living off FM3 092 in the Chalmer's Estates neighborhood next to Chalmer's elementary. I am very excited for the potential of a reliever route in Gainesville	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
				[B]ut I am opposed to proposed routes H and I that are on and near 3092. It's a very quiet area and there are dozens of children that live in the neighborhood and hundred attending the school that are exposed daily to a beautiful, quiet atmosphere that's basically in the country.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				A busy loop with tractor trailers and nonstop traffic (not to mention years of construction and equipment right off residential streets) near an elementary school and next to the Gainesville State School (which is a great facility) is a bad idea. Both of those schools benefit greatly from their locations, and a reliever route for two major highways directly between them would be a huge disservice. Route L would be most preferred, then J, then K. Routes H and I would be a major mistake.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
91	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Email	I am against plans H&I for the hwy 82 reliever project. Please consider moving it farther to the east.	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
92	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Email	In looking at the routes and resulting disruption, H and I make more sense.	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
93	[REDACTED]	5/26/2017	Email	I have property adjacent to FM 3092. We are currently in the process of building our home on this property.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				Having a route that uses FM 3092 will result in lower property value and increased noise pollution.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
94	[REDACTED]	5/26/2017	Email	I have property adjacent to FM 3092. My wife and I are currently in the process of building a home on the property.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				Having the reliever route use FM 3092 will result in lower property value and increase noise pollution.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
95	[REDACTED]	5/26/2017	Email	Not needed	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
				[B]ut if I have to choose FM 3092 would work better existing roadways would be the best option	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
96	[REDACTED]	5/26/2017	Email	Alternatives H and I are too close to Chalmers Elementary School and several residential areas nearby. The added traffic congestions would be a danger to school children and area residents.	Thank you for providing feedback on route alternatives. TxDOT continues to review and refine alternatives that will minimize the impact on properties and structures, including schools.
97	[REDACTED]	5/26/2017	Email	I drive 82 very frequently I don't think it is necessary to build a new road. Fix existing roads or use FM 3092.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
98	[REDACTED]	5/30/2017	Email	As homeowners in the vicinity of one of the proposed reliever routes for US 82, we would like to give you input. We are NOT in favor of Alternatives "H" and "I" for the US reliever route through Gainesville. These routes will be much too close to Chalmers Elementary School and the State School in Gainesville.	Thank you for providing input on route preference.

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99	[REDACTED]	5/30/2017	Email	It is my NEW understanding that there are those who want the loop route north, with no flood plain issues, rather than south of Gainesville. Going north would also carry less of a risk of killing our downtown. And I suppose that your traffic studies do not really reflect the true impact of Winstar traffic, out of the Dallas/Ft. Worth area.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
				Have you been to Austin in the last 20 years? Think about the "express" lanes over the "local" lanes, bisecting the heart of the city. Have you considered taking all of the condemnation money that you will spend with eminent domain of the farms, homes and businesses in the south east quadrant of Cooke county and using it to build an "express" lane over the existing 82 right of way? Please consider...out of the box thinking...as Gainesville is the crossroads of America with I 35 and US 82, Canada to Mexico and the Atlantic to the Pacific. Finally, if you must have a southeast loop, for the shortest distance, merge southbound YELLOW from 82 with westbound RED to I 35	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				Finally, if you must have a southeast loop, for the shortest distance, merge southbound YELLOW from 82 with westbound RED to I 35	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
100	[REDACTED]	5/30/2017	Email	The US 82 Reliever Route will forever change the rural nature of the southeast section of Cooke County. A highway of this size will turn this area into an industrial and commercial zone. Farms will be bisected and farmland access will be compromised. Farmers and ranchers need to move equipment and livestock between farmland scattered across the county. This will make it more difficult. Farms divided by highways decimates the value of the land, both in usability and monetary terms.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				The reason people move to this county from the DFW Metroplex is to get away from traffic and commercial activity. No one will want to live in this area if this highway bypass, with the inevitable commercial growth, is placed here. All this highway will do is increase urban and suburban sprawl throughout Cooke Co.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				A 10 % increase in Cooke County's population through 2040 as projected by TXDOT does not warrant sacrificing this rural area. The only reason for this thoroughfare is to relieve heavy truck traffic from the IH35 / US82 intersection, or to enrich a few builders and speculators by opening the area to development. A better solution is to improve the IH35 / US82 intersection to handle this traffic, rather than sacrificing our homes and farms. If a bypass loop must be placed around this intersection, it should be placed north of US 82, closer into town.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
				The alternative routes L and I intersecting IH35 at CR 218, and route K, are particularly troublesome. These routes were not part of the Cooke County Thoroughfare Plan of 2016. The original plan called for a loop down Spring Creek Rd and up either 3092 or 151. What is the point of a plan if it is not followed? It makes a farce of the whole planning process. Perhaps what we really need is county leadership with a more enlightened and imaginative vision for the future of this county. This will be an issue in upcoming county elections.	TxDOT's current Reliever Route study and the Cooke County Thoroughfare Plan are two separate studies. TxDOT and Cooke County have been working together on these efforts, but it is TxDOT's understanding that the Thoroughfare Plan was drawn to represent a reliever route southeast of Gainesville but that it was not intended to show a specific location. TxDOT's study is trying to further investigate the proposed location of the reliever route. The additional alternatives shown at the meeting on May 16th, 2017, that depict an intersection at IH 35 and CR 218 were developed based on feedback received from the public at the public meeting held on October 4, 2016.
101	[REDACTED]	5/30/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
102	[REDACTED]	5/30/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
103	[REDACTED]	5/30/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
104	[REDACTED]	5/30/2017	Email	Alternative Route J converges on my property and would take out my house. I am protesting this because I am a [REDACTED] widow and the rent from this property is dependent upon my staying in my own home in [REDACTED] My son [redacted name and contact information]	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
105	[REDACTED]	5/31/2017	Email	I do not agree with any of the routes that are recommended. It would affect far too many people. I would like to suggest going north on I-35 for about 2-3 miles and then looping back to the East to intersect with Hwy 82. This would include the traffic coming from the West on 82 to loop around if they chose not to use the "business" route.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
106	[REDACTED]	5/31/2017	Email	This is in response to information provided at the 16 May 2017 Public Meeting. First, I wish to restate that the reliever route is badly needed and should be planned and constructed on an accelerated schedule.	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
				I prefer Alternative K on the condition that a bridge would be constructed to allow west bound traffic on Hwy 82 to access the new route, and the intersection of Hwy 82 and FM 371 would be reconfigured to allow traffic moving in all directions to do so safely. The current intersection is exceedingly dangerous. If a bridge would not be constructed, then I favor Alternative H. Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment.	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
107	[REDACTED]	5/31/2017	Email	I'm against proposed routes it will involve loss of 58 properties will not fix the incoming west to east traffic	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				[O]n 82 cross 3 flood zones 3 bridges massive road work	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
				[W]hy not north on 371/155 already county road right of way to 35 north approx 3 miles then west to 35 almost all open land no homes 82 becomes business route thru it xpans north city	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
108	[REDACTED]	6/1/2017	Email	Our family don't like alternatives "H" and "I" US 82 Reliever Route. We like alternatives "J" "K" "L" US 82 Reliever Route.	Thank you for providing input on route preference.

US 82 Reliever Route Study, Gainesville, TX - Comment/Response Matrix
Comments received May 16, 2017 - May 31, 2017

Commenter	Commenter Name	Date Received	Source	Comment Topic	Response
109	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Email	I am opposed to Alternative H yellow route and the Alternative I red route along 3092. These routes will affect the noise, pollution, and peaceful environment of my property and the immediate residents along the southeastern city limits.	To the extent possible, TxDOT works to minimize impacts on environmentally sensitive areas, structures and historic properties.
				I oppose these routes and really all of them will affect this area in a negative way. Only the Alternative L route would be better. I hate to see Spring Creek longtime residents affected as well.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
110	[REDACTED]	6/1/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
111	[REDACTED]	6/1/2017	Comment Form	Not needed but if you build it use an existing road	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
112	[REDACTED]	6/1/2017	Comment Form	H and I cut through land which would displace fewer homeowners. In my opinion.	Thank you for providing input on route preference. Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties and structures are being considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
113	[REDACTED]	6/1/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
114	[REDACTED]	5/16/2017	Email	Do not put this highway loop through our neighborhood. Instead, improve the IH35/US 82 intersection	There are ongoing efforts on US 82 in Gainesville to increase mobility. Although a detailed study has not been performed, consideration to expand US 82 through Gainesville was included in the feasibility study performed several years ago and public input influenced the decision to not further investigate expanding existing US 82.
				[O]r put a loop north of US 82. This will destroy too many farms.	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
116	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
117	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form	Not really needed	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
118	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
119	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form	Route H & I come to close to the school and chalmers estates. My mother lives in chalmers estates and I own the property with her.	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties, structures and the businesses they support will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
120	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form	The "L" or blue route is the only one that makes sense to me. It will be the least disruptive. The "H" or yellow route follows an already heavily traveled route used by lake kiowa residents plus the school traffic.	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
121	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
122	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
123	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
124	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
125	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
126	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
127	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
128	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form	I don't believe a reliever route is needed. However, use existing road if necessary.	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
129	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
130	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
131	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form	Not necessary	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
132	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form	Not needed	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
133	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
134	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
135	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
136	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form		Thank you for providing input on route preference.
137	[REDACTED]	6/16/2017	Comment Form	Keep the route out in country, not close to the school and sub divisions	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties, structures and the businesses they support will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.

US 82 Reliever Route Study, Gainesville, TX - Comment/Response Matrix
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Commenter	Commenter Name	Date Received	Source	Comment Topic	Response
138	[REDACTED]	5/19/2017	Email	<p>Firstly, I find it highly unnecessary to build the 82 reliever road at all but especially the current plan to run it through the middle of my property. Not only will it severely impact my home and barn but it will split my property in half leaving both sides virtually worth nothing. The position that TxDOT has taken by saying they do not care how much it costs to buy me out is extremely disheartening and the reason our country finds itself in the financial shape we are in.</p>	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties, structures and the businesses they support will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				<p>However, if after all of your due diligence, you fit it necessary to build the road then Alternative H or I would make the most sense because it already an existing roadway. FM 9092 was originally built for this very reason and all the homeowners that built their houses there did so knowing they were building on a reasonably busy road. I think there are many other routes that would make more sense than even Alternative H or I. For example, CR 219 connects to FM 3496, which is already wide, and will take you right over to FM 371. From there you can go through bottom land and connect to 135. This route would also relieve the traffic coming from Lake Kiowa to Denton. This route would be far less impactful than all the proposed routes. Another option would be to take the loop north of 82 and tie in at the new Gainesville Industrial Park. One would assume that many businesses with larger trucks would be drawn to that option and choose Gainesville for their industrial plants. At least in this scenario, Gainesville would gain something from having a loop.</p>	Based on feedback from the public, TxDOT will investigate the feasibility of a reliever route to the north of US 82.
				<p>Secondly, I believe the impact on the city of Gainesville businesses will be devastating. Currently most of the vehicles that travel down 82 stop at some point along the road to get gasoline, groceries, fast food or do retail shopping. If you divert these travelers to a diverter road the businesses will lose a substantial amount of revenue. I know there are big plans for several new businesses at the corner of 82 and 35 that would not be happy with this decision and down the road you may have difficulty filling these spaces. The livelihood of these businesses is usually heavily dependent on vehicle traffic.</p>	This study was initiated to address a number of issues including congestion along US 82 in Gainesville. The Reliever Route in the southeast quadrant was identified as a priority in a feasibility study performed several years ago and this study is building on those previous efforts.
				<p>I spent years planning and building the infrastructure for my house so that I could live in peace and quiet on my property. I strategically built my house in the middle of my acreage for the privacy. If this road goes through not only will my house be destroyed but many other houses will be affected as well. Would you like 75 mph highway running through your backyard? It is a crime, in my opinion, that you would do this to my family and my immediate neighbors and whoever else you destroy along the way. I was told by TxDOT that they don't care the cost of buying out these properties they just want to affect the least amount of homes. What TxDOT is not taking into consideration are the homes they are not purchasing but that will be forever impacted by what is built directly adjacent to their property. This leaves them with a property that is lower in value and much less desirable. It will affect property taxes because the lost value of all the affected homes will mean less property taxes to Cooke County. I do understand progress but in my opinion this road doesn't do anything to better the City of Gainesville and the surrounding communities.</p>	Potentially impacted and/or adjacent properties, structures and the businesses they support will be considered as part of the study effort. TxDOT hopes to minimize the impact on them as it refines alternative alignments through the alternatives screening process as defined at the public meeting held on May 16, 2017.
				In summary, my suggestion is that you do not build additional roads but that you improve, widen or get creative with the ones you already have. With this in mind, Route H and Route I would be logical to follow.	[See above response, combine comments in official response]
139	[REDACTED]	5/23/2017	Email	We are NOT in favor of Alternatives "H" and "I" for the proposed Highway 82 reliever route around Gainesville, TX. Either of these routes would cause too much traffic too close to Chalmers Elementary School and several residential areas nearby. Please take this into consideration and choose Alternative J, K, or L.	Thank you for providing feedback on route alternatives. TxDOT continues to review and refine alternatives that will minimize the impact on properties and structures, including schools.
140	[REDACTED]	5/27/2017	Email	J seems to be the best route. The further out the better, allows for growth without congestion.	Thank you for providing input on route preference.
141	[REDACTED]	5/30/2017	Email	<p>I do not prefer alternative routes H nor I (which travel thru 3092). I have utilized 3092 daily for over two decades. And over that time period the traffic has grown to such a level that adding it as a "reliever" route would be a mistake and would become more dangerous for pedestrians, school children, school busses and automobiles. Why I say this is: 1 - There is an elementary school on 3092 which creates backed up traffic every morning and eve with some children being picked up on the side of 3092 - Potential pedestrian fatalities 2 - The main garage for all of the Gainesville school busses (going in and out) is on 3092 3 - There are 4 churches and neighborhoods that have 3092 as there main exit street 4 - During winter storms even sand trucks have slid off the road and tipped over. So imagine what more traffic, especially semi trucks, would do to the road and potential fatalities from accidents.</p> <p>It appears going thru 151 would be a lot less populated and a safer route for all involved.</p>	Thank you for your input. TxDOT is working to move forward with an alternative alignment that helps alleviate congestion and also improve safety.

B. Notices

The project team notified the public about the meeting via the following methods:

- Press Release
- Public Meeting Notice
 - Gainesville Daily Register
 - The Weekly News of Cooke County
- TxDOT Website
 - Project website
 - Hearings and Meetings Schedule
- Letter to elected officials on April 27, 2017
- Postcard sent to landowners adjacent to alternative routes
- Email sent to project list
- Social Media Postings
 - TxDOT Facebook
 - May 15, 2017



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SECOND OPEN HOUSE FOR US 82 RELIEVER ROUTE GAINESVILLE

Come and Go Meeting to Introduce Possible Options

May 5, 2017

WHEN: Tuesday, May 16, 2017
5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

WHERE: Gainesville Civic Center
311 South Weaver St.
Gainesville, TX 76240

GAINESVILLE — After reviewing feedback from our October open house, the Texas Department of Transportation made revisions to the design of the potential [US 82 Reliever Route](#) in Gainesville. Interested citizens are invited to attend this second US 82 Reliever Route meeting to look at the updated alternatives.

US 82 is a major thoroughfare for motorists and trucks and as population and commercial activity continue to grow in the area, it has become necessary to move forward with the planning and design of a reliever route that can more adequately meet the capacity and safety needs of the corridor.

Members of the project development team and engineering consultants will be on hand to answer questions. No formal presentation will be given. Attendees are invited to come and go at their convenience.

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MEDIA: For more information, contact Adele.Lewis@txdot.gov or (940) 720-7728.

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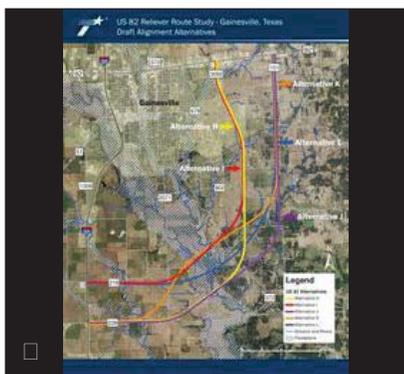
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TxDOT to host 2nd open house on U.S. 82 plan

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Apr 27, 2017

The Texas Department of Transportation will host a second open house on the proposed U.S. Highway 82 Reliever Route Study.

The open house will be from 5 to 7 p.m. on May 16 at the Gainesville Civic Center.

TxDOT is asking for the public's input on reviewing route alternatives for a U.S. 82 reliever route near Gainesville.

This is the second open house for the study, the first open house was on Oct. 4. Since that meeting, the alternative alignments have been refined.

The U.S. 82 reliever route study focuses on an area southeast of Gainesville in Cooke County bound by Interstate Highway 35 to the west and FM 678 to the east, according to a fact sheet provided by TxDOT. Studies for a reliever route have been conducted off and on for the past 14 years.

For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/2qaM6xi>.

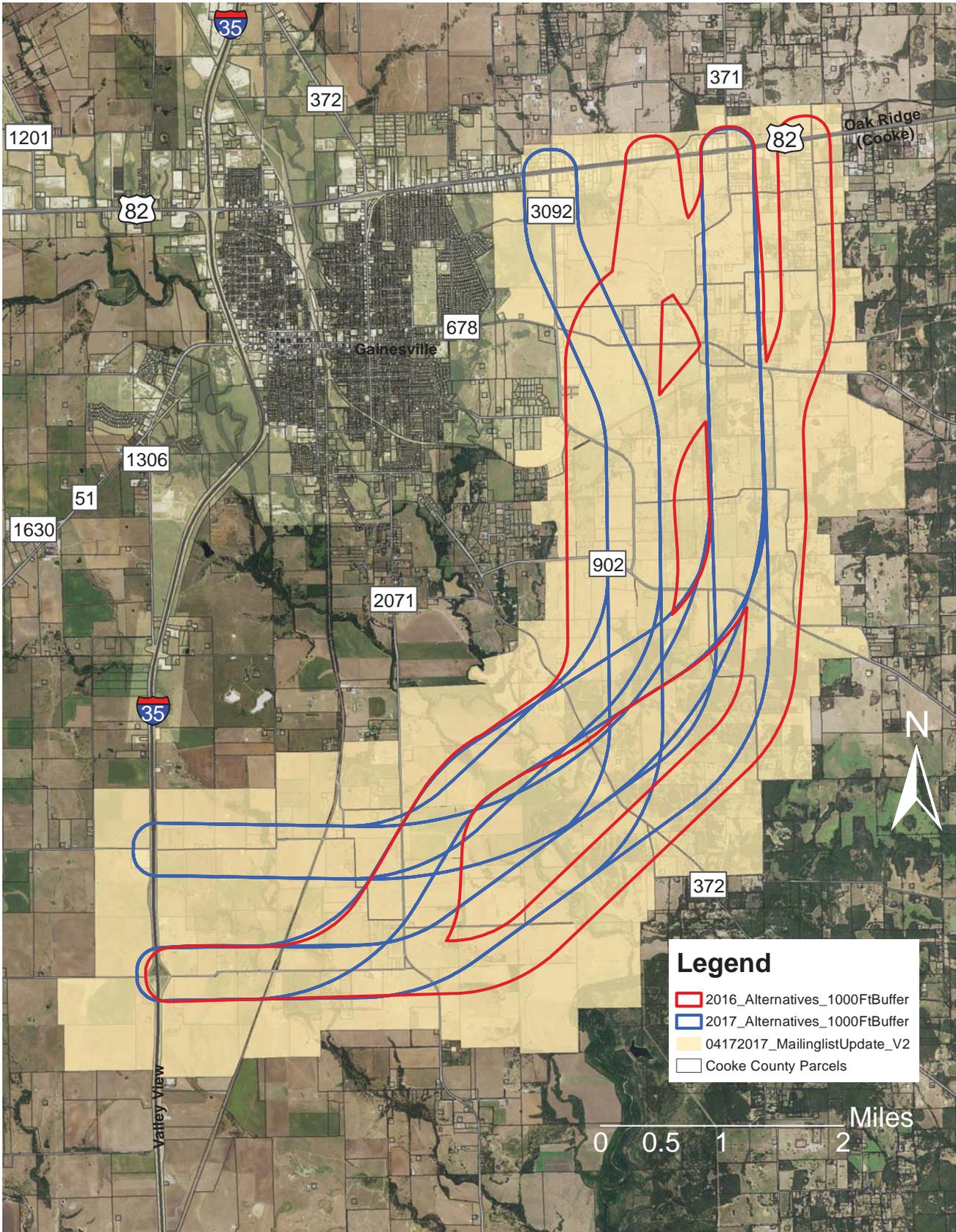
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TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OPEN HOUSE - US 82 RELIEVER ROUTE

US 82 Reliever Route

The Texas Department of Transportation invites citizens to learn about the planning and design of a potential US 82 reliever route in Gainesville and to review potential alignments that can be carried forward into future phases of project development. Members of the project team and engineering consultants will be on hand to answer questions. No formal presentation will be given. Attendees are invited to come and go at their convenience.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by TxDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated Dec. 16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

US 82 Reliever Route
Open House

Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2016
5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Gainesville Civic Center
311 South Weaver St.
Gainesville, Texas 76240

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Cooke County History

Following in His
Father's Footsteps

By Shana Powell
Contributing Historian
The Weekly News

His grandfather owned the Fletcher Hotel and Claude Weaver grew up running around the hotel. His father was a prominent lawyer, district attorney, and published poet who died when Claude was a young child, possibly from issues stemming from his reported drinking. His parents had been separated and living apart before his father's death.

The gossip and the stories and his mother's sadness would have followed Claude around town as he went about doing his chores and going to school. People would have been wondering how he would turn out. Would he become a responsible man like his grandfather or an irresponsible one like his father? And what of his younger brother Green? What would happen to him?

Edgar Claude Weaver was born on March 19, 1867 in Gainesville to W.G.T. and Nancy Fletcher Weaver. His father died in 1876 so Claude would have received most of his influence from his mother and grandfather.

Claude and his younger brother Green attended the public schools in Gainesville. In 1883, a second school building was needed in town and John H. Belcher donated a site for it. The school was named in his honor. "Later known as the North School, the Belcher School was the high school in the middle

80's. Claude Weaver became the first graduate in 1885, the only member of the class that year."

After graduating from high school, Claude attended and graduated from the law department of the University of Texas at Austin in 1877 and was admitted to the bar in that same year. So, he was following in the steps of his father becoming a lawyer as he once had been.

As a "page in the Texas House of Representatives he became a close friend of Temple Houston, Sam Houston's son."

Claude Weaver practiced law in Gainesville from 1887 to 1895 serving as assistant prosecuting attorney of Cooke County in 1892.

Many individuals were moving to Indian Territory (Oklahoma). It offered opportunities for land and because there was so much activity going on, a real bonanza for an experienced attorney.

In 1895, Weaver made the decision to move to Pauls Valley and practice law there. Claude's younger brother Green also had finished law school and was practicing law. He moved with Claude and his family and lived with them as did the young men's mother Nancy.

Before the move, Green Weaver had been editor of the Gainesville Register along with helping his brother with their law practice. Like his brother, Green showed great promise. But, like their father, he also liked whiskey and

would have real problems with alcoholism.

The family stayed in Pauls Valley until 1902 before Weaver uprooted them one more time settling in Oklahoma City.

As soon as they arrived in the city, Weaver set up his law practice and "quickly began serving as a member of the Oklahoma City Board of Freeholders."

Again, following in some of the footsteps of his father, Weaver developed an interest in politics. "Elected as a Democrat to the 63rd Congress he served from March 4, 1913 to March 3, 1915. He was unsuccessful in his bid for election to fill a vacancy in the 66th Congress in 1919."

Going off in a different direction, Weaver became postmaster of Oklahoma City, serving from 1915 until 1923.

But he never let the law get too far away from him. He served as acting county attorney of Oklahoma County in 1926, as legal advisor and secretary to Governor William H. Murray from 1931 to 1934 and as a district judge of the 13th Oklahoma district in 1934 and 1935."

Edgar Claude Weaver died on May 19, 1954 in Oklahoma City where he is buried. He was his father's son with his love of the law and politics but he was also a product of his mother and grandfather where he learned responsibility. Green Weaver died in 1914.

Claude Weaver represented the best of them.

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TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
OPEN HOUSE - US 82 RELIEVER ROUTE

US 82 Reliever Route

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US 82 Reliever Route Open House

Tuesday, May 16, 2017
5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

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Open House - US 82 Reliever Route

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Where: Gainesville Civic Center
311 S. Weaver St.
Gainesville, TX 86240 ([Map](#))

When: Tuesday, May 16, 2017
5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Purpose: The purpose of the open house is to gather public input on updates to the planning and design of a proposed [US 82 reliever route](#) in Gainesville. After reviewing feedback from an open house held last October, TxDOT has made revisions to the design of a potential US 82 reliever route in Gainesville. Interested citizens are invited to attend this second open house to review and comment on updated alternatives for a route southeast of the city that is generally bound by IH 35 on the west and FM 678 to the east.

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Description: US 82 is a major thoroughfare for motorists and trucks and as population and commercial activity continue to grow in the area, it has become necessary to move forward with the planning and design of a reliever route that can more adequately meet the capacity and safety needs of the corridor.

A study is currently underway to identify a recommended alignment that can be carried forward into future phases of project development. The US 82 Reliever Route Study focuses on an area southeast of Gainesville in Cooke County, Texas, that is generally bound by I-35 to the west and FM 678 to the east. This effort has built upon previous US 82 Feasibility Studies, with the most recent completed in December 2012. The current study is evaluating different types of roadway configurations.

To best understand community needs and concerns, local community leaders have been engaged for the study. Similar to other TxDOT studies, a working group has been established to help TxDOT identify and assess transportation needs, and to review technical data and planning assumptions. Working group members include county commissioners, city staff and local business representatives.

Special accommodations: TxDOT makes every reasonable effort to accommodate the needs of the public. This open house will be conducted in English. If you have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can also be made to accommodate most needs. Please call (940) 720-7700 at least three working days prior to the meeting. Every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate these needs. Please be aware that advance notice is requested as some accommodations may require time for TxDOT to arrange.

The environmental review, consultation and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been carried-out by TxDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 16, 2014, and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and

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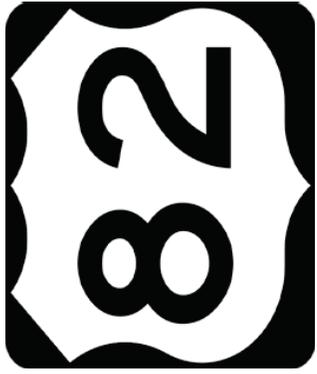
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US 82 RELIEVER ROUTE OPEN HOUSE

¡ESTÁ INVITADO! CASA ABIERTA SOBRE LA RUTA DE DESAHOGO DE LA US 82

US 82 Reliever Route
Open House
Tuesday, May 16, 2017
Martes 16 de mayo
de 2017
5-7 p.m.

Gainesville Civic Center
311 South Weaver St.
Gainesville, TX 76240

After reviewing feedback from an Open House held last October, TxDOT has made revisions to the design of a potential US 82 reliever route in Gainesville. Interested citizens are invited to attend this second Open House to review and comment on updated alternatives for a route southeast of the city that is generally bound by IH 35 on the west and FM 678 to the east. Staff will be on hand to answer questions. The meeting will be an Open House format with no formal presentation, so attendees may come and go at their convenience.

Luego de revisar los comentarios de la reunión de formato “Casa abierta” sostenida el pasado mes de octubre, TxDOT ha hecho correcciones al diseño de una ruta potencial de desahogo para la US 82 en Gainesville. Los ciudadanos que estén interesados están invitados a asistir a esta segunda reunión de formato “Casa abierta” para revisar y comentar las alternativas actualizadas para una ruta al sureste de la ciudad que generalmente está limitada por la IH 35 en el oeste y la FM 678 en el este. Habrá personal disponible para responder preguntas y brindar información. La reunión tendrá un formato de “Casa abierta” sin presentaciones formales; por lo tanto, los asistentes podrán ir y venir como mejor les parezca.

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If you have questions or
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Shaun Barnes, P.E.
940.720.7744

Shaun.Barnes@TxDOT.gov

Or

MyProjectsWichitaFalls@txdot.gov

You are receiving this notice for the sole purpose of notifying property owners near the proposed project area about this upcoming open house opportunity.

El único propósito de este aviso es notificar a los propietarios de las zonas cercanas al proyecto propuesto acerca de la oportunidad de asistir a esta próxima Casa Abierta.

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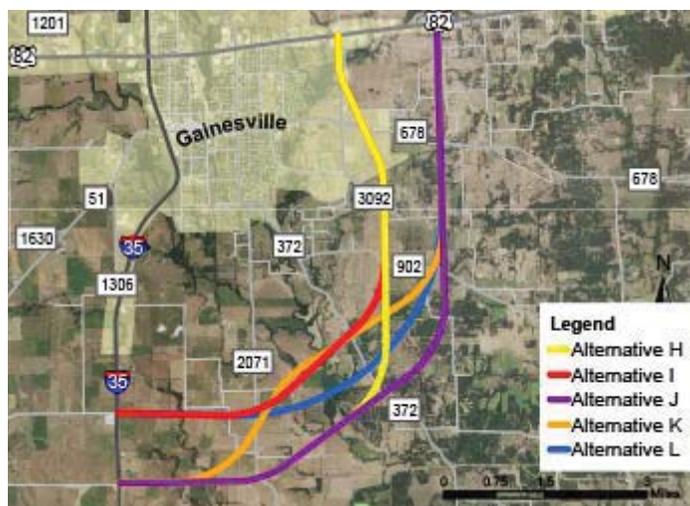
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Public Meeting
May 16, 2017

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Mark your calendar to attend the second open house on the US 82 Reliever Route Study in Gainesville, Texas

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Open House

Tuesday, May 16, 2017

5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

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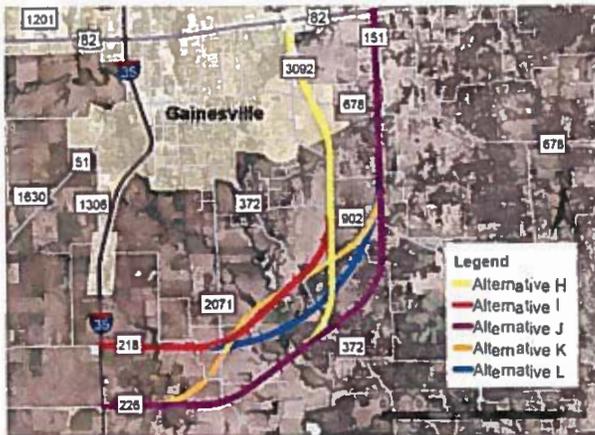


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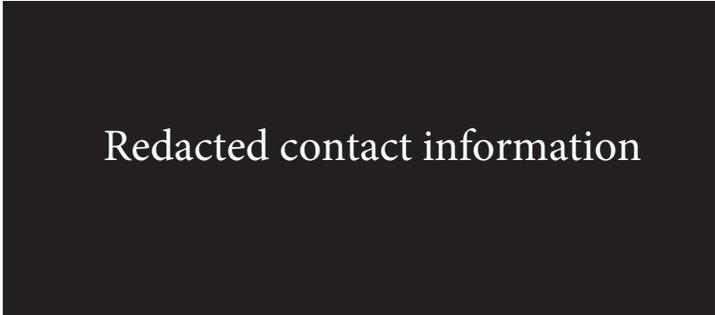
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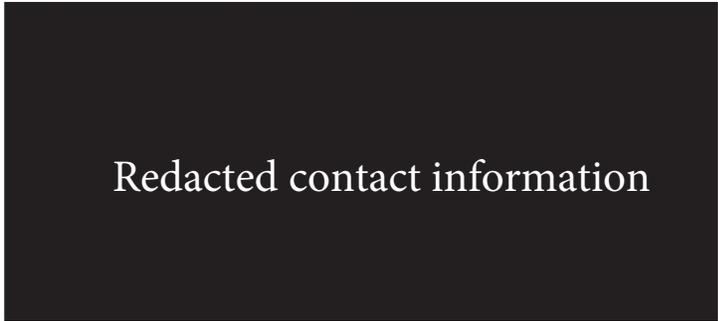
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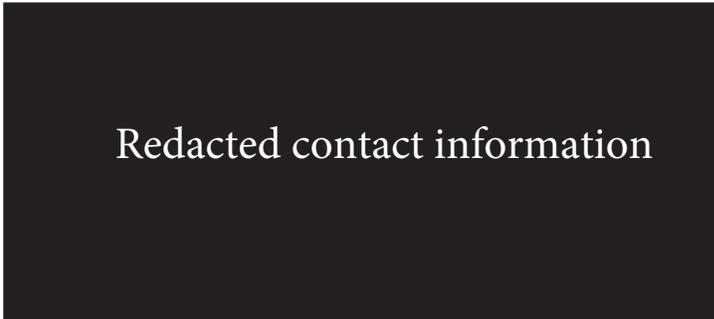
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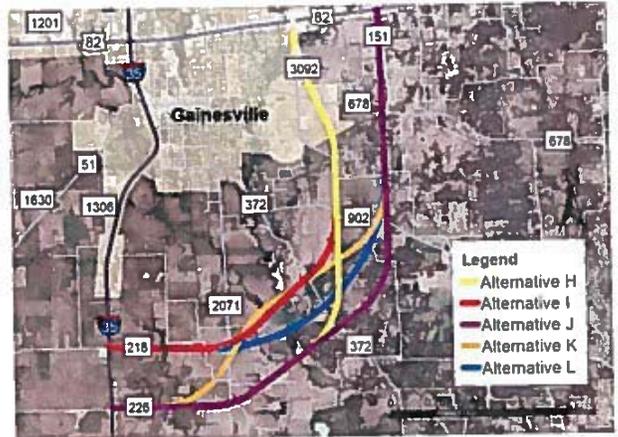


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Comments:

I believe Gainesville does not need this "loop" at all. Highway 82 could be expanded. Beautiful horse farms - the heart of Gainesville - will be destroyed if you move forward with this unfunded project.

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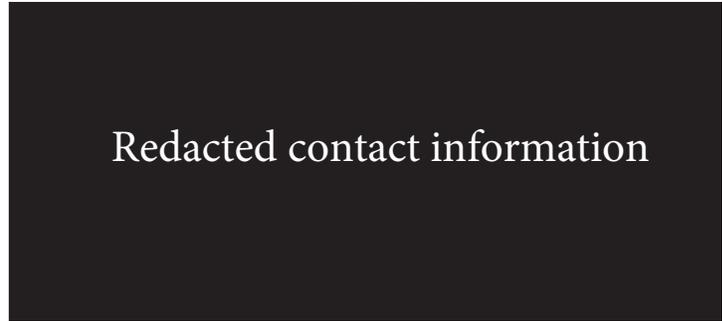
Comments:

Alternative J has negative impact on my property crossing two pastures. Suggest moving route to North of Gainesville where development benefited or merging yellow H and blue L to connect to I-35 along rd. 218. Alternative J will cross high point Tempin Hill on my property and make two pastures unusable. ~~Other alternatives better~~

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The proposed alternative I would cross
historic hill, cross two ponds that would
be unroadable and make property of little
value to current tenant who raises livestock.

I understand there is no infrastructure to
support new homes along the ^{alternative I} route and
it would take revenue away from proposed
business in Cadmusville and North.

Route J would cross a flood plain
and a railroad that would require expensive
bridges. (river and feeder creek)

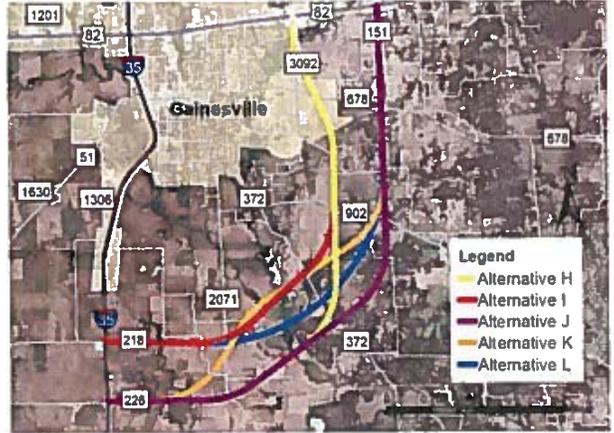


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Comments:

Alternatives H & J bisect my client's land leaving the ^{land on the} south side of without water access to corrals. Crosses Terrapin Hill, the highest point in Coo County which contradicts the PUC ruling in Docket # 38597. Fails to follow utility ROW. Results in approx. 50% of [redacted] land users for its curve

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use. Destroys the only pond on Farm [REDACTED]. Approximately 100 A of land are ~~are~~ negatively impacted.

Recommend moving route to the N/E side of town, where the business district is located, infrastructure and tax credits are available for new development.

No infrastructure on SE side of Gainesville, so the land that is destroyed for its current use (farming & ranching) will not be attractive for housing or business development.

East of [REDACTED] property, Alt. H & J cross a large number of acres of floodplain, the river and several creeks that feed into it.

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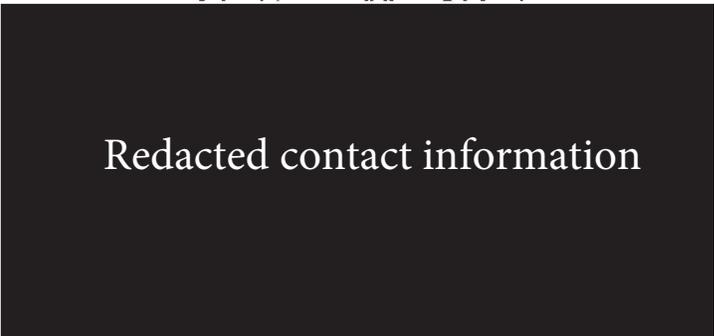
Comments:

I am opposed to routes J, K, & L. I know that several families & businesses will be displaced if ~~either~~ these routes are chosen. I would choose to look elsewhere.

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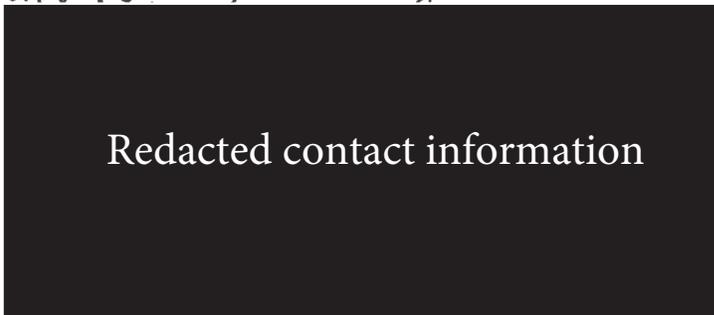
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Comments: I am opposed to routes J, K, & L. Several families & businesses in the area will have to relocate, losing family farms that have been passed from generation to generation. Members of this community will most likely take legal action to prevent it.

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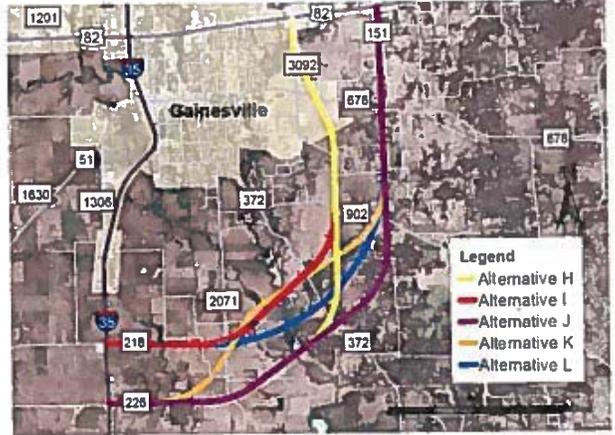


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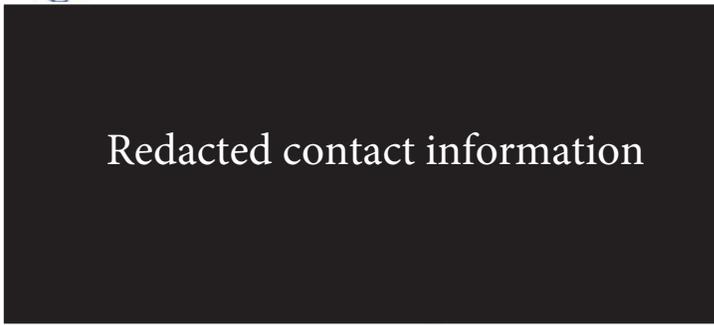
Comments:

Major congestion at Hw 82 + 35 only comes because of the real lights. A cloverleaf intersection would alleviate this problem and not cause the amount of conflict being proposed. The proposed disrupt too many lives.

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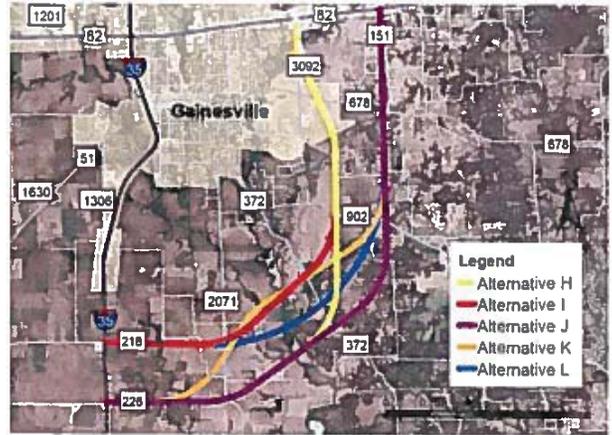


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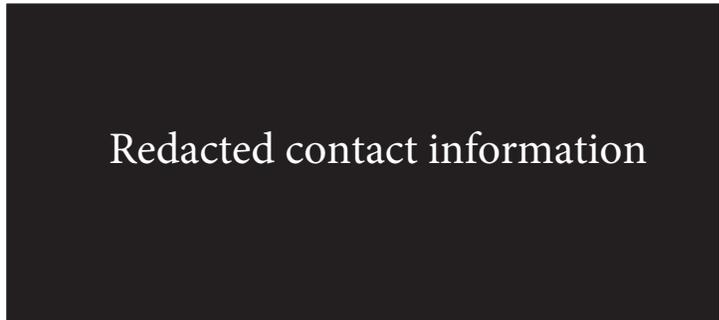
Comments:

MY family and I make our living where 3 of the routes go through. IF those routes are chosen it would destroy our place of business and homes.

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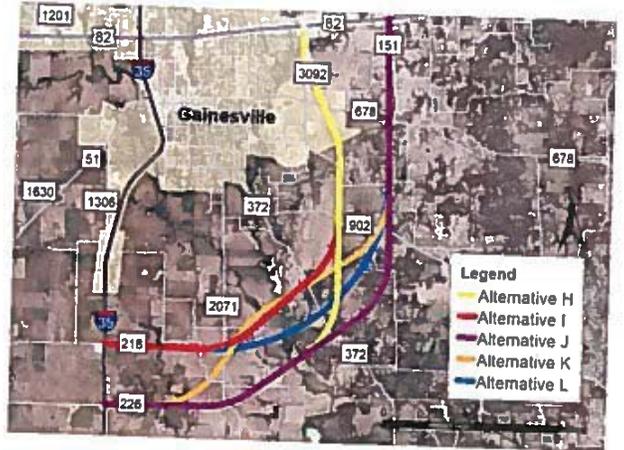


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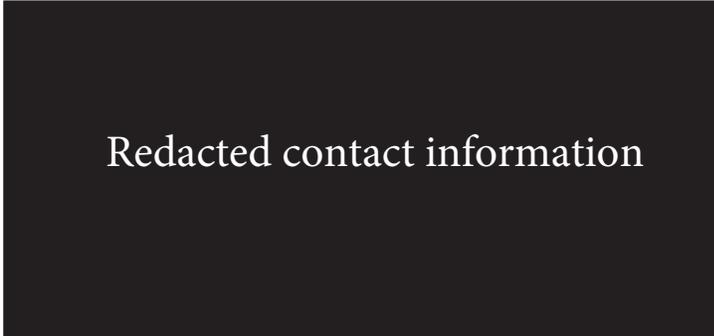
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Comments: *Alternative J goes right through our house*

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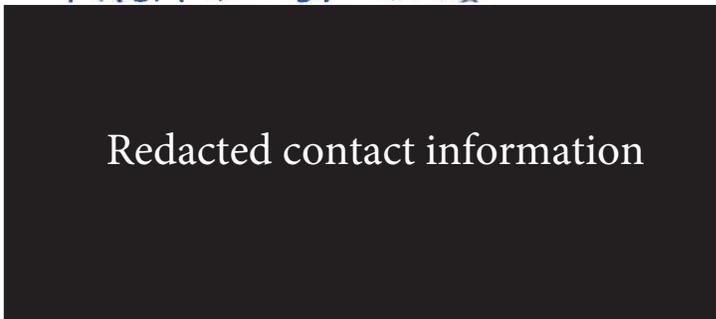
Comments:

I am against the reliever route project. This does not solve the problem of congestion on 82 because that includes local traffic including Zodiac. These routes will destroy valuable farm land and homes for no real gain. It will also redirect traffic away from Gainesville Businesses.

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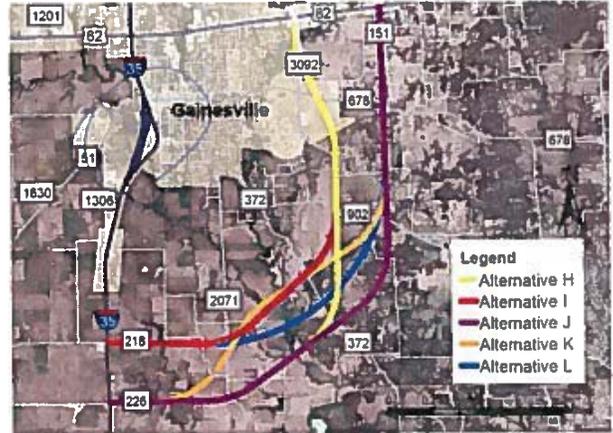


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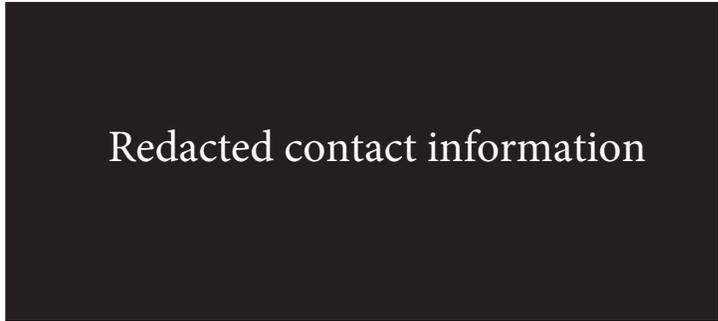
Comments:

J, K, L will take out my farm. IF Safety is your highest priority, Re-design I-35 Curve @ Weaver St. exit. + I-35/82 intersection. IF you are going to make a loop, a 2 lane road is inadequate from the Sta

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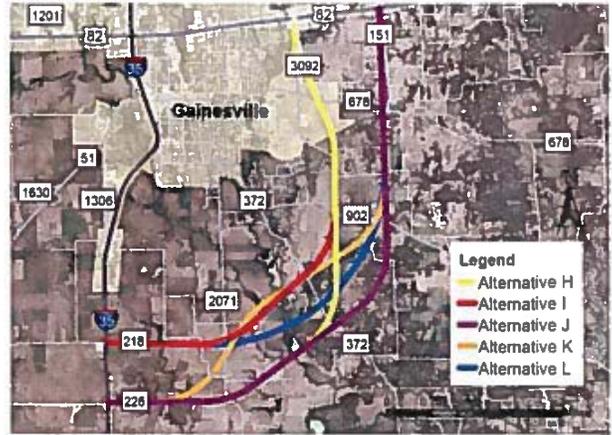


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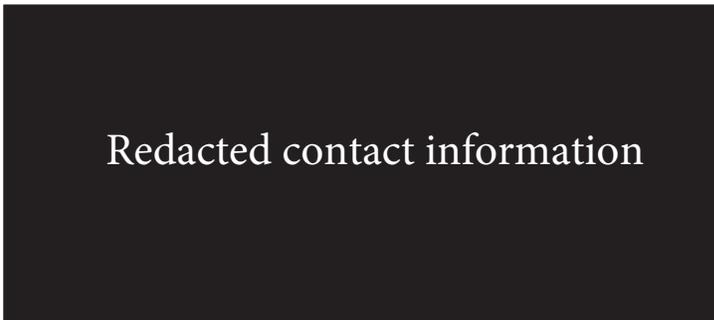
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Comments:

*OUR PROPERTY WAS USED partially as a school abt 85 years ago
 It was then a community center and then given back to the
 previous owners. We are part of "Cross Timbers" of Texas & have
 many old large Oak Trees. Given the routes are for ^{going to benefit} businesses along
 the route - why go thru rural land?
 other than cost which the bus should incur*

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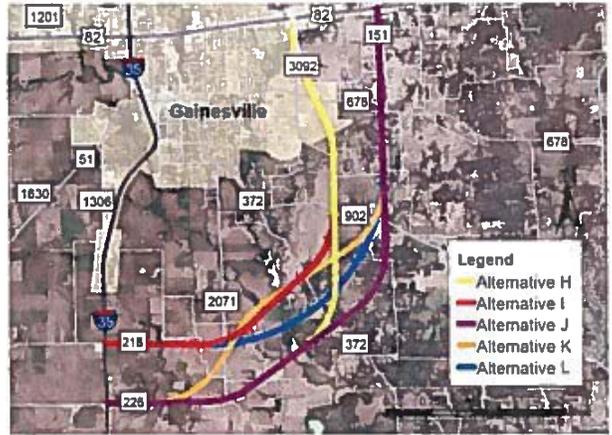


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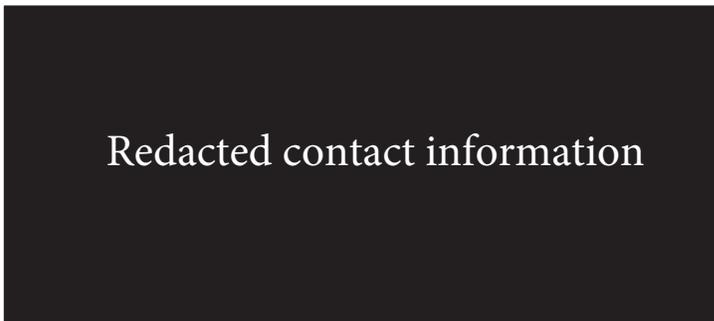
Comments:

Either Elevate 82 or go north to keep from destroying family land and houses. I have been told it is too expensive to elevate with no study proving as much. I have a petition circulating to force this study.

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Going north is a shorter route, less expensive, and could be extended to reconnect ~~North~~ West of I 35. The proposed location crossing ~~at~~ 678 is the most dangerous place along the whole highway with a blind curve on the east side and a blind hill on the west.



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Comments:

Please consider: going north of 82 rather than south, avoiding flood plain, repairing areas of 82 that are prone to flooding, elevating the new route, & minimizing the need to relocate homes.

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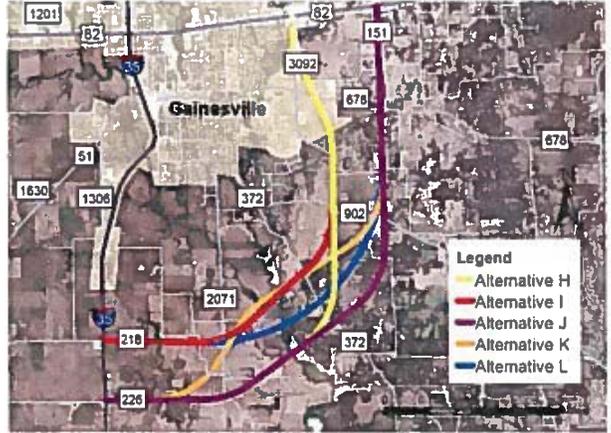


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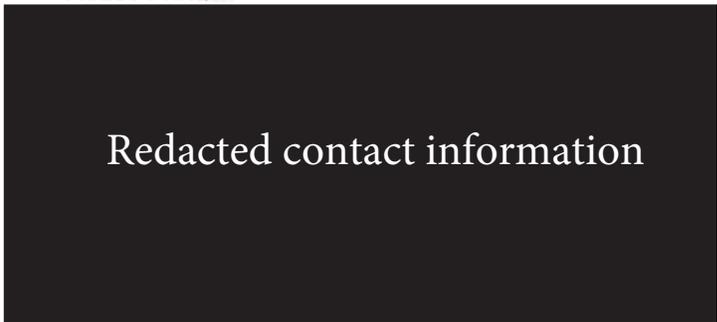
Comments:

coming out at 151 is my preference

Please mail your comments to:

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 Attn: Shaun Barnes
 1601 Southwest Parkway
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Alternative I	Go North past Gainesville			
Alternative J				
Alternative K				
Alternative L				

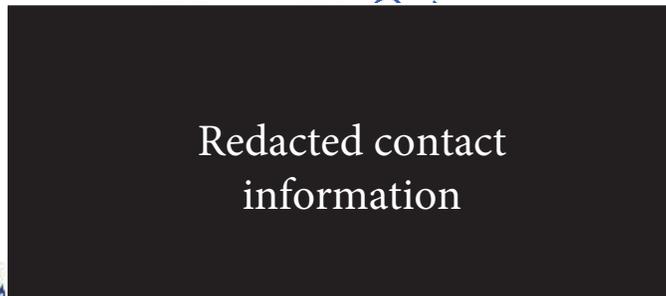
Comments:

I moved to Gainesville from NY when we bought the facility on Spring Creek Rd. We have just renovated 4 homes and our entire facility costing over a million dollars. This project would end my family

Please mail your comments to: *dream*

Please Print:

US 82 Reliever Route Study *as a*
 Attn: Shaun Barnes *Christian*
 1601 Southwest Parkway *based*
 Wichita Falls, TX 76302 *equestrian property*



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where we hold church and bring people into the community to compete. I also have a newborn baby which I had hoped to raise on our ranch

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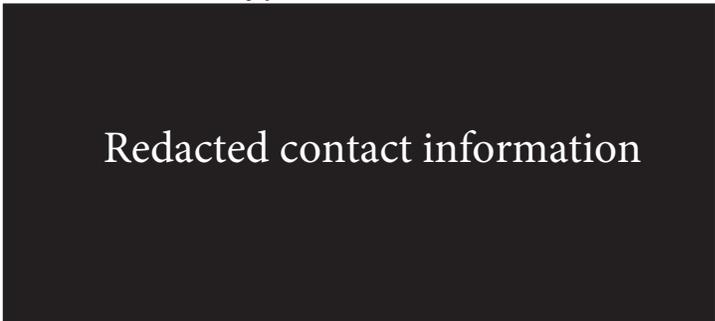
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Comments: Go North 35 Loop 371 into 82
 My home taken out by J, Noise would be bad for children and Animals, live stock would not have room to graze.

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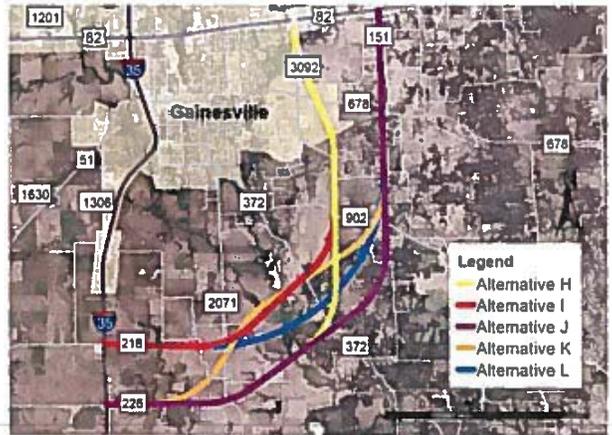


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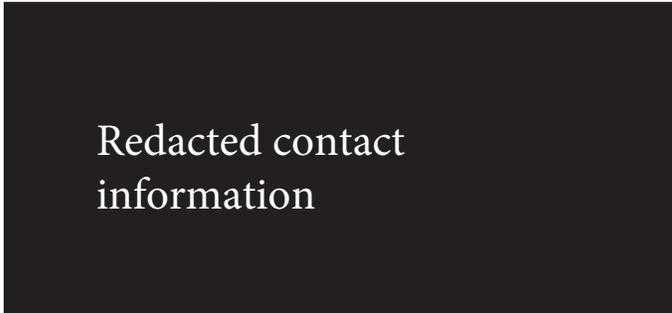
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Alternative I			X NO	
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Alternative L			X NO	

Comments:

NONE - Create a North Loop of I-35 from 371 to HWY 82.
 * Our homeison Alternative J (Purple) is a certified, licer active Cooke County foster home. The route is on top o our house.

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Comments:

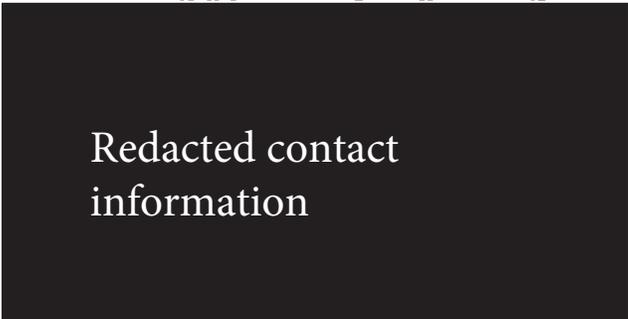
Some form of Alternative ~~I~~^L would be ~~the~~ my preferred route, ~~one~~ that would not interfere with future growth of the most patriotic little town in the USA! The FM 309 route could be a major thoroughfare for our city ^{in the} and

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should not be clogged up with reliever route traffic.



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I think a route that runs north and parallel to 82 should be considered.



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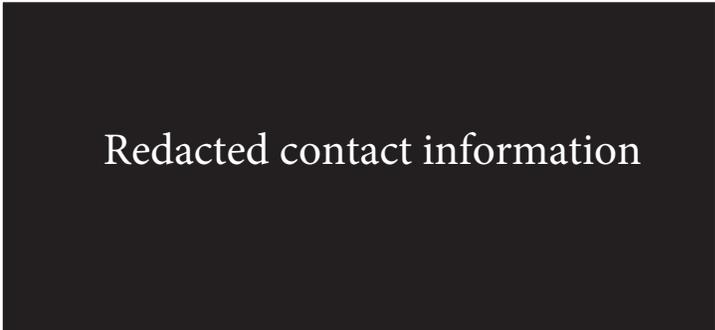
Comments:

The red/yellow routes are too close to Chalmers Elementary and the state school.

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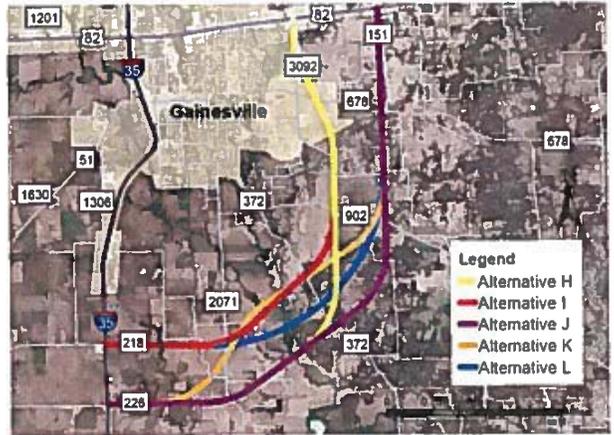


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Comments: Run ~~at~~ 3 miles north of 82
Gainesville

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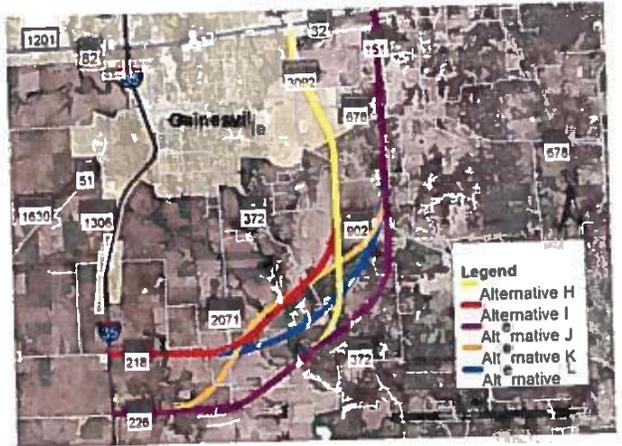


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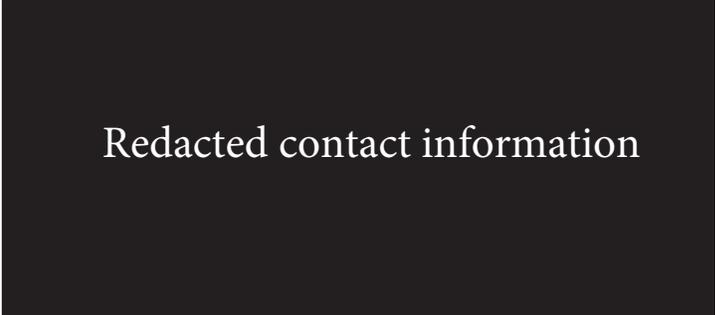
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Comments: *The relief route needs to be north of Gainesville. It is a much shorter and more cost effective route. Building a relief route south of Gainesville will not finish Gainesville*

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Comments:

None of these Routes Are Advantagous to Anyone.
 traffic on 82 is the least Problem in N. Texas. Money
 could be better spent to improve existing roads. If
 it was to go through why not straight down to 922 already
 has existing right of way

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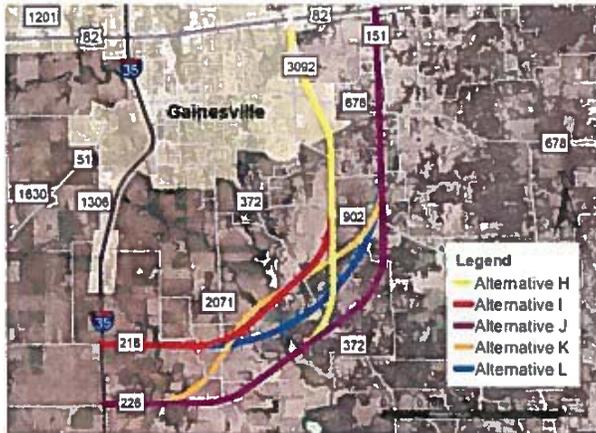


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Comments:

Three miles N. of 82 TO 35

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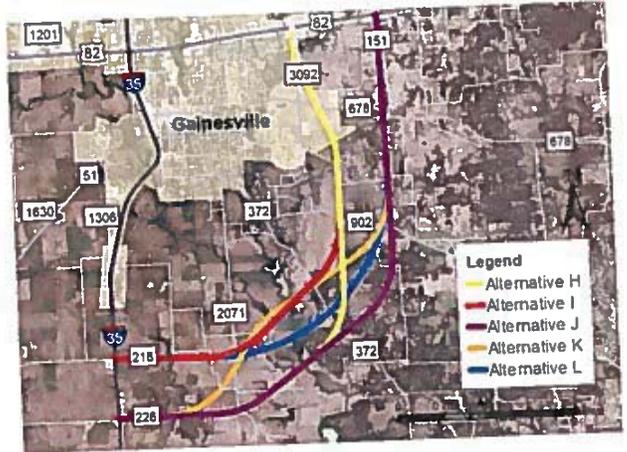


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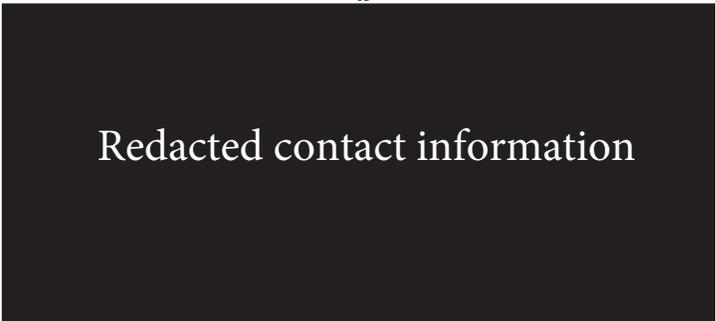
Comments:

None of the above, need to go a few miles north of 82 to tie into 35

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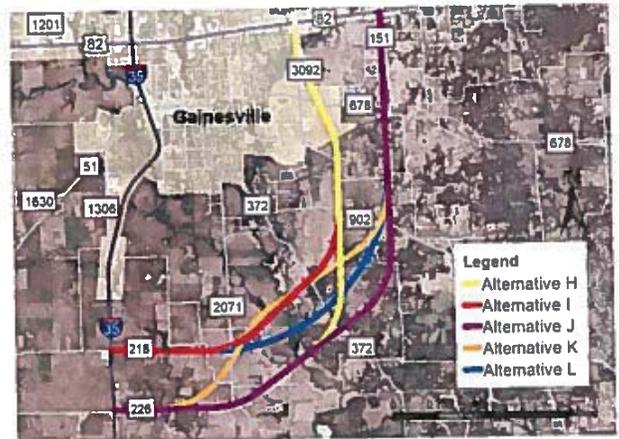


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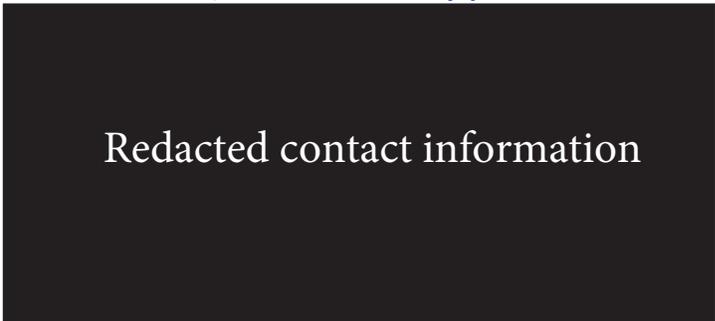
Comments:

ALTERNATIVE H AND J WOULD DESTROY MY HORSE FACILITY INCLUDING 4 HOMES, 2 BARNES AND A RIDING ARENA, AT A VERY LARGE REPLACEMENT COST.
MORE TO FOLLOW,

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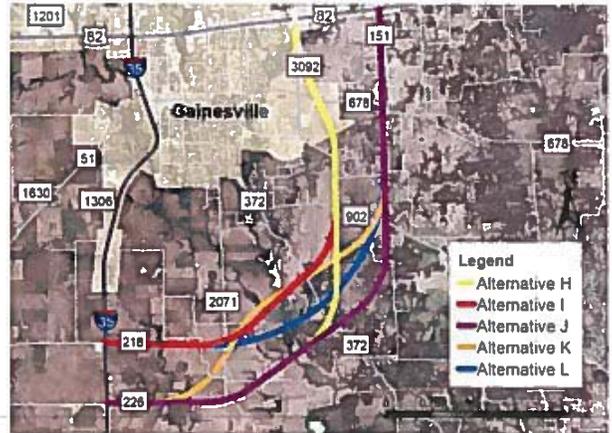


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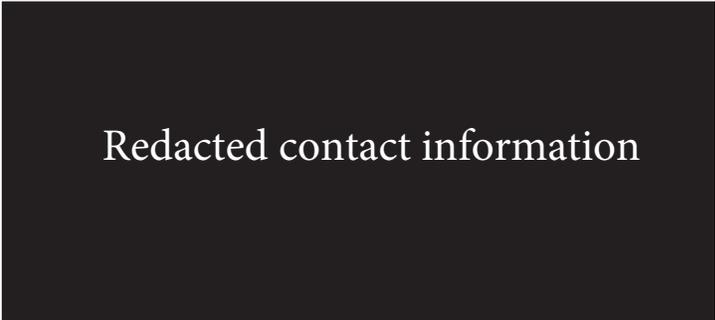
Comments:

We are currently building our home on 3092, so alternative would be a disaster for us. The part of our property that would be affected is home to egret, crane, owl bluebirds and turkey. Please do not choose this route

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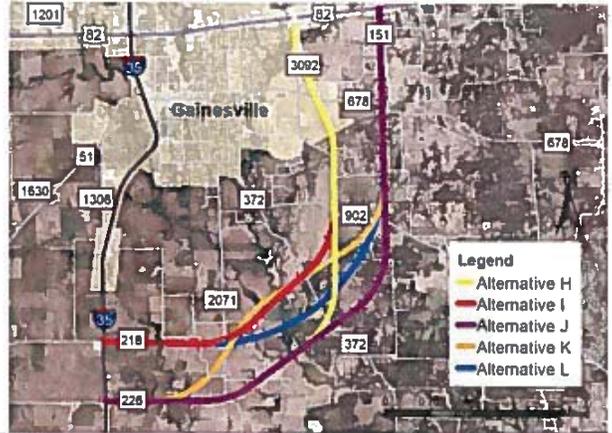


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Comments:

STATE HAS TOO MUCH MONEY

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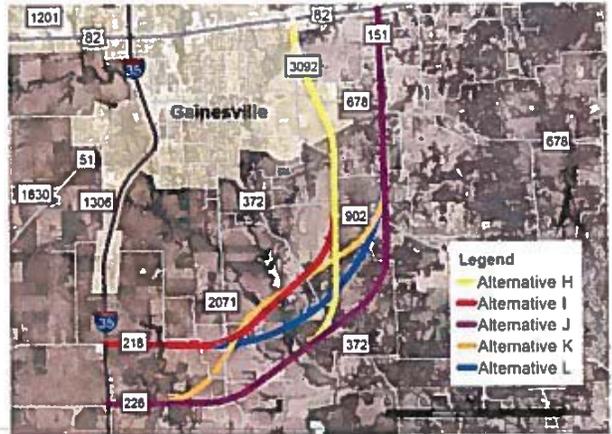


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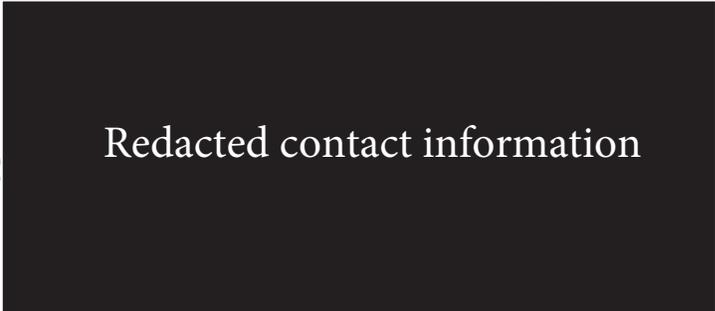
Comments:

This will bypass all new restaurants going in on 35. All alt will be on top of existing homes - nice, new homes. I do not see the need !!! The best alt is H as it is a wide road already existing most of the way. All others are going to involve homes.

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Our family home place will be affected by all alt except H.

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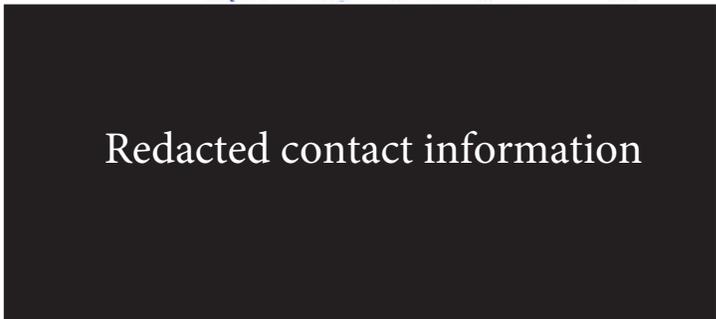
Comments:

Alternative J goes right through my house. I live on 208
 The yellow route is mostly an existing road to expand on and I believe the new portion is through pasture land. This project is taking business away from all the new ^{businesses} ~~restara~~ being built on 35 in Gaines

Please mail your comments to:

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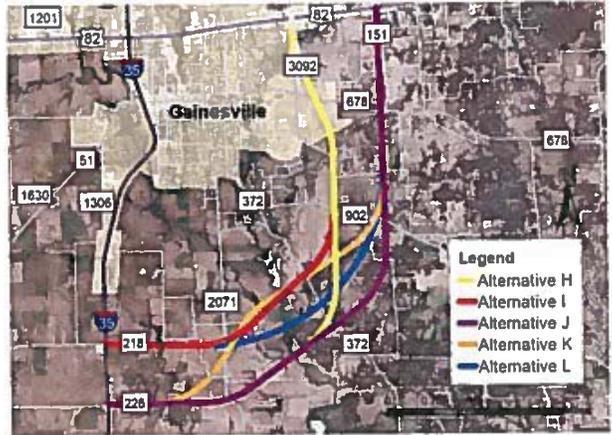


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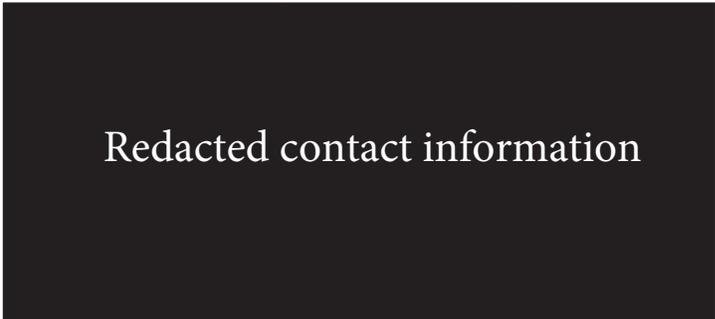
Comments:

I don't prefer any of the routes. If you have to do it put it North of Gainesville. Less houses and negative intrusion as the Southern routes. If people want to go around Gainesville take 377 south in Whitesboro.

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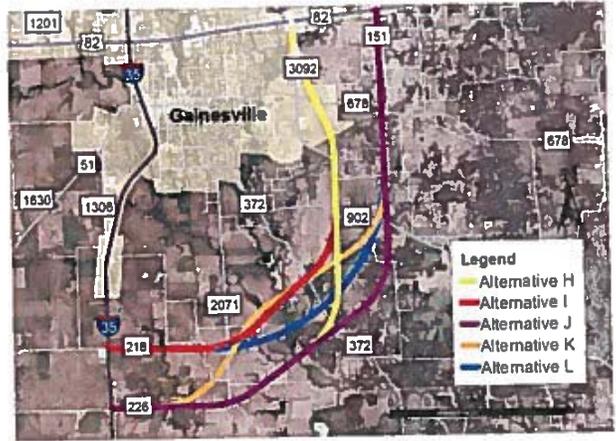


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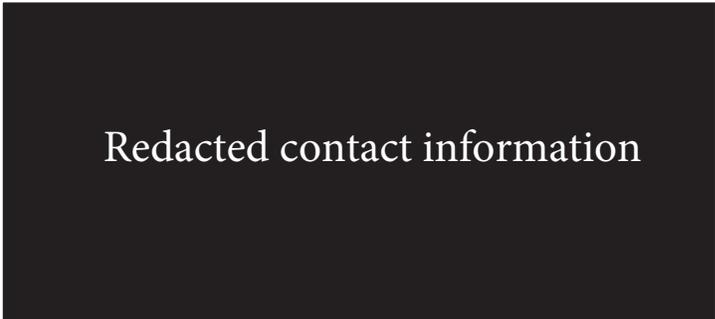
Comments:

Traffic studies have apparently been extensively studied, however, what are the economic impacts to the community with this Reliever Route? Have those studies been conducted, where are their results when paired with the traffic? (more on back)

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I have seen examples throughout the nation where relief routes and bypasses have been built to alleviate stress on the communities only to have the communities stretch to the bypass/relief routes. Businesses in the form of convenience stores, gas stations, and car dealerships move out first followed by fast food restaurants and chain places.

Eventually the economic centers shift to the Relievers and the congestion occurs again with the unfortunate effect of a vacated city center. Go downtown Gainesville one block from Broadway and see the empty stores because of the businesses on Grand and HWY 82 as it currently exists.

ADDITIONAL THOUGHTS:

- REMOVE STOP LIGHTS OVER ~~HWY~~ I-35 AND PUT CONCRETE DIVIDER AND ENRANCE AND EXITS FROM HWY 82 - THE STOP LIGHTS ARE THE PROBLEM
- * ~~TAKE~~ TAKE THE MONEY EARMARKED FOR TEARING UP RAMP AND AND BRIDGING OVER FLOOD PLAINS AND USE IT TO PURCHASE THE BUSINESSES ALONG HWY 82 IN THE CITY LIMITS AND WIDEN THE EXISTING ROAD (PREFERRED OPTION)
- GO NORTH UP TOWARDS THE OUTLET MALL FROM A SIMILAR STARTING POINT, CONSIDERABLY LESS LAND TO DEVELOP BUT THE CURRENT PROPERTY OWNERS MAY HINDER TO ~~BUY~~ ^{SEAL} THEIR LAND FROM THEM



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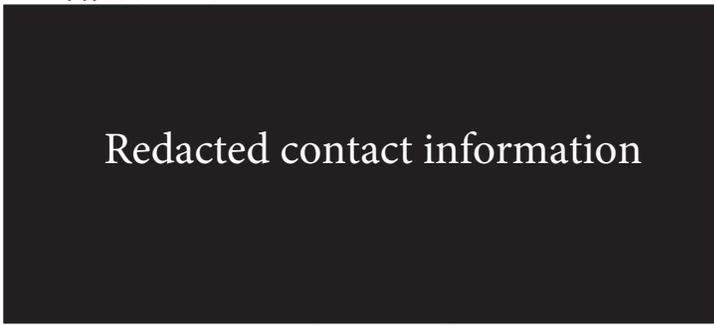
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Comments: Please confirm that the historic Butterfield Stage Line is not disturbed in this (any) route. Also there are springs in some of the route along Hwy 82. Add cloverleaf back @ 82/35!

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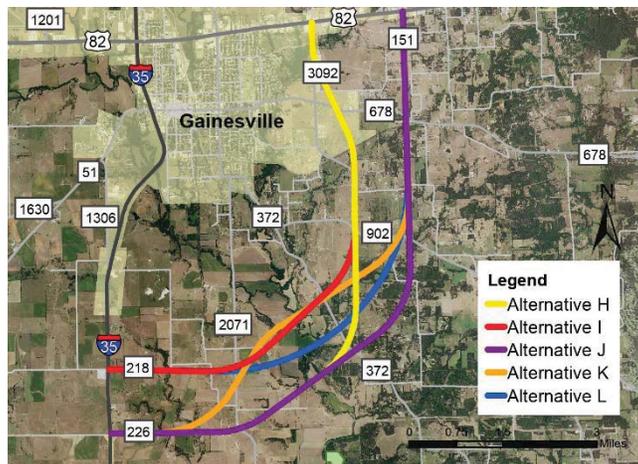


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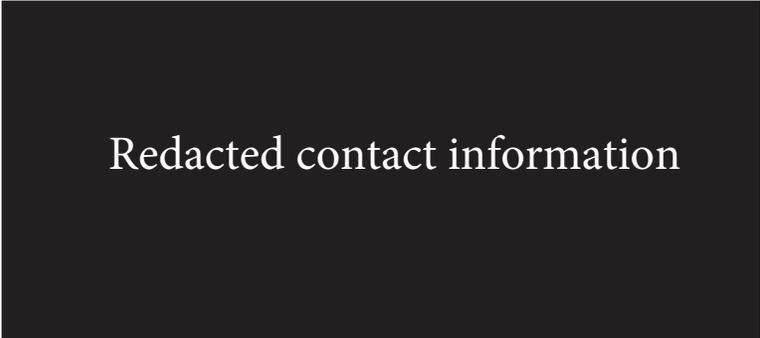
Comments:

I don't prefer any of the suggested routes. All of the routes that are listed will affect my land and/or home. These proposed routes will negate entire reason that I moved to my current location. Additionally, the construction of these routes will cause damage to homes and land that have been in families for generations. Most of the acreage is used to provide incomes for families. With the construction for any of these routes you will be making many families suffer because they won't have land to raise cattle or grow crops, etc. There is a reason people move out the location where the routes are and it is because they don't want to live in town. Creating these routes will bring traffic to quiet and peaceful homes, more businesses and crime around residential areas, and will make it impossible for ranchers and farmers to work.

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Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 9:56 AM

To: Ad

Subject: TxDOT Internet E-Mail

Redacted contact information

Requested Contact Method: Email

Reason for Contact: Customer Service

Complaint: No

Comment: Re: 82 Reliever Route

After reviewing, I believe that route I (red) would be best due to low length of miles (8.5) and low displacement of residential structures (6). During the meeting on May 16th, there was a vote. My husband and I vote to take the north south part of the yellow route and merge that with east west part of red.

From: [REDACTED]
Date: May 21, 2017 at 7:22:28 PM CDT
To: <[REDACTED]>
Subject: TxDOT Internet E-Mail



Reason for Contact: Customer Service
Complaint: No

Comment: We do not need a reliever route around Gainesville.

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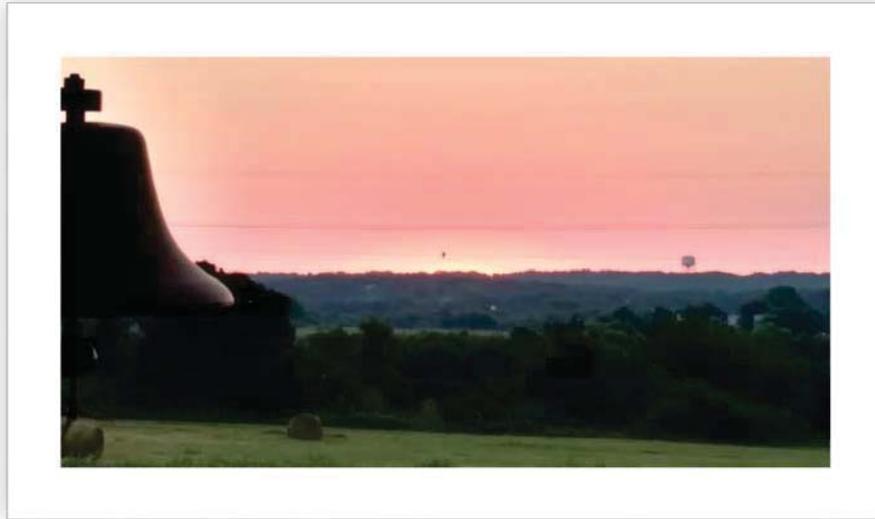
From: [REDACTED]
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Requested Contact Method: Email

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Complaint: No

Comment: Alternatives J,K,L go right over the top of my personal house and property. It would divide my property so that getting to my 3 rentals homes and barn would be cumbersome. Furthermore, I just built a very nice house in 2016 that would need to be purchased because I do not want to live on a highway. I prefer route H&I as those follow an existing rd.

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Highway 82 Reliever Rt.

THE ROAD THAT SHOULD NOT BE BUILT

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| Reliever Route relief

The Case For the Reliever Route

Priorities according to the TXDOT:

- 1) Safety
- 2) Maintenance and System Efficiency
- 3) Reliable Trip Times
- 4) Freight Reliability
- 5) Economic Vitality
- 6) Environmental sustainability

Reliever Route Study

US 82 is a major thoroughfare for motorists and trucks in Gainesville, Texas. As population and commercial activity continue to grow in the area, it has become necessary to move forward with the planning and design of a reliever route that can more adequately meet the capacity and safety needs of the corridor. The US 82 Reliever Route Study is currently underway to identify a recommended alignment that can be carried forward into future phases of project development. The study area is generally bound by I-35 to the west and FM 678 to the east.

Study Information

The goal of the study is to conduct the necessary technical analysis to identify a recommended corridor or route that can be carried forward into future phases of project development. The study builds upon previous feasibility studies for US 82, with the most recent conducted in December 2012. The feasibility study was based on the steps outlined in the Transportation Planning Process as defined by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and consists of using data collection and comparative analysis to build consensus around a preferred long-term alternative. Three stakeholder meetings and one public meeting have been held so far to receive input, evaluate alternatives and determine a locally preferred alternative.

The current study will include the following elements:

- Route and design studies
- Social, economic and environmental constraints studies
- Public involvement

According to <http://ftp.dot.state.tx.us/pub/txdot/get-involved/wfs/us-82-reliever-route/materials/011117-survey-results.pdf> the decision to build this \$80,000,000 highway is being made based on input and interest from 214 respondents out of a municipal population of 15,000

people. So .01/% of the population of Gainesville has responded to this perceived need and only 69% of those who responded felt there was some need for a reliever route. 24% of those did not feel it was needed and 7% of those did not care.

This project is being presented as a going concern of the citizens of Cooke County. According to this data it is very possible more than 99% do not even know of the existence of the study.

The current level of traffic does not justify the expense of a brand new 15 mile road. It would be a stretch to suggest that the traffic pattern through Gainesville will increase to the level that would cause significant congestion through Gainesville in the next 20 years. That is total speculation. If the new road were necessary the proposed routes would only alleviate congestion on the east to south/south to east route and would accomplish nothing on the north to east/east to north, west to east/west to south or west to north congestion. That means the projected expense would be quadrupled by the time these other concerns are addressed.

There are at least two alternatives that have not been discussed. The first is elevating Highway 82 for a couple of miles on the east and west approaches to I35. This solves all of the concerns about the traffic flow to and from all directions. It has been said that this would be too expensive and that there is not enough easement available. Yet the expense is unknown because there has

been no study to analyze this cost and no engineer has studied the requirements of the easement.

The second alternative is a much shorter route north of town. A route around the north side of the city would connect out close to the outlet malls and could eventually be extended to connect back with Hwy 82 on the west side of town. Although this route would also take in family land there would be much less required and fewer dwellings affected. This might actually be the best alternative.

A study of these two alternatives must be made before any commitment to a new and possible lightly used and very expensive roadway is constructed.

TXDOT has stated that safety is the number one priority of the project. Yet the Alternative routes J,K and L cross CR 678 at the most dangerous section of CR 678. There is a blind hill on the west side and a blind curve on the east side. Even if an overpass is used this will not solve the issue of access from the cross-traffic.

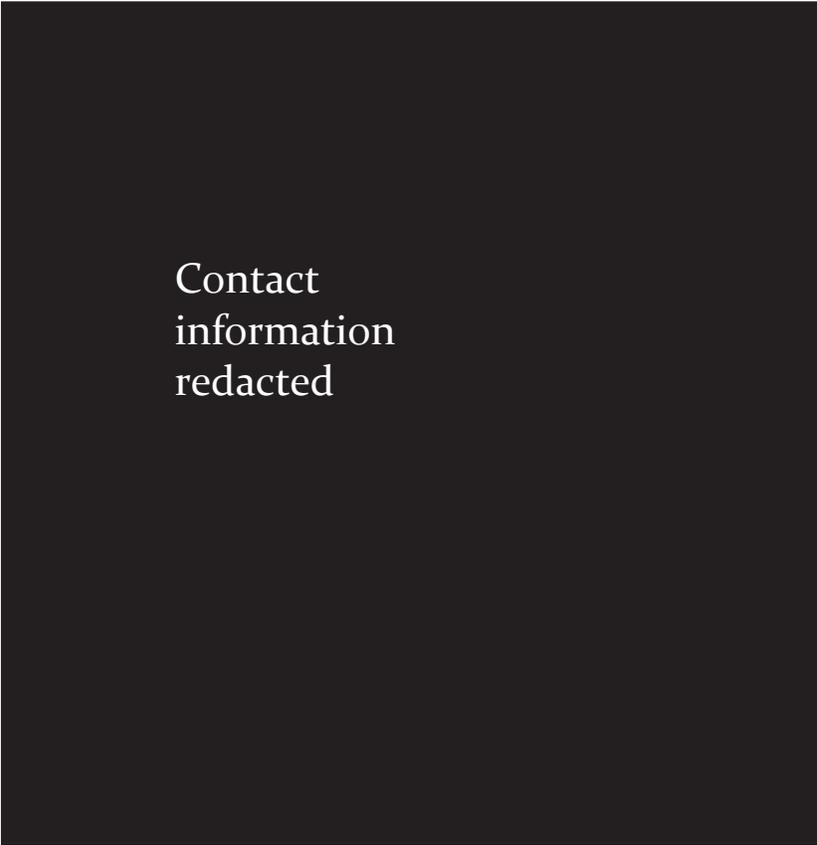
Considering it to be a strong possibility that the above information will be ignored and minimized by those pushing this needless construction it is necessary to mention that CR 3092 offers the safest and least intrusive route for this construction.

It is obviously not a concern of those planning this route that a new highway of this magnitude cuts across lands that have been in families for many generations. Much

of this land is held onto, not for financial reasons but in spite of financial concerns. Choosing a route that has the least intrusion into these lands is important to those who have given their lives to holding on through very tough times.

I request a study of the feasibility of elevating 82. This is the only construction that will address all of the concerns of all of those affected. I also request a study of a north bypass route connecting from east of 3092 to the area of the outlet mall. I have begun accumulating signatures on a petition demanding this study.

Signed,



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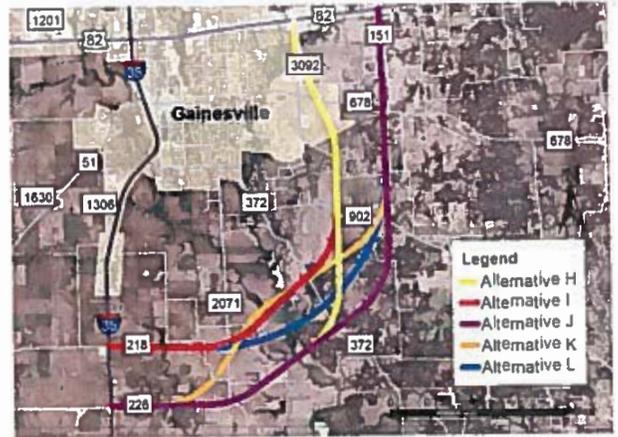


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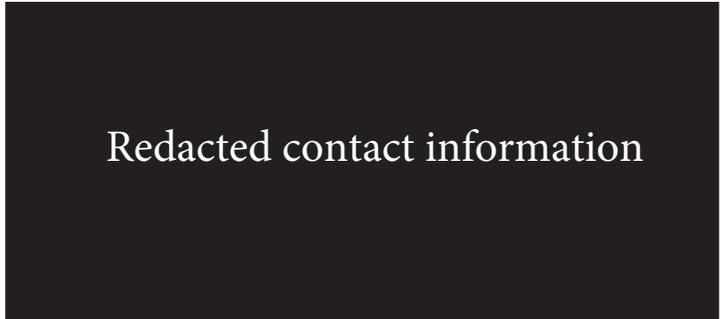
Comments:

THE YELLOW ROUTE MAY HIT SOME OF MY PROPERTY, BUT I DO NOT PREFER ONE OVER THE OTHER. I HAVE LIVED ON FAMILY LAND FOR 75 YRS. I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW ROUTE BEFORE I DEC

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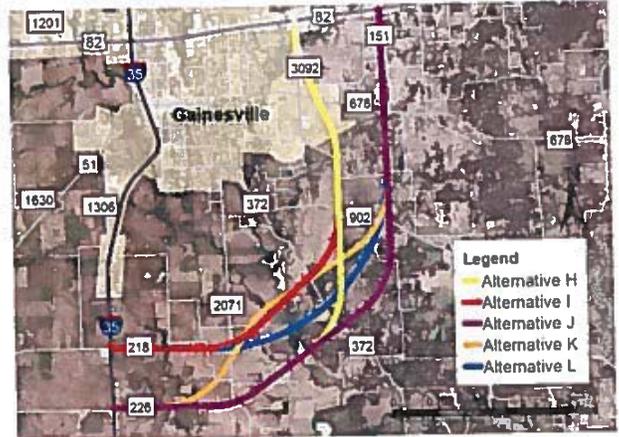


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Comments:



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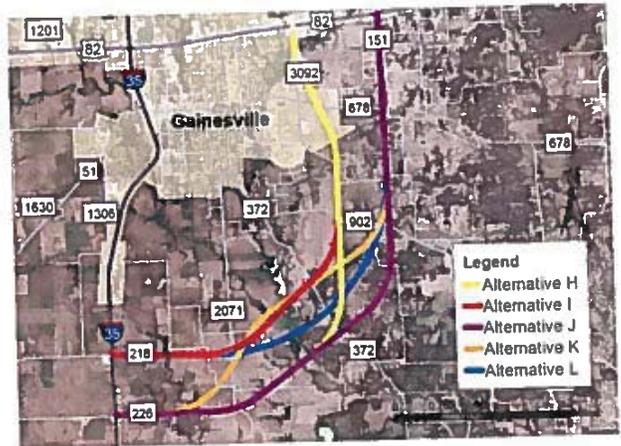


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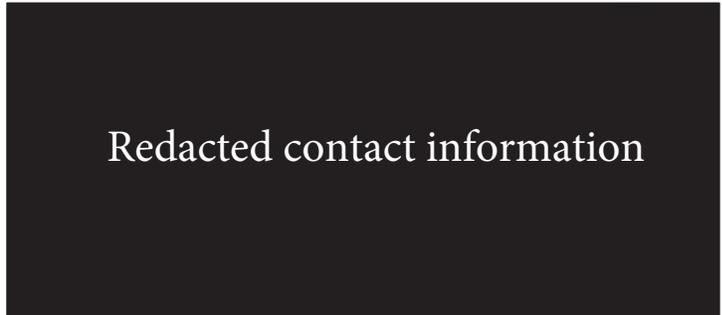
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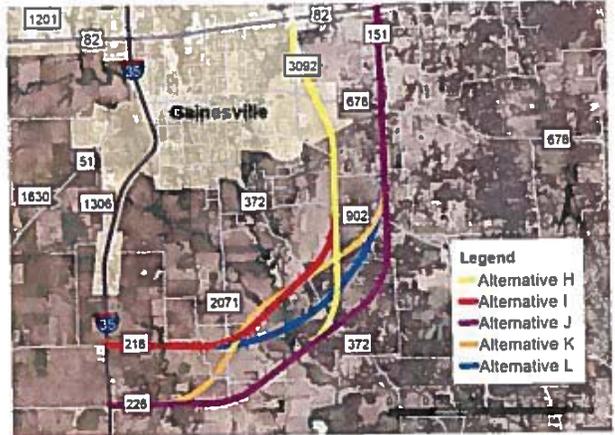


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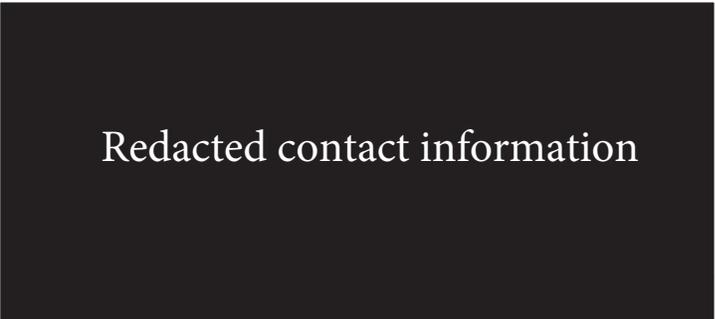
Comments:

Go North I-35 to 371 - create a loop north of 82 -
 My home is on the Purple route (under). My Parents (family home is on the Alternative K route (orange).

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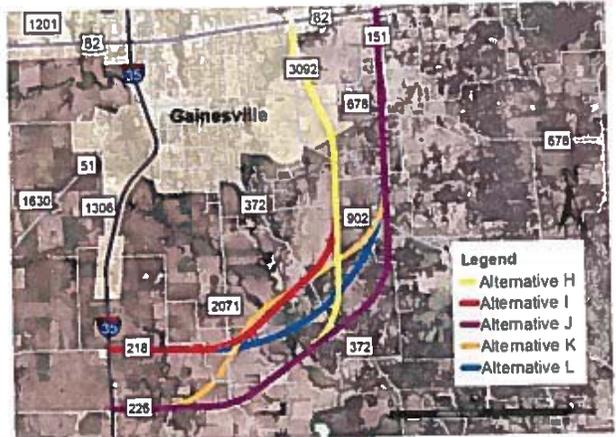


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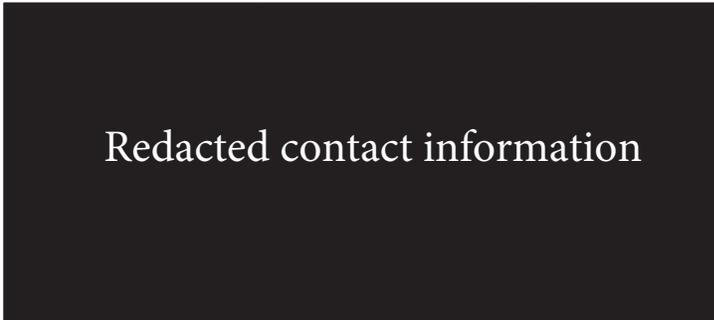
Comments:

There are homes, farms and ranches in my area. The purple route would destroy these properties and would be so close to me. I've spent my adult life building my ranch - this would destroy it

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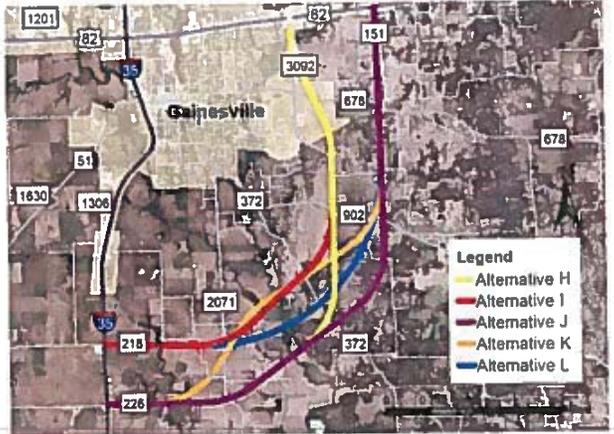


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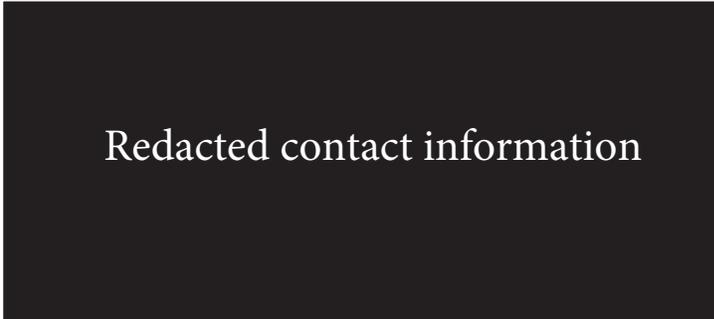
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Comments: 371 North of Gainesville

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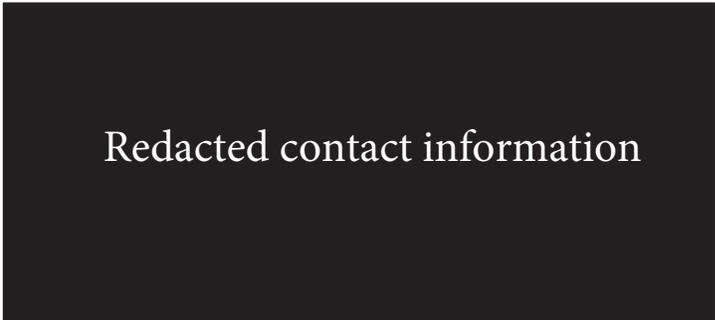
Comments:

please consider north of Gainesville where there is little housing - FM 371 - Reep business is Gainesville going - the routes that are considered have too many people living there. Choose less populated areas -

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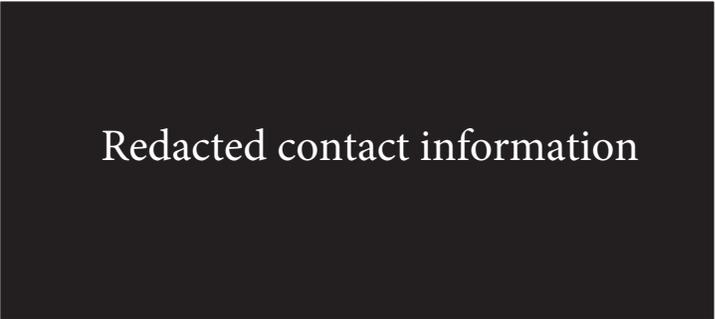
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Alternative I			X	
Alternative J			X	
Alternative K			X	
Alternative L			X	

Comments: Alt A
 I propose building a loop north of 82 from FM 371 to 1202 overpass. It would benefit Gainesville's business park. Less houses

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Alternative I				
Alternative J	✓			
Alternative K				
Alternative L			✓	

Comments:

"J" has a better crossing of the Elm fork flood plain. H & I cross the creek itself at a very unstable channel "too many wandering crooks". L has a lot in flood plain and the way it is drawn goes down the middle of the creek.

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also I don't like L because it goes through 2 of my barns but if you've got the money I could part with them - I'll miss the peace & quite

- 82 would be better relieved to cut off between Muenster & Lindsay. Go north of Lindsay & Gainesville & back to 82, about Oak Ridge. You could cross I35 at about the RR crossing

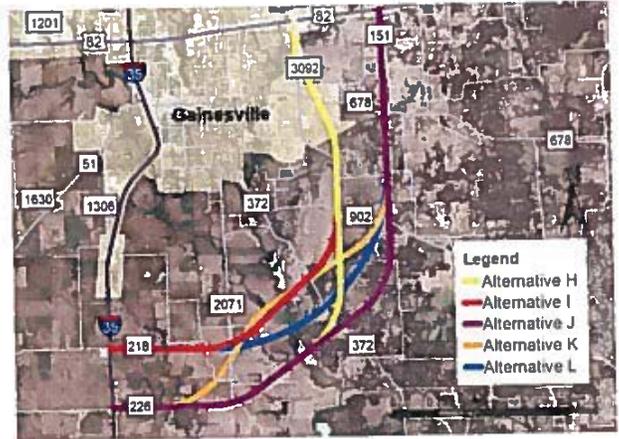


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Alternative I			X	
Alternative J			X	
Alternative K			X	
Alternative L			X	

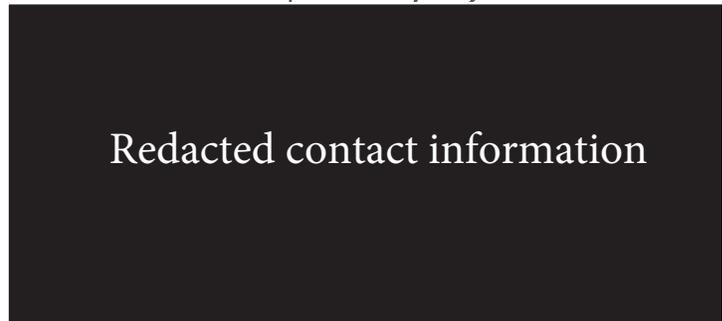
Comments:

This Route Seems to have the most houses in the way. This Route is not preferred because it will cross our family property that has been in the family for over 100 years. I do not see the need for the Reliever Route at all.

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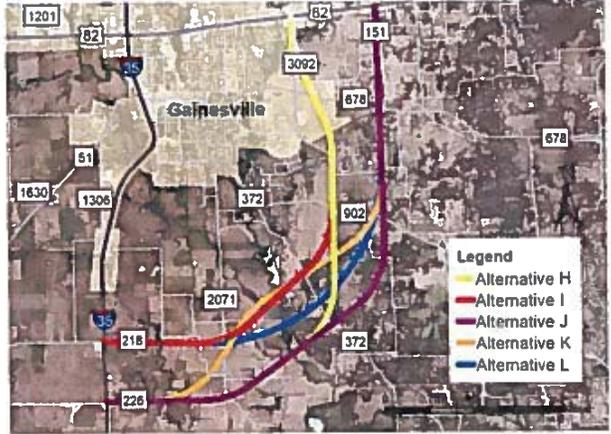


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Alternative H	Southbound			
Alternative I			X	
Alternative J			X	
Alternative K	Westbound			
Alternative L	Westbound			

Comments:

merge H with either K or L
 ** J is too long, too many houses + commercial properties

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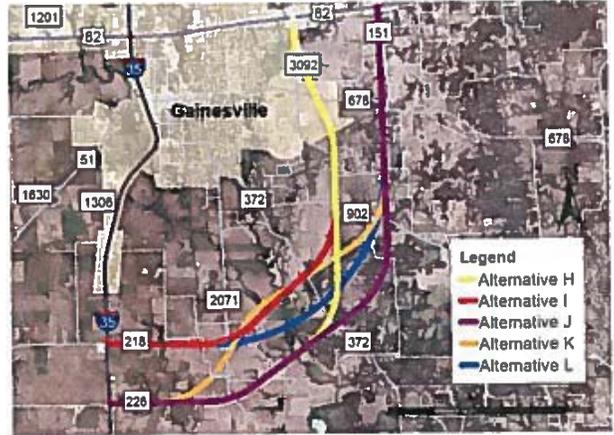


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Alternative I			X	
Alternative J	X		X	
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Alternative L			X	

Comments:

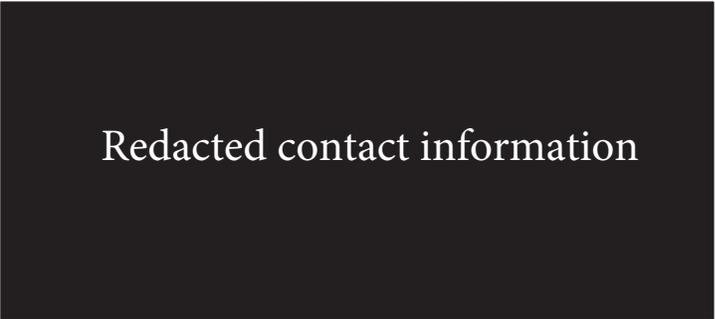
Move the re route ~~to~~ north of Gainesville to the overpass by the old Outlet mall head east to hit 371 then CR 151. It would help w/ Gville growing North w/ industrial park ~~and~~ Just mark it a business route to the North. This would not

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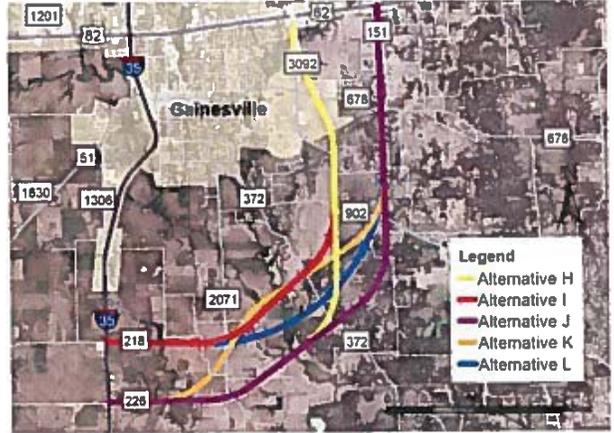


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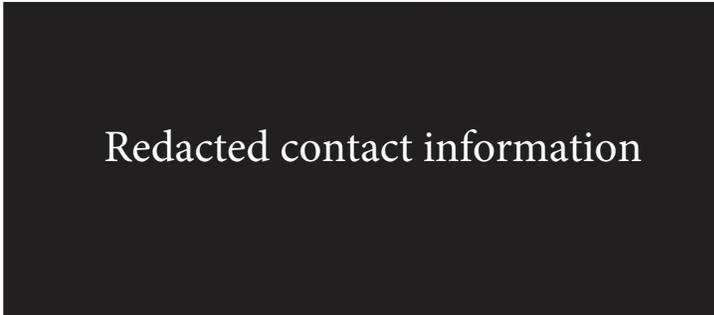
Comments:

Should be 4 lane with controlled access. Overpasses should be used with no stop signs or red lights on Relief Route.

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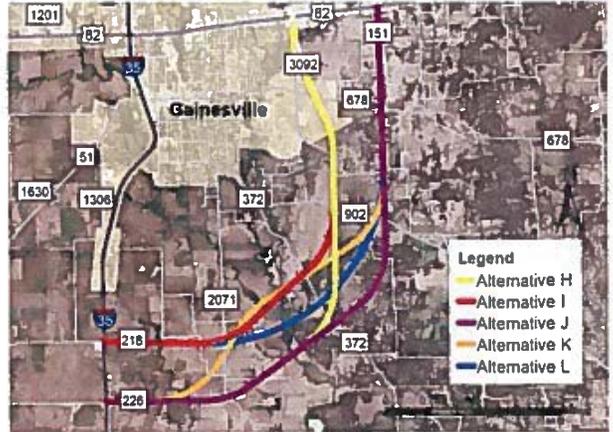


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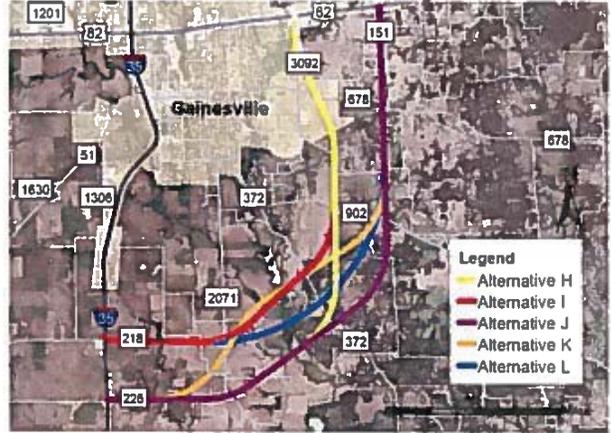


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Alternative J	X	A Smarter Route		
Alternative K				
Alternative L				

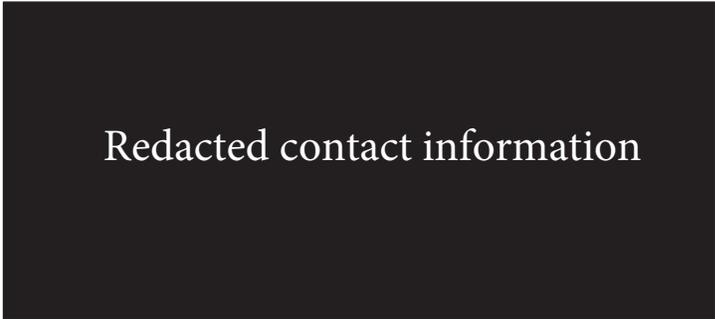
Comments:

Alternate Route M: Route that starts 2 1/2 miles North of 82 from I-35 and heads East back to E. Hwy. 82. It effects no homes, cheaper to build for the state, no buy outs of homes or bldgs

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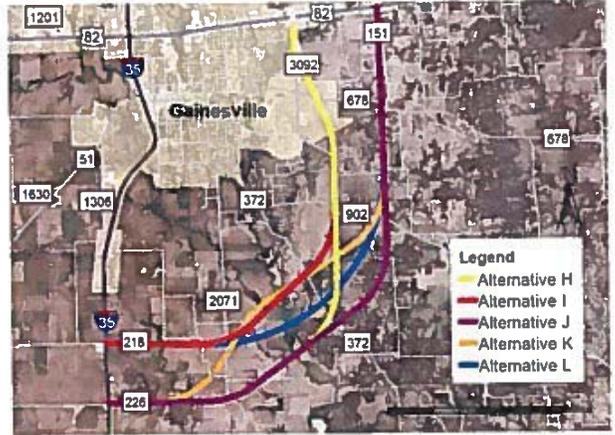


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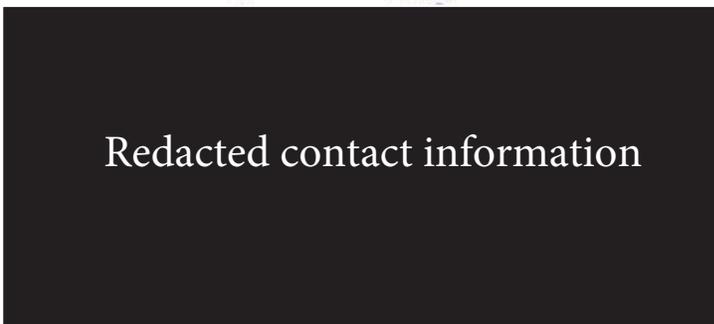
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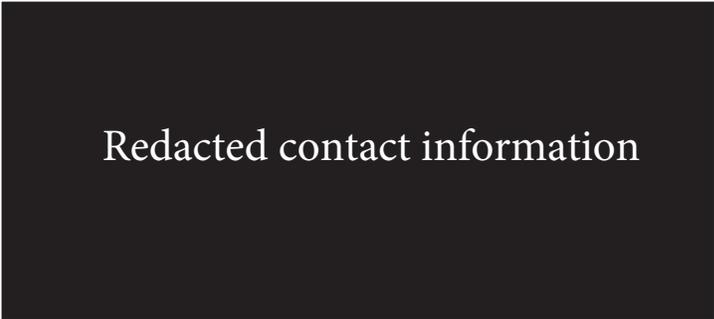
Comments:

Actually none of the routes are good. This will wipe out ranches, farms, & dairies. Has the environmental study identified the noise levels? Will jake brakes be restricted? I'm very disappointed with the timing, distribution of the 2016 survey. It w

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Thanksgiving, too.

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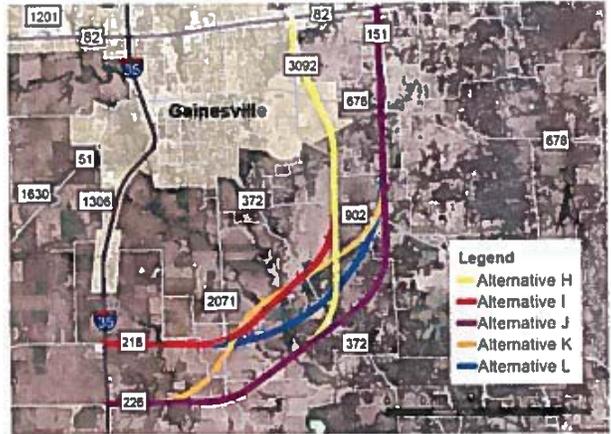


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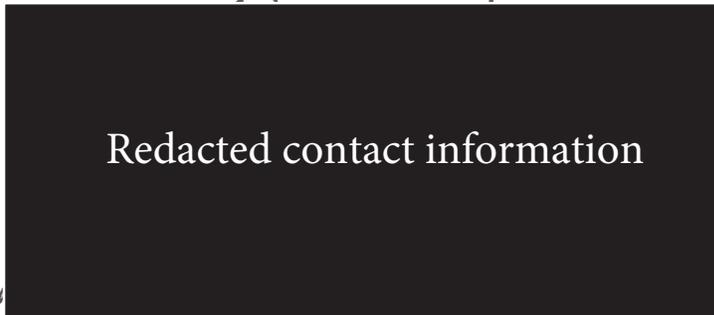
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Alternative I	✓ (None good)		✓	
Alternative J	✓		✓	
Alternative K			✓	
Alternative L			✓	

Comments: Think totally NOT needed -

Traffic problem is "N" on 35 - Not lot of traffic going East from 35 @ Valley Vic

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82 east already least congested in Cooke Co - Ruins lots of beautiful

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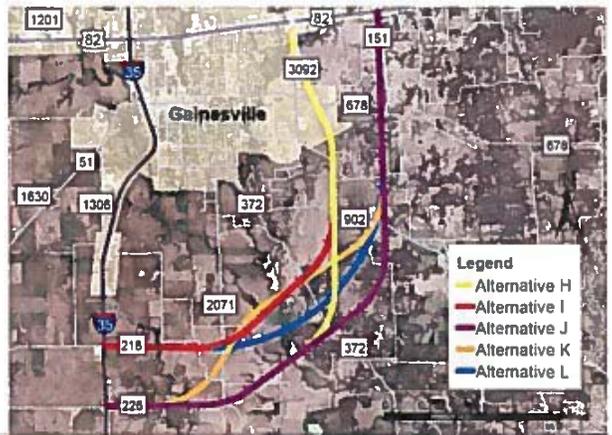


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Alternative H			X	
Alternative I			X	
Alternative J			X	
Alternative K			X	
Alternative L			X	

Comments: My house was built in 1958 and it would be a shame to destroy this historical home for the convenience of a few Truckers

Please mail your comments to:

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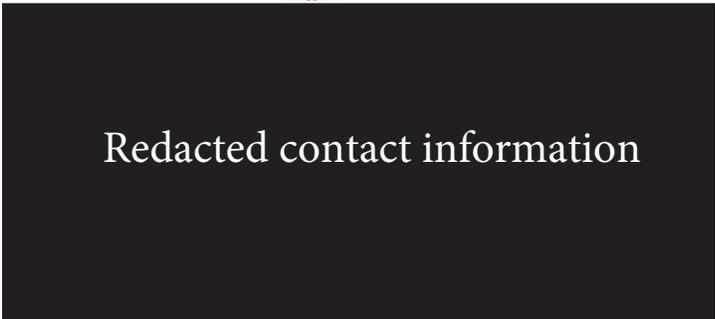
Comments:

I AM Handycaped

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Alternative K	<i>None</i>		<i>✓</i>	
Alternative L	<i>None</i>		<i>✓</i>	

Comments:

Stupid idea. I have lived on this same place for 56 years, it was our family's farm since 1946. So north of 82

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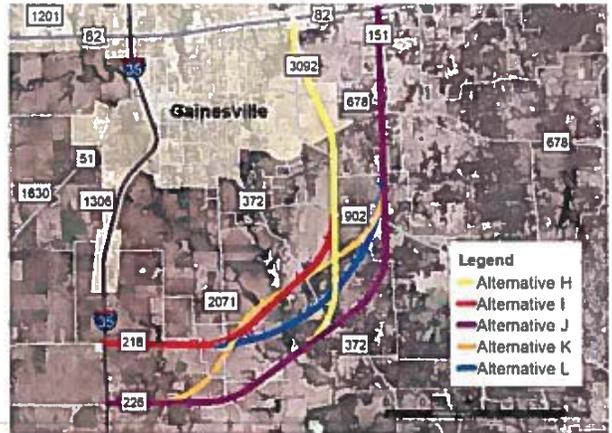


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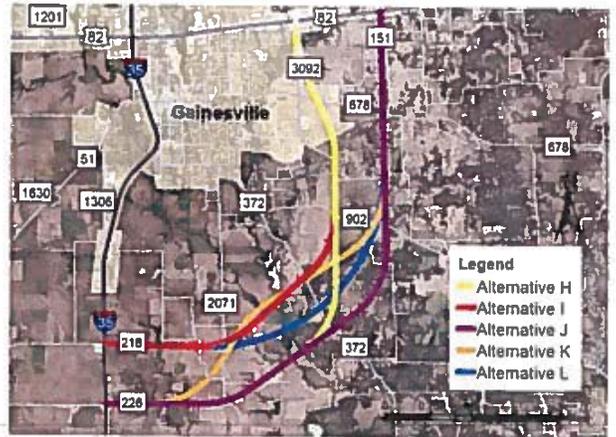


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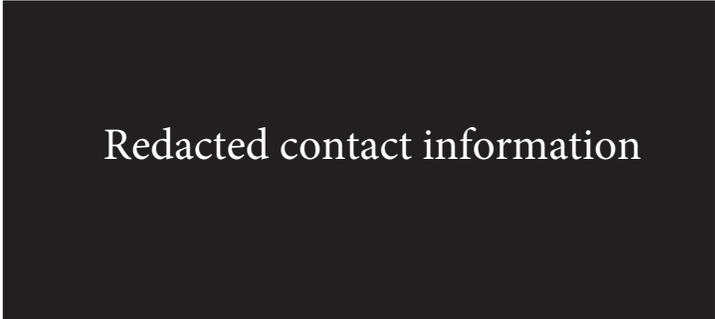
Comments:

Would prefer something less invasive to me + my neighbors. Something North of Elm Creek or possibly South of us, such as 922FM. Not excited about a 4-lane Hwy next door to m

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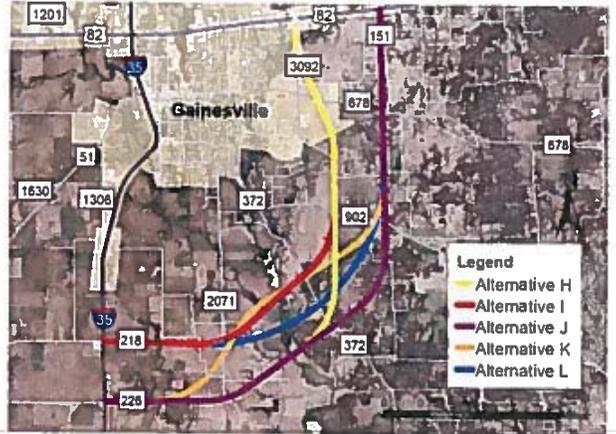


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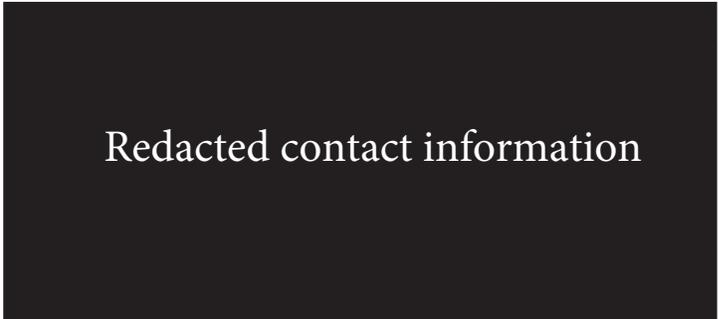
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Comments: 3 miles North of 82

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Alternative L			X	

Comments:

Strongly prefer alt. H. Close enough to TOWN to benefit LOCAL MERCHANTS. Shortest Rte., fairly STRAIGHT. Could use ~~some of~~ some of 3092. Alt. H only alter

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MAYBE



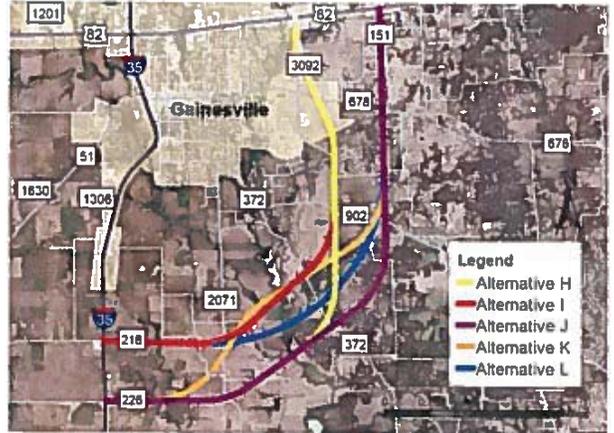


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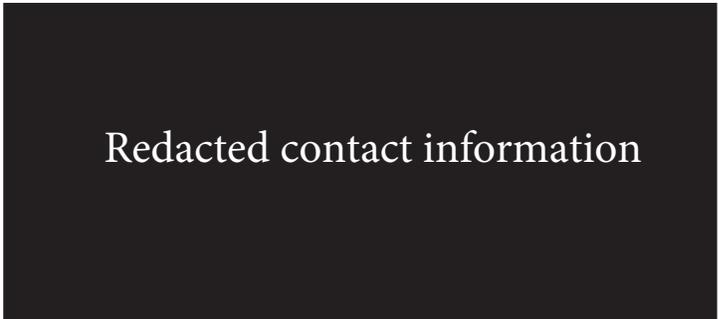
Comments:

I don't WANT the highway to come south of farm rd 220!

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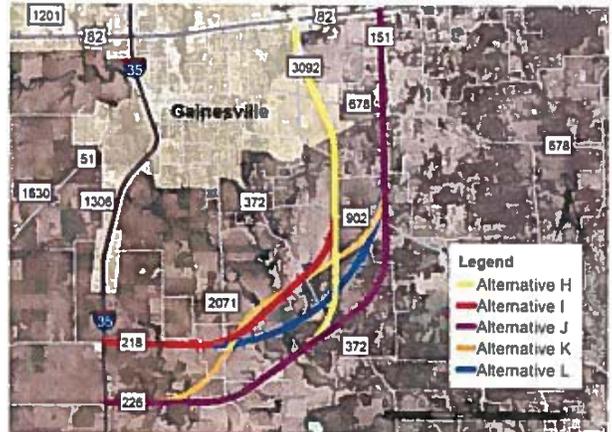


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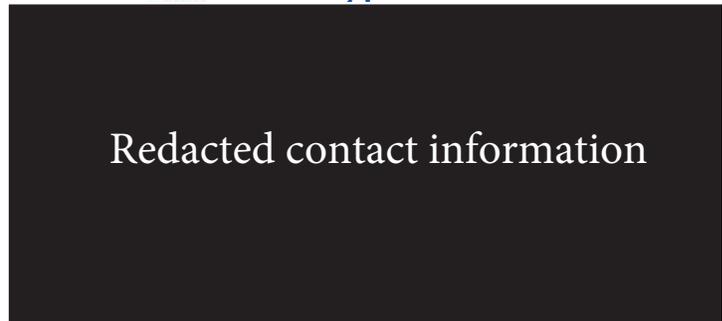
*GO NORTH SIDE OF GAINESVILLE
 6.5 MILE TOTAL - NO MAJOR CREEK
 SOUTH - IS FLOOD AREA - SOUTH ALREADY HAS RELIEF
 SAVE STATE MONEY - PLEASE*

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*NORTH WILL RELIEF
 TRAFFIC*



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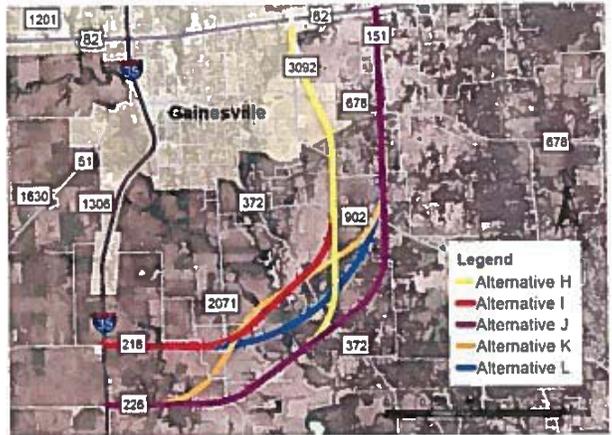


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Comments:

It certainly looks like routes I and L would have the least impact on residents and farmers.

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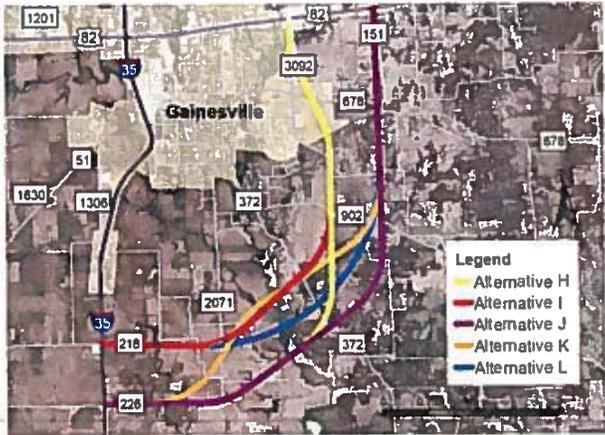


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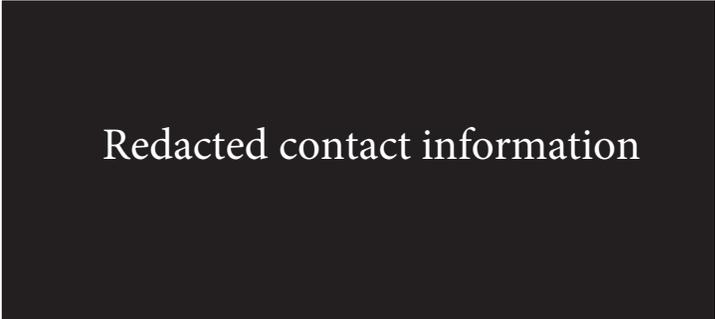
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Comments: I AM HARDY CAPED

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Alternativo 1
YES

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Alternativo J
NO

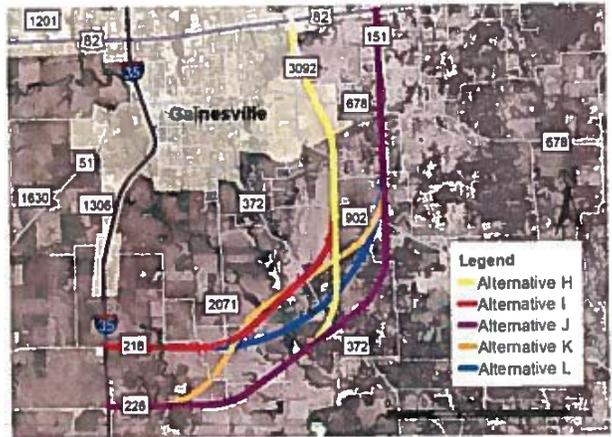


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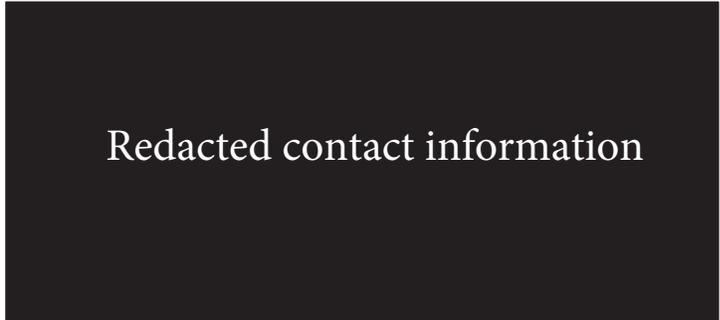
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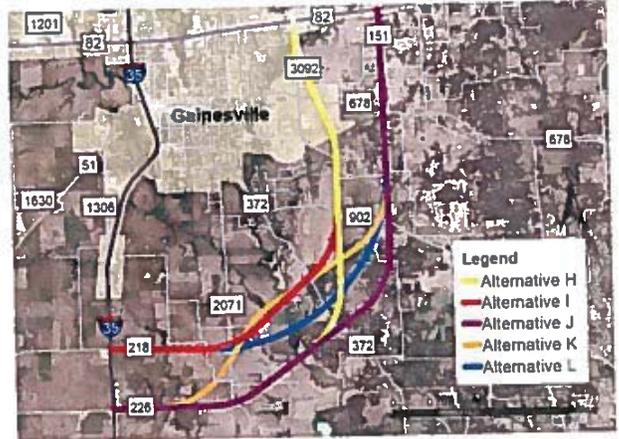


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Comments:

I know tht this is going to be built. But I don't want to see it close to a school

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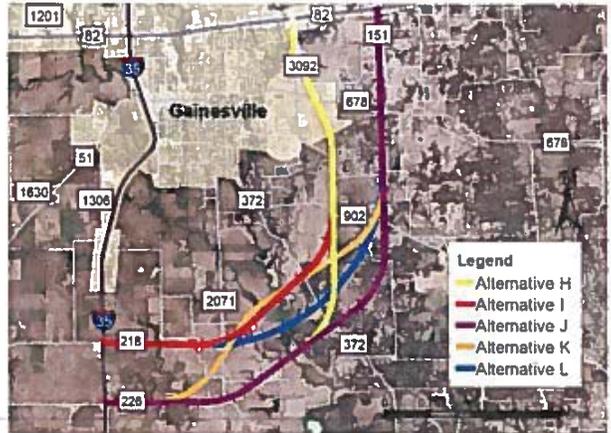


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Alternative I				
Alternative J	✓ if you have to have a bypass			
Alternative K				
Alternative L				

Comments:

I am good with 82 - it does not go through the city. TX Dot is working on the few problems on 82 right now. Why spend the money to make another road for bad truck

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Comments:

Solve the problem of congestion by working @ the problem out in the north of Gainesville. We have a 100 yr old family dairy. I Say No to the whole reliever route south of Gainesville

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Alternative L				

Comments:

Alternative J is longer - however it is a loop (start) around Gainesville, not in the city limits and I would also serve as a good (beginning) then alternative K - the 3 that get to 82 the farthest out

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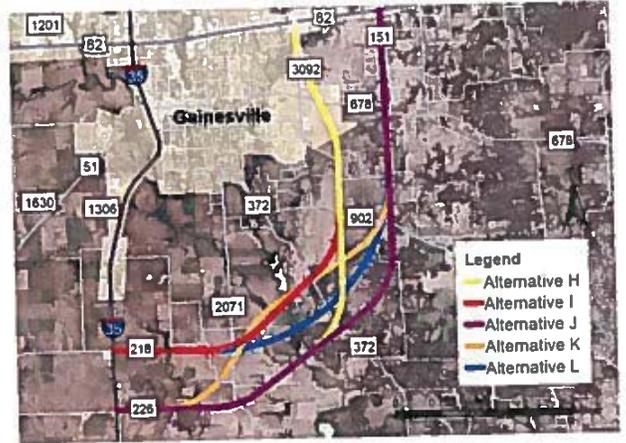


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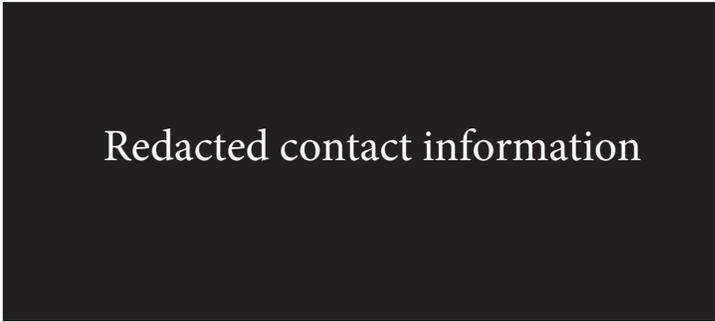
Comments:

I am opposed to the reliever route I do not think it is necessary most of the traffic on 82 comes from Zodiac to Wal-mart area. The reliever route will not help this traffic. If traffic is trying to get to Denton they can use 377 to the east @ Whitesboro

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side of Denton, Or you can build the route North to
Come out by the old outlet Mall and try to revive that
area. Stay away from the farmland that has been in
~~families~~ families for generations. I am very opposed to
route J. I have land that I plan to build a
retirement home and the road will run right through
my land right by my Pond. The land has been in my
family for many years.

There was not congestion at 82 and 35 until you
took out the clover leafs. Now the red lights make
the traffic back up,

Please do away with the reliever route all together.

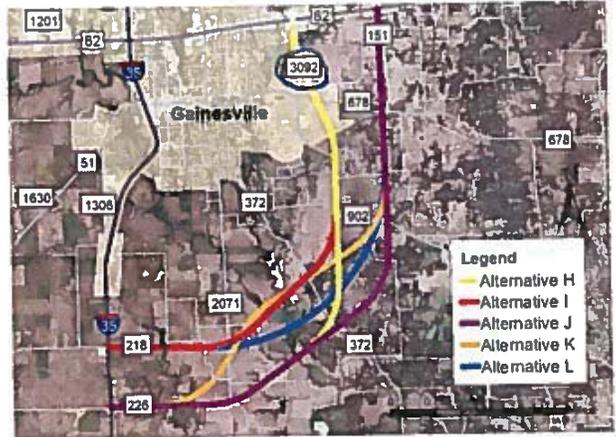


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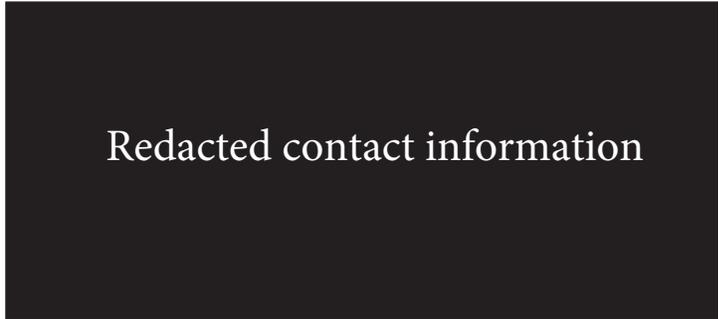
Comments:

I OWN LAND BORDERING 3092 & CR 151.
 If you take the corner shown on ALT. H.
 I will probably loose an oil well &
 a pond used for drinking water for cow.

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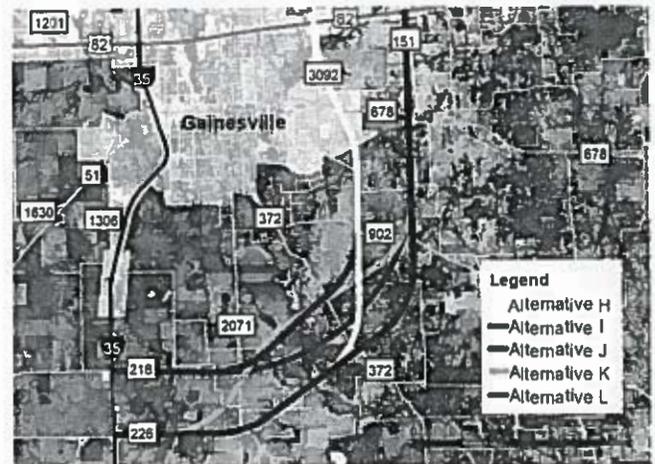




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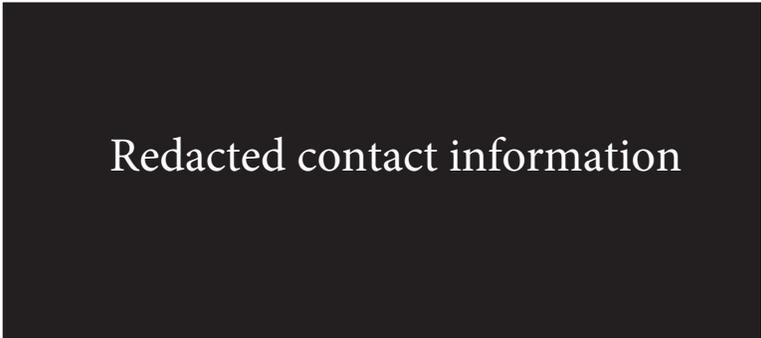
Comments:

If you are going to build a loop - stay out of city limits.

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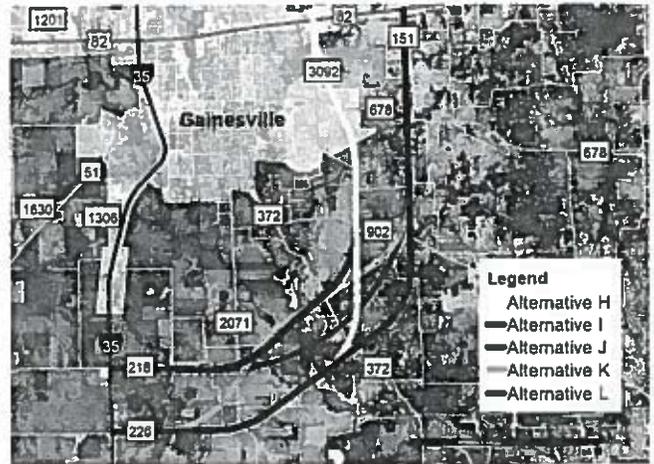


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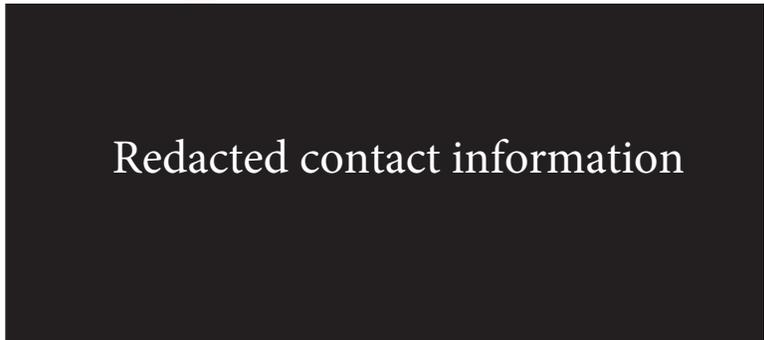
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*Approve of the loop, but not close to town.
Choose the farther out the better*

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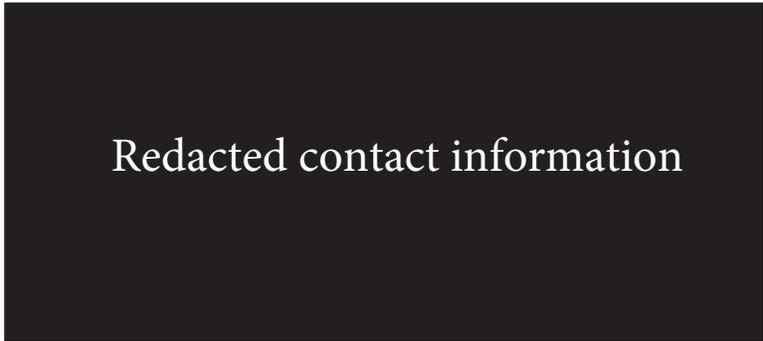
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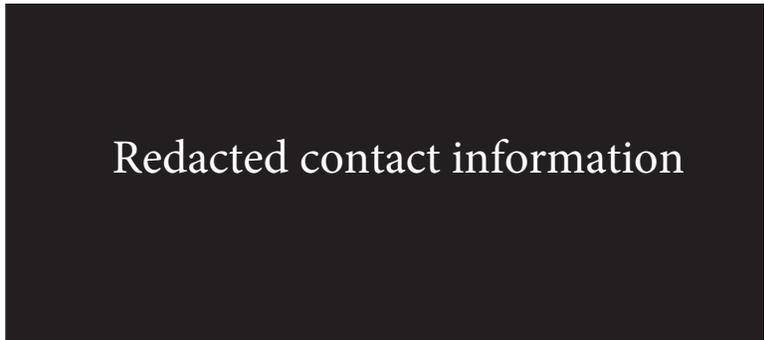
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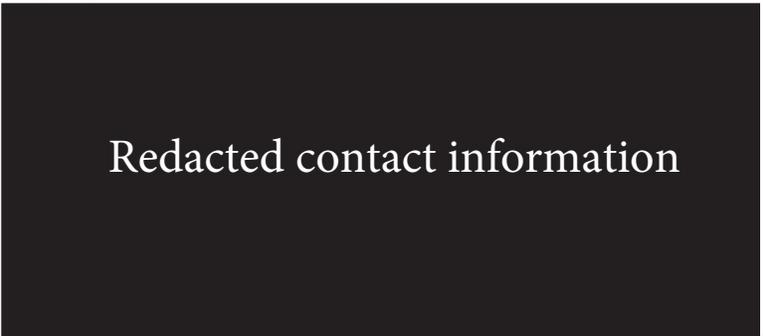
Comments:

These routes are all going to destroy wild life, people's farms and ranches, history and the lively hood of many voters in Cooke County - we don't want any of these alternatives. Don't destroy our county

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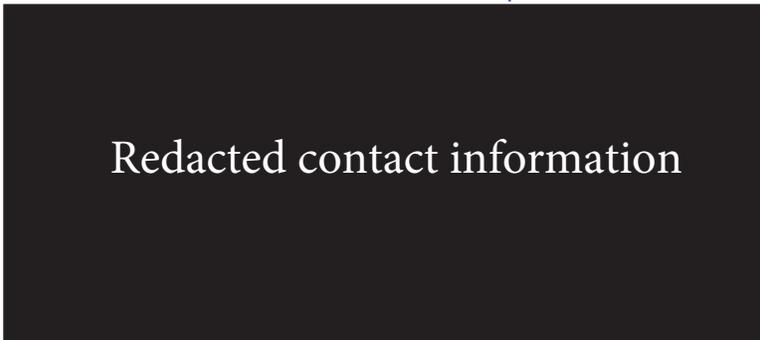
Comments:

My husband has a business on hwy 82. Trucks are backed up all the time. The route needs to be out of the city limits to help keep truck out of the way of cars. The further outside the city limits on hwy 82 the better!

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, May 20, 2017 2:22 PM
To: MyProjectsWichitaFalls <MyProjectsWichitaFalls@txdot.gov>
Subject: Highway 82 reliever route study

I am writing to strongly object to all of the proposed routes except Proposed Route J, or the one that loops the farthest out from the city of Gainesville. The other proposed routes would significantly disrupt the lives and properties that consist largely of productive farm lands that have been in families for many years. When you consider the long-term losses resulting from the construction of the other proposed routes there is no way to fairly compensate the people affected.

I understand the need for a reliever route in this area. My belief is that selecting Route J would be the least disruptive option. Thank you.

[REDACTED]

--I am not a TDOT employee nor do I do business with TDOT. And, I do not stand to gain monetarily from any of the construction that may occur in the future.

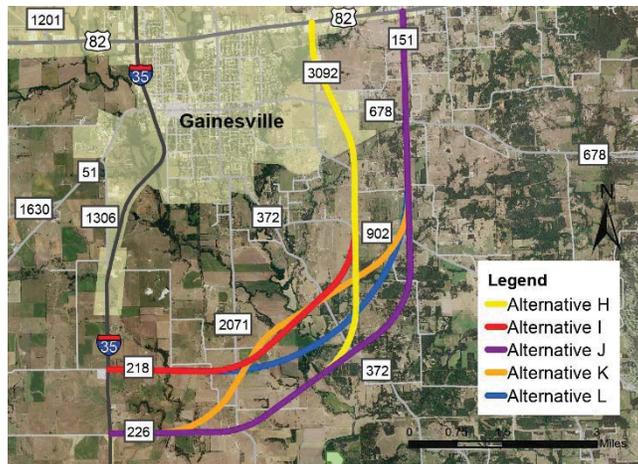


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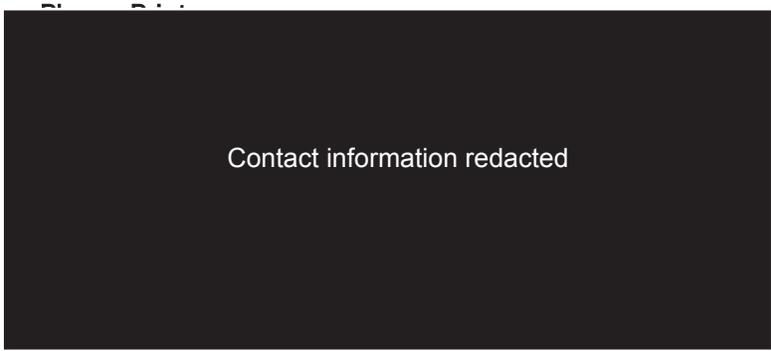
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Comments:

BLS Production Co., Inc. would like to have it shown on record that routes "J", "K" and "L" would have an impact on existing oil production operated by BLS Production Co., Inc. The attached map shows six producing oil wells and one oil facility on either side of FM 151, just south of the HWY 82 intersection. If route "J", "K" or "L" is chosen it would be necessary for some of these wells to be plugged and abandoned as well as moving or abandoning the oil facility. TXDOT would then be required to compensate BLS Production Co., Inc. and the lease owners for the lost revenue of the life of the wells and the cost of moving the oil facility.

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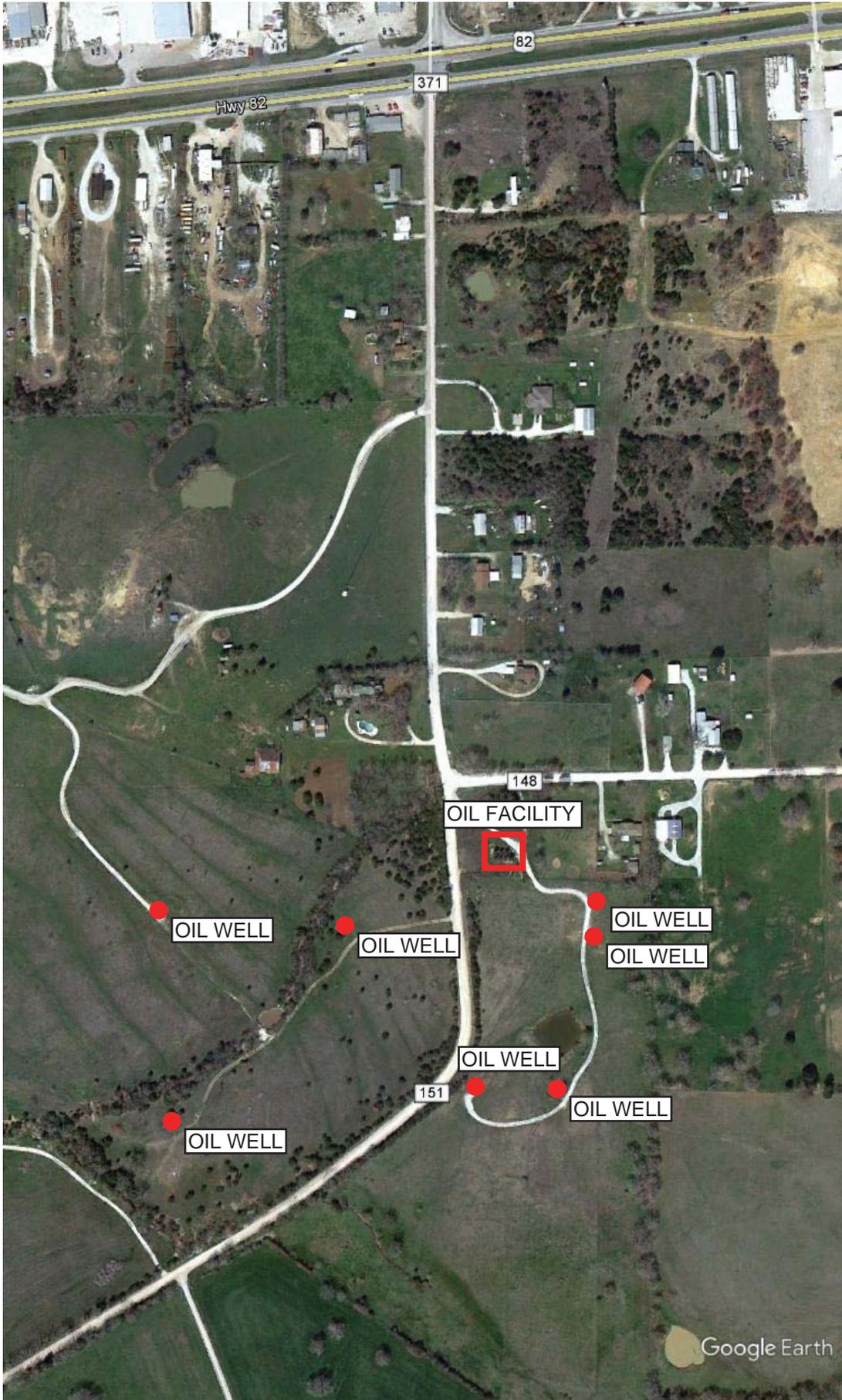
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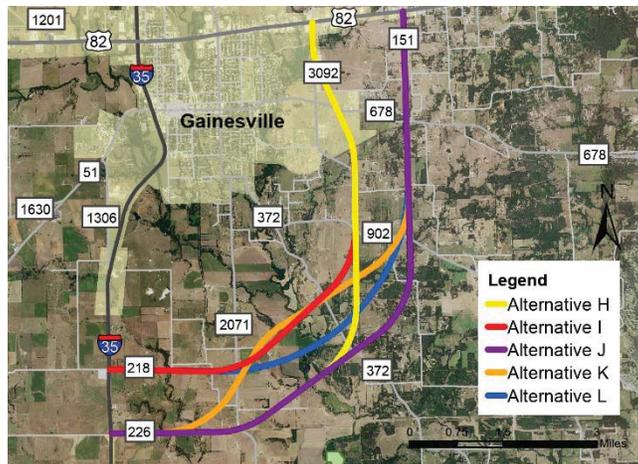


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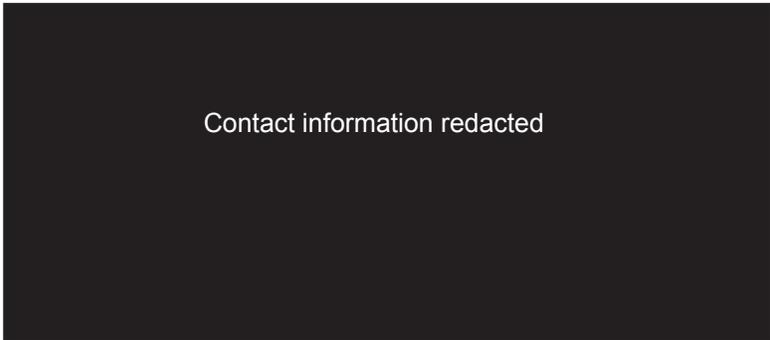
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Comments:

I am not in favor of Alternatives "H" and "I".
 Please do not ruin my kids safety of being able
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From: 
To: [MyProjectsWichitaFalls](#)
Subject: US 82 Reliever Route
Date: Monday, May 22, 2017 1:55:48 PM

Hey!

I am a Gainesville Resident currently living off FM3 092 in the Chalmer's Estates neighborhood next to Chalmer's elementary. I am very excited for the potential of a reliever route in Gainesville, but I am opposed to proposed routes H and I that are on and near 3092.

It's a very quiet area and there are dozens of children that live in the neighborhood and hundred attending the school that are exposed daily to a beautiful, quiet atmosphere that's basically in the country. A busy loop with tractor trailers and nonstop traffic (not to mention years of construction and equipment right off residential streets) near an elementary school and next to the Gainesville State School (which is a great facility) is a bad idea. Both of those schools benefit greatly from their locations, and a reliever route for two major highways directly between them would be a huge disservice.

Route L would be most preferred, then J, then K. Routes H and I would be a major mistake.

Thank you for your time!



-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 4:19 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: TxDOT Internet E-Mail

[REDACTED]

Redacted contact information

Requested Contact Method:

Reason for Contact: Customer Service

Complaint: No

Comment: I am against plans H&I for the hwy 82 reliever project. Please consider moving it farther east.

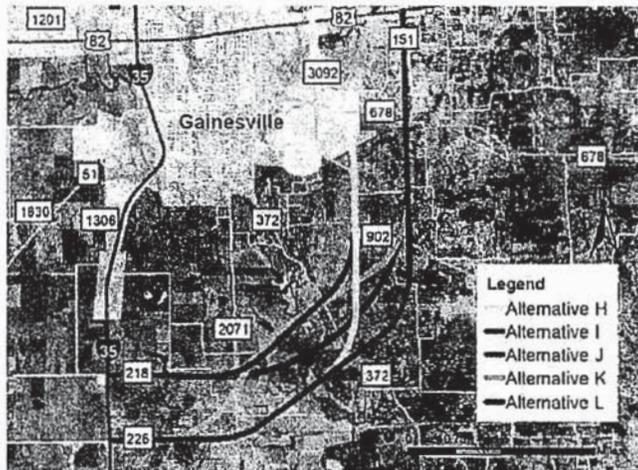


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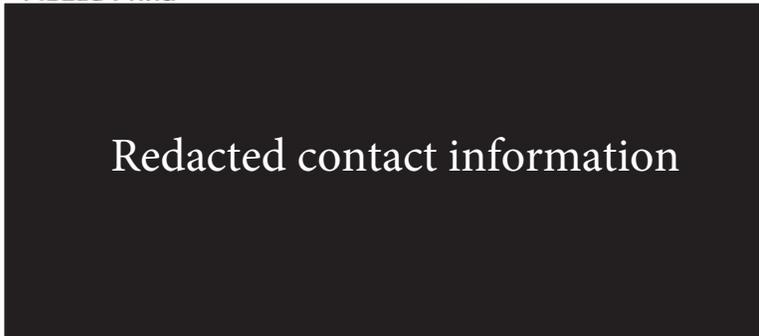
Comments:

IN LOOKING AT THE ROUTES AND RESULTING DISRUPTION, "H" AND "I" MAKE MORE SENSE.

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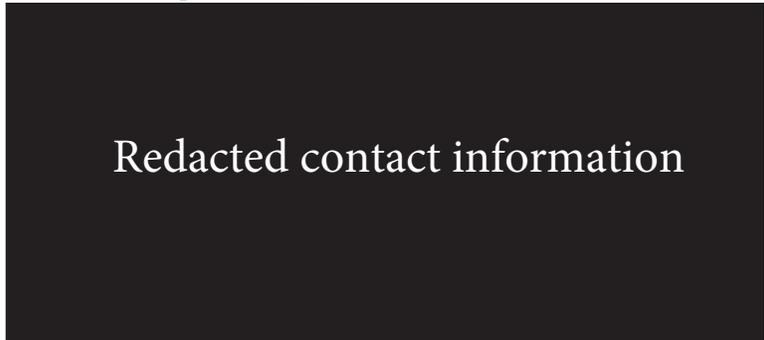
Comments:

I have property adjacent to FM 3092. We are currently in the process of building our home on this property. Having a route that uses FM 3902 will result in lower property value and increased noise pollution.

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Comments:

I have property adjacent to FM 3092. My wife and I are currently in the process of building a home on the property. Having the reliever route use FM 3092 will result in lower property value and increased noise pollution.

Please mail your comments to:

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 Attn: Shaun Barnes
 1601 Southwest Parkway
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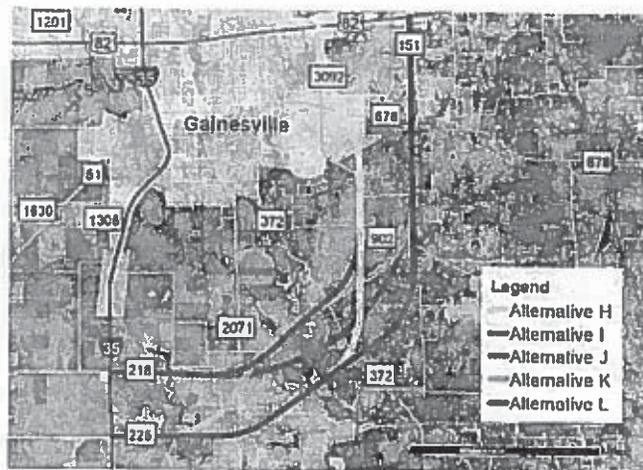


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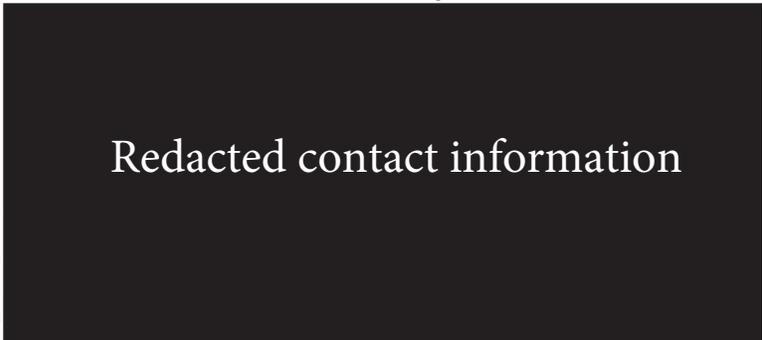
Comments:

Not needed, but if I have to choose FM 3092 would work better. Existing roadways would be the best option.

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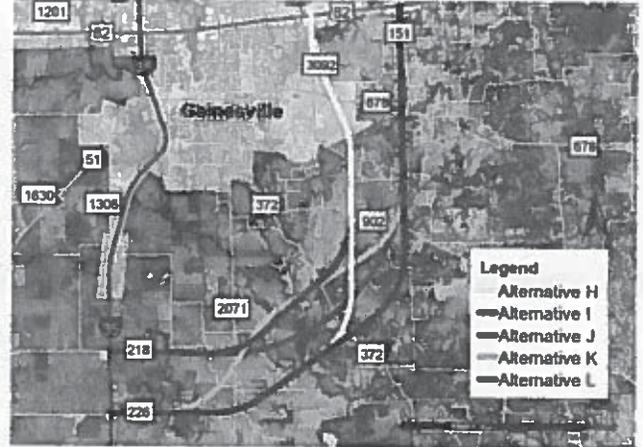


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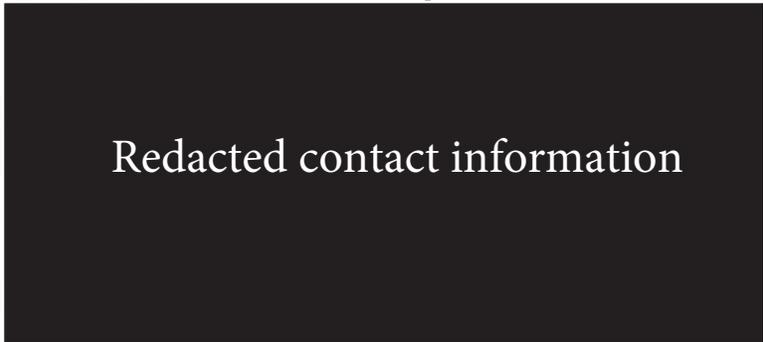
Comments:

Alternatives H and I are too close to Chalmers Elementary School and several residential areas nearby. The added traffic congestion would be a danger to school children and area residents.

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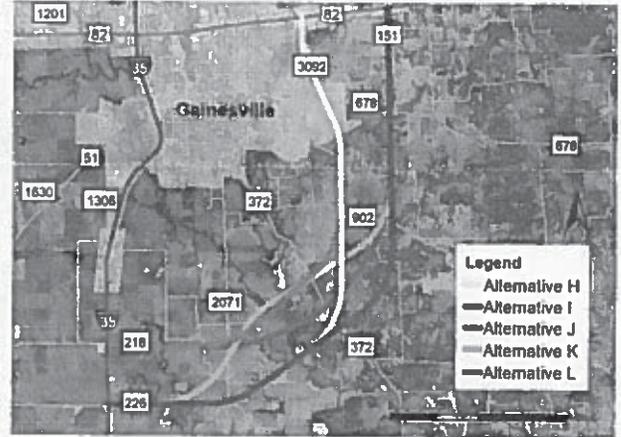


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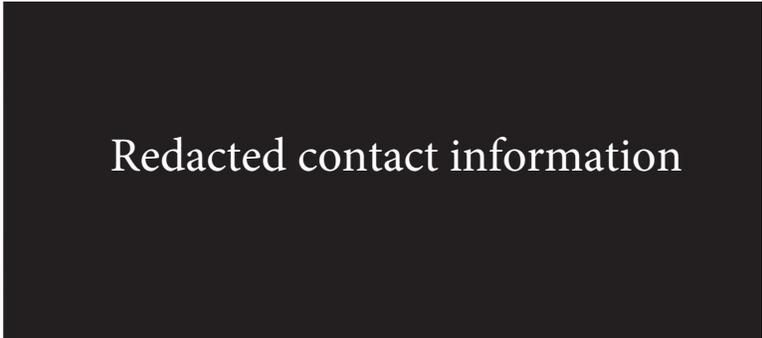
Comments:

I drive 82 very frequently
I don't think its necessary to build
A new road. Fix existing roads or use
FM 3092.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, May 27, 2017 9:29 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: TxDOT Internet E-Mail

[REDACTED]

Redacted contact information

Requested Contact Method:

Reason for Contact: Construction
Complaint: No

Nearest Major City: Wichita Falls

Comment: As homeowners in the vicinity of one of the proposed reliever routes for US 82, we would like to give you input. We are NOT in favor of Alternatives "H" and "I" for the US reliever route through Gainesville. These routes will be much too close to Chalmers Elementary School and the State School in Gainesville.

Our contact information is above.

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [MyProjectsWichitaFalls](#)
Subject: US 82 Reliever Route Study
Date: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 12:33:49 PM

The US 82 Reliever Route will forever change the rural nature of the southeast section of Cooke County. A highway of this size will turn this area into an industrial and commercial zone. Farms will be bisected and farmland access will be compromised. Farmers and ranchers need to move equipment and livestock between farmland scattered across the county. This will make it more difficult. Farms divided by highways decimates the value of the land, both in usability and monetary terms.

The reason people move to this county from the DFW Metroplex is to get away from traffic and commercial activity. No one will want to live in this area if this highway bypass, with the inevitable commercial growth, is placed here. All this highway will do is increase urban and suburban sprawl throughout Cooke Co.

A 10 % increase in Cooke County's population through 2040 as projected by TXDOT does not warrant sacrificing this rural area. The only reason for this thoroughfare is to relieve heavy truck traffic from the IH35 / US82 intersection, or to enrich a few builders and speculators by opening the area to development. A better solution is to improve the IH35 / US82 intersection to handle this traffic, rather than sacrificing our homes and farms. If a bypass loop must be placed around this intersection, it should be placed north of US 82, closer into town.

The alternative routes L and I intersecting IH35 at CR 218, and route K, are particularly troublesome. These routes were not part of the Cooke County Thoroughfare Plan of 2016. The original plan called for a loop down Spring Creek Rd and up either 3092 or 151. What is the point of a plan if it is not followed? It makes a farce of the whole planning process.

Perhaps what we really need is county leadership with a more enlightened and imaginative vision for the future of this county. This will be an issue in upcoming county elections.

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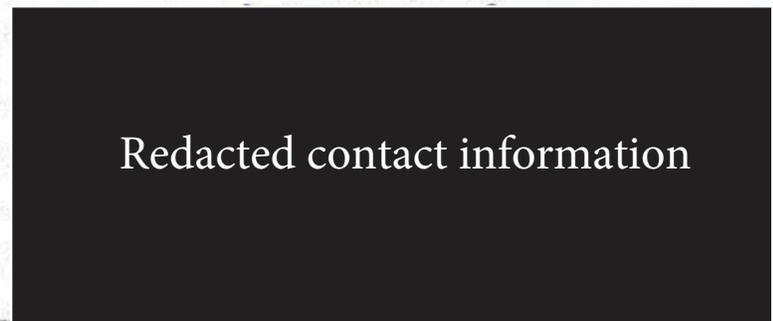
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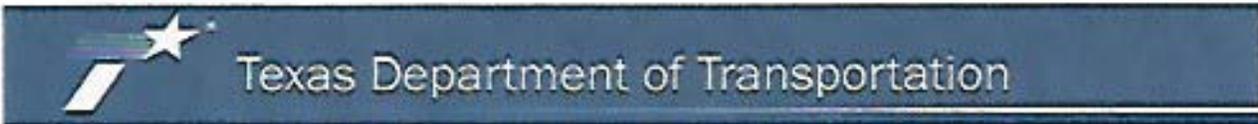
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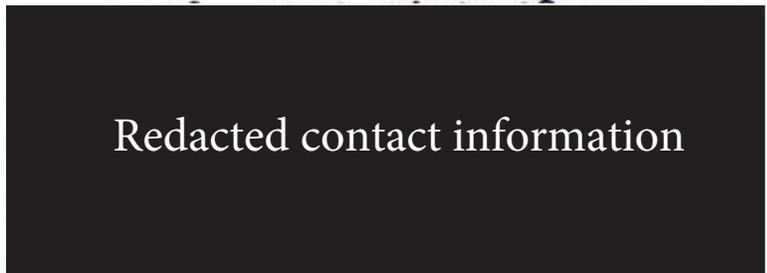
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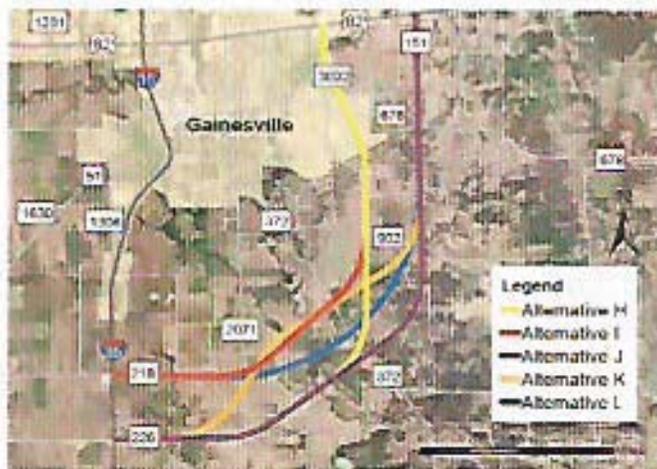


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Commenter # 104

Proposed US 82 reliever Route
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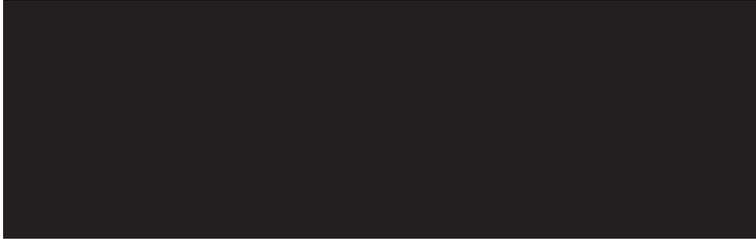
Alternate Route I converges on
my property and will take
out my house.

I am protesting this because I
am a [REDACTED] widow and the
rent from this property is dependent
upon my staying in my own home
in [REDACTED].

Redacted contact information

-----Original Message-----

From: ([REDACTED])
Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 3:32 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: TxDOT Internet E-Mail



Requested Contact Method: Email

Reason for Contact: Customer Service
Complaint: No

Comment: I do not agree with any of the routes that are recommended. It would affect far too many people. I would like to suggest going north on I35 for about 2-3 miles and then looping back to the East to intersect with Hwy 82. This would also include the traffic coming from the West on hwy 82 to loop around if they chose not to use the "business" route
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From: [REDACTED]
To: [MyProjectsWichitaFalls](#)
Subject: US 82 Reliever Route
Date: Tuesday, May 30, 2017 9:49:40 PM

Dear TxDot:

This is in response to information provided at the 16 May 2017 Public Meeting. First, I wish to restate that the reliever route is badly needed and should be planned and constructed on an accelerated schedule. I prefer Alternative K on the condition that a bridge would be constructed to allow west bound traffic on Hwy 82 to access the new route, and the intersection of Hwy 82 and FM 371 would be reconfigured to allow traffic moving in all directions to do so safely. The current intersection is exceedingly dangerous.

If a bridge would not be constructed, then I favor Alternative H.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]
Contact information redacted

Commenter #107

Contact information redacted

Requested Contact Method: Email

Reason for Contact: Customer Service

Complaint: No

Comment: Im against proposed routes It will involve loss of 58 properties will not fix the incoming west to east traffic on 82 cross 3 flood zones 3 bridges massive road work why not north on 371/155 already county road right of way to 35 north approx 3 miles then west to 35 almost all open land no homes 82 becomes business route thru it xpans north city

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [MyProjectsWichitaFalls](#)
Subject: Our family don't like alternatives "H" and "I" US 82 Reliever Route. We like alternatives "J", "K", "L" US 82 Reliever Route.
Date: Wednesday, May 31, 2017 11:55:13 PM

Contact information redacted

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: US 82 Reliever Route Meeting May 16
Date: Wednesday, May 31, 2017 7:15:35 PM

Mr. Barnes,

Was there a survey form to fill out for the May 16th US 82 Reliever Route meeting in Gainesville?

If so can you send it to me.

If not, I am opposed to the Alternative H yellow route and the Alternative I red route along 3092.

These routes will affect the noise, pollution, and peaceful environment of my property and the immediate residents

along the southeastern city limits.

I oppose these routes and really all of them will affect this area in a negative way.

Only the Alternative L route would be better.

I hate to see the Spring Creek longtime residents affected as well.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]



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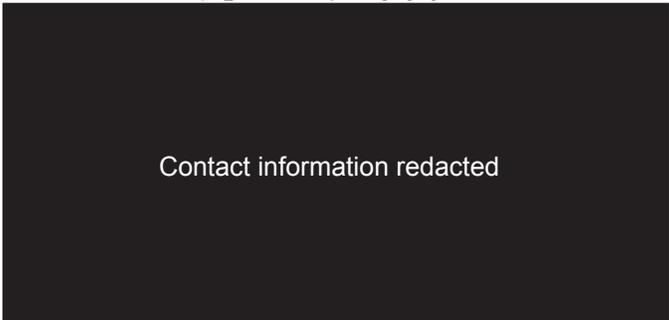
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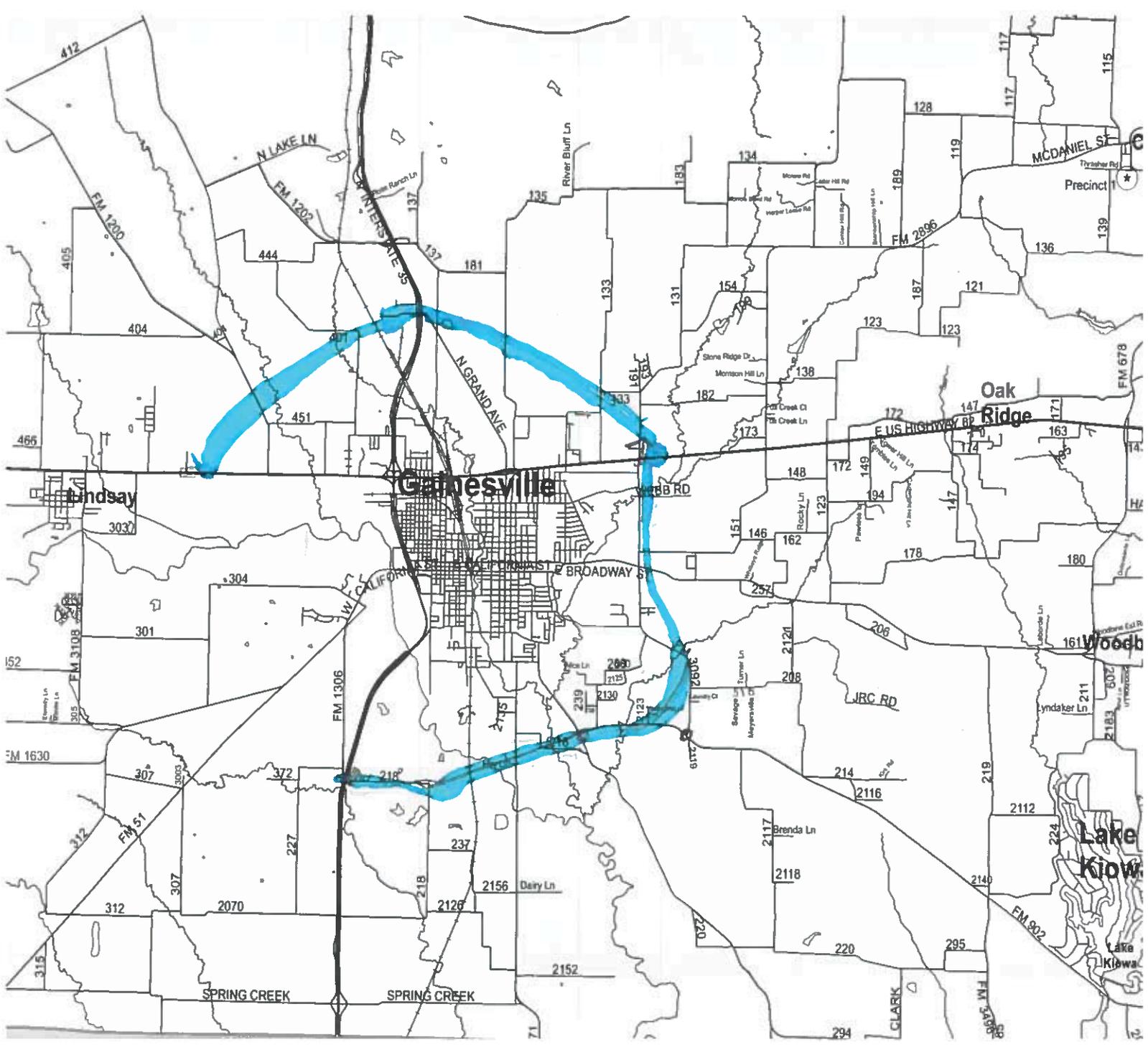
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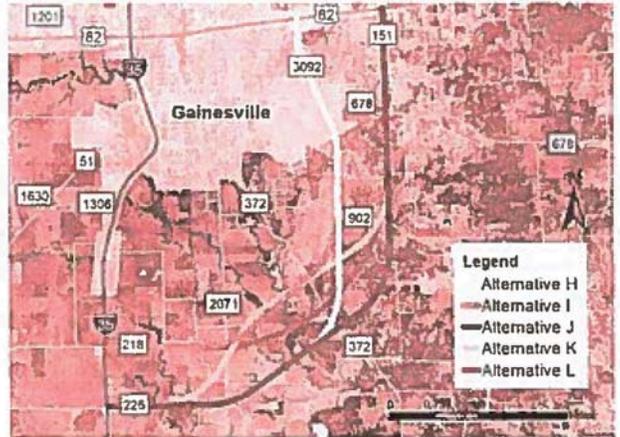


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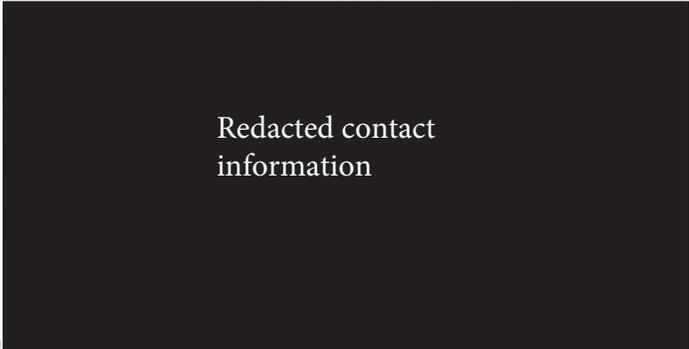
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Comments: *Not needed, but if you build it use an existing road.*

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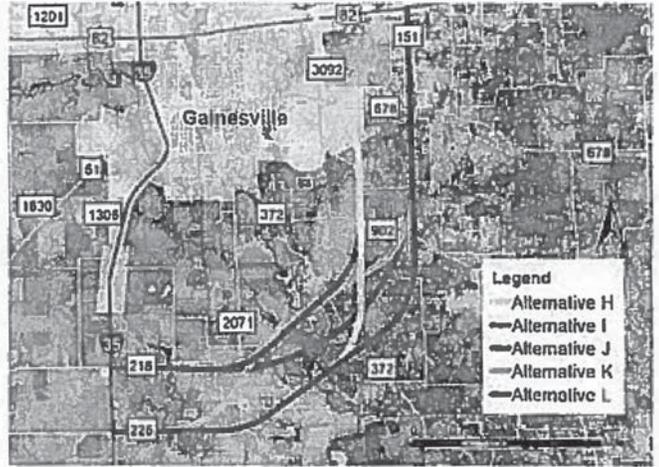


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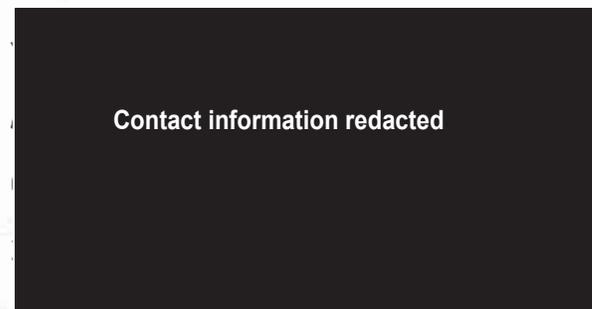
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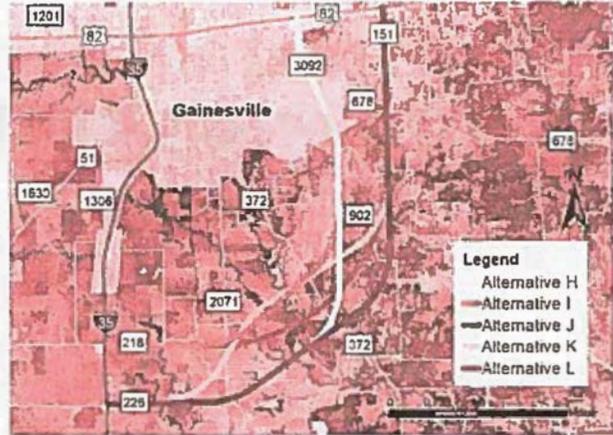


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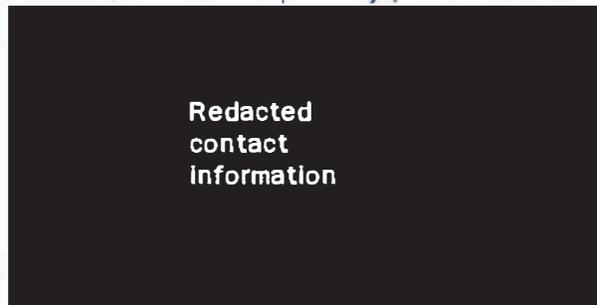
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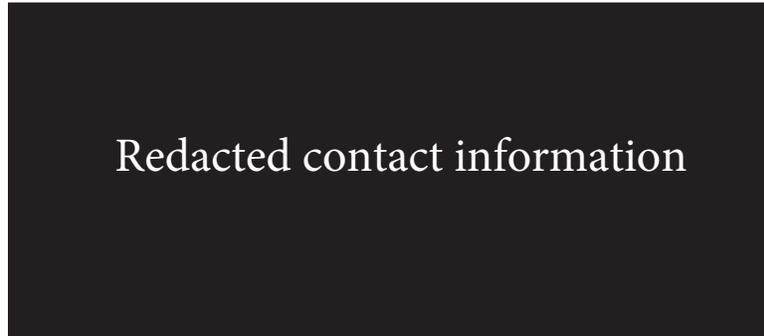
Comments:

Do not put this highway loop through our neighborhood. Instead, improve the IH35 / US 82 intersection or put a loop north of US 82. This will destroy too many farms.

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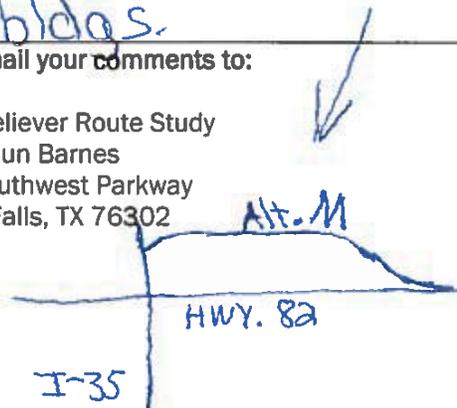
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Comments:

New Alternate.
Loop 288 in Denton is North of Denton.
So it would not effect homes, farmland,
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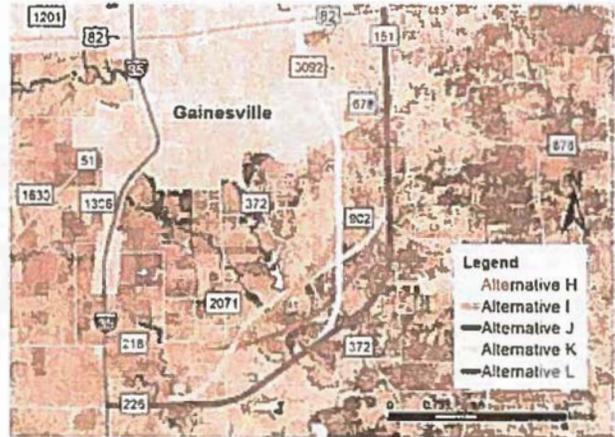


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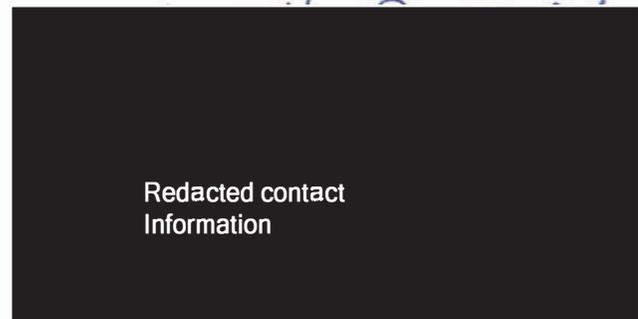
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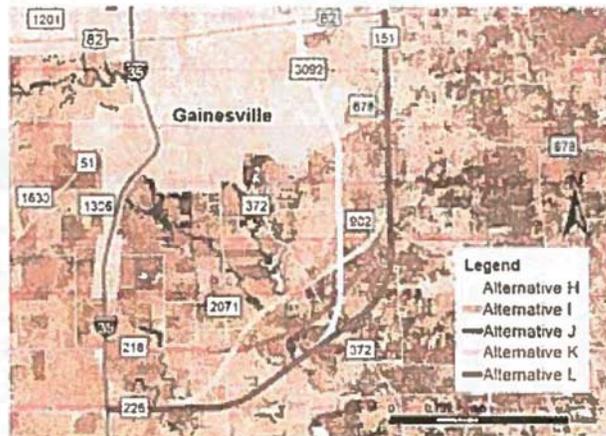


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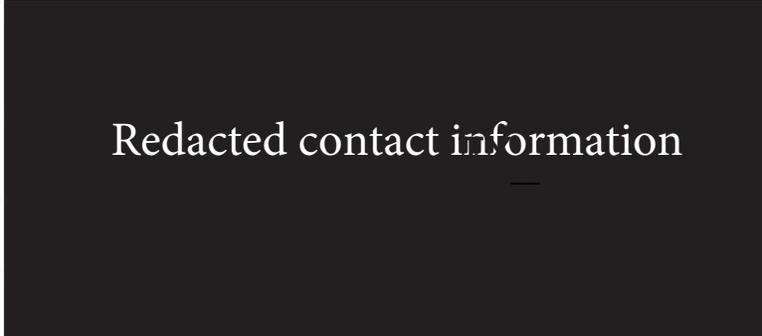
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Comments: *Not really needed.*

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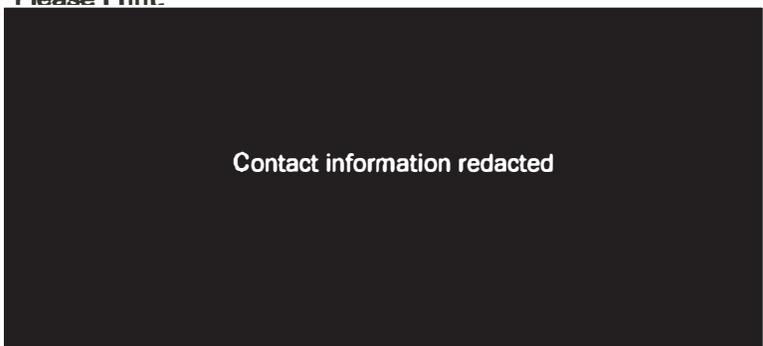
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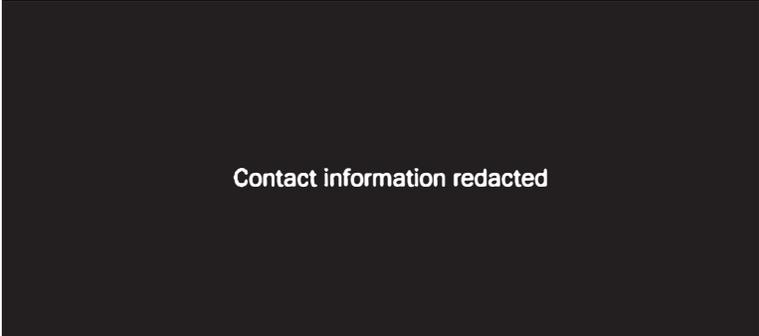
Comments:

Route H & I come to close to the school and Chalmers Estates. My mother lives in Chalmers Estate and I own the property with her.

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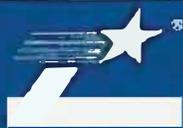


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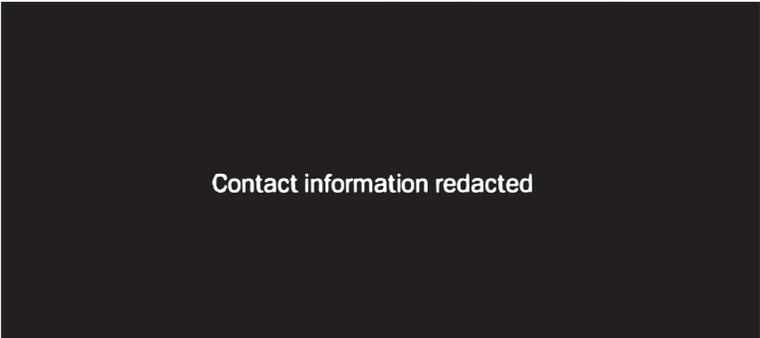
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The "L" or blue route is the only one that makes sense to me. It will be the least disruptive. The "H" or yellow route follows an already heavily traveled route used by Lake Kiowa residents plus the school traffic.

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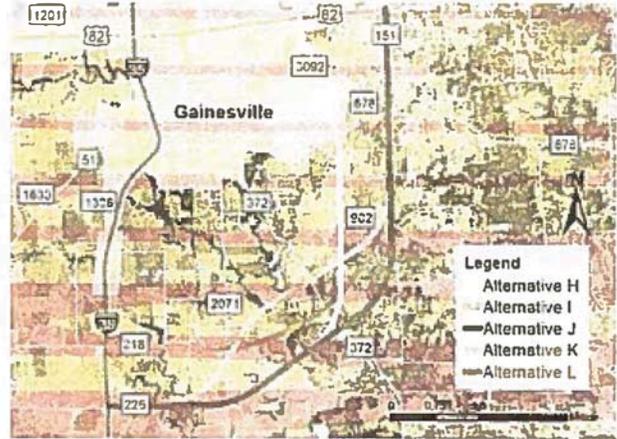




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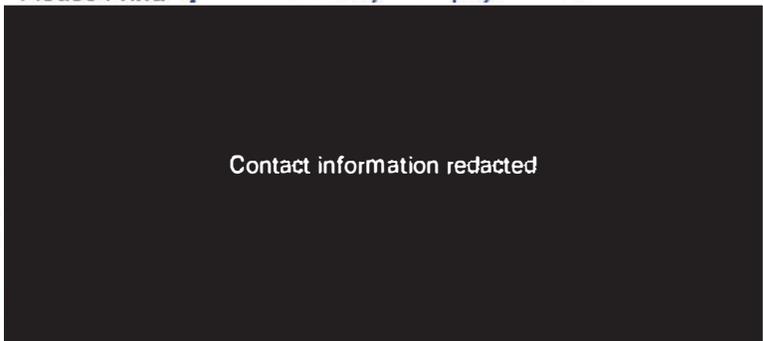
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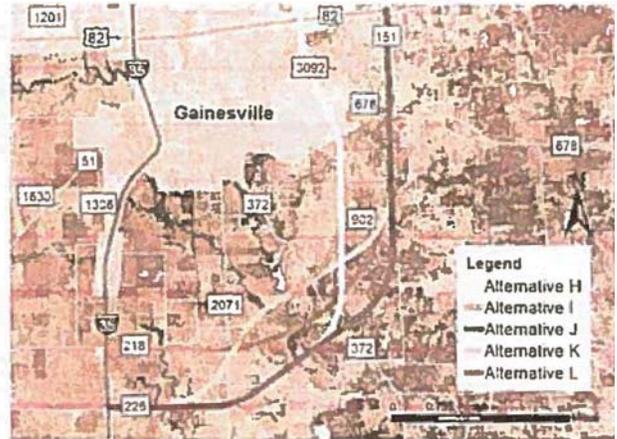


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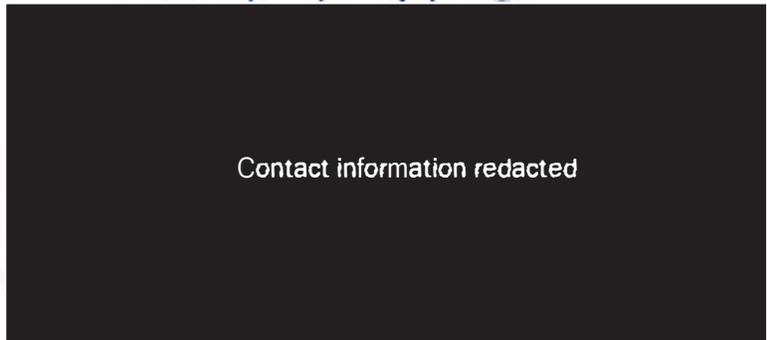
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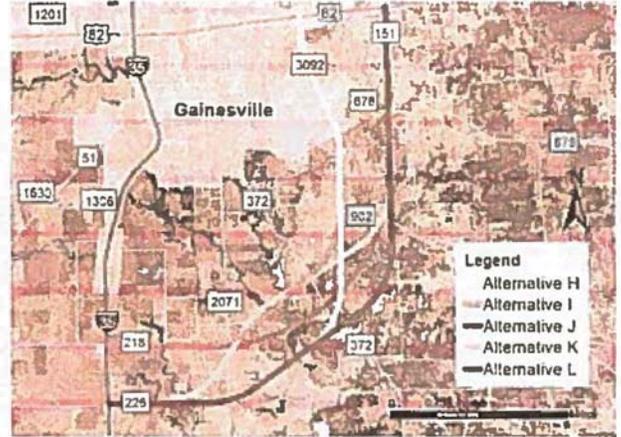


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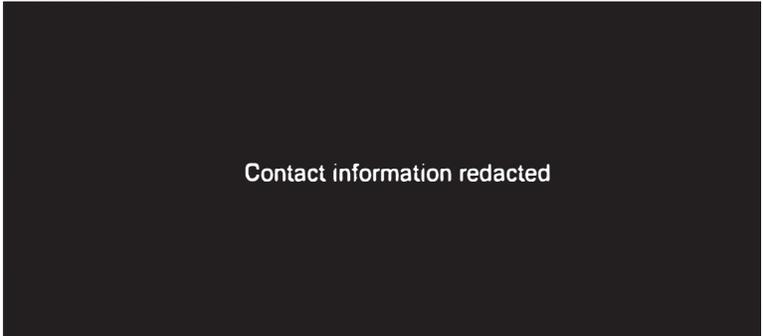
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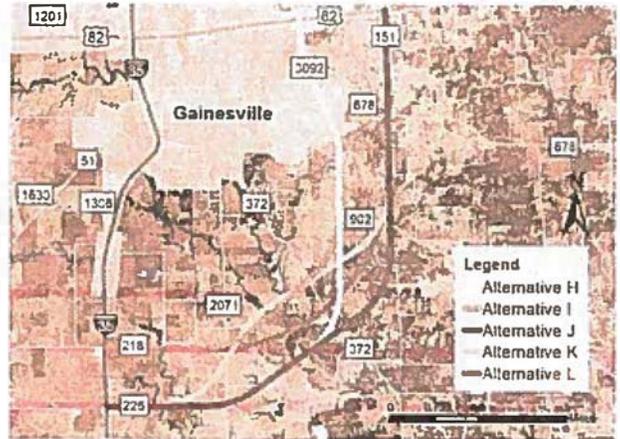
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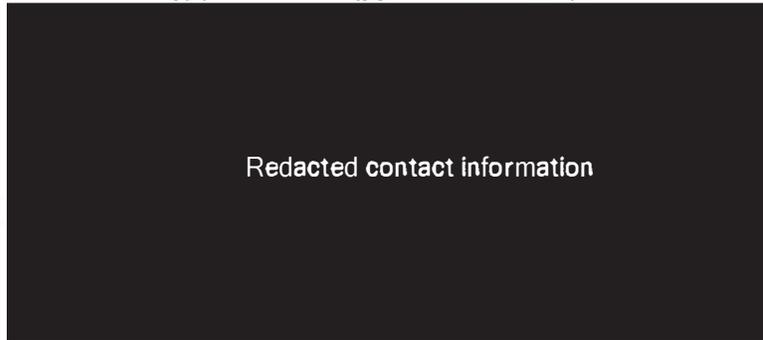
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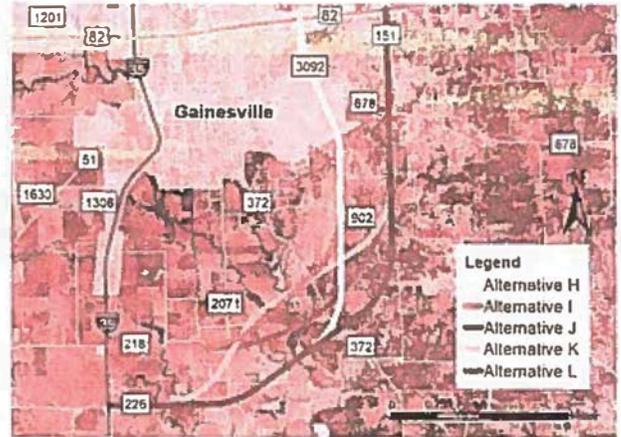


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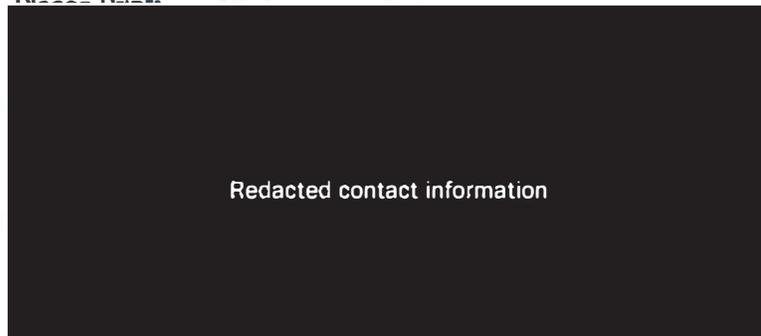
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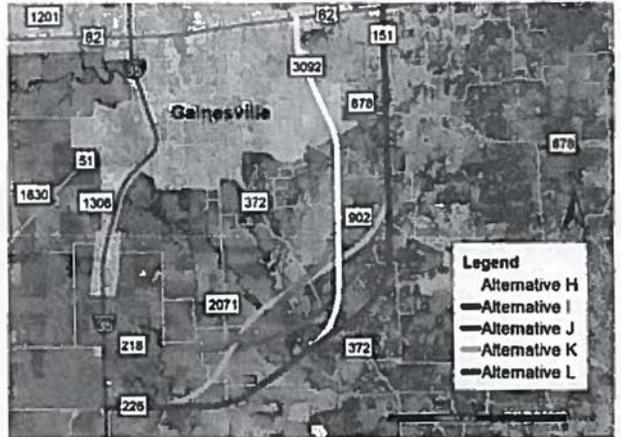


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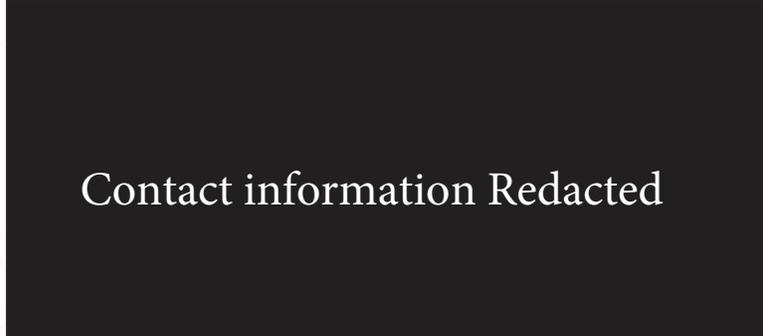
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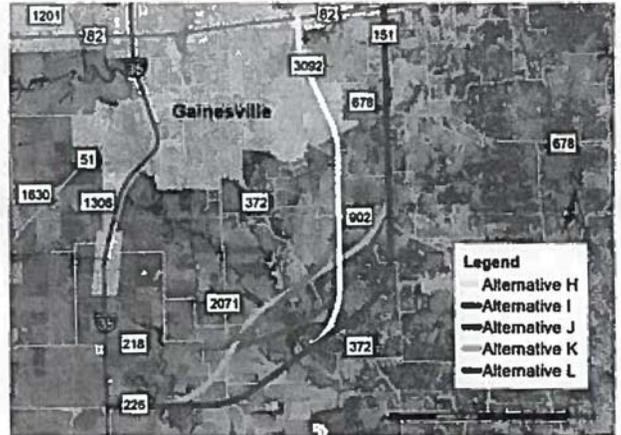


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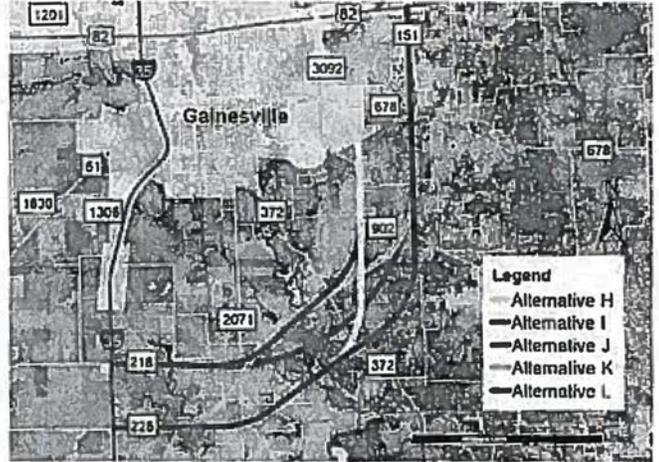


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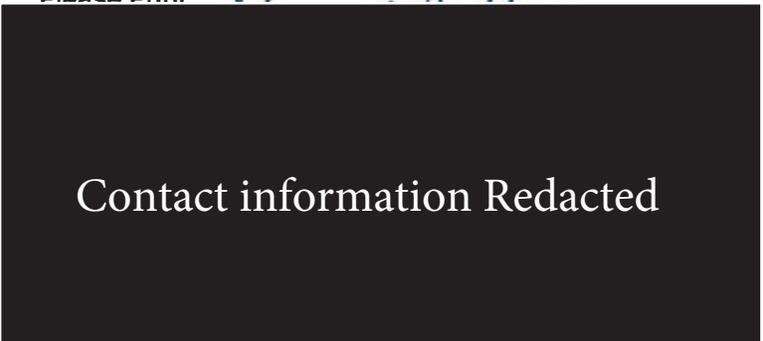
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Comments: *I don't believe reliever route is needed. However, use existing road if necessary.*

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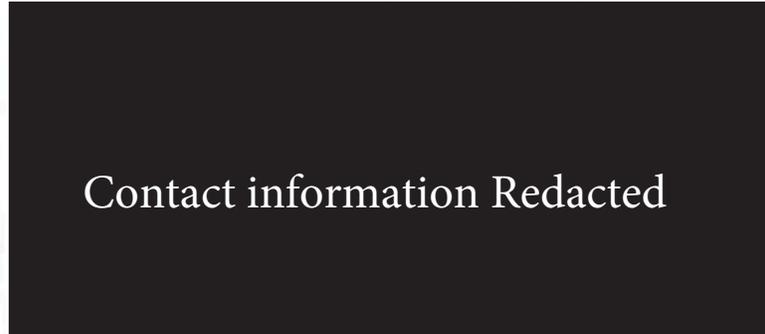
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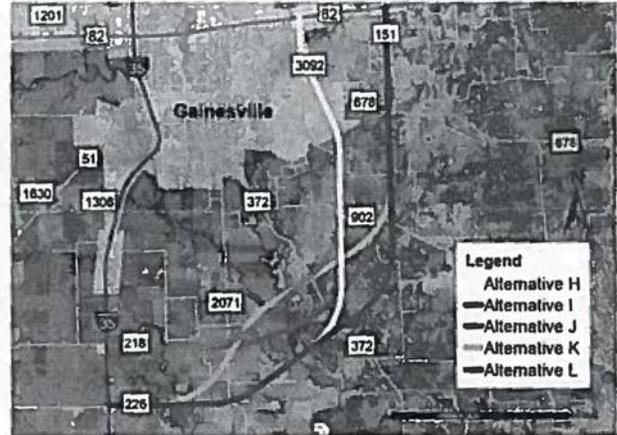


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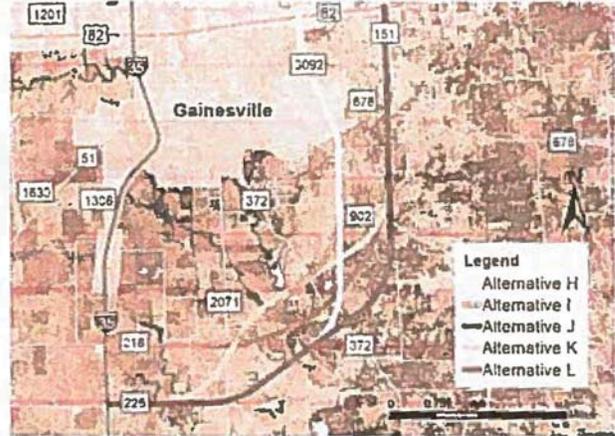


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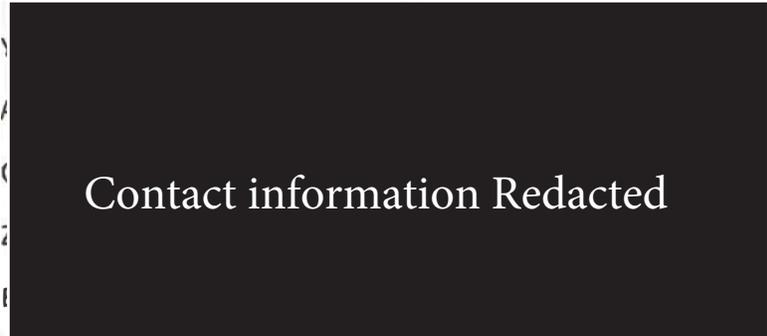
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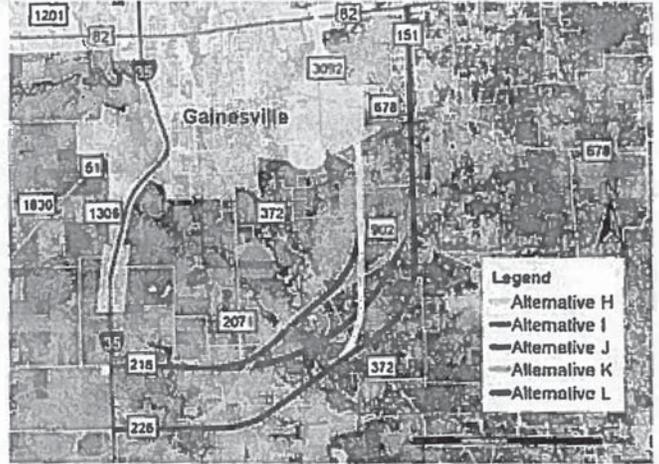


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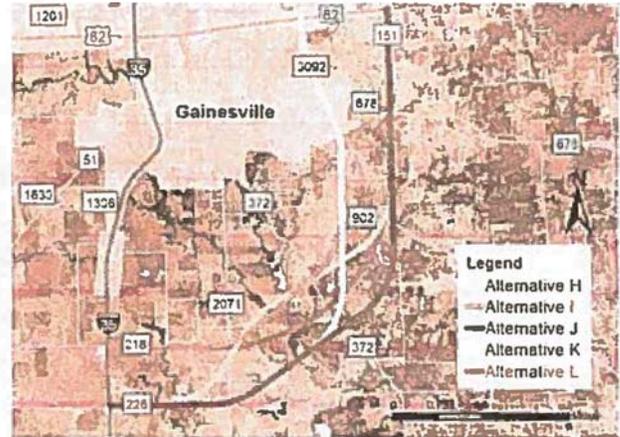


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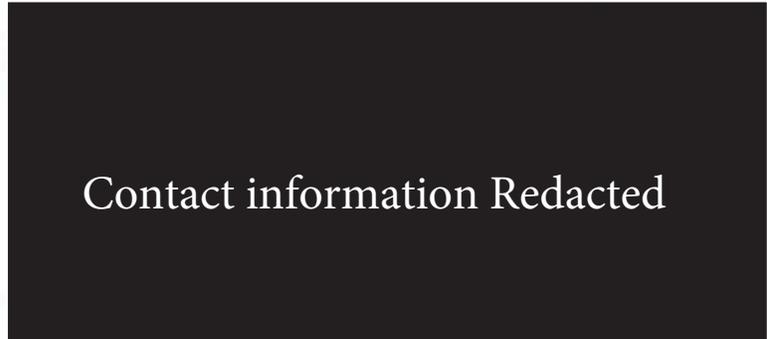
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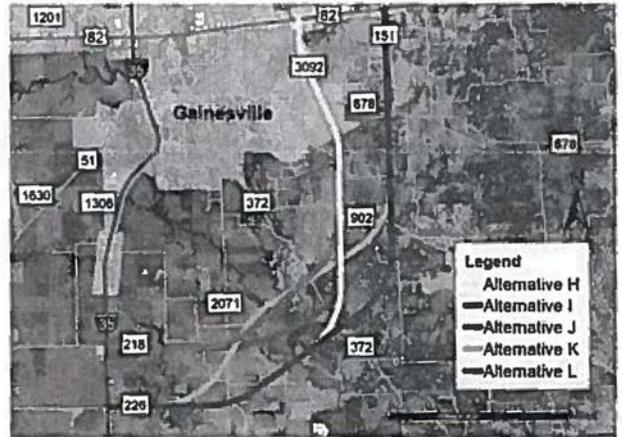
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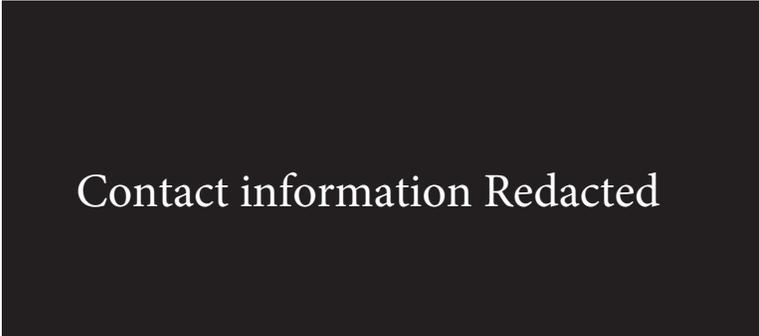
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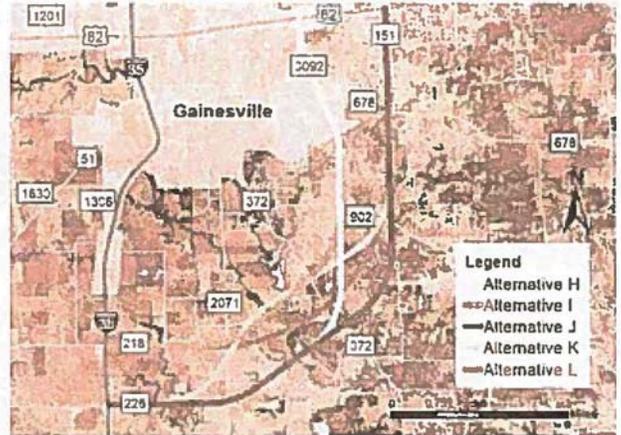


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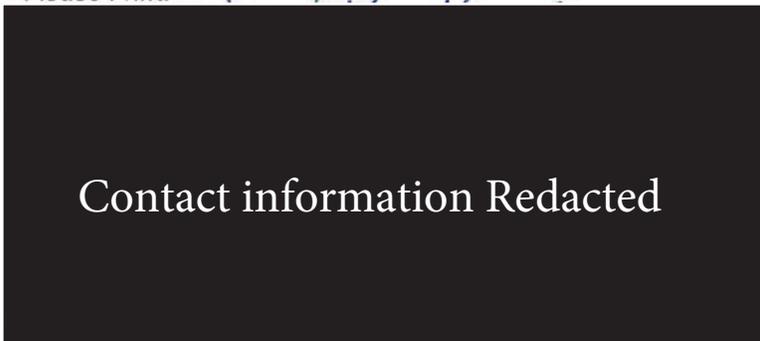
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Keep the route out in country, not close to the school and subdivisions

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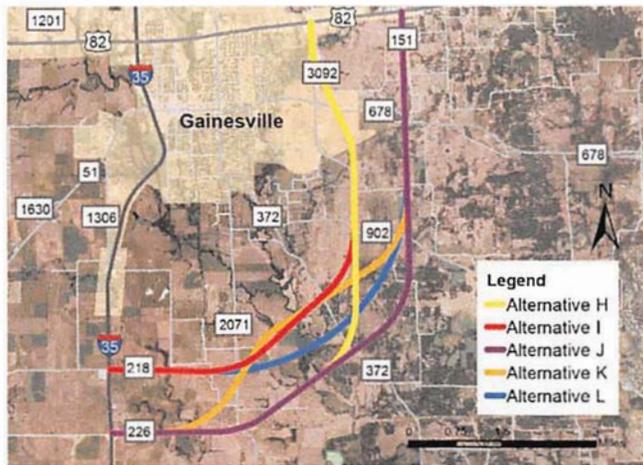


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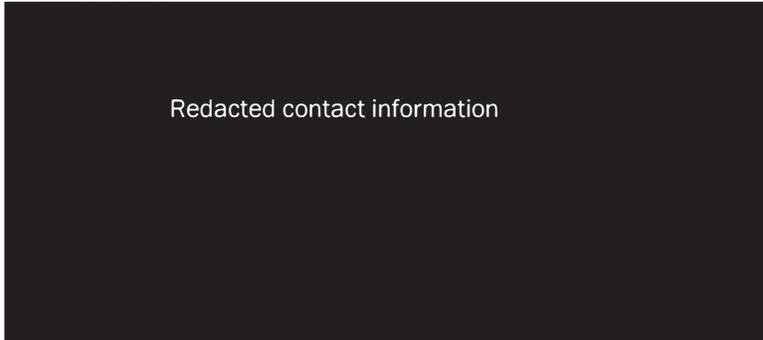
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Firstly, I find it highly unnecessary to build the 82 reliever road at all but especially the current plan to run it through the middle of my property. Not only will it severely impact my home and barn but it will split my property in half leaving both sides virtually worth nothing. The position that TXDOT has taken by saying they do not care how much it costs to buy me out is extremely disheartening and the reason our county finds itself in the financial shape we are in. However, if after all of your due diligence, you find it necessary to build the road then Alternative H or I would make the most sense because it is already an existing roadway. FM3092 was originally built for this very reason and all the homeowners that built their houses there did so knowing they were building on a reasonably busy road. I think there are many other routes that would make more sense than even Alternative H or I. For example, CR 219 connects to FM 3496, which is already wide, and will take you right over to FM 371. From there you can go through bottom land and connect to I35. This route would also relieve the traffic coming from Lake Kiowa to Denton. This route would be far less impactful than all the proposed routes. Another option would be to take the loop north of 82 and tie in at the new Gainesville Industrial Park. One would assume that many businesses with larger trucks would be drawn to that option and choose Gainesville for their industrial plants. At least in this scenario, Gainesville would gain something from having a loop.

Secondly, I believe the impact on the city of Gainesville businesses will be devastating. Currently most of the vehicles that travel down 82 stop at some point along the road to get gasoline, groceries, fast food or do retail shopping. If you divert these travelers to a diverter road the businesses will lose a substantial amount of revenue. I know there are big plans for several new businesses at the corner of 82 and 35 that would not be happy with this decision and down the road you may have difficulty filling these spaces. The livelihood of these businesses is usually heavily dependent on vehicle traffic.

I spent years planning and building the infrastructure for my house so that I could live in peace and quiet on my property. I strategically built my house in the middle of my acreage for the privacy. If this road goes through not only will my house be destroyed but many other houses will be affected as well. Would you like a 75 mph highway running through your backyard? It is a crime, in my opinion, that you would do this to my family and my immediate neighbors and whoever else you destroy along the way. I was told by TXDOT that they don't care the cost of buying out these properties they just want to affect the least amount of homes. What TXDOT is not taking into consideration are the homes they are not purchasing but that will be forever impacted by what is built directly adjacent to their property. This leaves them with a property that is lower in value and much less desirable. It also will affect property taxes because the lost value of all the affected homes will mean less property taxes to Cooke County. I do understand progress but in my opinion this road doesn't do anything to better the City of Gainesville and the surrounding communities.

In summary, my suggestion is that you do not build additional roads but that you improve, widen or get creative with the ones you already have. With this in mind, Route H & route I would be logical to follow.

From: [REDACTED]
To:
Subject: FW: Highway 82 reliever route
Date: Wednesday, July 12, 2017 11:55:22 AM

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 12:20 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Highway 82 reliever route

Dear sirs:

We are NOT in favor of Alternatives "H" and "I" for the proposed Highway 82 reliever route around Gainesville, TX. Either of these routes would cause too much traffic too close to Chalmers Elementary School and several residential areas nearby. Please take this into consideration and choose Alternative J, K, or L.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To:
Subject: FW: reliever route
Date: Wednesday, July 12, 2017 11:55:39 AM

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, May 27, 2017 7:07 AM
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Subject: reliever route
J seems to be the best route. The further out the better, allows for growth without congestion.

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Subject: US 82 reliever route - public comments

To whom it may concern:

I do not prefer alternative routes H nor I (which travel thru 3092).

I have utilized 3092 daily for over two decades. And over that time period the traffic has grown to such a level that adding it as a "reliever" route would be a mistake and would become more dangerous for pedestrians, school children, school busses and automobiles.

Why I say this is:

- 1 - There is an elementary school on 3092 which creates backed up traffic every morning and eve with some children being picked up on the side of 3092 - Potential pedestrian fatalities
- 2 - The main garage for all of the Gainesville school busses (going in and out) is on 3092
- 3 - There are 4 churches and neighborhoods that have 3092 as there main exit street
- 4 - During winter storms even sand trucks have slid off the road and tipped over.

So image what more traffic, especially semi trucks, would do to the road and potential fatalities from accidents.

It appears going thru 151 would be a lot less populated and a safer route for all involved.

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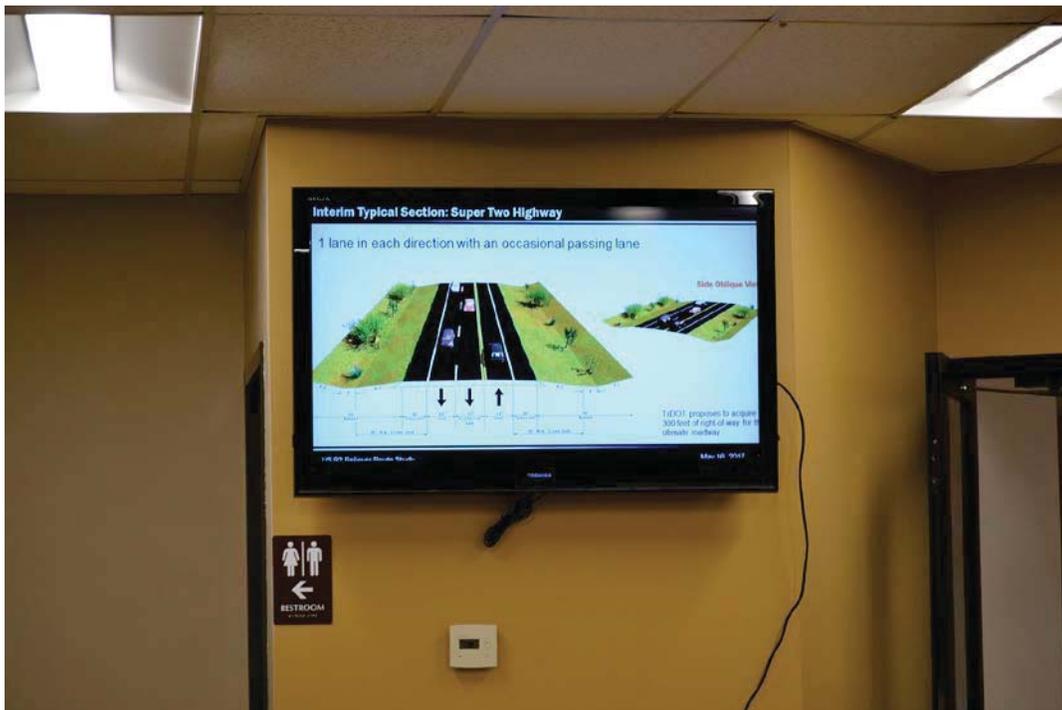
E. Figures

As individuals entered the Gainesville Civic Center, they were greeted by staff and two televisions with a looped presentation. The presentation included a voice-over and provided background information on the study. Before entering the room with open house materials, they were met by a welcome table where they were asked to sign in. After signing in, individuals were invited to visit a number of stations. Staff were available to answer questions. Stations included:

- Purpose of the meeting
- Project history
- What we've heard
- Alternative overview
- Traffic volumes
- Alternative screening criteria
- Potential typical sections
- Alternative alignments (4 aerial maps were available for individuals to draw on)
- Comments
- Lap-top computer with GoogleEarth file of alternatives
- TxDOT Right-of-way

The following pages include the materials that were available at the open house.

Looped Presentation on Television





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US 82 RELIEVER ROUTE STUDY

Public Meeting #2 | May 16, 2017



The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried-out by TxDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

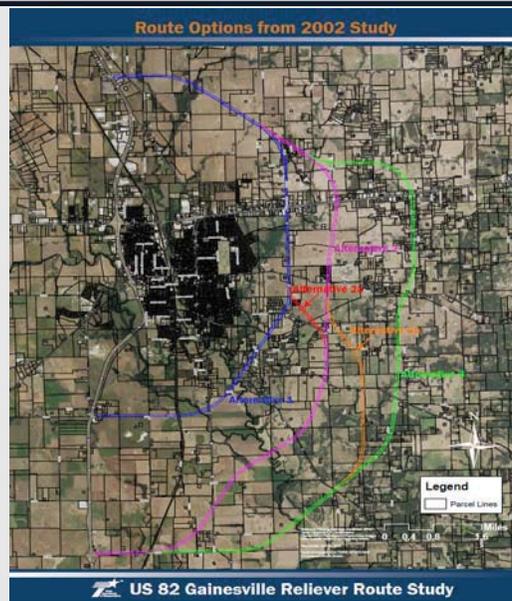
Meeting Purpose and Overview

- To inform the public and area stakeholders about the US 82 Reliever Route Study
- To solicit feedback on issues/needs along the corridor
- To solicit feedback on various alignment alternatives under consideration for the reliever route



Overview of Previous Study Efforts

- An IH35/US 82 Connector Route Study was completed in March 2002.
 - Five potential new alternatives were developed and evaluated.
 - A study group comprised of local civic and business leaders, created to help inform TxDOT's decision-making process, identified the pink alignment as their preferred alternative.
 - The public, through a series of public meetings, identified the green alignment as their preferred alternative.
 - Ultimately the pink alternative was recommended for further evaluation due to improved mobility, travel time savings, improved access, less cost, improved safety and best opportunity for economic development as compared to the other alternatives.



Overview of Previous Study Efforts

- A US 82 Feasibility Study was completed in 2012 through a comprehensive public engagement process and analysis of relevant data.
- The study identified mobility issues along US 82 and evaluated 7 different route alternatives that would address these mobility issues.
- Ultimately Alternative D was selected in the southeast quadrant of Cooke County as the Locally Preferred Alternative based on analysis of each of the alternatives and input from the stakeholders and public.
- Short-, medium-, and long-term improvements were also recommended with several improvements either complete or underway today for the existing corridor.



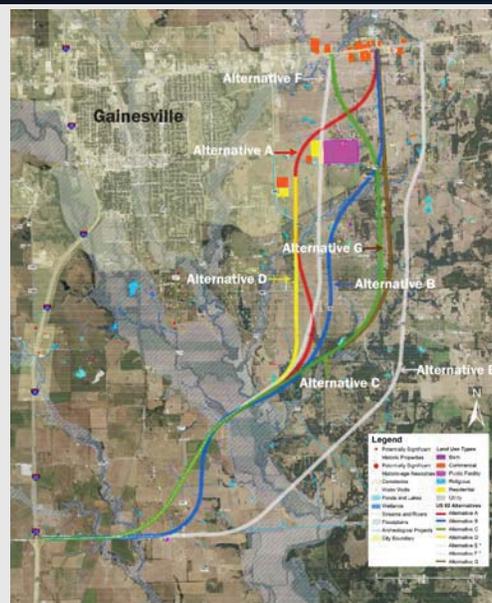
Overview of Current Study Efforts – Workgroup Efforts

- The current US 82 Reliever Route Study has had three workgroup meetings with stakeholders comprised of local civic and business leaders, created to inform TxDOT's decision-making process.
- The workgroup evaluated seven alternatives with five alternatives and a No-Build Alternative presented at the October 2016 public meeting.



Public Meeting #1 – October 4, 2016

- 119 people attended the open house
- Attendees provided feedback on alignment alternatives and learned about the study.



Alternatives presented at October 4, 2016 Open House

Public Meeting #1 – What we heard

- 18 people had a preferred alternative or alternatives.
- 17 people had concerns about the taking of property.
- 13 people suggested new alternatives.
- Other comments reflected concerns about:
 - Construction cost
 - Access to property
 - Economic hardship
 - Community impact
 - Congestion



Online Survey Summary

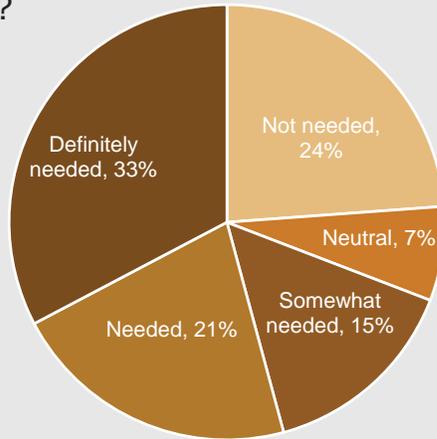
- Online survey purpose:
 - To solicit feedback on issues/needs along the corridor
 - To solicit feedback on various alignment alternatives under consideration
- Survey active from 11/10/16 – 12/7/16
- 214 survey respondents
 - 94% were local residents
 - 50% own property or live within 1 mile of a potential alternative



Online Survey – What we learned

- 76% of survey respondents use US 82 to access I-35.
- Is a reliever route needed?

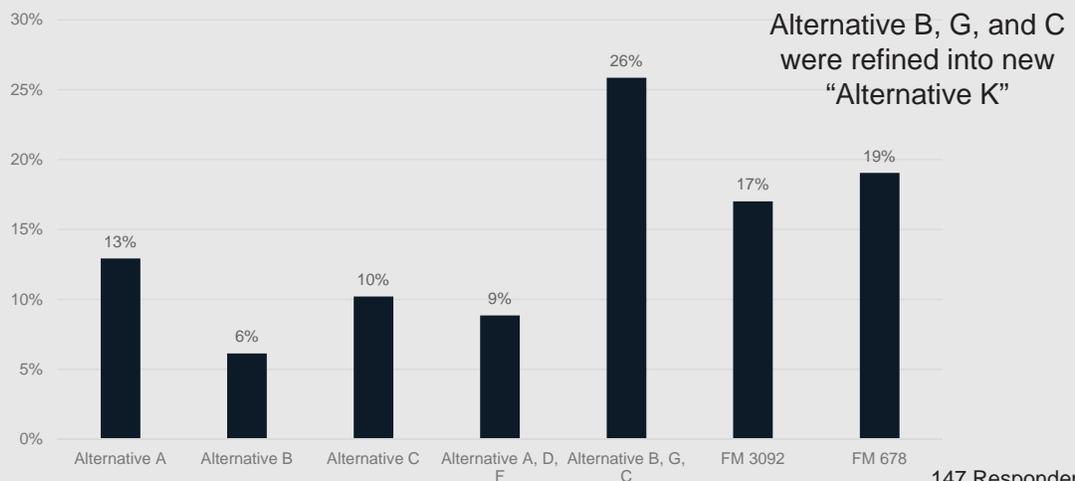
Collectively, 69% of respondents believe a reliever route is needed



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Online Survey – What we heard

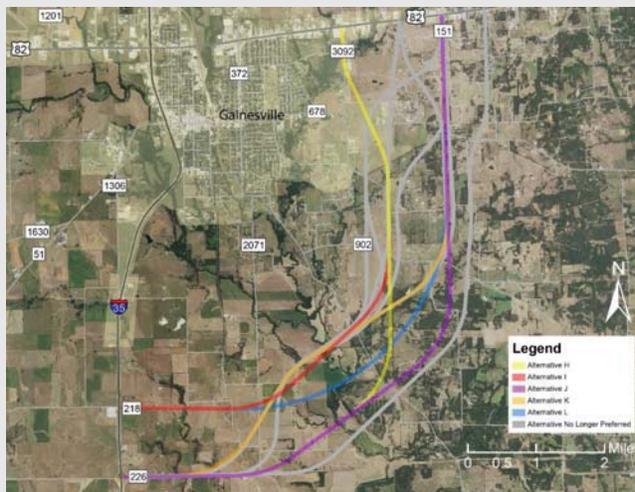
- If a Reliever Route is needed, what would you recommend using?



147 Respondents

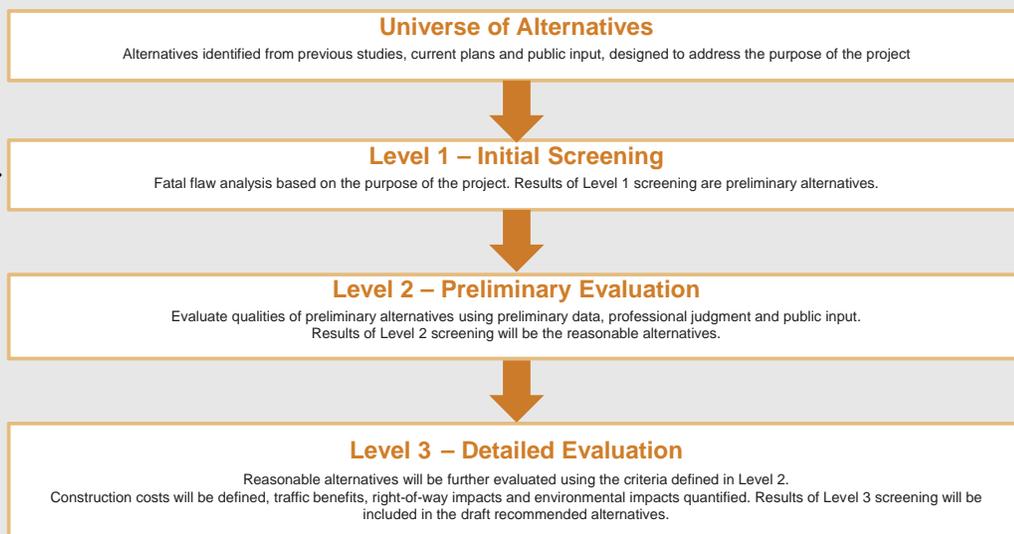
Refining Alternatives

- Based on feedback from the public meeting and survey, the study team has refined the alternatives.



Overview of Alternative Screening Process

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Future Traffic Analysis

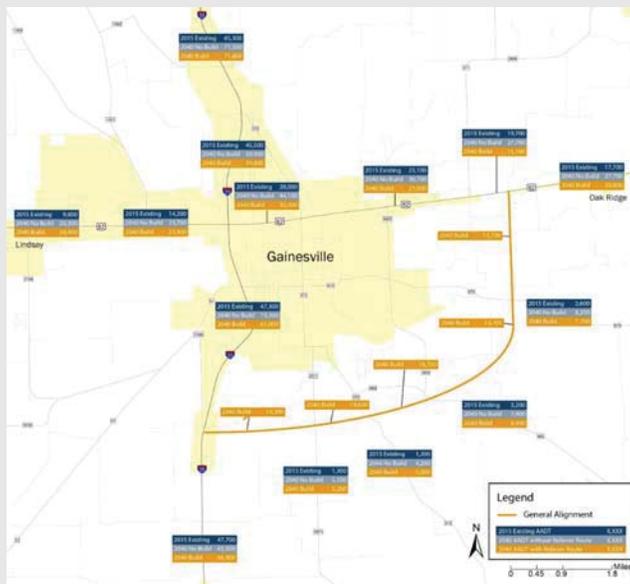
- Bluetooth traffic data collected in May 2016 was used to determine origin-destination patterns.
- Traffic was forecasted using the existing counts and the Statewide Analysis Model.
- Forecasted traffic could help us determine the appropriate typical section of the proposed roadway corridor, e.g. number of lanes, types of interchanges, etc.



Future Traffic Conditions – Initial Observations

- In 2040, the reliever route could attract as much as 50% of the traffic from US 82 and thereby reduce congestion on the existing roadway.
- A 2-lane or Super 2 interim roadway would be feasible to relieve traffic along US 82 and then converted to a 4-lane controlled access configuration as demand increases.
 - TxDOT proposes to acquire 300 feet of right-of-way for the ultimate roadway.

Forecasted Future Traffic Conditions

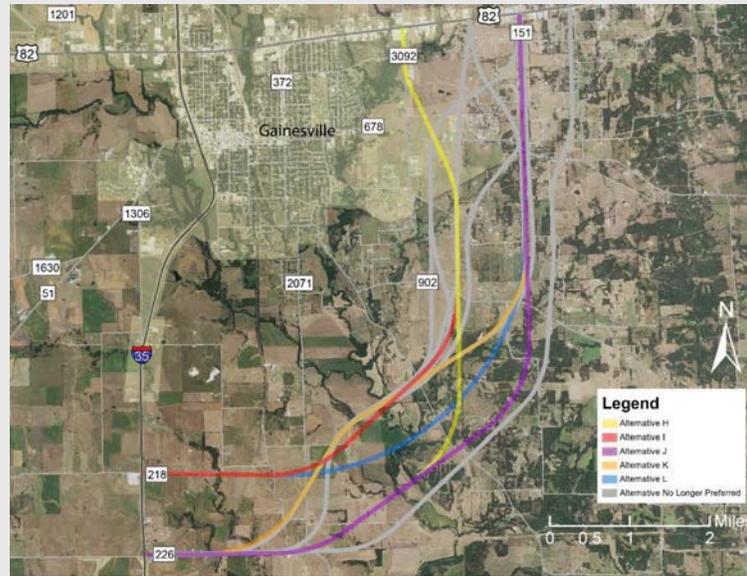


Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) is the estimated average number of vehicles on a roadway for one day.

Overview of Level 1 – Initial Screening

- All alternatives will be evaluated and weighed against each other based on the following:
 - Cost Effectiveness
 - Environmental Impacts
 - Potential structure displacements
 - Potential noise impacts
 - Are potential impacts to floodplains, wetlands, and parks significantly more than the average of all alternatives?
 - Traffic and congestion
 - Safety

Overview of Alternatives



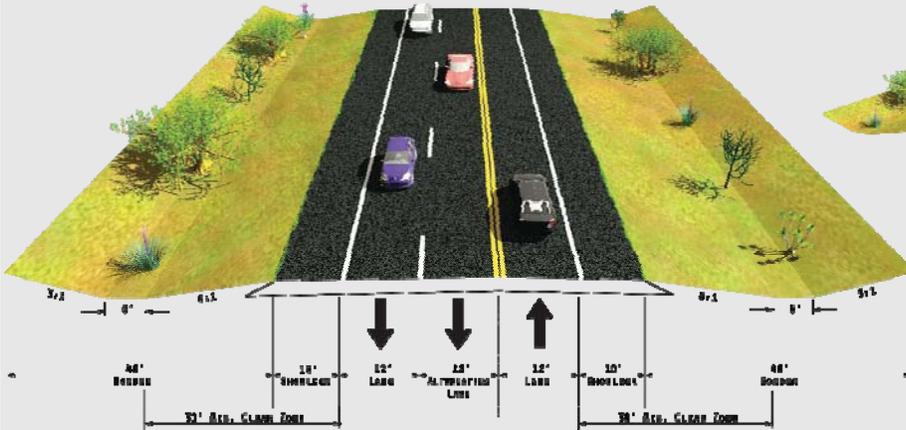
Overview of Level 1 – Initial Screening

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	Potential noise impacts (Residences within 500 feet)	22	18	67	57	56	0
	Potential floodplain crossings (acres)	49	44	31	38	46	0
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Note that impacts are based on current alternative alignments and will likely change as an alternative is refined to mitigate potential impacts.

Interim Typical Section: Super Two Highway

1 lane in each direction with an occasional passing lane



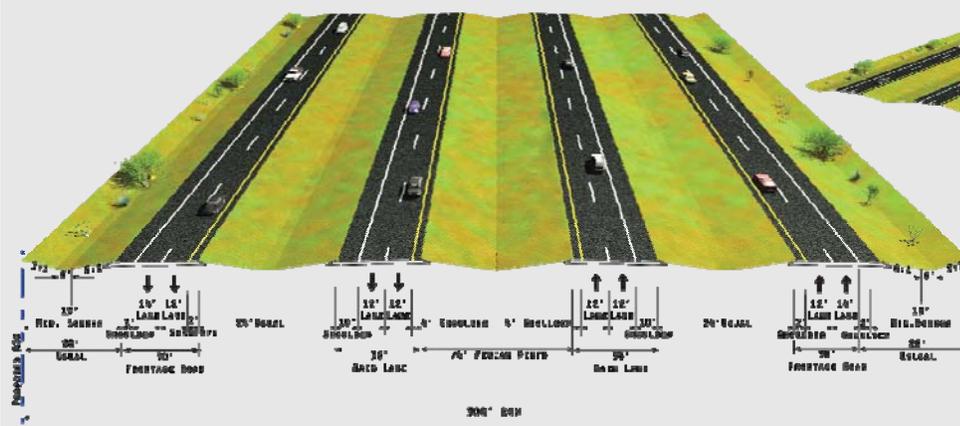
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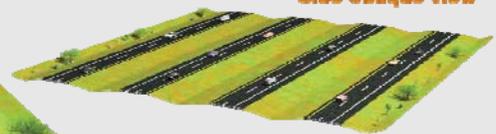
TxDOT proposes to acquire 300 feet of right-of-way for the ultimate roadway

Ultimate Typical Section: 4-Lane Controlled Access Highway

2 lanes in each direction with adjacent frontage roads



Side Oblique View



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Your Input Matters!

- We are now seeking input from the public on issues/needs along the corridor and feedback on the various alternative alignments under consideration.



How You Can Help!

- Please make sure you sign in to be notified about future meetings.
- Please leave comments tonight by dropping them off in the comment box, giving them to a staff member, or mailing them to the address on the comment cards.

You can also email them to:

MyProjectsWichitaFalls@txdot.gov

- Please visit the project website often by visiting TxDOT.gov and then searching "US 82 Reliever Route".



What Happens Next?

- Once the official comment period ends on May 31, 2017, the Wichita Falls project team will review all public comments and use them as a guide to continue refining the alternatives.
- The public meeting summary will be posted on the project web page and will include responses to comments received.
- At this time funding is available only for planning and study development. Construction is not funded or scheduled at this time.
- The preferred alternative will be refined to minimize impacts as design continues.

Thank you!

Shaun Barnes, P.E.

TxDOT Project Manager

Roger Beall, P.E.

TxDOT Corridor Planning Manager

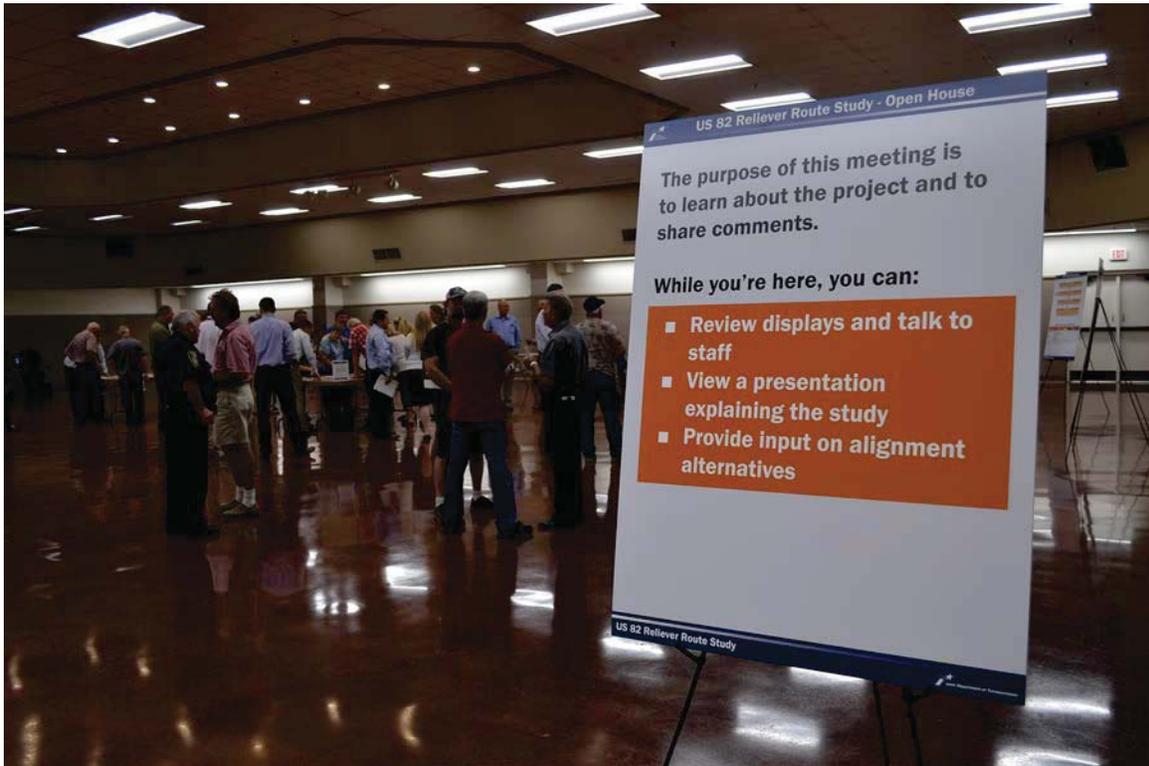
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CH2M Project Manager

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Boards

The open house featured six display boards. These boards were printed to be 36 inches by 48 inches.



Attendees review materials and talk with staff



Welcome!

Thank you for attending our open house for the US 82 Reliever Route Study being conducted by TxDOT.

Please sign in. Thank you for your interest and participation!

The purpose of this meeting is to learn about the project and to share comments.

While you're here, you can:

- **Review displays and talk to staff**
- **View a presentation explaining the study**
- **Provide input on alignment alternatives**

History of the Development of the Reliever Route

- 2002: An I-35 / US 82 Connector Route Study was completed through a comprehensive public engagement process with 5 alternative alignments being developed and one being recommended as the preferred alternative.
- 2012: A US 82 Feasibility Study was completed through a comprehensive public engagement process with various improvements suggested for US 82, including a reliever route. A Public Meeting was held in February 2015 and a preferred alternative was later recommended.
- 2016: The US 82 Reliever Route Study began, a workgroup was established and the preferred alternatives from the two previous studies were considered along with five new alignments. An open house was held on October 4, 2016 and an online survey was distributed from November 10, 2016 - December 7, 2016. After feedback from the open house and survey, five new alternatives were developed.

Purpose of the Reliever Route Study

- The US 82 Reliever Route Study builds upon two previous studies in evaluating the future need of a reliever route by evaluating various alternative alignments through a needs assessment, evaluation of forecasted traffic data, and stakeholder and public input. Ultimately, one alternative alignment will be recommended for further study.

October 4, 2016 Open House

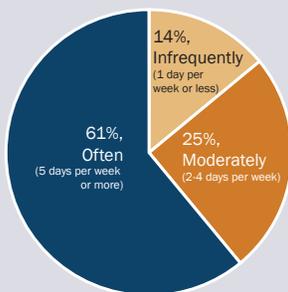
- 119 people attended the first public meeting
- 93 comments were received as part of the meeting record (comment forms, emails, calls, etc.)
- The most common comments:
 - 18 comments were received relating to a preferred alternative
 - 17 comments were made relating to a taking of property
 - 13 comments proposed a new alternative



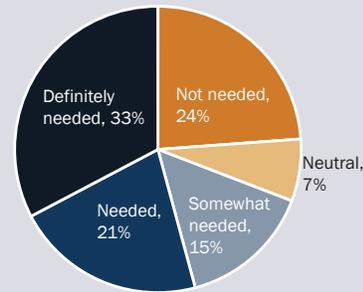
Online Survey

- 214 survey responses were received from November 10, 2016 to December 7, 2016
- Summary of results:
 - 50% of respondents owned property or lived within 1 mile of a potential alternative
 - 94% of respondents were local residents
 - 76% of respondents use US 82 to access I-35

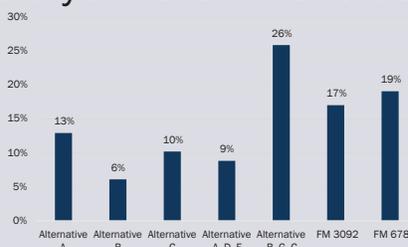
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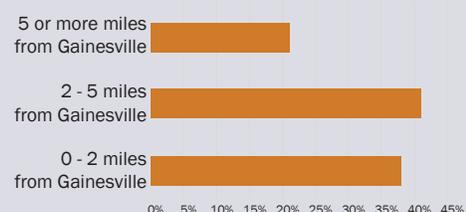
Is a Reliever Route needed?

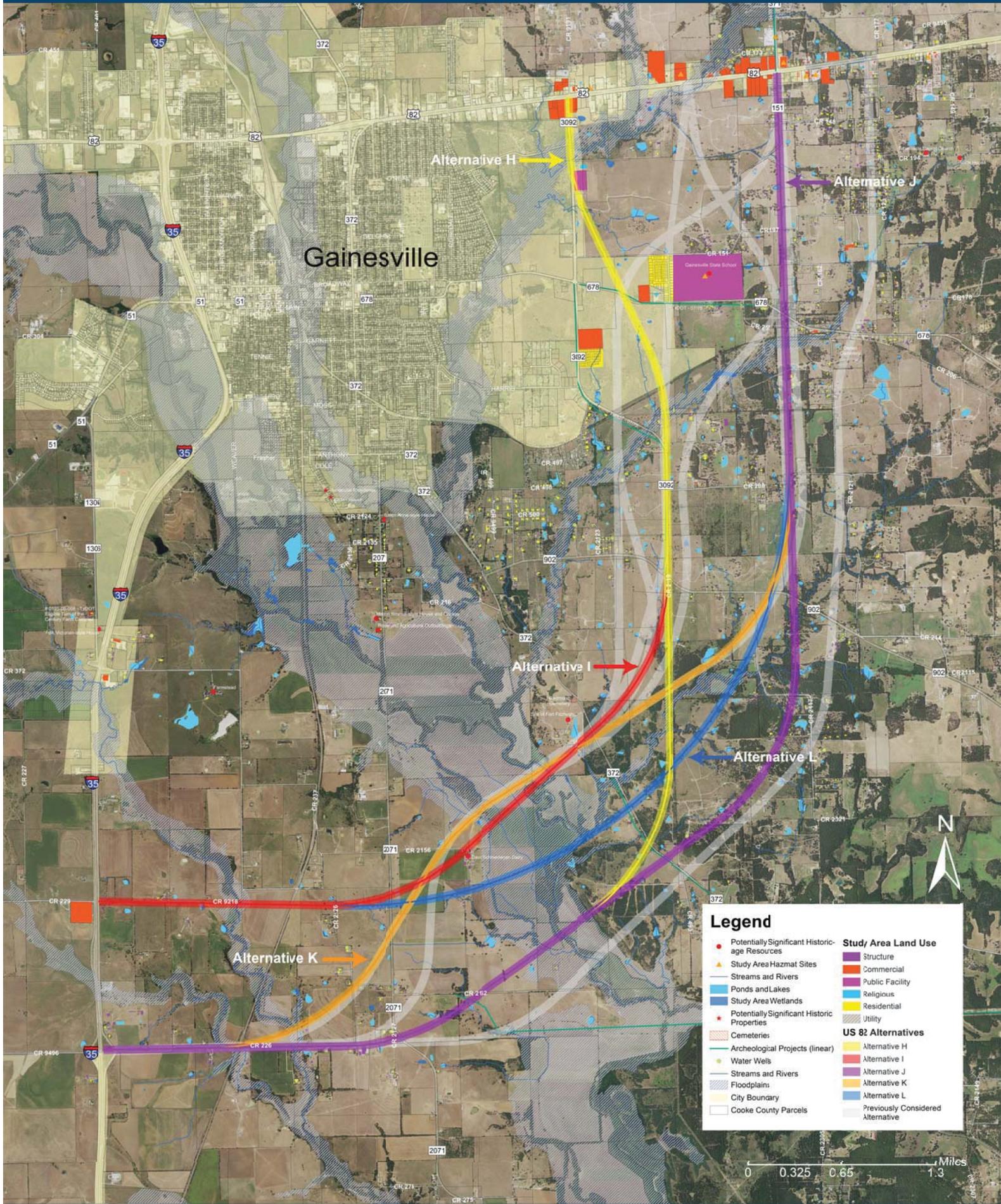


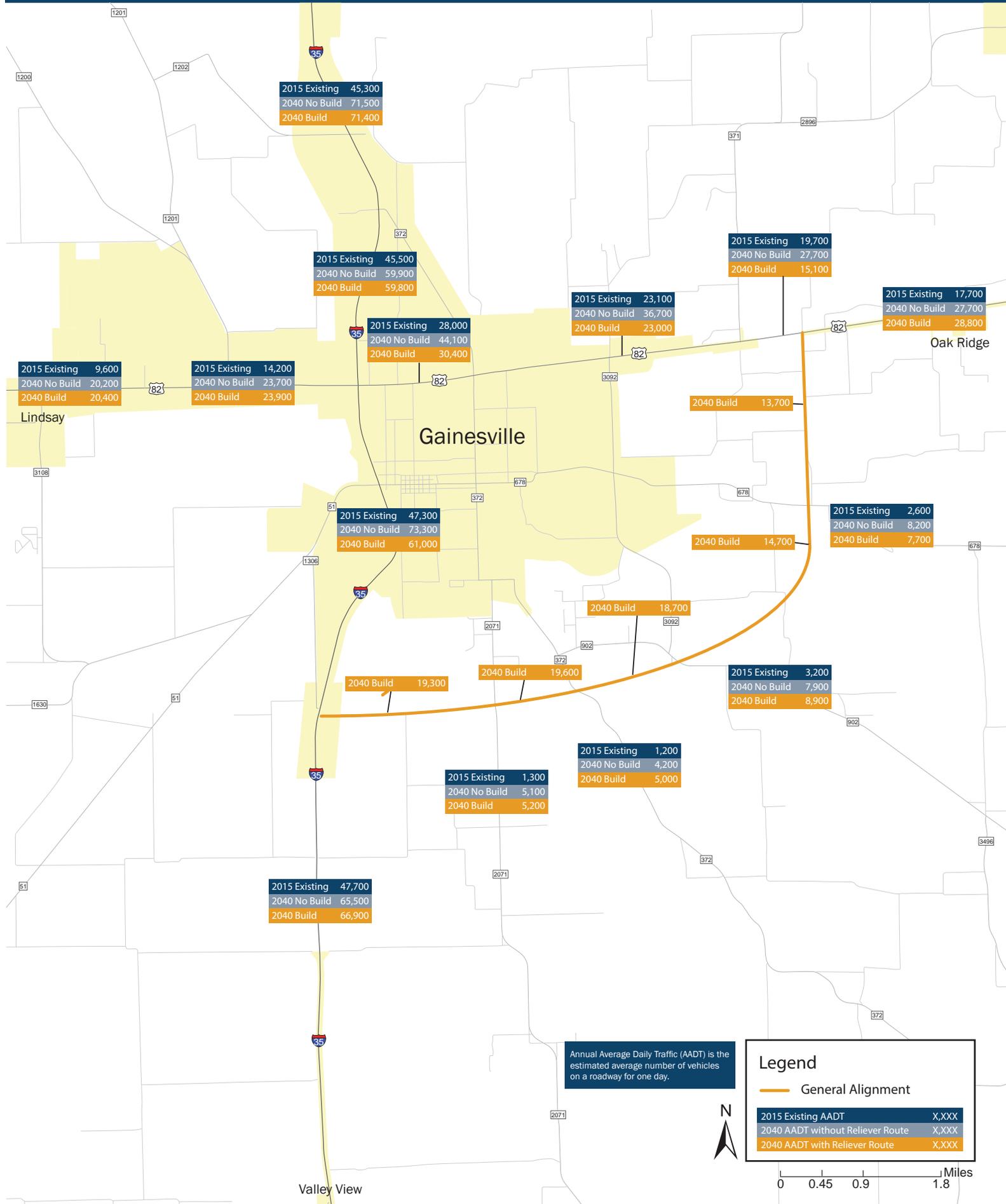
If a Reliever Route is needed, what would you recommend using?



If a Reliever Route is needed, should the road be within:

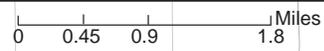


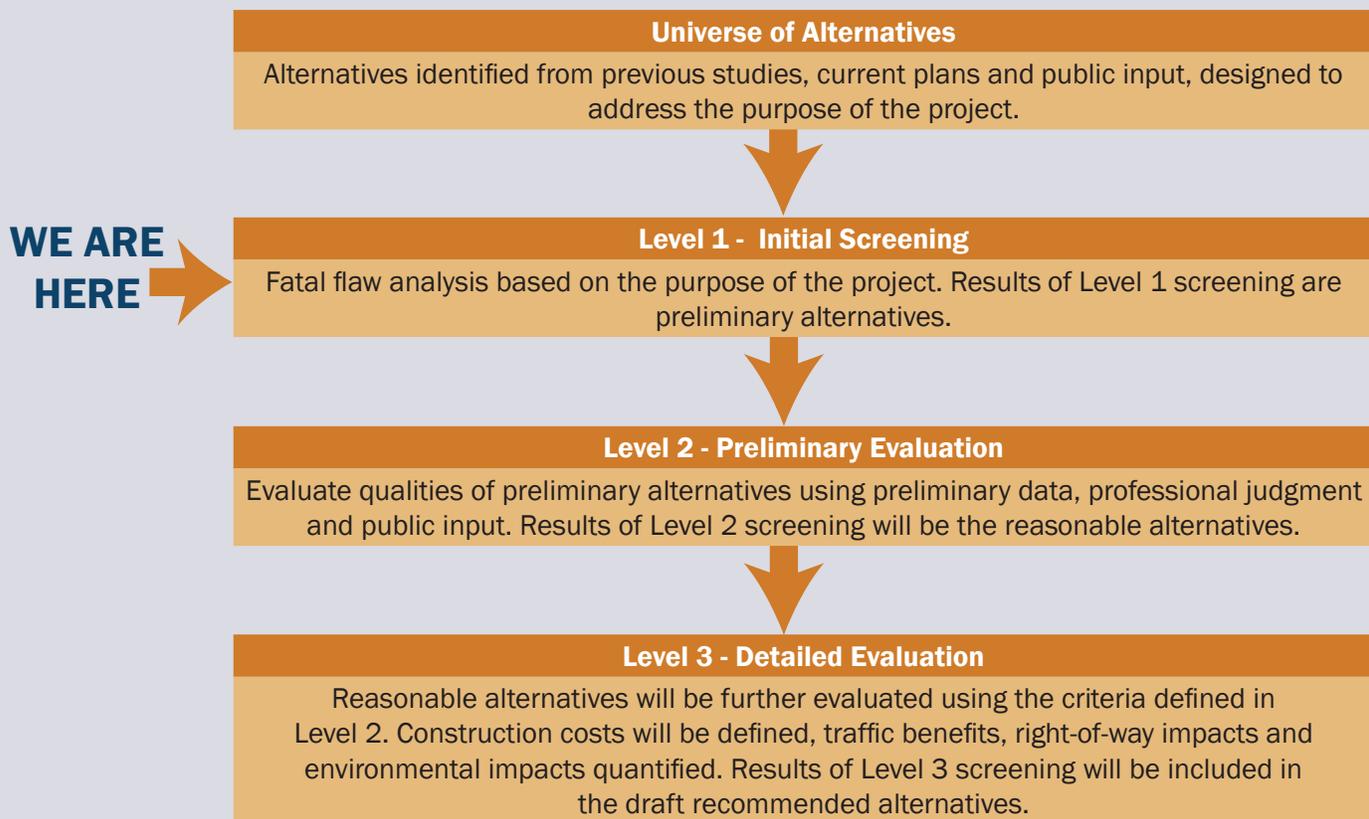




Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) is the estimated average number of vehicles on a roadway for one day.

Legend	
	General Alignment
	2015 Existing AADT X,XXX
	2040 AADT without Reliever Route X,XXX
	2040 AADT with Reliever Route X,XXX





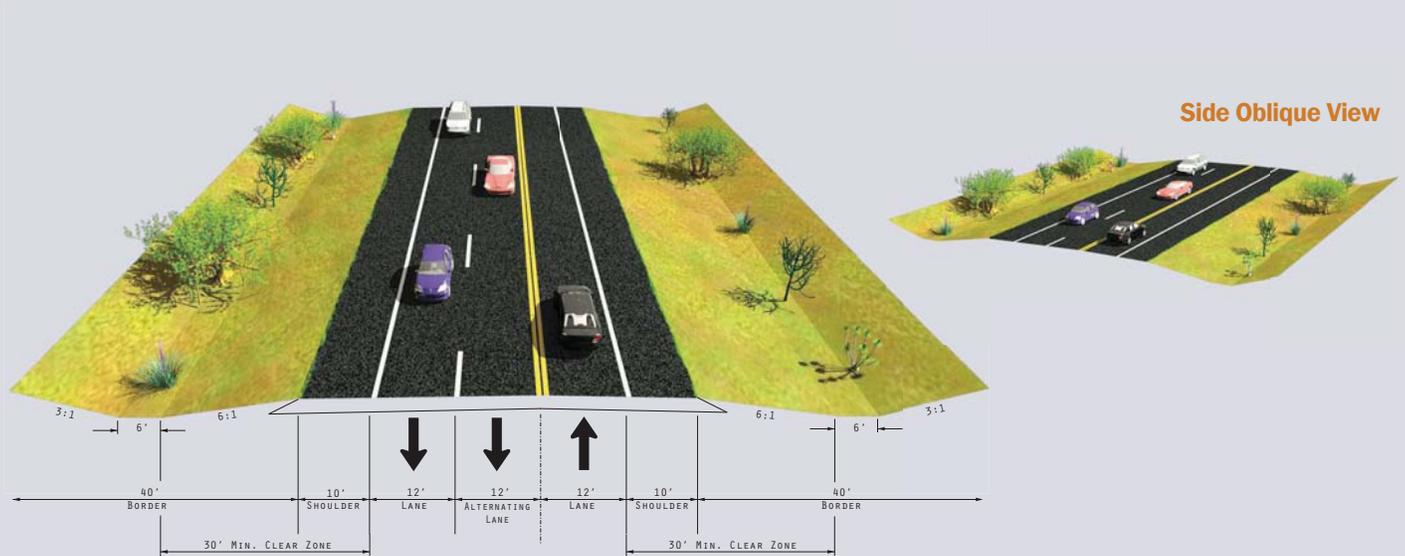
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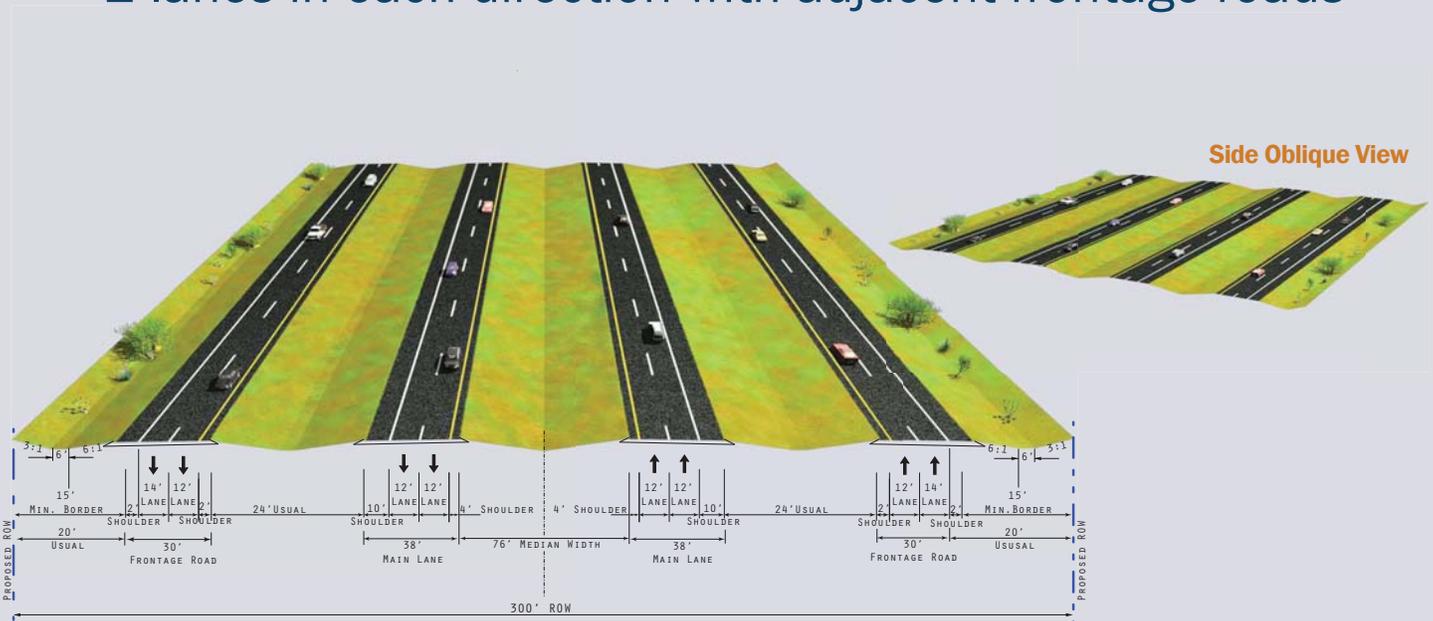
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Alternative Alignments

Four large format aerial maps were printed including reliever route alternatives and environmental constraints. Meeting attendees were invited to write comments, issues, or draw alternative alignments on the aerials. Attendees drew on three of these aerials. These are attached on the following pages.

Alternative Alignments Tables



Interactive Mapping – GoogleEarth

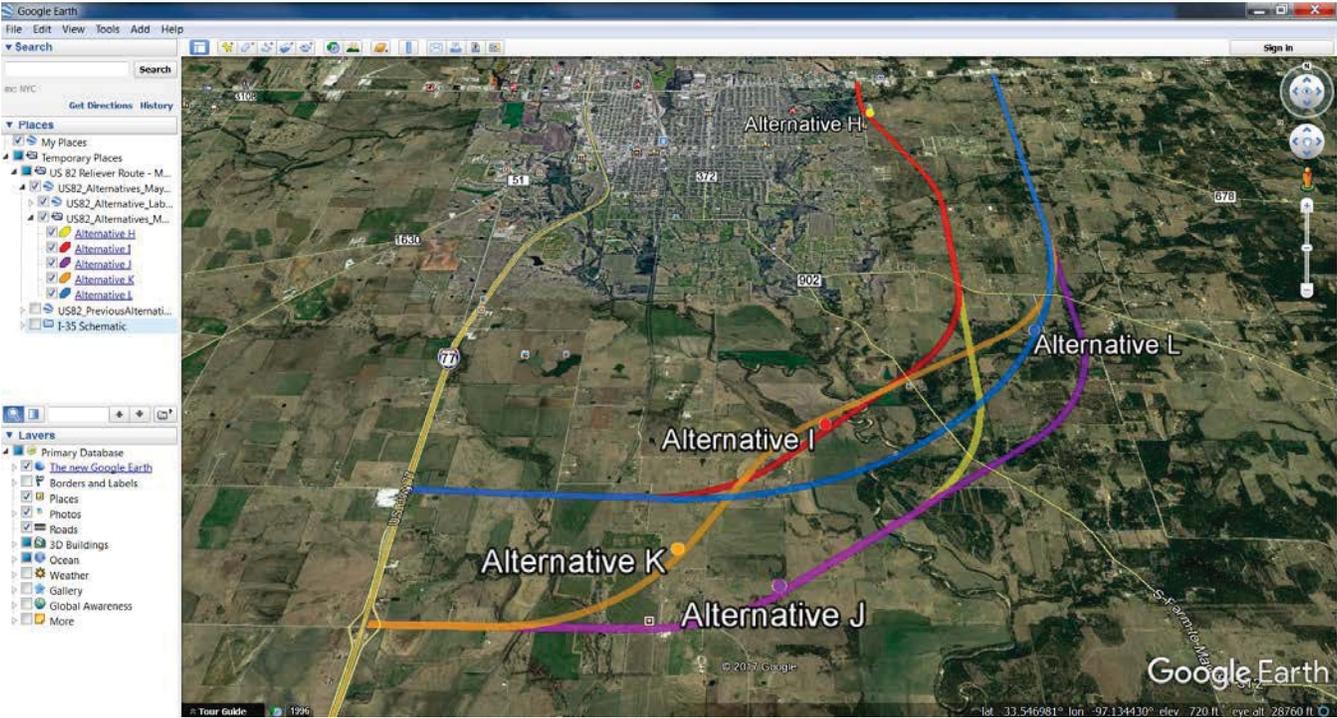
Six laptops were available displaying GoogleEarth and layer files of reliever route alternatives. Meeting participants could view the different alternatives and zoom in to see the alternatives in greater detail.



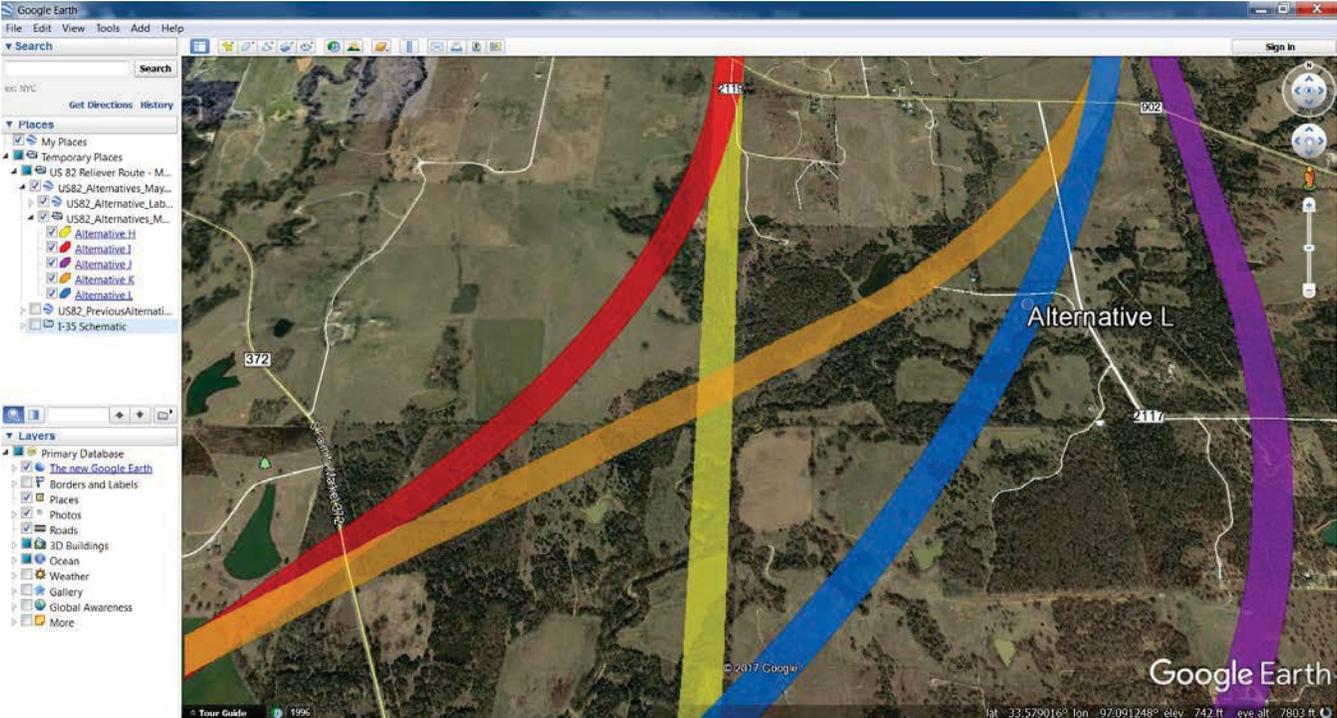
Interactive Mapping Station



Google Earth Screenshot – All Alternatives



Google Earth Screenshot – Detail View



Meeting Handouts

Additional materials available at the meeting included the project fact sheet (English and Spanish versions) and a Frequently Asked Questions handout.

US 82 Reliever Route Study

May 2017

To Learn More:

www.txdot.gov

Keyword search: US 82

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Fact Sheet

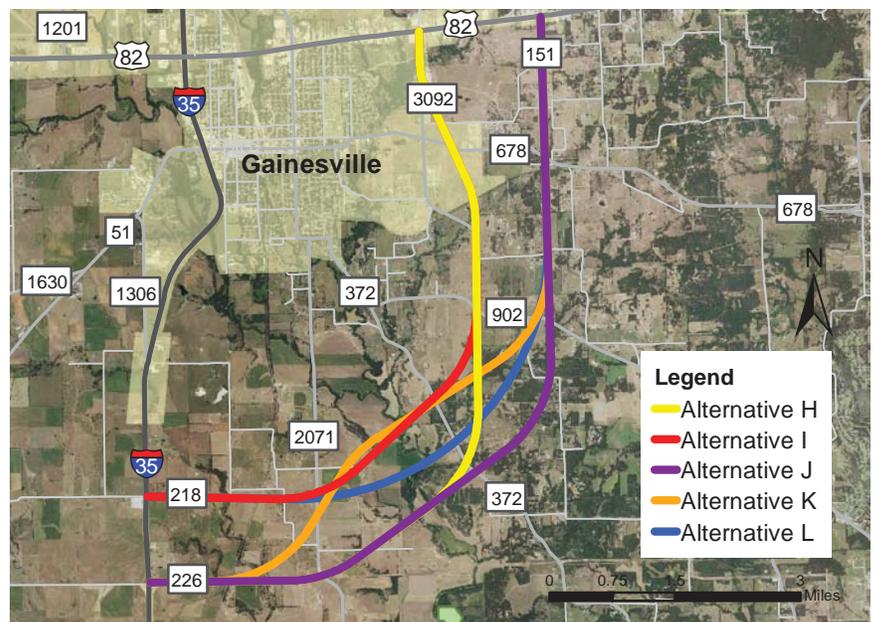
Overview

US 82 is a major thoroughfare for motorists and trucks in Gainesville, Texas. As population and commercial activity continue to grow in the area, it has become necessary to move forward with the planning and design of a reliever route that can more adequately meet the capacity and safety needs of the corridor. The US 82 Reliever Route Study is currently underway to identify a recommended alignment that can be carried forward into future phases of project development.

Project Purpose

The US 82 Reliever Route Study focuses on an area southeast of Gainesville in Cooke County, Texas that is generally bound by I-35 to the west and FM 678 to the east.

The current study evaluates different types of roadway configurations after a needs assessment, analysis of existing and future traffic data, stakeholder engagement and input from the public. The study team continues to refine alignment options in consultation with stakeholders; the current alignment alternatives were refined based upon stakeholder and public input via a public meeting and online survey.



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Fact Sheet

Corridor Needs

TxDOT will consider a number of items as the alignment and preliminary design for the roadway is developed and refined.

Safety: The design and alignment for the route will support a safer and more accessible roadway that will limit points of conflict, provide adequate sight distance and include safety features.

Growth: Between 2010 and 2040, the population of Cooke County is estimated to increase by more than 10%; traffic is forecasted to increase by 200% over the next 30 years; the alignment will consider how and where growth in population, commercial activity and overall traffic volumes will impact the route.

Access and Right-of-Way: This study will determine the ultimate Right-of-Way (ROW) needs for the corridor and identify likely access points.

System Continuity: The study and preliminary design will include appropriate design features with cross streets that support mobility and connectivity. The study team will review traffic on cross streets along with potential commercial and residential needs.

Environmental Impacts: The study will evaluate environmental constraints along the corridor to design a roadway that avoids or mitigates impacts to sensitive areas.

We Want Your Feedback

To better understand and address all user needs, we want your feedback. Please provide input at the Public Meeting or online at the project website. There will be other opportunities during project development to provide additional input. Sign up for our mailing list today!



Estudio de la Ruta de Desahogo de la US 82

Mayo de 2017

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Palabra clave para la búsqueda: US 82

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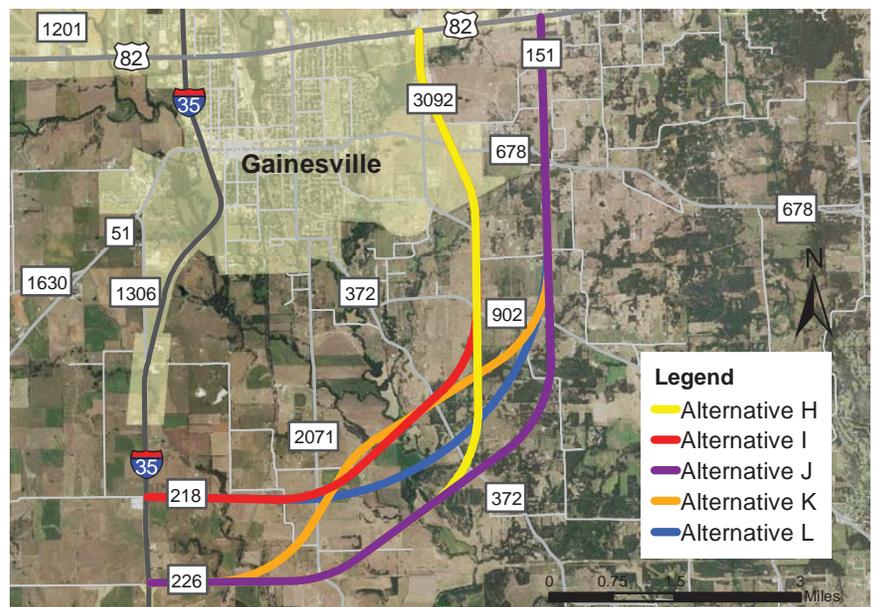
Descripción General

La US 82 es una importante vía pública para conductores y camiones en Gainesville, Texas. Dado que la población y la actividad comercial continúan creciendo en el área, nos vemos ante la necesidad de avanzar con la planificación y el diseño de una ruta de desahogo que pueda satisfacer más adecuadamente las necesidades de capacidad y seguridad del corredor. El Estudio de la Ruta de Desahogo de la US 82 se está llevando a cabo actualmente para identificar un alineamiento recomendado que pueda ser continuado más adelante durante las fases futuras del desarrollo del proyecto.

Propósito del Proyecto

El Estudio de la Ruta de Desahogo de la US 82 se centra en un área al sureste de Gainesville en el condado de Cooke, Texas, la cual está generalmente limitada por la I-35 al oeste y la FM 678 al este.

El estudio actual evalúa diferentes tipos de configuraciones de carreteras luego de haberse realizado tanto una evaluación de necesidades como un análisis de los datos de tráfico actual y futuro, de la participación de las partes interesadas y de las opiniones del público. El equipo del estudio continúa refinando las opciones de alineamiento junto con las partes interesadas; las alternativas actuales de alineamiento fueron refinadas sobre la base de las opiniones expresadas por las partes interesadas y por el público en una reunión pública y en una encuesta en línea.



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Necesidades del Corredor

TxDOT tomará en consideración una serie de elementos a medida que se desarrolle y se refine el alineamiento y el diseño preliminar de la carretera.

Seguridad: El diseño y el alineamiento de la ruta promoverán una carretera más segura y accesible que limitará puntos de conflicto, proveerá una distancia de visibilidad adecuada e incluirá elementos de seguridad.

Crecimiento: Se estima que entre los años 2010 y 2040 la población del condado de Cooke incrementará en más de 10 %, y que el tráfico aumentará en un 200 % en los próximos 30 años. El alineamiento tomará en consideración cómo y dónde es que la ruta será impactada por el crecimiento en población, actividad comercial y volumen de tráfico en general.

Acceso y Derecho de Paso: Este estudio determinará las necesidades fundamentales de Derecho de Paso del corredor (ROW, por sus siglas en inglés) e identificará posibles puntos de acceso.

Continuidad del Sistema: Tanto el estudio como el diseño preliminar incluirán características de diseño apropiadas con calles transversales que promuevan la circulación y la conectividad. El equipo del estudio revisará el tráfico en las calles transversales junto con las posibles necesidades comerciales y residenciales.

Impacto en el Medio Ambiente: El estudio evaluará las restricciones medioambientales a lo largo del corredor para diseñar una carretera que evite o minimice el impacto en áreas sensibles.

Sus Comentarios Nos Importan

Necesitamos saber su opinión para entender mejor todas las necesidades de los usuarios y responder a ellas adecuadamente. Por favor háganos llegar sus comentarios en la Reunión Pública o en línea, ingresando a la página web del proyecto. Habrá otras oportunidades durante el desarrollo del proyecto para hacernos llegar opiniones adicionales. ¡Regístrese para ser parte de nuestra lista de correo hoy mismo!





US 82 Reliever Route Study - Gainesville, Texas

Frequently Asked Questions

Please Note: Any questions received through the comment forms will be addressed in the Open House Summary Report that will be available for review at the TxDOT District office and on the website.

1. Why is the proposed project being considered and what are the benefits (What is the purpose for the proposed project)?

This project is a continuation of previous study efforts that identified strategies to improve mobility in the US 82 / I-35 corridor. The purpose and anticipated benefits are to meet local and regional future travel demands by adding a reliever route between US 82 and I-35 around Gainesville.

2. Will the project require additional right-of-way (ROW)?

Yes. The amount of required ROW is unknown at this time because a preferred alignment has not been identified. When ROW is acquired, TxDOT proposes to acquire 300 feet of right-of-way for the ultimate roadway, which is a 4-Lane controlled access highway.

3. Will the project require any displacements of businesses or residences?

It is likely that some displacements may occur after a final alignment is determined. All proposed routes under consideration currently include some displacements of businesses or residences.

4. Who is included in the Stakeholder Workgroup?

The stakeholder workgroup is comprised of County and City leaders as well as various business leaders in the area.

5. Where did the alignments under consideration originate from?

The alignments being presented at the Public Meeting on May 16, 2017, are based on comments received from the Public Meeting on October 4, 2016, and also from the online survey, which was available from November 10 through December 7, 2016.

6. How long will the study last?

The study has been underway for 1 year and is expected to last another year.



US 82 Reliever Route Study - Gainesville, Texas Frequently Asked Questions

7. What is the construction cost of the project?

At this stage of project development, the preferred alignment has not been decided therefore no construction cost estimate is available. The cost effectiveness of each alignment that is being presented is being assumed based on the alternative length.

8. When will the construction begin and how long will it take?

At this time funding is available only for planning and study development. Construction is not funded at this time.

9. How can we stay informed about the project?

You can sign up for our mailing list at this public meeting and look for updates on the project website. Go to www.txdot.gov and search 'US 82 Reliever Route'.

10. Why not just use FM 3092?

Alternatives H and I that are currently under consideration use a portion of FM 3092. However, there are a couple of existing curves on FM 3092 that do not meet the design speed of the proposed Reliever Route. In the area of these curves, the proposed design has been shifted to the east to try to minimize impact to existing buildings.

11. Why are you considering one-way frontage roads?

It has been determined that the preferred operation for frontage roads is one-way since one-way frontage roads are considered to be significantly safer than two-way frontage roads. With traffic forecasts projecting to increase over time, the recommendation is to use one-way frontage roads. The benefits expected from one-way frontage roads are:

- Smoother traffic flow
- Improved safety at entrance ramps and exit ramps
- Improved intersection safety & efficiency
- Helps make frontage roads uniform statewide
- Meets driver expectations by bringing consistency statewide to local frontage roads

12. What other improvement efforts are planned for US 82?

Other than a project currently under construction along US 82, there are no other projects planned for the time being to make operational improvements to US 82.



13. Will the public have input in the planning and decision-making process? If so, how will you keep the public informed?

The public is being given the opportunity to comment during the public involvement process. Persons wishing to submit written comments are encouraged to fill out comment forms provided at the sign-in table. Comment forms may be turned in at this meeting, mailed to the address listed on the comment form, or emailed to MyProjectsWichitaFalls@txdot.gov. For the comments to be included in the meeting summary for this meeting, the comments need to be postmarked or received on or prior to **May 31, 2017**. All comments received from the public will be documented, reviewed, and responded to in an open house summary report that will be available to the public after the summary report is approved.

14. What other improvement efforts are planned for I-35?

There are efforts underway to widen I-35 to three lanes in each direction and consultants are working to revise the schematic based on feedback we received from the public. We also have consultants working on an environmental study along the corridor. Additionally, survey firms are starting to develop property descriptions and plats for the ROW that will be acquired.

15. What is the latest with the I-35 Environmental Assessment?

We anticipate the project to be environmentally clear by spring of 2018.

16. What is the funding source for this project?

At this time, the project does not have funding for construction. Should the project be funded for construction, it is anticipated state and federal funds would be used.

F. Description of project modifications resulting from the public meeting

Feedback from the public regarding the reliever route south of Gainesville has been very important to the project team. TxDOT received a number of requests for further analysis of a reliever route option north of the City of Gainesville. Due to this, TxDOT has decided to suspend the current US 82 Reliever Route Study. Before developing reliever route options any further, TxDOT will study the feasibility of a reliever route option north of Gainesville and analyze advantages and disadvantages compared to a reliever route south of Gainesville.