

## Virtual Public Meeting Notice I-35W Segment 1

I-35W from Seminary Drive to FM 3391/East Renfro Street,
I-20 from Hemphill Street to Campus Drive, and
SH 174 from I-35W to Northwest Newton Drive

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## **Tarrant and Johnson Counties, Texas**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is proposing improvements to Interstate (I-) 35W from Seminary Drive to Farm-to-Market Road (FM) 3391/East Renfro Street, I-20 from Hemphill Street to Campus Drive, and State Highway (SH) 174 from I-35W to Northwest Newton Drive in Tarrant and Johnson counties, Texas. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting an on-line virtual public meeting to present the alternative designs and to receive public comment on the proposed project. The virtual meeting will be held on **Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 6 p.m**. To log onto the virtual public meeting, go to the following web address at the date and time indicated above: <a href="https://www.TxDOT.gov">www.TxDOT.gov</a> KEYWORDS: I-35W Segment 1. Project staff will give a presentation which will be a pre-recorded video and will include both audio and visual components. Please note that the presentation will not be available on the website until the time and date listed above. If you do not have internet access, you may call (817) 370-6852 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Central Time, Monday through Friday, to ask questions and access project materials during the project development process.

Formal written comments may be provided by mail or email as explained below. All written comments submitted by mail or email by **Wednesday**, **May 12**, **2021** will be included as part of the official record for this virtual public meeting and considered by TxDOT. Responses to comments will be included as part of the virtual public meeting and project record and made available online as explained below.

The proposed project is approximately 10 miles long and extends through portions of the cities of Fort Worth and Burleson located within Tarrant and Johnson counties, Texas. The purpose of the I-35W Segment 1 corridor study is to evaluate the reconstruction and widening of the existing I-35W corridor, to consider potential express lanes, and to evaluate improvements to the frontage roads, ramps and cross streets including the I-35W/I-20 and I-35W/SH 174 interchanges within the project limits.

TxDOT's efforts for the corridor study will include: conceptual layouts; alternatives analysis; geometric design schematics and environmental studies supported with public involvement; a value engineering study; drainage studies; traffic counts and analysis; 3-D design visualization; surveying and mapping of existing right of way (ROW); and subsurface utility engineering (SUE).

The existing I-35W interstate highway consists of three 12-foot general purpose lanes and two 12-foot frontage road lanes in each direction. TxDOT evaluated the section of I-35W from I-20 to East Renfro Street and is proposing to reconstruct and widen the main lanes with five to six 12-foot main lanes in each direction. Proposed frontage roads would be reconstructed to include two to three 12-foot lanes and 10-foot shared-use paths in each direction. TxDOT is also evaluating improvements along I-20 which have not yet been identified. An existing corridor map of the study area limits along I-20 will be available for public input. All information and comments received from this virtual public meeting will be considered for incorporation into the study.

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The proposed project would, subject to final design considerations, require additional ROW and potentially displace non-residential structures. Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons and businesses. Information about the TxDOT Relocation Assistance Program and services and benefits for those displaced and other affected property owners, as well as information about the tentative schedule for right-of-way acquisition and construction, can be obtained from the TxDOT district office by calling (817) 370-6852.

Future material including public meeting response to comments, environmental studies and documentation, maps and drawings showing the project location and design, tentative construction schedules, and other information regarding the proposed project will be made available online at www.TxDOT.gov, KEYWORDS: I-35W Segment 1, as the project progresses.

The virtual public meeting will be conducted in English and Spanish. If you need an interpreter or document translator because English is not your primary language or you have difficulty communicating effectively in English, one will be provided to you. If you have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can be made to accommodate most needs. If you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation to attend and participate in the virtual public meeting, please contact TxDOT Project Manager Tejas Soni, P.E. at (817) 370-6852 no later than 4 p.m., Tuesday, April 20, 2021. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for TxDOT to arrange. If your access to the virtual public meeting is limited due to the lack of internet access, please contact Project Manager Tejas Soni, P.E. by phone at (817) 370-6852 for options to review materials being presented at the virtual public meeting.

Written comments from the public regarding the proposed project are requested and may be submitted by mail to: Tejas Soni, P.E, Project Manager, TxDOT Fort Worth District Office, 2501 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth, Texas 76133 and may also be submitted by email to I35WSeg1@txdot.gov. All comments must be received on or before **Wednesday**, **May 12**, **2021**. Responses to comments received will be available online at www.TxDOT.gov KEYWORDS: I-35W Segment 1, once they have been prepared.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the virtual meeting, please contact Tejas Soni, P.E., Project Manager at (817) 370-6852 or at I35WSeg1@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 9, 2019, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.