



Open House Response to Comments

US 183: from Metric Blvd to Cameron Rd

Austin District

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 Chapter 3 of title 23, United States Code, Section 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 17, 2014, executed between the FHWA and TxDOT.

Comment Number	Commenter Name	Date Received	Source	Comment Topic	Response
1.	Tommy Eden	Sept. 19, 2019	Comment Form	Access – need facilities for pedestrians and bicyclists on frontage roads and at intersections throughout. Safety for pedestrians, cyclists, and pedestrians who require ADA accommodations.	TxDOT considers accommodations for pedestrians and bicyclists on any of our facilities during project development. The proposed project on US 183 is needed to improve mobility between the entrance and exit ramps on the US 183 main lanes and frontage roads. As part of the assessment of needs, TxDOT identified an area on Lamar Boulevard where pedestrian access could be improved and added this improvement into the proposed project.
7.	Lisa Hinley (North Lamar/Georgian Acres neighborhood plan contact team)	Oct. 4, 2019	Email		
8.	Bicycle Advisory Council	Oct. 10, 2019	Email		
1	Tommy Eden	Sept. 19, 2019	Comment Form	Impact - environmental justice.	The proposed project is a type that has been found to have no disproportionate effect on minority or low-income populations.
2.	John Wilson	Sept. 19, 2019	Comment Form	Access - Ramp to SB US 183 before Burnet Rd.	The proposed project is located between Metric Blvd and Cameron Rd; therefore, the Burnet Rd intersection is outside the limits.
3.	Laura Lawrence	Sept. 19, 2019	Comment Form	Presentation - Very informative and well presented. Nice presentation.	Thank you for your comment.
4.	Anne Gregory	Sept. 19, 2019	Comment Form		
5.	Tony Rose	Sept. 19, 2019	Comment Form	Design – reduction of inside shoulder from 4’ to 2’ and increasing outside shoulder from 8’ to 10’.	The proposed 4 ft. inside shoulder was preferred to provide more of a buffer between the inside lane and the median barrier.
6.	Jane Rose	Sept. 19, 2019	Comment Form		
7.	Lisa Hinley (North Lamar/Georgian Acres neighborhood plan contact team)	Oct. 4, 2019	Email	Design - Changes to the frontage roads to affect a 30 mph design speed. Reduce service road design speeds.	This proposed project does not include work on the frontage roads other than the improvements at Lamar Boulevard. Therefore, the design speeds for the frontage roads will remain unchanged.
8.	Bicycle Advisory Council	Oct. 10, 2019	Email		

7.	Lisa Hinley (North Lamar/ Georgian Acres neighborhood plan contact team)	Oct. 4, 2019	Email	Access - vehicles/bicyclist shared travel lane.	Thanks for the comment. Yes, the existing wide lanes (14' wide lane on the right side of the service road) may be used by bicyclist.
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7.	Lisa Hinley (North Lamar/ Georgian Acres neighborhood plan contact team)	Oct. 4, 2019	Email	Design - schematic design countermeasures.	There are no proposed changes to the frontage road travel lanes. The proposed project is needed to reduce congestion on the main lanes.
7.	Lisa Hinley (North Lamar/ Georgian Acres neighborhood plan contact team)	Oct. 4, 2019	Email	Safety - for all users, reduce crashes and pedestrian and bicyclist injuries or fatalities, and include State Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) countermeasures.	Safety of TxDOT facilities is a state-wide goal and is considered in the development of projects. The reduced congestion on the US 183 main lanes would improve safe travel. The safety on the frontage roads would improve as vehicles are not stacked up at the ramp locations where travellers are seeking access to the main lanes.
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