

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct a public meeting on Thursday, March 3, 2016 at the Bellaire City Hall, 7008 South Rice Avenue, Bellaire, TX 77401. The purpose of the meeting is to present the proposed improvements to the Interstate Highway (IH) 69 South/IH 610 West Interchange in Harris County, and to receive public comment. This meeting will be held in an open house format from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. No formal presentation will be made.

The proposed project is the reconstruction of the IH 69 South/IH 610 West Interchange. The proposed roadway improvement project would construct new direct connectors, construct access ramps, realign Post Oak Boulevard, and reconstruct the IH 610 main lane bridge. Design changes resulting from public comments received at the June 4, 2015 public hearing include restoring access to Fournace Place and the elimination of the double u-turn at Bellaire Boulevard. The project improvements are proposed to increase safety, reduce congestion, and improve operational efficiency. The proposed improvements would require 2.41 acres of additional right-of-way (ROW). The proposed project would displace one commercial property. Information about the TxDOT Relocation Assistance Program, benefits and services for displacements, as well as information about the tentative schedule for ROW acquisition and construction may be obtained from the TxDOT Houston District Office. Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons and businesses.

Maps and other drawings showing the proposed project's location, geometric design, and environmental constraints will be available for viewing at the public meeting. Other information about the proposed project is on file and available for inspection Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the TxDOT Houston District Office located at 7600 Washington Avenue, Houston, Texas 77007.

All interested citizens are invited to attend this public meeting. Written comments from the public regarding this project may be submitted at the meeting. Written comments may also be submitted either in person or by mail to the TxDOT District Office, Director of Project Development, Texas Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 1386, Houston, Texas 77251-1386. Written comments must be postmarked, submitted through the website, or emailed to <a href="https://doi.org/10.2016/journal.com/houston/hou

The public meeting will be conducted in English. Persons interested in attending the meeting who have special communication or accommodation needs, or need an interpreter, are encouraged to contact the TxDOT Houston District Public Information Office at 713-802-5076. Requests should be made at least two days prior to the public meeting. Every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate these needs. If you have general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project, you may contact Mr. Pat Henry at (713) 802-5241.

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.