



Finding of No Significant Impact for a FHWA Project

Proposed Action: Bicentennial Boulevard Extension Project

Project Limits: State Highway (SH) 107 to Trenton Road

City: McAllen

County: Hidalgo

State: Texas

TxDOT CSJ(s): 0921-02-352

In accordance with 23 CFR Section 771.119 and Section 771.121, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has determined that the Bicentennial Boulevard Extension Project will not have a significant impact on the human or natural environment.

This Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the Preferred Alternative is based on the final Environmental Assessment (EA) dated October 2018 and the entire project record. This decision documents the selection of the Build Alternative, presented in the final EA as the Preferred Alternative, which is described as:

The Bicentennial Boulevard Extension Project would extend Bicentennial Boulevard from SH 107 to Trenton Road as a new location, four-lane facility. The proposed 2.86-mile roadway extension would consist of a 12-foot wide inside travel lane (one in each direction), a 14-foot wide outside shared use lane for vehicles and bicycles (one in each direction), and 5-foot wide sidewalks for pedestrians. Other improvements include left turn lanes at cross streets and curb and gutter and drainage improvements. The proposed right-of-way (ROW) width varies between 80 to 230 feet. Of the 42.8 acres required for ROW and easements, 40.1 acres were either dedicated per the subdivision development process or acquired by the City of McAllen through the eminent domain process. Approximately 1.9 acres of additional ROW would be required, as well as 0.2 acre of permanent easements and 0.6 acre of temporary construction easements needed for anticipated construction of proposed noise barriers.

A Notice of Availability of the draft EA was issued on April 11, 2018.

A public hearing for this project was held on May 3, 2018.

Design modifications were made as a result of comments received during the posted comment period and from comments made at the public hearing, and include changes in roadway profile elevations, locations of storm drain outfalls, and the addition of right turn lanes at Trenton Road and Freddy Gonzalez Avenue. These design modifications are included in the final EA.

Public Hearing Documentation has been prepared and is available for review on request.

The final EA and technical reports contained in the file of record have been independently evaluated by TxDOT and determined to adequately and accurately discuss the need, purpose, alternatives, environmental issues, impacts of the proposed project, and appropriate mitigation measures. These documents provide sufficient evidence and analysis for determining that preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement is not required. These documents are incorporated by reference into this decisional document.

Based upon TxDOT's review and consideration of the analysis and evaluation contained in the EA for this project, and after careful consideration of all social, economic, and environmental factors, including input from the public involvement process, TxDOT hereby issues this Finding of No Significant Impact for the Bicentennial Boulevard Extension Project from SH 107 to Trenton Road.



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TxDOT will ensure adherence and completion of all project commitments described in the final EA, dated October 2018, Section 8.0. TxDOT will ensure that any and all local, state, or federal permit requirements and conditions are met and otherwise complied with.

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 the Memorandum of Understanding dated December 16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

TxDOT Environmental Affairs Division Director

12/19/18

Date

2019-2022 STIP		07/2018 Revision: Approved 09/28/2018						
DISTRICT	MPO	COUNTY	CSJ	TIP FY	HWY	PHASE	CITY	YOE COST
PHARR	HIDALGO COUNTY	HIDALGO	0921-02-352	2019	BICENTENNIAL B		MCALLEN	\$ 14,679,967
LIMITS FROM SH 107		PROJECT SPONSOR MCALLEN						
LIMITS TO TRENTON RD		REVISION DATE 07/2018						
PROJECT CONSTRUCT NEW 4 LANE URBAN ROADWAY		MPO PROJ NUM HC-91						
DESCR		FUNDING CAT(S) 3LC,7,10						
REMARKS CAT 10 = EARMARK FUNDING		PROJECT NEW PROJECT HISTORY						
P7								
TOTAL PROJECT COST INFORMATION		AUTHORIZED FUNDING BY CATEGORY/SHARE						
PREL ENG \$	1,444,700	CATEGORY	FEDERAL	STATE	REGIONAL	LOCAL	LC	TOTAL
ROW PURCH \$	200,000	7	\$ 6,996,400	\$ 1,539,208	\$ 0	\$ 209,892	\$ 0	\$ 8,745,500
CONSTR \$	14,679,967	10	\$ 600,885	\$ 132,194	\$ 0	\$ 18,027	\$ 0	\$ 751,106
CONST ENG \$	660,599	3LC	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 5,183,361	\$ 5,183,361
CONTING \$	1,415,033	TOTAL	\$ 7,597,285	\$ 1,671,402	\$ 0	\$ 227,919	\$ 5,183,361	\$ 14,679,967
INDIRECT \$	366,999							
BOND FIN \$	0							
PT CHG ORD \$	0							
TOTAL CST \$	18,767,298							

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DISTRICT	MPO	COUNTY	CSJ	TIP FY	HWY	PHASE	CITY	YOE COST
PHARR	HIDALGO COUNTY	HIDALGO	0921-02-374	2019	OWASSA	R,ACQ,UTL	HIDALGO COUNTY	\$ 800,000
LIMITS FROM I RD		PROJECT SPONSOR HIDALGO COUNTY						
LIMITS TO CESAR CHAVEZ		REVISION DATE 07/2018						
PROJECT CONSTRUCT A 4 LANE URBAN ROADWAY		MPO PROJ NUM HC-335r						
DESCR		FUNDING CAT(S) 7						
REMARKS NEW PROJECT		PROJECT HISTORY						
P7								
TOTAL PROJECT COST INFORMATION		AUTHORIZED FUNDING BY CATEGORY/SHARE						
PREL ENG \$	0	CATEGORY	FEDERAL	STATE	REGIONAL	LOCAL	LC	TOTAL
ROW PURCH \$	800,000	7	\$ 640,000	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 160,000	\$ 0	\$ 800,000
CONSTR \$	0	TOTAL	\$ 640,000	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 160,000	\$ 0	\$ 800,000
CONST ENG \$	0							
CONTING \$	0							
INDIRECT \$	0							
BOND FIN \$	0							
PT CHG ORD \$	0							
TOTAL CST \$	800,000							

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DISTRICT	MPO	COUNTY	CSJ	TIP FY	HWY	PHASE	CITY	YOE COST
PHARR	HIDALGO COUNTY	HIDALGO	1064-01-027	2019	FM 676	R,ACQ,UTL	HIDALGO COUNTY	\$ 500,738
LIMITS FROM SH 107		PROJECT SPONSOR HIDALGO COUNTY						
LIMITS TO TAYLOR RD		REVISION DATE 07/2018						
PROJECT WIDEN TO 4 LANE DIVIDED		MPO PROJ NUM HC-117r						
DESCR		FUNDING CAT(S) 10						
REMARKS EARMARK FUNDING		PROJECT NEW PROJECT HISTORY						
P7								
TOTAL PROJECT COST INFORMATION		AUTHORIZED FUNDING BY CATEGORY/SHARE						
PREL ENG \$	493,693	CATEGORY	FEDERAL	STATE	REGIONAL	LOCAL	LC	TOTAL
ROW PURCH \$	918,775	10	\$ 400,590	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 100,148	\$ 0	\$ 500,738
CONSTR \$	10,075,374	TOTAL	\$ 400,590	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 100,148	\$ 0	\$ 500,738
CONST ENG \$	453,392							
CONTING \$	654,899							
INDIRECT \$	624,673							
BOND FIN \$	0							
PT CHG ORD \$	0							
TOTAL CST \$	13,220,806							