REQUIRED ENVIRONMENTAL SCOPING QUESTIONS

An environmental document is required for all federally funded transportation projects. Some project characteristics have the potential to trigger additional environmental mitigation, coordination, and/or permitting. To better understand the potential environmental risks of this project and to aid in eventual project scheduling if awarded, please answer the following questions and attach to Detailed Application submission PDF, labeling attachment as K- Environmental Documentation. If project sponsors need technical assistance with the following, please contact <u>bikeped@txdot.gov</u> by May 20th, 2025.

- 1. Are there known environmental issues requiring resource agency coordination, permitting, or mitigation?
- 2. Will new right-of-way (ROW) or easements be required or donated for the project? If so, please provide the estimated acreage here:
- 3. Are there known or potential hazardous material encroachments into the project area, including visual evidence of soil and groundwater contamination, dump sites, tanks, or other sources of contamination?
- 4. Are there known historic properties near the proposed project requiring coordination? Refer to the <u>Texas</u> <u>Historic Sites Atlas</u>.
- 5. Are cemeteries present within or adjacent to the project? Refer to the <u>Texas Historic Sites Atlas</u>. If so, would any pavement be extended to within 15 feet of the existing ROW boundary adjacent to the cemetery? Would ANY other project construction directly affect any known burials?
- 6. Do proposed improvements require more than 100 cubic yards of new ground disturbance (disturbance to sediments not already impacted by prior construction activities)?
- 7. Will the project cross or otherwise have the potential to affect possible jurisdictional waters of the U.S. (including wetlands)? See Definition of <u>"Waters of the United States"</u> and <u>National Wetlands Inventory</u> Wetlands Mapper.
- 8. Will the project involve the construction or modification (including changes to lighting) of a bridge or causeway across a water body determined to be navigable by the USCG under Section 9 of the Rivers and Harbors Act?
- 9. Does the project occur over the recharge, contributing, or transition zones of the Edwards Aquifer (in portions of Medina, Bexar, Comal, Kinney, Uvalde, Hays, Travis and Williamson Counties? Refer to the <u>TCEQ Edwards Aquifer Map Viewer</u>
- 10. Referencing the following resources, does there appear to be suitable habitat for <u>federally and state listed</u> <u>threatened or endangered species</u> within the project area? Resources: <u>https://ipac.ecosphere.fws.gov/</u> and <u>https://tpwd.texas.gov/gis/rtest/</u>
- 11. Is the project located within designated critical habitat for <u>federally-listed threatened or endangered</u> <u>species</u>? Refer to the <u>USFWS Critical Habitat Mapper</u>.
- 12. Do any parks, recreation areas, and/or wildlife or waterfowl refuges occur within or adjacent to the project area? Please refer to city, county, and state maps to identify parks and other protected resource areas.
- 13. If there are known environmental or historic preservation issues, is there an approach to avoid delays in project development?

If "Yes" is marked for any question above, please provide written description of potential coordination, mitigation, and/or permitting actions foreseen for the proposed project.