

Notice of Open House for Improvements to the intersection of State Highway 29 at D.B. Wood Road in Williamson County

The public is invited to an open house on Thursday, Feb. 23, 2017 to learn about proposed improvements to the intersection of SH 29 (University Ave.) at D.B. Wood Road in Georgetown, Texas. The open house will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Georgetown, located at 1333 W. University Ave. in Georgetown. Williamson County, in conjunction with the Texas Department of Transportation, will conduct the open house to gather public input and comments for the project.

The purpose of the proposed project is to improve mobility and safety by adding turn lanes along SH 29 and D.B. Wood Road, and a raised median along SH 29. The limits of the proposed improvements to SH 29 are from just west of D.B. Wood Road to just east of D.B. Wood Road. The limits of the proposed improvements to D.B. Wood Road start just north of SH 29 to just south of SH 29. Some right-of-way acquisition is proposed. There are not any displacements anticipated by the proposed improvements at this time.

The proposed improvements along SH 29 would add dedicated right and left-turn lanes and a raised median, matching the roadway section at the eastern end of the project. Northbound traffic on D.B. Wood Road at SH 29 would have a dedicated left-turn lane, a single through lane, and a shared right-turn and through-traffic lane. Southbound D.B. Wood Road traffic would have two dedicated left-turn lanes, a single through lane, and a shared right-turn and through-traffic lane.

The open house will be informal and attendees are encouraged to come-and-go as they please between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. There will be no formal presentation. Project maps, exhibits and handouts will be available for review and comment. Representatives from Williamson County, TxDOT and their consultant will be present to answer questions about the project.

Preliminary maps and exhibits of the project will be on display at the open house and will be available for review at the Williamson County Road and Bridge Office, located at 3151 S.E. Inner Loop, Georgetown, Texas, following the meeting.

The open house will be conducted in English. Persons interested in attending the open house who have special communication needs are requested to contact Connie Watson, Williamson County Public Information Officer, at (512) 943-1663, cwatson@wilgo.org, or by fax at (512) 943-1662 at least five business days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements may be made. Williamson County and TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate communication or accessibility needs.

All interested citizens are encouraged to attend the open house and provide input on the project. Verbal and written comments may be presented at the open house. Written comments not submitted during the open house may be submitted to Williamson County's consultant: Unintech Consulting Engineers, Inc., ATTN: David Hedlund P.E.,

505 E. Huntland Drive, Suite 335, Austin, Texas 78752 or at dhedlund@unintech.com within a period of 15 calendar days after the open house.

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.