



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Proposed Improvements to State Loop (SL) 288

From Interstate Highway (IH) 35W to IH 35

CSJs: 2250-02-013 & 2250-02-014

Denton County, Texas

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), in conjunction with Denton County, will conduct a public meeting for the purpose of soliciting comments on a proposed new location segment of SL 288 on the west side of Denton from IH 35W, north to IH 35, in Denton County, Texas. **The meeting will be held on Thursday, March 28, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at McMath Middle School, 1900 Jason Drive, Denton, TX 76205.** Representatives from TxDOT and project consultants will be available to answer questions about the proposed project. The meeting will be held in an open house format with no formal presentation. The purpose of the public meeting is to present the proposed project to the public and receive comments.

The proposed SL 288 project includes the construction of a four-lane new location frontage road system from IH 35W south of Denton to IH 35 north of Denton, in Denton County, Texas, and is approximately 9.0 miles in length. The proposed project right-of-way (ROW) would include a median that would accommodate the future construction of an ultimate mainlane facility. Construction of the ultimate mainlane facility would be based on projected traffic and funding and would require additional environmental analysis prior to construction.

The new location SL 288 frontage road system would include a northbound and southbound frontage road facility. For rural areas, the facility would consist of two travel lanes (one 12-ft. wide lane and one 14-ft. wide lane for bicycle accommodation) and 8-ft. wide inside and outside shoulders in each direction, with open ditch drainage. For urbanized areas, the facility would consist of two travel lanes (one 12-ft. wide lane and one 14-ft. wide lane for bicycle accommodation) in each direction, with curb and gutter drainage. The facility would also include 6-ft. wide sidewalks along both sides of the road throughout the project limits. The proposed project ROW would include a median (variable width) that would accommodate the future construction of an ultimate mainlane facility. Approximately 400 acres of new ROW would be needed to accommodate the project, based on the preliminary schematic.

Maps showing the proposed project's location and geometric design will be available for viewing at the public meeting. This information is also available for public inspection Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the TxDOT Dallas District Office, 4777 E. Highway 80, Mesquite, Texas 75150. Project information will also be available online at www.keepitmovingdallas.com under "Upcoming Public Hearing/Meeting".

All interested citizens are invited to attend the public meeting. Written comments from the public are requested and will be accepted for a period of 15 calendar days following the meeting. Written comments may be submitted either in person at the public meeting, by mail to the TxDOT Dallas District Office, Attention: Mr. Nelson Underwood, 4777 E. Highway 80, Mesquite, Texas 75150-6643, or by email to Nelson.Underwood@txdot.gov. **Written comments must be postmarked by April 12, 2019 to be included in the official public meeting documentation.**

The meeting will be conducted in English. Persons interested in attending the meeting who have special communication or accommodation needs, such as the need for an interpreter, are encouraged to contact the TxDOT Dallas District Public Information Office at (214) 320-4480. Requests should be made at least two days prior to the public meeting. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs. If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the meeting, please contact Nelson Underwood at (214) 320-6628 or by email at Nelson.Underwood@txdot.gov.

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.