

**Notice of Public Meeting
North Houston Highway Improvement Project
Environmental Impact Statement**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will hold public meetings regarding the proposed North Houston Highway Improvement Project. The meetings will be held at three locations: Thursday, April 23, 2015, at Aldine Ninth Grade School, 10650 North Freeway, Houston, Texas 77037; Tuesday, April 28, 2015, at Houston Community College Central Campus, Learning Hub/Science Building, 1300 Holman Street; Houston, Texas 77004; and Thursday, April 30, 2015, at Jefferson Davis High School, 1101 Quitman Street, Houston, Texas 77009. The meetings will be held in an open house format from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

The purpose of the public meetings is to present the Proposed Recommended Alternative for the proposed project to the public and receive comments. The proposed project would add four managed lanes to I-45 from Beltway 8 (BW 8) North to I-10, plus realignment of sections of I-45, I-10, and US 59 in the downtown Houston area. The proposed project also consists of improving connections to SH 288 and US 59 south of downtown. The purpose of the proposed project is to enhance safety, create additional roadway capacity to manage congestion, and to improve mobility and operational efficiency by better accommodating increasing traffic volumes. The proposed improvements would require additional right-of-way.

Maps will be available to show the proposed project's recommended alignment at the meeting and at the TxDOT Houston District Office located at 7600 Washington Avenue, Houston, TX 77007. The information presented will be available on the project website www.IH45NorthandMore.com (Quick Link: 4th Public Meeting Documents). All interested citizens are invited to attend this public meeting. Written comments from the public regarding this proposed project are requested and may be presented for a period of 14 calendar days following the meeting. Written comments may be submitted either in person or by mail to the TxDOT District Office, Director of Project Development, P.O. 1386, Houston, Texas 77251-1386, or emailed to HOU-piowebmail@txdot.gov. Written comments must be received by May 14, 2015, to be included in the public meeting summary report, but comments are welcome at any time and will be reviewed by the project team.

The public meeting will be conducted in English; however, some Spanish meeting materials and Spanish-speaking project team members will be available. Persons interested in attending the meeting who have special communication or accommodation needs, or need an interpreter, are encouraged to contact the Public Information Office at TxDOT (713) 802-5072. Requests should be made at least two days prior to the public meeting. Every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate these needs. If you have general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project, you may contact Pat Henry at (713) 802-5241.

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 Federal Highway Administration and TxDOT.