

# I-45 NHHIP Meeting Our Commitments

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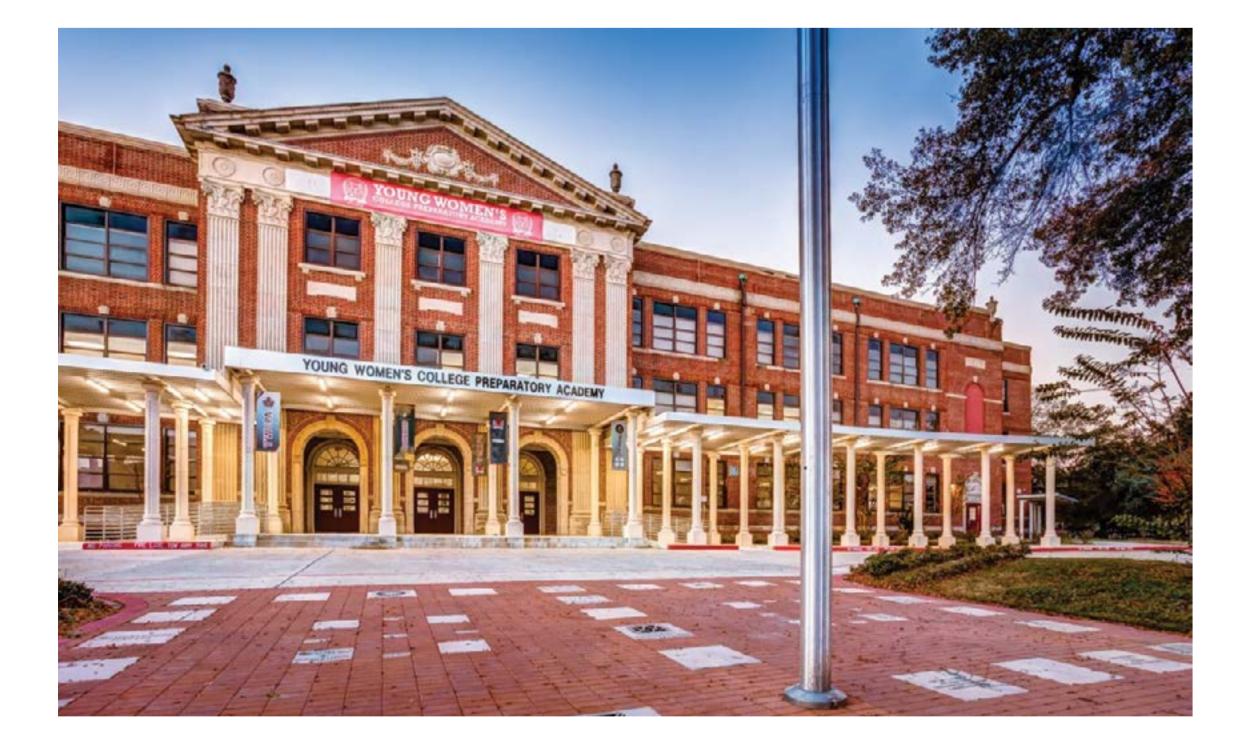
COMMITMENTS	ROD	VRA	<b>MOU CITY</b>	<b>MOU COUNTY</b>
Twice Annual Public Meetings Through Design and Construction				
Construction Detours and Closures Notification Plan				S
Reporting Construction Concerns	S	S A		S
Construction Alerts	S	S A		S
Mitigating Displacements, Relocations, Housing and other Community Impacts	S	S	S	S
Drainage Improvements to reduce Flooding	S	C A	S	
Enhanced Relocation Services		C A	S	S
Construction of Affordable Housing		C		S
Community Cohesion	C.		S	C
Parks, Open Space, Trails, Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities	S			C
Structural Caps	S	S		S
Community Access During Construction		C A	S	S
Highway Footprint Reduction	C			
Air Quality Mitigation	S		S	
Publicly Available Project Website	Ø		S	C •
Meaningful Access for Person with Limited English Proficiency	Ø			
Weatherization and Energy Efficiency Programs	S	C A		
Active Transportation	S	CA		C A
Emancipation National Historic Trail Study	C	0	S	
Project Ombudsman				

**Enhanced commitments** compared to ROD

New commitments compared to ROD

Prior to the VRA, TxDOT issued the Record of Decision (ROD) in February 2021, whereby TxDOT made numerous commitments. In December of 2022, TxDOT signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City of Houston and another with Harris County that outlined enhancements to specific ROD commitments. TxDOT and FHWA signed the VRA in March of 2023. The chart above reflects TxDOT's commitments and the enhancements specified in the four documents.

## **I-45 CONSTRUCTION CLOSURE & DETOUR PLAN**





### SCHOOLS

- Detours will be provided for sidewalks to schools during construction
- Work directly with schools to provide pickup and drop-off routes
- Provide ombudsman to communicate concerns directly to TxDOT

### **METRO TRANSIT ROUTE**

- Obtain METRO's review and address comments when bus stop needs temporary relocation
- Provide 14 calendar days' public notice of service disruptions

Information requested to be on the project website

# WHAT IS THE VRA?

The Voluntary Resolution Agreement (VRA) is an understanding by and between the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Texas Department of **Transportation (TxDOT).** 

**Resolves the FHWA investigation of TxDOT regarding** the North Houston Highway Improvement Project under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VI) by setting forth specific mitigation actions for the Project.

- Lifts pause
- No Title VI violations identified in VRA
- **TxDOT to resume all project development activities.**

**Provides specific, enforceable timelines and** monitoring by FHWA to ensure TxDOT carries out the Project consistent with the requirements of Title VI.

FHWA has concluded review of TxDOT's responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) with no findings.

### **KEY COMMITMENT UPDATES**

### **Public Engagement**

Displacements,

- Meetings held twice each calendar year in each segment while segment final design and construction is ongoing
- 2024 Public Meetings were held in July, September, October, and December
- Monthly multi-agency meetings
- Stakeholder meetings
- Upcoming 2025 Public Meetings

### **Relocations, housing** and Other Community Impacts

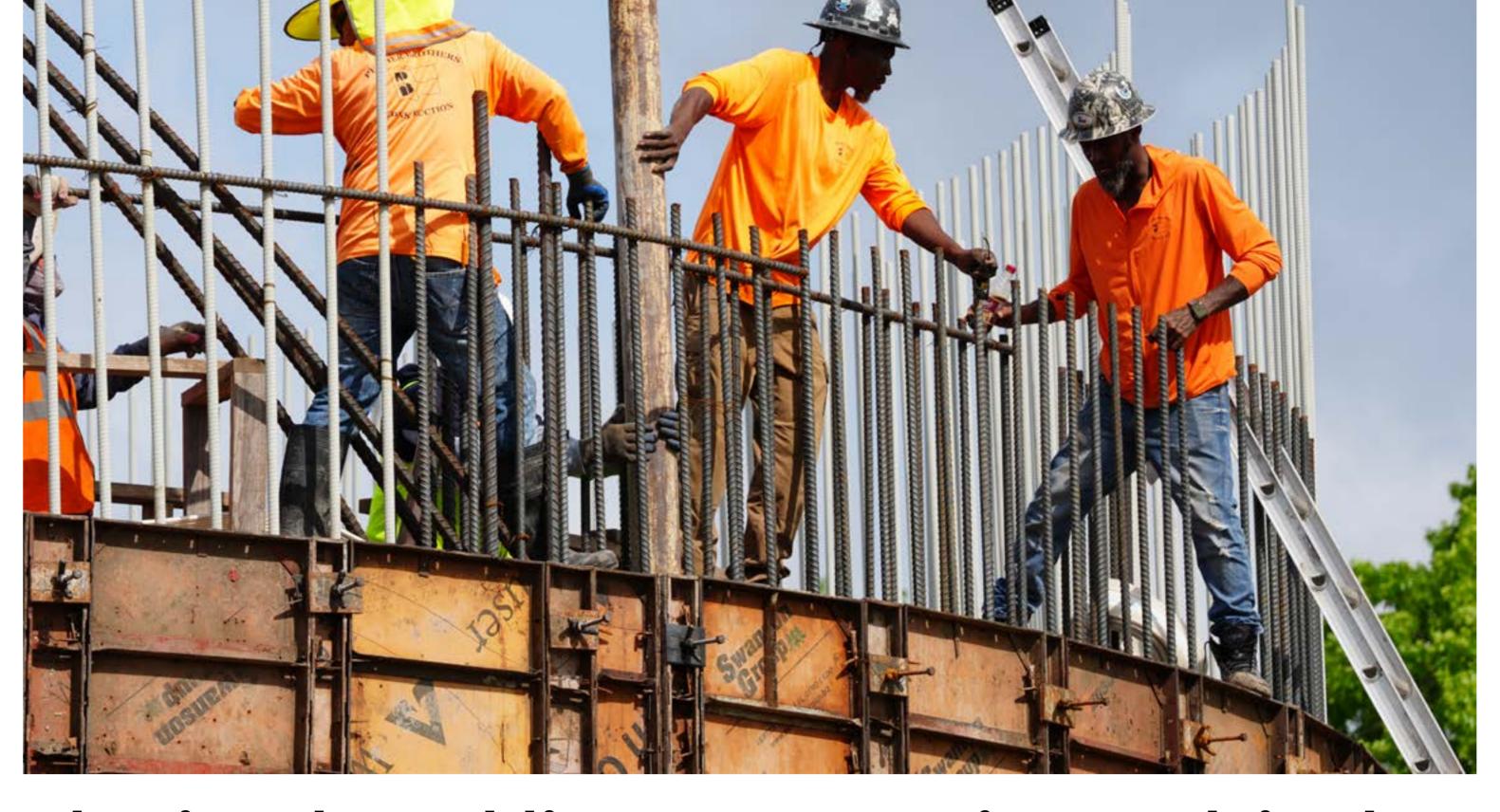
• During final design of each segment of the NHHIP, TxDOT will evaluate changes to the project that may reduce the Right of Way needed and displacement impacts

### Voluntary Resolution Agreement (VRA) Commitments



VRA Commitment: Kelly Village In coordination with the Houston

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Alerting the public to construction work is also one of the VRA commitments.



Improving drainage to reduce flooding is one of the VRA commitments.

**During Detailed** 

Design TxDOT remains committed to evaluating reasonable opportunites to reduce project

compromise purpose and need

of project as described in the

**Reducing Footprint** 

ROD • TxDOT agrees to commit an additional \$3 million for a total of \$30 million, to affordable housing entities

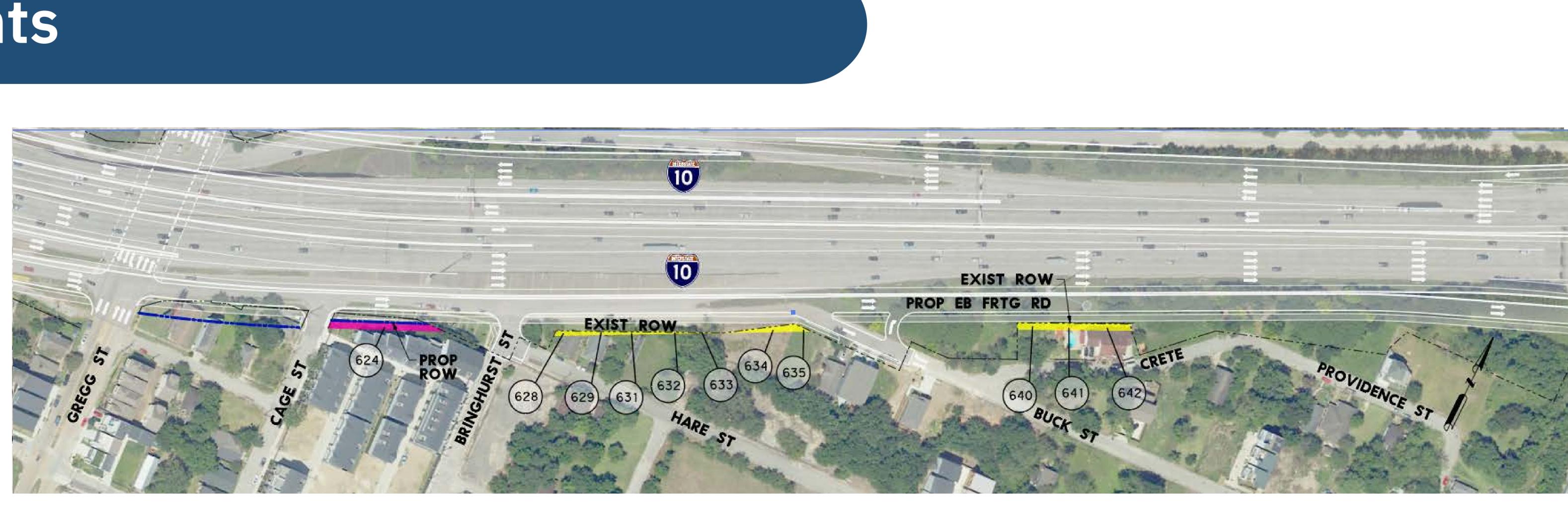
**TxDOT Establishes Publicly Available Project-Specific** Website

- TxDOT has established a multilingual website available in English, Spanish, and other footprint in ways that will not languages requested within the corridor
  - The website is updated with information from public meetings
  - A Construction Updates page has been added to the website with details on upcoming closures and related detours for project segments

### **I-45 NHHIP LOW-INCOME CONSTRUCTION NOISE & DUST MITIGATION PROGRAM**

- **Purpose: Provides fund** areas to mitigate constr
- **Benefits: Enables home** their homes' barriers a products to improve ai
- **Eligibility: Low-income** standards) within 200 way.
- **Application:** Available nhhipnoiseanddust
- Phased Outreach Appr Postcards, mailing, and
- Segment 3 Outreach Ro
  - Segment 3A, 3B-1, 1,175 Homeowners 51 Completed Appli
- Up to \$20,000 in eligib applicants:
  - **1. Insulation upgrades** Walls (facing construction or all) Ceiling/attic additional loose fill sound absorption) . Replacement windows . Replacement doors Storm Door 4. Window A/C units with heat and air filtration
  - 14,000 BTU Stipend for increased utility bills

TxDOT will also work closely with



**Potential Footprint Reduction - Segment 3C-1** <u>As outlined in the first Voluntary</u>
<u>As a result of the proposed</u>

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e households (based on HUD feet of the project right of	mitigation program	
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online at txdot.gov/	What is the NHHIP low-income construction noise & dust mitigation program? The Program provides funding to households in project areas to reduce the impacts from construction. Funding will allow for home purchase items that will create a stronger barrier of the home and it allows for additional air filtration products to increase air quali Am I eligible? There are 6 key aspects for program eligibility: 1. Verify ownership/tenancy	owners to
roach Includes: d door-to-door efforts.	<ol> <li>Verify ownership/tenancy</li> <li>The home must be your primary residence</li> <li>Provide a valid form of identification</li> <li>Verify you are not delinquent on child support</li> <li>Limited to low income households</li> <li>Home must be in a single-family home in a pre-identified location</li> </ol> How do I apply?	
Rounds:	<ul> <li>Applications will be accepted in person, mail, email, or <u>online</u> ☑.</li> <li>What documents do I need to provide?</li> <li>Below identifies the required documents for application submittal: <ul> <li>Trust or Warranty Deed OR Rental Agreement</li> <li>Homestead Exemption from Harris CAD OR recurring bill (ex: utility bill)</li> <li>Valid License, ID, or Passport</li> <li>Income Documentation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
& 3B-2 Outreach Efforts: s/Tenant Contacts lications	What does the program provide?         The program will assess the cost of eligible repairs and/or upgrades that can be made to homes to minimize the impacts of constru- provide repair recommendation to applicants with an estimated cost for completion.         What do I have to do once repairs and/or paid invoices should be sent to the program.         After funds are provided to the homeowner, photos of the repairs and/or paid invoices should be sent to the program.	ction. We will
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### **ELIGIBLE ITEMS**

Floor - open cell spray foam (better for

(residences without central HVAC) 8,000 to

5.	HVAC cleaning and maintenance (residences with central HVAC)
	Programmable thermostat
	Retrofit for HEPA filters
6.	Weatherstripping doors
7.	Internal storm window inserts
8.	Caulking
9.	HEPA Air Purifiers
10.	Stipend for filter replacements (interval to be
	determined)
	Central HVAC
	Central HVAC with HEPA retrofit
	HEPA Air Purifiers

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