

US 69 WOODVILLE-COLMESNEIL RELIEF ROUTE

Project Overview

Proposed Project Limits

The TxDOT Beaumont District is proposing to construct a US 69 relief route from approximately one mile south of Black Creek to approximately one mile south of Recreational Road (RR) 255 in Tyler County. US 69 is a south-north highway that runs from Port Arthur to Denison, TX and is designated as a hurricane evacuation route.

Proposed Improvements

The approximate 25-mile proposed project would include a new location roadway. The ultimate roadway would generally include two 12-foot travel lanes in each direction, a northbound 13-foot outside shoulder to be used as a hurricane evacuation lane, a southbound 10-foot outside shoulder, and two-lane frontage roads in each direction that would require approximately 400 feet of right-of-way (ROW) width. Bicycle and pedestrian accommodations would be considered throughout the project.

Proposed Purpose and Need

The purpose of the US 69 project is to provide a relief route to support safe and efficient south/north movement of people and goods between Colmesneil and Warren.

What problems are we trying to address?

- Provide a south-north evacuation route for the growing population of Southeast Texas
- Improve safety by providing a relief route to reduce congestion on existing US 69
- Address demand from freight traffic
- Provide an alternate/secondary route from south of Warren to north of Colmesneil

Proposed Project Schedule*

- First Virtual Public Meeting with In-Person Options – Oct. 2023
- Analyze Public Input and Refine Alternatives
- Second Virtual Public Meeting with In-Person Options – June 2024
 - Woodville Public Meeting: Tuesday, June 4, 2024
 - Warren Public Meeting: Thursday, June 6, 2024
- Draft Preliminary Design and Draft Environmental Assessment – Summer 2025
- Public Hearing – Fall 2025
- Environmental Decision – Fall 2025
- Begin ROW Acquisition
- Finalize Design and Begin Phased Construction**

*This project schedule and dates are tentative and subject to change.

** This project could be constructed in phases depending on funding.

Questions or Comments

How to Submit Comments

To be a part of official record, comments must be received or postmarked by **Monday, July 8, 2024**, and may be submitted at the public open house meetings, by mail, email or online to:

MAIL: TxDOT - Beaumont District
 US 69 Woodville-Colmesneil Relief Route
 8350 Eastex Freeway Beaumont, TX 77708

EMAIL: bmtprojects@txdot.gov

ONLINE: www.txdot.gov and search: US 69 Woodville-Colmesneil Relief Route

Provide Your Feedback: Visit the Online Engagement Site

TxDOT is asking for feedback on the modified relief route alternatives based on local/community input from the last public meetings in October 2023. Visit www.txdot.gov and search: **US 69 Woodville-Colmesneil Relief Route** or scan the QR code below.

Study Area Map

