



**Notice of Availability**  
**Finding of No Significant Impact**  
**Proposed Improvements to FM 1626 from RM 967 To FM 2770**

This notice is to advise the public that the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has issued a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed roadway improvements to Farm-to-Market (FM) 1626 from Ranch-to-Market (RM) 967 to FM 2770 in Hays County, Texas. The proposed project is approximately 3.3 miles in length and would widen the existing two-lane, undivided roadway to a four-lane divided arterial with a center left-turn lane. The purpose of the project is to improve mobility and increase public safety along FM 1626, a major commuter route between Hays County communities and Austin, by increasing capacity through construction of additional travel lanes and by providing refuge for turning vehicles. The Alternating Right-of-Way Alternative (Build Alternative) selected would alternate the required right-of-way to the east and west as needed to avoid environmental impacts and allow for enhanced compliance with TxDOT design speed requirements. The Build Alternative would consist of four 12-foot-wide travel lanes (two in each direction), a 14-foot-wide center left-turn lane, and outside shoulders of varying widths. The proposed project would also include improvements to the bridges at Onion Creek and Mustang Branch.

Implementation of the FM 1626 project would require approximately 12.20 acres of additional right-of-way (including easements) which would consist of 10.41 acres for facility right-of-way and 1.79 acres for easements. The proposed project would not displace any residences, businesses or public or community facilities; however, partial acquisition would be required from 23 parcels. The right-of-way acquisition process would comply with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970.

Copies of the FONSI, approved Environmental Assessment, Public Hearing Summary and Analysis Report (including responses to comments), and Certification of Public Involvement for the project are available for viewing at the Hays County Precinct 2 office at 5458 FM 2770 Suite 124 Kyle, Texas 78640 from 8:00am to 4:30pm. Upon request, CDs of the above-listed documents will be available for pick-up at this location. For further information, please contact Hays County Precinct 2 Commissioner Mark Jones at (512) 262-2091 or submit an email to [contact@improve1626.com](mailto:contact@improve1626.com).

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.