

Notice of a Virtual Public Hearing with In-Person Option

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MEANDERING ROAD

Meandering Road from SH 183 to Anahuac Ave and LTjg Barnett Road from Meandering Road to NASJRB East Gate CSJs: 0902-90-046 and 0902-90-172

Tarrant County, Texas

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), the City of Fort Worth, and the City of River Oaks are proposing to improve Meandering Road from State Highway 183 to Anahuac Avenue and LTjg Barnett Road from Meandering Road to the east side of West Fork Trinity River in Tarrant County, Texas. This notice advises the public that TxDOT will be conducting an online virtual public hearing on the proposed project with an in-person option. **The virtual hearing will consist of a pre-recorded video presentation and will include both audio and visual components. The presentation will be posted online by Thursday, February 24, 2022, at 4 p.m.** To log onto the virtual public hearing, go to the following web address at the date and time indicated above: www.txdot.gov and search keywords "Meandering Road". Following the virtual public hearing, the presentation will remain available for viewing at the web address indicated above until at least Friday, March 11, 2022, at 7 p.m. If you do not have internet access, you may call Eric Greenman, P.E. at 972-764-4606 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, to ask questions and access project materials during the project development process.

Additionally, the Cities of Fort Worth and River Oaks and TxDOT are providing an in-person option for individuals who would like to participate in person instead of online. In-person attendees will be able to view the same presentation delivered in the online public hearing which will be playing on a screen, review hard copies of project materials, ask questions of TxDOT staff and/or consultants from a socially distanced approach, and leave written comments. The in-person option will be held on Thursday, February 24, 2022, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the River Oaks Events Center, 5300 Blackstone Drive, River Oaks, TX 76114.

For both the virtual public hearing and in-person option, members of the public may call 833-933-0430 to provide verbal testimony immediately following the conclusion of the virtual public hearing presentation at 7 p.m. on Thursday, February 24, 2022, through 11:59 p.m. on Friday, March 11, 2022. Formal written comments may also be provided by mail or email as explained below. All verbally provided testimony and timely written comments will be considered by TxDOT and included as part of the official record. Responses to verbally provided testimony and comments will be prepared by TxDOT, included as part of the hearing and project record, and made available online at www.txdot.gov and search keywords "Meandering Road".

Road reconstruction on Meandering Road between Roberts Cut Off Road and LTjg Barnett Road would result in a reduction from four lanes to three lanes with the two outside lanes being 11 feet wide and the center lane being a 12-foot-wide continuous left turn lane, and the addition of a 10-foot-wide shared-use path on the north side of the roadway, and a six-foot-wide sidewalk on the south side. On LTjg Barnett Road from Meandering Road to the east side of the West Fork Trinity River, the project would involve



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reconstructing the two 12-foot-wide lanes to 11-foot-wide lanes and adding a five-foot-wide bike lane in each direction (on-road), a six-foot-wide sidewalk on the north side of the roadway, and a 10-foot-wide shared-use path on the south side. In addition, Brocks Lane would be converted into a dead-end at the intersection with LTjg Barnett Road and Meandering Road. From the east side of the West Fork Trinity River to the East Gate of the NASJRB, only pavement restriping would occur (i.e., no construction).

A new traffic signal would be installed at the intersection of Meandering Road and Roberts Cut Off Road. Roundabouts are proposed at Meandering Road's intersections with Yale Road and LTjg Barnett Road. At the Yale roundabout, bicycle traffic would remain on-street within a typical 17- foot-wide lane and pedestrians would continue around on the 6-foot-wide sidewalk while at the LTjg Barnett Road roundabout, a single 10-foot-wide shared use path would accommodate both bicycles and pedestrians. A dead-end would be created by the project at the eastern end of Brocks Lane (at LTjg Barnett Road). Drainage would remain curb-and-gutter throughout the length of the project.

Approximately 1.1 acres of additional ROW, mostly consisting of land required at the proposed dead-end and at corner clips at existing intersections, would be acquired from properties scattered along the proposed project. Approximately 0.752 acre of temporary construction easements would also be needed.

The proposed project would, subject to final design considerations, require additional right of way and potentially displace two 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 Fort Worth district office by calling 817-370-6500, reference CSJs: 0902-90-046 and 0902-90-172.

Any environmental documentation or studies, any maps and drawings showing the project location and design, tentative construction schedules, and other information regarding the proposed project are on file and available for inspection Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the TxDOT Fort Worth district office, 2501 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth, Texas 76133, telephone 817-370-6500. Project materials are also available online at www.txdot.gov and search keywords "Meandering Road". These materials will also be available in hard copy form for review at the in-person option.

The virtual public hearing and in-person option will be conducted in English. 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 need interpretation or translation services or you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation to attend and participate in the virtual public hearing or in-person option, please contact Eric Greenman, P.E. at 972-764-4606 no later than 4 p.m., Monday, February 21, 2022. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for the Texas Department of Transportation to arrange.

Written comments from the public regarding the proposed project are requested and may be submitted by mail to the TxDOT Fort Worth District Office, 2501 SW Loop 820, Fort Worth, TX 76133. Written comments may also be submitted by email to Eric.Greenman@lamb-star.com. All written comments must be received on or before Friday, March 11, 2022. Additionally, as stated above, members of the public may call 833-933-0430 and verbally provide testimony from 4 p.m. on Thursday, February 24, 2022, until 11:59 p.m. on Friday, March 11, 2022. Responses to written comments received and public testimony provided will be available online at www.txdot.gov and search keywords "Meandering Road" once they have been prepared.



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If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or virtual hearing or inperson option, please contact Eric Greenman, P.E. at 972-764-4606 or by email at Eric.Greenman@lamb-star.com.

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.