

Public Hearing Proposed SM Wright Project

June 27, 2013 Dallas, TX

Proposed Project Location

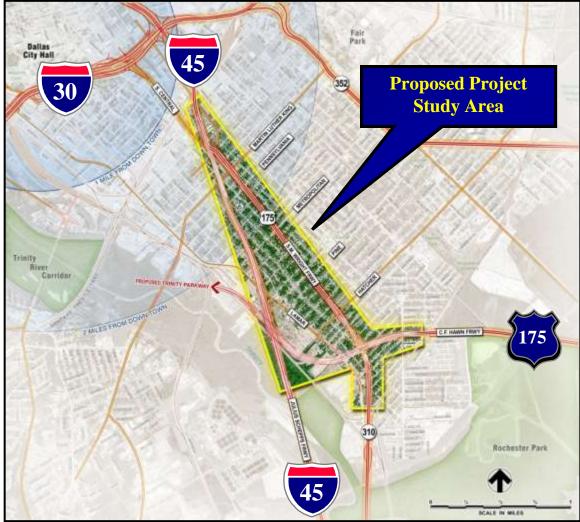
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Proposed Project Limits:

SM Wright Freeway I-45 to SH 310 2.2 miles

CF Hawn Freeway Bexar Street to I-45 1.5 miles

I-45 SM Wright Freeway to Lamar 2.3 miles



Public Hearing Agenda

• Introduction • Introduction Mr. Kelly Selman, P.E.

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- Proposed Project Design and Environmental Presentation Mr. Matt Craig, P.E.
- Public Involvement and Job Opportunity Presentation
 Ms. Alva Baker
- Right-of-Way Acquisition and Relocation
 Mr. Cecil Saldana
- 15 Minute Recess
 Questions
- Public Comments Mr. Kelly Selman, P.E.



Public Hearing Purpose

- 1. Inform the public of proposed project status and present recommendations
- 2. Describe the proposed project so the public can determine how they may be affected
- 3. Provide the public another opportunity to provide input
- 4. Develop a record of public participation

Proposed Project Purpose and Need

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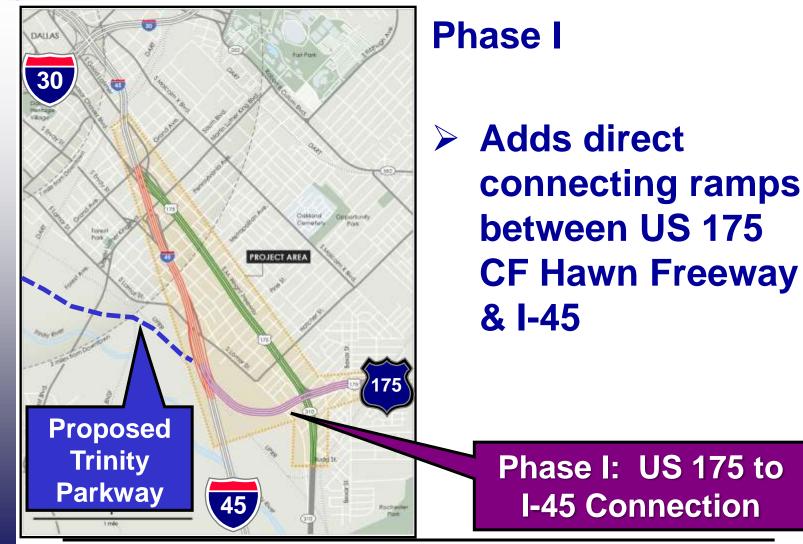
Focus on

- Increased Safety through Removing the CF Hawn to SM Wright Bend
- Improved
 Mobility and
 Efficiency

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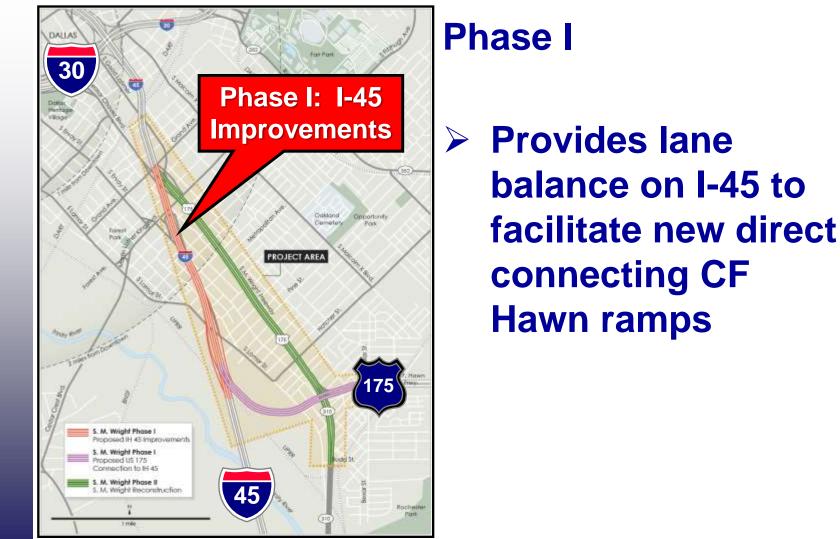
Enhancing Community Connectivity and Aesthetics Proposed Project Segments & Phasing

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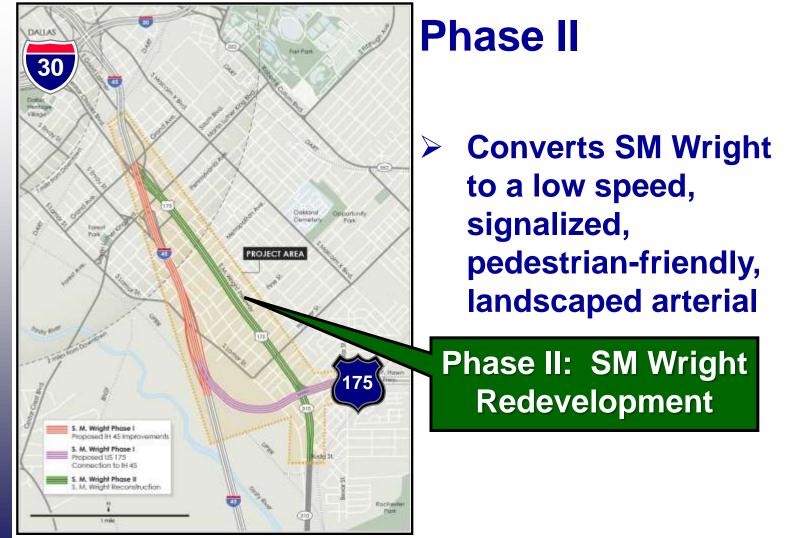
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Proposed Project Segments & Phasing



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Combined Ramp presented at Jan. 31 Hearing

I-45 Access







Split Ramp – Current Proposed Design

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Additional Ramp Consideration

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TxDOT is separately evaluating the addition of a new northbound exit ramp on I-45.

Additional northbound exit ramp on I-45 north of MLK Boulevard in the area of Good Latimer and Grand Avenue



New Impacts

Additional ROW need

1 Commercial Displacement

Additional easement on UPRR ROW







Construction: \$131.1 Million

ROW/ENV/Utilities/ENG: \$34 Million

Total Proposed Project Cost: \$165.1 Million

- Phase I Proposed Project Cost: \$124.7 Million
- Phase II Proposed Project Cost: \$40.4 Million

NEPA Process

Environmental Document

- Need and Purpose
- Alternatives

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- Project Design
- Right-of-Way
- Project Cost and Funding
- Displacements and Relocations
- Waters of the US, including Wetlands
- Lakes, Rivers, and Streams
- Water Quality
- Floodplains
- Regional and Community Growth
- Socio-Economic Impacts
- Community Cohesion and Environmental Justice
- Public Facilities and Services

- Parkland/Section 4(f) Properties
- Threatened/Endangered Species
 and Wildlife Habitat
- Historic and Archeological Sites
- Aesthetic Considerations
- Topography and Soils
- Prime, Unique, and Special Farmland Impacts
- Land Use
- Air Quality Assessment
- Mobile Source Air Toxics
- Congestion Management
- Traffic Noise Assessment
- Hazardous Materials
- Construction Impacts
- Indirect and Cumulative Impacts





Impacts

Floodplains	Vegetation and Habitat	Noise
<text><text><text></text></text></text>	Would impact riparian/ bottomland forest and upland forest Mitigation proposed for 1.25 acres of riparian/ bottomland habitat	16 Noise Barriers determined to be feasible and reasonable at various locationsFinal decision to construct would be after proposed project design completed, utility evaluation & approval of adjacent property owners



EA Specifics

Impacts

Right-of-Way (ROW)	Displacements	
Approximately 32 acres of proposed ROW Approximately 1 acre of aerial rights	10 commercial properties including 12 structures (Approx. 28 to 52 employees potentially impacted)	Employment Opportunities Impact Assessment study included in EA
	6 single-family residential properties	Comparable housing appears to be available for the potential residential displacements

•Workforce Solutions of Greater Dallas will offer various services to assist displaced employees.

•Relocation efforts would be consistent with the requirements of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Properties Acquisition Act of 1970 as amended, and the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1974.



Historic Resources and Anticipated de minimis (by FHWA) Section 4(f) Impacts







Studies, analyses, and evaluation of the proposed project indicate no significant environmental effects



Public Involvement Meetings

- 5 Stakeholder Work Group Meetings
- 20 Briefing Meetings
- 3 Public Meetings
- 2 Public Hearings (including tonight's hearing)



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Proposed Project Schedule

What Happens After the Public Hearing?

- Public Comment Period
- Anticipated Environmental Clearance
- Plan Preparation
- Right-of-Way Acquisition
- Utility Clearance
- Construction



Individuals impacted by transportation systems expansion shall not be denied benefits, excluded from participation or otherwise be subjected to discrimination based on the grounds of race, color, sex, age, handicaps or national origin.

TxDOT Policy



Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act of 1970

- 1. Law passed in 1970 designed to ensure that anyone who owned property needed for a public purpose would be treated fairly.
- 2. The law establishes guidelines for the acquisition of property and the relocation of displaced individuals and businesses.



Public Comments

15 minute recess

Comment period following recess



Comment Period

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 Please note that we will not attempt to respond to your comments at this time. All substantive comments will be fully considered and responded to in the project record.





Mailing Address

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 Written Comments must be post-marked by Monday, <u>July 29, 2013</u>

•<u>http://www.keepitmovingdallas.com</u> under "*Upcoming Public Hearing*" and

www.smwrightproject.org



Schematic and EA may be viewed at:

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Public Comments

Speaker's Time Remaining:





Thank you for your interest in the proposed SM Wright Project

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