



**Notice of Public Hearing: Tuesday, Sept. 17, 2019**  
**State Highway (SH) 6 from SH 16 N. to East De Leon City Limits**  
**Comanche County**  
**CSJ (Control Section Job Number): 0257-05-045**

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The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Brownwood District is proposing to reconstruct SH 6 from SH 16 N. to East De Leon city limits in Comanche County, Texas. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting a public hearing on the proposed project. The hearing will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 17, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at the De Leon High School Cafeteria located at 200 W. Manchaca Ave., De Leon, Texas 76444. Displays will be available for viewing at 5:30 p.m. and the public hearing will begin at 6:00 p.m. The public hearing will be held in accordance with Chapter 26 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code. At the public hearing, all interested persons have the right to appear, and be heard on the using or taking of public land designated and used as parkland, consisting of approximately 0.706 acres of land, situated in the De Leon Festival Gardens Community Park in the City of De Leon in Comanche County, Texas.

The purpose of the hearing is to present the planned improvements and to receive public comment on the proposed project. The public hearing will present plans to upgrade and widen SH 6 by converting the existing two-lane roadway with a center turn lane to a four-lane highway with a center turn lane. The project length is approximately two miles and would require approximately 3.04 acres of additional right-of-way. The existing and proposed right-of-way width varies between 80' and 120'. No displacements of commercial or residential properties are anticipated. The purpose of the project is to improve safety and reduce congestion.

The Chapter 26 public hearing is to discuss the proposed project's potential impacts to 0.706 acres of the De Leon Festival Gardens Community Park. As part of this project, TxDOT is considering a Section 4(f) *de minimis* impact determination for impacts to the De Leon Festival Gardens Community Park. Approximately 0.706 acres located along the southern boundary of the park would be required for permanent incorporation into the proposed transportation facility. A Section 4(f) *de minimis* finding means that the proposed project would not adversely affect the activities, features, or attributes that qualify the De Leon Festival Gardens Community Park for protection under Section 4(f). The City of De Leon and TxDOT will consider comments received during the environmental process before making a final Section 4(f) *de minimis* determination.

Maps showing the project will be displayed at the public hearing and on the TxDOT website at: [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov) and then **Search: SH 6 Comanche County**. Environmental documentation for the project will also be available for inspection at the hearing. This information will also be available Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the TxDOT Brownwood District Office, 2495 Highway 183 North in Brownwood.

Verbal and written comments from the public regarding the project are requested and may be presented at the hearing or submitted in person or by mail to Jason Scantling, P.E. at 2495 Highway 183 North, Brownwood, Texas 76802, by email to [jason.scantling@txdot.gov](mailto:jason.scantling@txdot.gov) or submitted online. Comments must be received on or before Friday, Oct. 4, 2019. If you have general questions or concerns regarding the project, please contact Jason Scantling.

The public meeting will be conducted in English. Persons interested in attending who have special communication or accommodation needs, such as the need for an interpreter, are encouraged to contact Lisa Tipton, TxDOT Brownwood District Public Information Officer, at (325) 643-0413. Requests should be made at least two days prior to the public hearing. The De Leon High School Cafeteria is wheelchair accessible.

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 Dec.16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.