



Public Hearing

Proposed SM Wright

Project

June 27, 2013

Dallas, TX



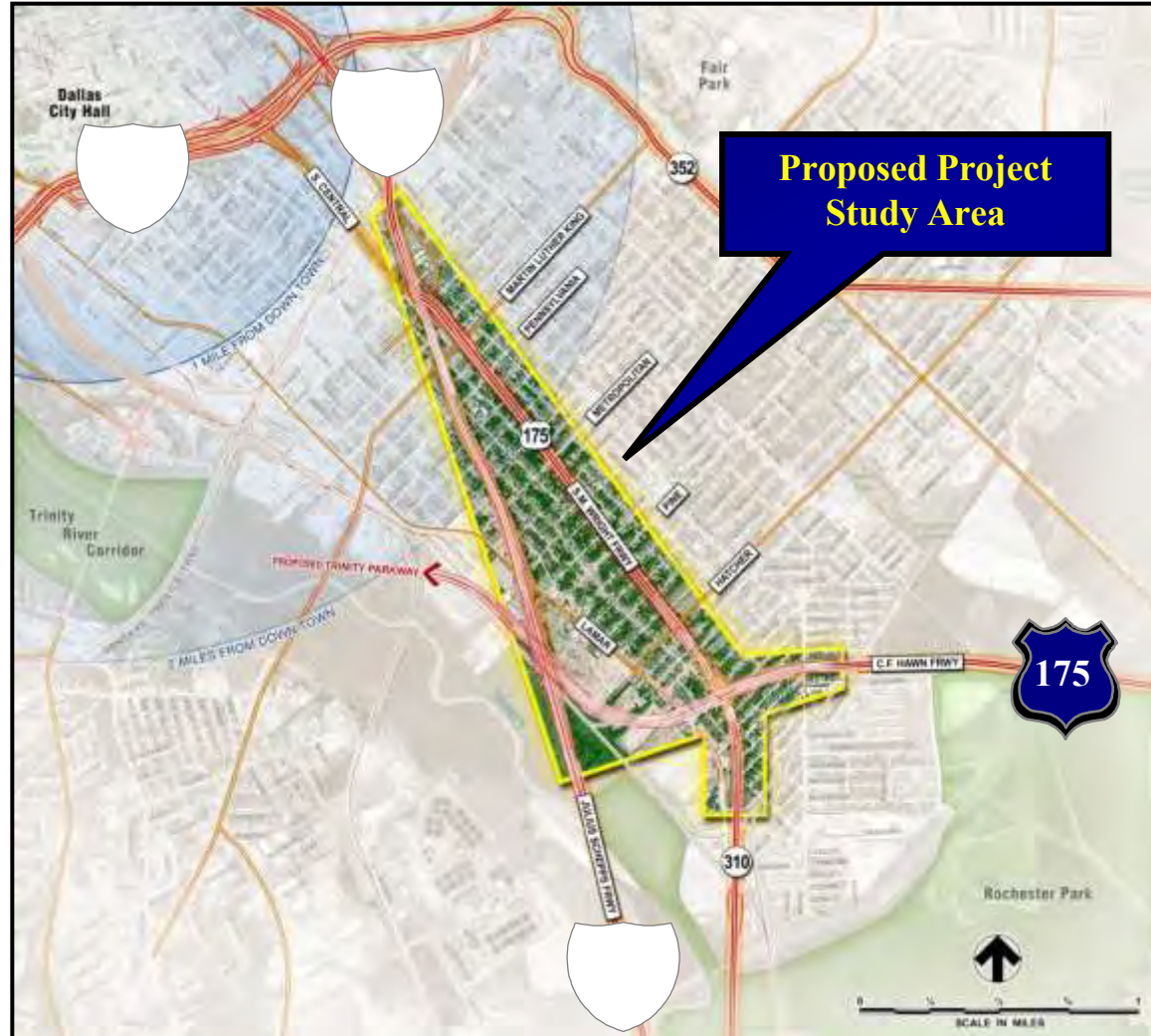
Proposed Project Location

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**
Mr. Kelly Selman, P.E.
 - **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.
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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



Focus on

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

Proposed Project Segments & Phasing



Phase I

- Adds direct connecting ramps between US 175 CF Hawk Freeway & I-45

Phase I: US 175 to I-45 Connection

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Phase I

- Provides lane balance on I-45 to facilitate new direct connecting CF Hawk ramps

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Phase II

- Converts SM Wright to a low speed, signalized, pedestrian-friendly, landscaped arterial

Phase II: SM Wright Redevelopment



Lamar/Penn/MLK
Entrance Ramp



From
US 175

Lamar/Penn/MLK
Exit Ramp

Combined Ramp presented at Jan. 31 Hearing

I-45 Access



Split Ramp – Current Proposed Design

I-45 Access

Split Ramp – Current Proposed Design

I-45 Access



Additional Ramp Consideration



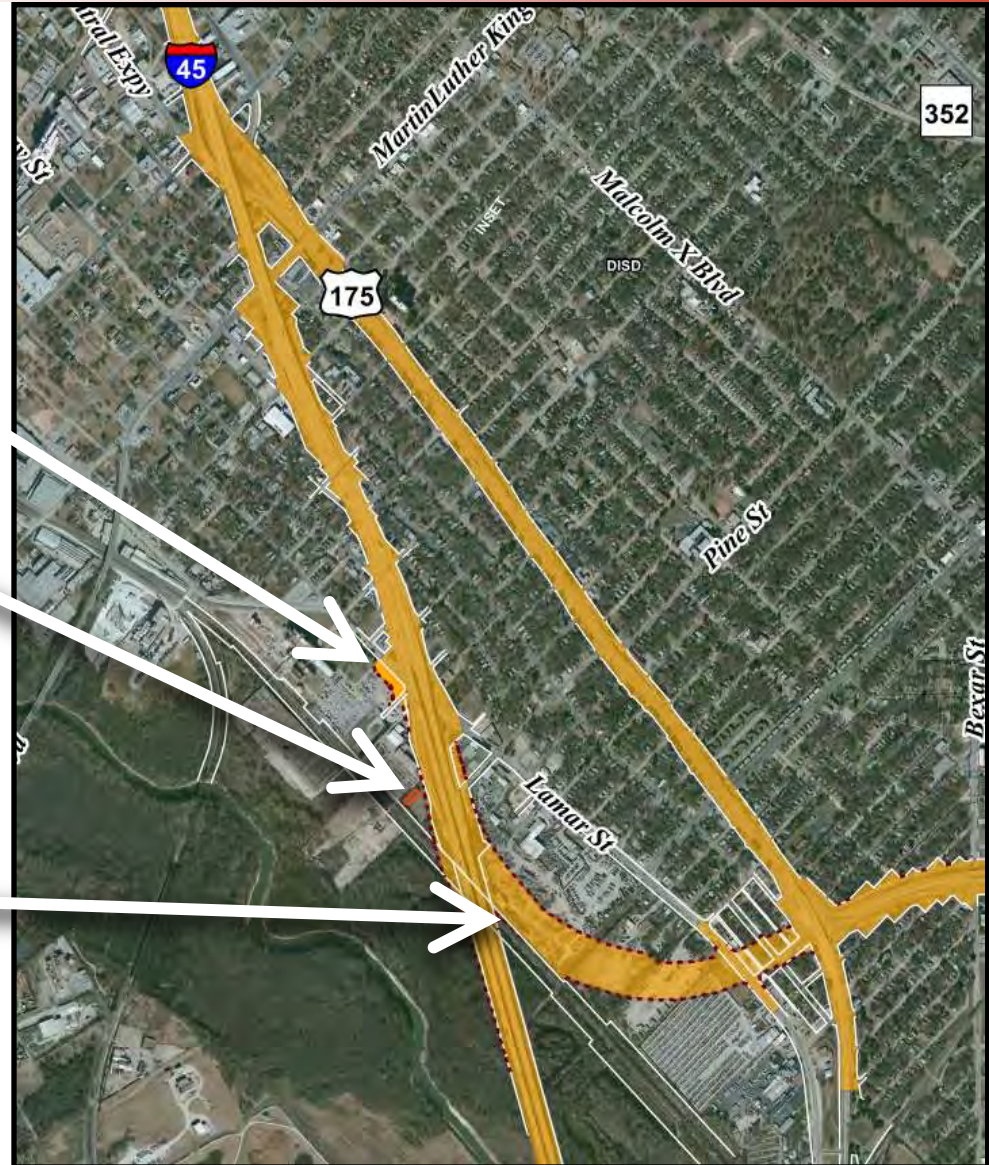
TxDOT is separately evaluating the addition of a new northbound exit ramp on I-45.

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

**Additional
ROW need**

**1 Commercial
Displacement**

**Additional
easement on
UPRR ROW**





Estimated Cost

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



Environmental Document

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Need and Purpose• Alternatives• 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 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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 |
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Impacts

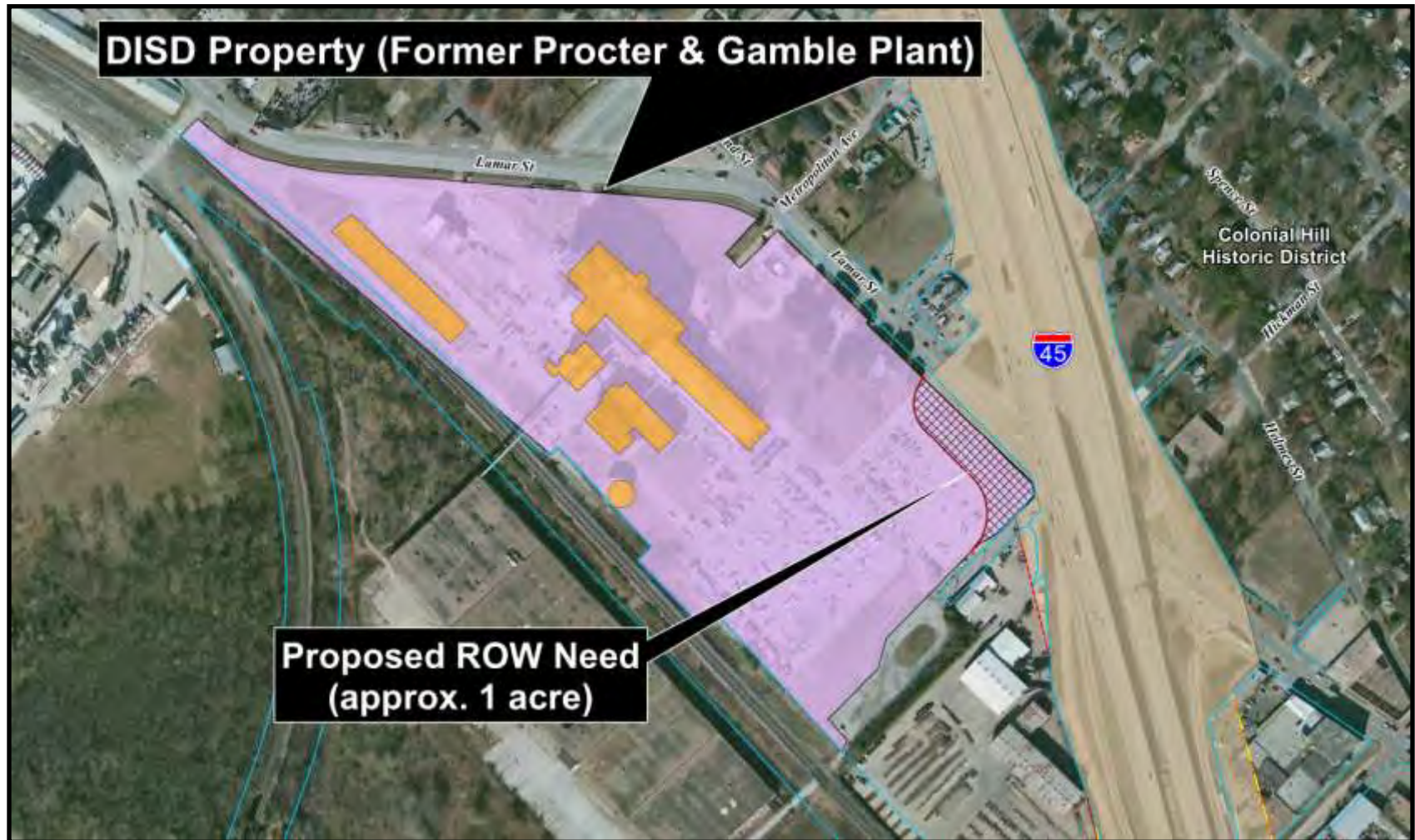
| Floodplains | Vegetation and Habitat | Noise |
|---|---|---|
| <p>Would impact 3 acres of 100-year floodplain</p> <p>Would not increase base flood elevation beyond regulated levels</p> <p>Facility would permit the conveyance of the 100-year flood</p> | <p>Would impact riparian/ bottomland forest and upland forest</p> <p>Mitigation proposed for 1.25 acres of riparian/ bottomland habitat</p> | <p>16 Noise Barriers determined to be feasible and reasonable at various locations</p> <p>Final decision to construct would be after proposed project design completed, utility evaluation & approval of adjacent property owners</p> |

Impacts

| Right-of-Way (ROW) | Displacements | |
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| Approximately 32 acres of proposed ROW | 10 commercial properties including 12 structures (Approx. 28 to 52 employees potentially impacted) | Employment Opportunities Impact Assessment study included in EA |
| Approximately 1 acre of aerial rights | 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)**



Workforce Solutions

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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.



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

- **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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4777 East U.S. Highway 80
Mesquite, Texas 75150-6643

- **Written Comments must be post-marked by Monday, July 29, 2013**
- **<http://www.keepitmovingdallas.com> under “*Upcoming Public Hearing*” and**
- **www.smwrightproject.org**



Schematic and EA may be viewed at:

**TxDOT Dallas District Office
4777 East U.S. Highway 80
Mesquite, TX 75150**

**Dallas City Hall
1500 Marilla Street, Room 6BS
Dallas, TX 75201**

**Martin Luther King Branch Library
2922 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Dallas, Texas 75215**

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Speaker's Time Remaining:

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**Thank you for your interest
in the proposed SM Wright Project**

Texas Department of Transportation