

Notice of Public Meeting ROCKWALL COUNTY OUTER LOOP PROJECT From FM 2755 to SH 205 CSJ: 0918-25-027

Collin, Rockwall, and Kaufman Counties, Texas

Rockwall County is proposing a new location roadway from Farm-to-Market Road (FM) 2755 to State Highway (SH) 205 in Collin, Rockwall, and Kaufman Counties, Texas. This notice advises the public that Rockwall County will be conducting an in-person public meeting on the proposed project with a virtual option. The same information will be available at both the in-person and virtual meetings.

In-Person Meeting*

Thursday, November 14, 2024, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Rockwall County Courthouse Liberty Hall
111 E Yellow Jacket Lane #401, Rockwall, Texas 75087
*Open House Format

Virtual Meeting**

Thursday, November 14, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. to Friday, November 29, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. https://rockwallcountytexas.com/ 1285/13059/RCOL-Public-Meeting-3

**Not a live event

The in-person public meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. and will be an open house format where the public may come and go at their convenience. Staff will be available to answer questions and receive written comments. The virtual meeting will consist of a pre-recorded video presentation and will include both audio and visual components. The presentation will be posted online by Thursday, November 14, 2024 at 5:30 p.m., and will remain online for at least 15 days. To view the virtual public meeting, go to the following web address at the date and time indicated above: https://rockwallcountytexas.com/1285/13059/RCOL-Public-Meeting-3. If you do not have internet access, you may call 214-346-6200 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, to ask questions and access project materials during the project development process.

The proposed project would construct the approximately 14.4-mile Rockwall County portion of the regional Outer Loop, consisting of four 12-foot-wide frontage road lanes (two in each direction), four 12-foot-wide general purpose lanes (two in each direction), and two 10-foot-wide shared-use paths (one in each direction, outside the frontage road lanes) within a typical 500-foot-wide right of way. The project would be constructed in phases contingent on traffic volumes and available funding. The proposed project would involve construction in wetlands and an action in a floodplain.

The proposed Rockwall County Outer Loop is currently being developed in two phases. Phase 1 extends from FM 2755 to SH 276, a distance of approximately 7.5 miles. Phase 2 extends from SH 276 to SH 205, a distance of approximately 6.9 miles. Phase 1 schematic development and environmental studies are currently underway. The purpose of the public meeting is to present the preliminary Phase 1 schematic for public review and comment. No project updates have occurred on Phase 2 since the November 2023 public meeting. Phase 2 schematic development and environmental studies are anticipated to begin by Spring 2025.

The proposed project would require right of way and potential displacements. Relocation assistance is available for displaced persons and businesses. For more information about right of way acquisition, please contact Matt Craig, P.E., Consultant Project Manager at 214-346-6200 or by email at RCOL@halff.com.

The virtual public meeting and in-person option will be conducted in English. If you need an interpreter or document translator because English is not your primary language or you have difficulty communicating effectively in English, one will be provided to you. If you have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can be made to accommodate most needs. If you need interpretation or translation services or you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation to attend and participate in the virtual

public meeting or in-person option, please contact Matt Craig, P.E., at 214-346-6200 no later than 4 p.m. CT, Monday, November 11, 2024. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time to arrange.

Written comments from the public regarding the proposed project are requested and may be submitted by mail to Halff, Attn: Matt Craig, P.E., 1201 North Bowser Road, Richardson, TX 75081, or by email to RCOL@halff.com. **All comments must be received or postmarked on or before Friday, November 29, 2024.** Responses to comments received will be available online at https://rockwallcountytexas.com/1285/13059/RCOL-Public-Meeting-3 once they have been prepared.

If you have any general questions regarding the proposed project, virtual meeting, or in-person option, please contact Matt Craig, P.E., Consultant Project Manager at 214-346-6200 or by email at RCOL@halff.com.

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 9, 2019, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.