

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING STATE HIGHWAY 121**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Fort Worth District will conduct a Public Hearing to discuss the alignment modification and tolling changes to SH 121 from FM 1187 to US 67 through the Cities of Crowley, Burleson, Joshua and Cleburne and southwestern Tarrant County and northern Johnson County. **The Public Hearing will be held at the Cleburne Conference Center, 1501 West Henderson, in the City of Cleburne, on Tuesday, March 1, 2011. Displays will be available for viewing at 6:30 P.M. with the formal hearing commencing at 7:00 P.M.**

The purpose of the hearing is to present the alignment modification and tolling changes that have occurred since the Federal Highway Administration issued a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the SH 121 Environmental Assessment (EA) on May 20, 2004. The approximate 14-mile facility is proposed as a two-lane interim facility to be ultimately improved to a divided four-lane toll road. The modifications in alignment are located at the far southern end of the project as it ties to US 67 and tolling changes are changing from an optional cash or electronic toll collection facility to a fully electronic toll collection facility and tolling of the initial phase of construction; which is two of the ultimate four lanes. These modifications are being addressed as a reevaluation of the EA. The 2004 FONSI alignment initially provided ROW widths to be from 240 to 400 feet. To accommodate current design, construction of the toll road would require the typical ROW widths of approximately 220 to 600 feet. No additional relocations of residences are required and no additional businesses will be displaced due to the alignment modification. A portion of the project is within Zone A floodplain. Zone A is a 100-year floodplain boundary. The hydraulic design for the proposed project would be in accordance with the current TxDOT design polices and standards. The toll road facility as proposed would permit the conveyance of the 100-year flood levels without causing substantial damage to the road, stream or other property. The total permanent impacts to wetlands total 0.25 acre.

Maps, drawings and other information about the project will be on display, which will show the location of the SH 121 corridor and proposed route changes. The study team will be available at the displays to assist in orientation and interpretation of the drawings and other materials and discuss environmental effects of the proposed changes. A tentative construction schedule can be obtained at the District Office address shown below. In addition, the plan layout, the environmental document and other pertinent information about the proposed project are on file and available for inspection at the following locations:

TxDOT Fort Worth District Office-2501 SW Loop 820; Fort Worth, Texas 76133; Telephone- (817) 370-6549, Donna Fowler

TxDOT Johnson County Area Office-2200 FM 2280; Keene, Texas 76031; Telephone-(817) 202-2900, Ronald Robinson, P.E.

All interested citizens are invited to attend this public hearing. Verbal and written comments from the public regarding this project are requested. Written comments may be submitted either in person or by mail to:

Maribel P. Chavez, P.E.  
Texas Department of Transportation, Fort Worth District-SH 121  
2501 Southwest Loop 820, P.O. Box 6868  
Fort Worth, Texas 76115-0868

Comments must be received on or before March 11, 2011 in order to become part of the official hearing record. Persons interested in attending the hearing who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact TxDOT at (817) 370-6610. Requests should be made at least 72 hours prior to public hearing. Reasonable efforts will be made by TxDOT to accommodate those needs.