Inner Loop East Study

CSJ: 0917-00-079 Public Meeting #2 Tuesday, May 6, 2025

HOW TO STAY INVOLVED:







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brazoscountytx.gov/653/Inner-Loop-East







COMMUNICATION EXPECTATIONS





Focus on the Meeting Purpose Read through meeting materials, ask questions, and provide meaningful input that can guide decision making.

No Disruptive Behavior Shouting, heckling, and preventing others from speaking to team members or viewing materials will not be tolerated.

Discriminatory or threatening language will not be tolerated and may result in removal from the meeting.



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Respectful Communications Respect all voices and maintain courteous discussions. Disagreements are welcome; shouting, name-calling, or threatening language will not be tolerated.





PUBLIC MEETING PURPOSE





Gather input on the refined alignment concepts and key study findings to help guide the decision-making process

Document public feedback and participation to ensure community perspectives are considered in the study

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Provide opportunities for the public to engage with the study team and ask questions

Update the public on the study's progress and share refined alignment concepts, traffic data, and population growth projections



STUDY PROGRESS



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Late 2023: Study launched, data collection, analysis, and initial conceptual alignments

Nov. 2024: Public Meeting #1, 600+ attendees in person with virtual option to participate

Feb. 2025: Public Comment Period closed Feb. 19; 1,300+ comments received, documented, and considered

Dec. 2024 – Present: Ongoing stakeholder and property owner meetings, additional data collection, traffic analysis, and refinements to the initial conceptual alignment options



STUDY BACKGROUND AND OVERVIEW

Brazos County is studying the feasibility of a new roadway looping eastern Bryan and College Station to improve connectivity, reduce congestion, and address increased traffic due to development.

The study area was adjusted in response to public feedback following the November 2024 public meeting.

- Need: There is a lack of north-south connectivity and roadway capacity for east Brazos County to meet future local and regional mobility needs.
- **Purpose**: To improve north-south connectivity, mobility, and roadway capacity to accommodate traffic volume growth associated with new and future planned development

Study Limits: SH 6 at FM 2818 in Bryan to William D Fitch Parkway in College Station Study Length: 20 miles

The study area was developed based on the Bryan College Station MPO 2045 Thoroughfare Concept map that was adopted at the June 26, 2017 Policy Board Meeting.

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PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PHASES

Developing a project from concept to construction is a multi-year process with several phases. Each phase has its own timeline.

The proposed Inner Loop East is currently in the Schematic & Environmental phase. Should the study identify the need for a new roadway, additional funding would be needed for subsequent phases of project development. No timeline is identified past the Schematic & Environmental phase.



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WHAT WE HEARD



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Environmental and Quality of Life Concerns

Property and Development Impact Concerns

Questions about the Need and Purpose of the Proposed Inner Loop East Proposed Inner Loop East

Disapproval of the Proposed Inner Loop East Alignments





BRAZOS COUNTY POPULATION GROWTH

The population of Brazos County is expected to nearly **double** by the year 2060.



Source: demographics.texas.gov/Interactive/

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YEAR	
2020	
2030	
2040	
2050	
2060	





POPULATION

233, 849 293, 987 331, 664 388, 357 458, 282





DEVELOPMENT







TRAFFIC

Daily traffic volumes in the study area have steadily increased over time. This increase is expected to accelerate the next 25 years.



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397 crashes

36% serious injury







48% Minor injury



The image below illustrates 2050 traffic volumes on adjacent roadways with the Inner Loop East. Should the Inner Loop East be constructed, traffic would be reduced on the existing roadway network resulting in reduce congestion and more reliable travel times.



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ENVIRONMENTAL

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

environmental evaluations.



Biological Resources



Pollution and Noise

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Understanding the environment, and potential impacts is an important aspect of project development and selecting a preferred alignment. Several factors are considered during





Water Resources

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 as required by FHWA and TxDOT.







Historic and Archeological Impacts







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EDUCATION FACILITY HIGHER EDUCATION FACILITY LON-TERM CARE FACILITY PLACE OF WORSHIP LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICE FIRE STATION MEDICAL FACILITY SPORTS COMPLEX CEMETERY



HISTORICAL BUILDINGS OUTFALL PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK LEAKING STORAGE TANK SUBSTATIONS INDUSTRIAL HAZARDOUS CORRECTIVE ACTION OIL WELLS





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RANGE OF IMPACTS:	SEGM	ENTA
EVALUATION MATRIX	14	3 A
LESS MEDIUM MORE	NORTH	MPO
ENGINEERING & DESIGN FEATURES		
Alignment Length (miles)	7	7
Estimated Total ROW Required (acres)	247	239
COMMUNITY AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC		
# of Property Owners Affected by ROW	39	40
ROW Impact to Public School Properties (acres)	0	0
ROW Impact to Other publicly-Owned Properties (acres)	0	0
# of Displaced Residences	1	10
# of Displaced Publicly-Owned Facilities	0	0
# of Displaced Barns/Sheds/Detached Garages	21	30
# of Displaced Churches	0	0
# of Displaced Commercial/Industrial/Other Facilities	0	0
# of Census Block Groups with Minority and/or Low-Income Populations	2	2
# of TCEQ-Identified High-Risk Hazmat Sites	0	0
EDERAL PROPERTY & UTILITIES		
ROW Impact to Federal Land or Projects (acres)	0	0
ROW Impact to Railroads (acres)	0	0
ROW Impact to Airports (acres)	0	0
ROW Impact to Oil Wells	3	5
ROW Impact to Storage Facilities	0	0
ROW Impact to Substations	0	0
ROW Impact to Transmission Pole Crossings	8	6
ROW Impact to Transmission Poles	8	5
ROW Impacts to Natural Gas Crossings	20	10
ROW Impacts to Liquid Product Crossings	4	2
# of Oil Crossings - from storage facilities	2	2
ROW Impact to Pipeline Crossings	39	35
POTENTIAL CULTURAL RESOURCES		
ROW Impact to Parks (acres)	0	
ROW Impact to Wildlife or Waterfowl Refuges (acres)	0	0
# of Known Historic Properties within ROW	0	0
# of Archeological Sites within ROW	0	0
ROW Impact to Areas of High-Risk Potential Archeological Liability (acres)	30	13
ROW Impact to Cemeteries (acres)	0	0
# of Cemeteries within ROW	0	0
# of Known Historic Properties within the APE	0	0
IATURAL RESOURCES		
ROW impact within 100-Year Floodplain (acres) *	16	2
ROW impact to Ponds and Lakes (acres)	2	3
ROW impact to NWI Wetlands (acres)	7	6
ROW impact to NHD Rivers and Streams (# of crossings)	16	13
ROW impact to Riparian Forest Areas (acres)	5	3
ROW impact to Potential Prime Farmland (acres)	220	226









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RANGE OF IMPACTS:	SEGM	
EVALUATION MATRIX	13	38
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NGINEERING & DESIGN FEATURES		
Alignment Length (miles)	3	4
Estimated Total ROW Required (acres)	123	132
COMMUNITY AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC		
# of Property Owners Affected by ROW	13	24
ROW Impact to Public School Properties (acres)	0	0
ROW Impact to Other publicly-Owned Properties (acres)	0	0
# of Displaced Residences	1	1
# of Displaced Publicly-Owned Facilities	0	0
# of Displaced Barns/Sheds/Detached Garages	14	9
# of Displaced Churches	0	0
# of Displaced Commercial/Industrial/Other Facilities	0	0
# of Census Block Groups with Minority and/or Low-Income Populations	2	2
# of TCEQ-Identified High-Risk Hazmat Sites	0	0
EDERAL PROPERTY & UTILITIES		
ROW Impact to Federal Land or Projects (acres)	0	0
ROW Impact to Railroads (acres)	0	0
ROW Impact to Airports (acres)	0	0
ROW Impact to Oil Wells	5	1
ROW Impact to Storage Facilities	0	0
ROW Impact to Substations	0	0
ROW Impact to Transmission Pole Crossings	0	1
ROW Impact to Transmission Poles	0	2
ROW Impacts to Natural Gas Crossings	10	10
ROW Impacts to Liquid Product Crossings	2	2
# of Oil Crossings - from storage facilities	0	0
ROW Impact to Pipeline Crossings	5	3
POTENTIAL CULTURAL RESOURCES		
ROW Impact to Parks (acres)	0	0
ROW Impact to Wildlife or Waterfowl Refuges (acres)	0	0
# of Known Historic Properties within ROW	0	0
# of Archeological Sites within ROW	0	0
ROW Impact to Areas of High-Risk Potential Archeological Liability (acres)	3	14
ROW Impact to Cemeteries (acres)	0	0
# of Cemeteries within ROW	0	0
# of Known Historic Properties within the APE	0	0
IATURAL RESOURCES		
ROW impact within 100-Year Floodplain (acres) *	0	0
ROW impact to Ponds and Lakes (acres)	0	0
ROW impact to NWI Wetlands (acres)	3	4
ROW impact to NHD Rivers and Streams (# of crossings)	10	10
ROW impact to Riparian Forest Areas (acres)	16	16
ROW impact to Potential Prime Farmland (acres)	68	58

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RANGE OF IMPACTS:	SEGN	ENT C
EVALUATION MATRIX	10	30
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NGINEERING & DESIGN FEATURES		
Alignment Length (miles)	7	6
Estimated Total ROW Required (acres)	241	233
COMMUNITY AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC		
# of Property Owners Affected by Proposed ROW	24	40
Proposed ROW Impact to Public School Properties (acres)	0	0
Proposed ROW Impact to Other publicly-Owned Properties (acres)	0	0
# of Displaced Residences	1	9
# of Displaced Publicly-Owned Facilities	0	0
# of Displaced Barns/Sheds/Detached Garages	7	18
# of Displaced Churches	0	0
# of Displaced Commercial/Industrial/Other Facilities	0	0
# of Census Block Groups with Minority and/or Low-Income Populations	2	2
# of TCEQ-Identified High-Risk Hazmat Sites	0	0
EDERAL PROPERTY & UTILITIES		
ROW Impact to Federal Land or Projects (acres)	0	0
ROW Impact to Railroads (acres)	0	0
ROW Impact to Airports (acres)	0	0
ROW Impact to Oil Wells	3	2
ROW Impact to Storage Facilities	0	0
ROW Impact to Substations	0	0
ROW Impact to Transmission Pole Crossings	3	2
ROW Impact to Transmission Poles	3	1
ROW Impacts to Natural Gas Crossings	10	15
ROW Impacts to Liquid Product Crossings	3	3
# of Oil Crossings - from storage facilities	0	0
ROW Impact to Pipeline Crossings	4	3
POTENTIAL CULTURAL RESOURCES		
ROW Impact to Parks (acres)	0	0
ROW Impact to Wildlife or Waterfowl Refuges (acres)	0	0
# of Known Historic Properties within ROW	0	0
# of Archeological Sites within ROW	0	0
ROW Impact to Areas of High-Risk Potential Archeological Liability (acres)	110	104
ROW Impact to Cemeteries (acres)	0	0
# of Cemeteries within ROW	0	0
# of Known Historic Properties within the APE	0	0
ATURAL RESOURCES		
ROW impact within 100-Year Floodplain (acres) *	60	48
ROW impact to Ponds and Lakes (acres)	1	4
ROW impact to NWI Wetlands (acres)	5	8
ROW impact to NHD Rivers and Streams (# of crossings)	21	20
ROW impact to Riparian Forest Areas (acres)	6	10
ROW impact to Potential Prime Farmland (acres)	22	41

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EVALUATION MATRIX	10
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ENGINEERING & DESIGN FEATURES	
Alignment Length (miles)	2
Estimated Total ROW Required (acres)	67
COMMUNITY AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC	
# of Property Owners Affected by ROW	5
ROW Impact to Public School Properties (acres)	0
ROW Impact to Other publicly-Owned Properties (acres)	0
# of Displaced Residences	0
# of Displaced Publicly-Owned Facilities	0
# of Displaced Barns/Sheds/Detached Garages	0
# of Displaced Churches	0
# of Displaced Commercial/Industrial/Other Facilities	0
# of Census Block Groups with Minority and/or Low-Income Populations	2
# of TCEQ-Identified High-Risk Hazmat Sites	0
FEDERAL PROPERTY & UTILITIES	
ROW Impact to Federal Land or Projects (acres)	0
ROW Impact to Railroads (acres)	0
ROW Impact to Airports (acres)	0
ROW Impact to Oil Wells	1
ROW Impact to Storage Facilities	0
ROW Impact to Substations	0
ROW Impact to Transmission Pole Crossings	2
ROW Impact to Transmission Poles	1
ROW Impacts to Natural Gas Crossings	8
ROW Impacts to Liquid Product Crossings	1
# of Oil Crossings - from storage facilities	0
ROW Impact to Pipeline Crossings	6
POTENTIAL CULTURAL RESOURCES	
ROW Impact to Parks (acres)	0
ROW Impact to Wildlife or Waterfowl Refuges (acres)	0
# of Known Historic Properties within ROW	0
# of Archeological Sites within ROW	0
ROW Impact to Areas of High-Risk Potential Archeological Liability (acres)	21
ROW Impact to Cemeteries (acres)	0
# of Cemeteries within ROW	0
# of Known Historic Properties within the APE	0
NATURAL RESOURCES	
ROW impact within 100-Year Floodplain (acres) *	5
ROW impact to Ponds and Lakes (acres)	0
ROW impact to NWI Wetlands (acres)	1
ROW impact to NHD Rivers and Streams (# of crossings)	1
ROW impact to Riparian Forest Areas (acres)	0
ROW impact to Potential Prime Farmland (acres)	5

EVALUATION MATRIX RANGE OF IMPACTS:	ALIGNMENT 1	ALIGNMENT 3
ALL SEGMENTS LESS MEDIUM MO	RE	
ENGINEERING & DESIGN FEATURES		
Alignment Length (miles)	19	18
Estimated Total ROW Required (acres)	678	671
COMMUNITY AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC		
# of Property Owners Affected by ROW	81	109
ROW Impact to Public School Properties (acres)	0	0
ROW Impact to Other publicly-Owned Properties (acres)	0	0
# of Displaced Residences	3	20
# of Displaced Publicly-Owned Facilities	0	
# of Displaced Barns/Sheds/Detached Garages	42	57
# of Displaced Churches	0	
# of Displaced Commercial/Industrial/Other Facilities	0	
# of Census Block Groups with Minority and/or Low-Income Populations	8	8
# of TCEQ-Identified High-Risk Hazmat Sites	0	
FEDERAL PROPERTY & UTILITIES		
ROW Impact to Federal Land or Projects (acres)	0	
ROW Impact to Railroads (acres)	0	
ROW Impact to Airports (acres)	0	
ROW Impact to Oil Wells	12	٢
ROW Impact to Storage Facilities	0	
ROW Impact to Substations	0	
ROW Impact to Transmission Pole Crossings	13	11
ROW Impact to Transmission Poles	12	
ROW Impacts to Natural Gas Crossings	48	43
ROW Impacts to Liquid Product Crossings	10	
# of Oil Crossings - from storage facilities	2	2
ROW Impact to Pipeline Crossings	54	47
POTENTIAL CULTURAL RESOURCES		
ROW Impact to Parks (acres)	0	
ROW Impact to Wildlife or Waterfowl Refuges (acres)	0	
# of Known Historic Properties within ROW	0	
# of Archeological Sites within ROW	0	0
ROW Impact to Areas of High-Risk Potential Archeological Liability (acres)	163	153
ROW Impact to Cemeteries (acres)	0	I
# of Cemeteries within ROW	0	
# of Known Historic Properties within the APE	0	
NATURAL RESOURCES		
ROW impact within 100-Year Floodplain (acres) *	80	55
ROW impact to Ponds and Lakes (acres)	3	7
ROW impact to NWI Wetlands (acres)	15	18
ROW impact to NHD Rivers and Streams (# of crossings)	48	44
ROW impact to Riparian Forest Areas (acres)	27	30
ROW impact to Potential Prime Farmland (acres)	315	329

CONCEPTUAL TYPICAL SECTION

The proposed roadway configuration:

- setting of East Brazos County
- for drainage
- roadway
- the area



The roadway could be constructed in phases with the first phase being constructed with minimal lanes until travel demand increases.

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• Follows rural engineering standards, aligning with the agricultural and countryside

Includes a four-lane roadway (two lanes in each direction) with a grassy median

• Includes a sidewalk and shared-use path adjacent to the roadway • Is designed for 45 to 60 mph depending on the location of the segment of the

• Could be modified as needed for improving the safety and the countryside setting of





LATE 2023 TO MID 2024

Environmental Studies Data Collection and Analysis Alternatives Development

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PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT AND PROPERTY OWNER COORDINATION

MID 2024 TO NOV. 7, 2024 **EARLY 2025**

Public Meeting #1 Six Conceptual Alignments Presented

Environmental Studies **Data Collection** and Analysis

Public Meeting #2 Select Preferred Alternative

EARLY 2025 TO

MID 2025





MID 2025 TO MID 2026

Public Meeting #3 Public Hearing and Environmental Clearance Schematic Approval

HOW TO PROVIDE INPUT





Mail

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All comments must be postmarked by Friday, May 23, 2025, to be included in the official public meeting record.



You're welcome to share your comments using any **one** of the available methods.





BRYAN/COLLEGE STATION METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Transportation Planning

- **Guides Regional Mobility**: Develops the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)
- Funds Key Projects: Manages the **Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**
- Uses Data & Forecasting: Conducts traffic and growth analysis
- **Engages the Community:** Works with local agencies and the public
- **Coordinates Funding**: Oversees federal and state transportation investments

2050 Thoroughfare Concept

- Long-term plan for roadway development through 2050
- Includes expected population growth & increased traffic
- Identifies existing and proposed major roadways
- 10 Public Meetings with 2,000+ comments
- First adopted at the June 26, 2017 **Policy Board Meeting**

Source: bcsmpo.org/190/2050-MPO-Thoroughfare-Concept

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Thoroughfare Plan is updated as requested by local governments or the state.





PUBLIC ENGAGMENT AND PLANNING

APPRAISAL AND OFFER

NEGOTIATION



THE STATE OF TEXAS LANDOWNER'S BILL OF RIGHTS



ftp.dot.state.tx.us/pub/txdotinfo/library/pubs/cit/conspro/landowners_bill_of_rights.pdf

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Public meetings and property owner engagement guide project alignment

An independent appraisal determines fair market value and offers are made

Counteroffers are reviewed and negotiations continue with landowners



Scan the QR Code to learn more about the **Right-of-Way Process**





Source: txdot.gov/business/right-of-way.html