



Notice

Draft Environmental Assessment Available for Public Review and Public Hearing

183A PHASE III

From Hero Way to State Highway 29

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Williamson County, Texas

The Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority in conjunction with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), are proposing to extend 183A from Hero Way to State Highway (SH) 29 in Williamson County, Texas. This notice advises the public that a draft environmental assessment (EA) is available for public review and that TxDOT will be conducting a public hearing on the proposed project. The hearing will be held on June 13, 2019 at Upwards Church located at 8754 Ranch to Market Rd 2243, Leander, TX 78641. Displays will be available for viewing at 6 p.m. and ending at 9 p.m. with the formal hearing starting at 7 p.m. The purpose of the hearing is to present the planned improvements and to receive public comment on the proposed project.

The 6.6-mile proposed tollway project will have two tolled lanes in each direction to start and will be widened to three lanes in the future. The proposed tollway is planned to be located mostly in the existing right-of-way (ROW) within the median of the US 183 corridor. The extension will also feature a shared use path north from Hero Way to the proposed Seward Junction Loop project located just north of the existing Mourning Dove Lane.

The proposed Build Alternative would be constructed within the existing ROW of 183A and US 183 with the exception of additional ROW totaling approximately 19.3 acres near the northern portion of the project. The additional ROW is to provide sufficient area for constructing the transition to US 183 for approximately 1.1 miles north of SH 29. The proposed 183A facility would stay within the existing 183A and US 183 alignment and no new location roadways are proposed as part of the project. Although additional right-of-way is required, no residential or non-residential structures would be displaced. Information concerning services and benefits available to affected property owners and information about the tentative schedule for right-of-way acquisition may be obtained from the district office at the address listed below.

The draft EA, maps showing the project location and design, tentative construction schedules, and other information regarding the project are on file and available for inspection Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority at 3300 N. I-35 Frontage Road, Suite 300, Austin, TX 78705, the TxDOT Austin District Office at 7901 N Interstate Hwy 35, Austin, TX 78753 and online at www.183A.com. This information also will be available for inspection at the hearing. Verbal and written comments from the public regarding the





project are requested and may be presented at the hearing, or submitted online at www.183A.com, in-person or by mail to Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority, Attn: Brittani Kaim, 3300 N. I-35 Frontage Road, Suite 300, Austin, TX 78705. Comments must be received on or before June 28, 2019 to be part of the official hearing record.

The hearing will be conducted in English. Persons interested in attending the hearing who have special communication or accommodation needs, such as the need for an interpreter, are encouraged to contact Aaren Grimes at 737-703-3899 or Aaren.Grimes@WSP.com. Requests should be made at least two days prior to the hearing. Every reasonable effort will be made to accommodate these needs.

If you have any general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or the hearing, please contact Brittani Kaim at <u>Brittani.Kaim@WSP.com.</u>

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 FHWA and TxDOT.