



I-45N: Beltway 8 North to Loop 336 South (Conroe)

Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study



What is a PEL?

The Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) process is a high level approach to transportation decision making that considers environmental, community, and economic goals early in the planning stage. The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is conducting a PEL study for a seamless decision-making process that accomplishes the following:

- Minimize duplication of effort
- Promote the most efficient and cost-effective solutions
- Carry goals through future project phases

In all PEL studies, the goal is to gather information during planning to inform the environmental review process, including the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA).

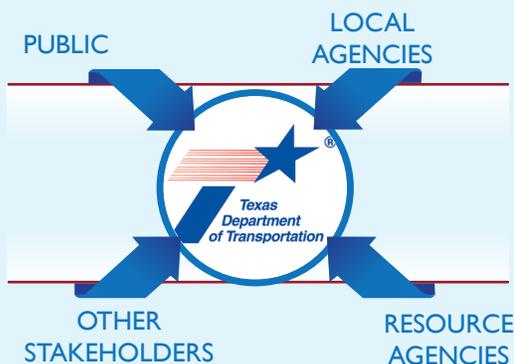


Why is TxDOT preparing a PEL for I-45N?

TxDOT is preparing a PEL for I-45N to address concerns and needs for improvement with traffic, safety, and future growth. This I-45N PEL Study can help inform planning decisions, streamline the NEPA process, and be a platform for the community to discuss and prioritize transportation issues and project implementation. Benefits of a PEL study include the following:

- Helps with planning for the I-45N corridor
- Streamlines future projects along I-45N
- Engages the public and stakeholders in the planning process
- Enhances collaboration among agencies
- Identifies key environmental resource issues

PEL Coordination



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PEL Process PHASE I

Spring 2017 - Fall 2018



PHASE 2

Spring 2019 - Spring 2021

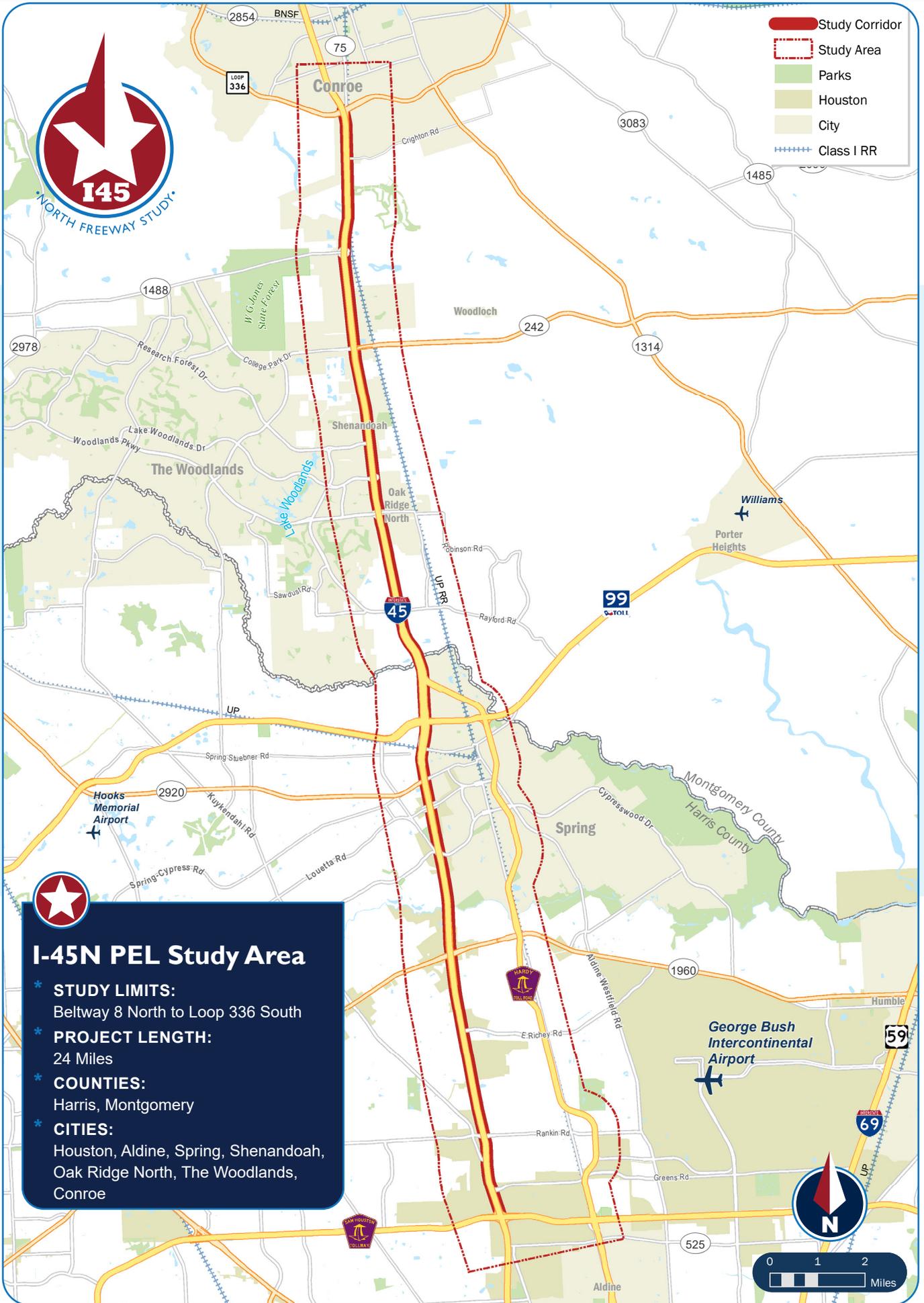


Ongoing Public and Stakeholder Involvement

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 9, 2019, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.



- Study Corridor
- Study Area
- Parks
- Houston
- City
- Class I RR



I-45N PEL Study Area

- STUDY LIMITS:**
Beltway 8 North to Loop 336 South
- PROJECT LENGTH:**
24 Miles
- COUNTIES:**
Harris, Montgomery
- CITIES:**
Houston, Aldine, Spring, Shenandoah,
Oak Ridge North, The Woodlands,
Conroe

