



Final EA Notice of Availability

Notice

Final Environmental Assessment Available for Public Review

Zaragoza Port of Entry, Pan American Drive and Winn Road Build Improvements

From State Loop 375 to Zaragoza Port-of-Entry

CSJs: 0924-06-418

El Paso County, Texas

Pursuant to Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, §2.108, this notice advises the public that a final environmental assessment (EA) is available for public review for the proposed Zaragoza Port-of-Entry, Pan American Drive and Winn Road Build Improvements project from State Loop 375 to Zaragoza Port-of-Entry in El Paso County, Texas. 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.

The proposed Zaragoza Port-of-Entry, Pan American Drive and Winn Road Build Improvements project would consist of widening the existing Winn Road between Pan American Drive and Southside Road to a 90-foot-wide four-lane divided facility with concrete pavement, raised medians, sidewalks, illumination, and drainage improvements. The proposed project would also involve construction of a new location roadway extension heading west and then north from Southside Road to connect the existing Winn Road to Rio Del Norte Drive. The proposed right-of-way for the Winn Road extension is also 90 feet wide and would have the same features as described above plus a bridge to accommodate stormwater across the Playa Intercepting Drain. Proposed right-of-way would be acquired between Pan American Drive and Rio Del Norte Drive for the widening of Winn Road and the extension of Winn Road, as described below. Proposed improvements to Pan American Drive would entail adding raised medians where none exist, adding illumination, landscaping, resurfacing the existing pavement, and restriping to four lanes.

In an aerial view, the overall project forms a "J" shape and is approximately 2.03 miles long. Stormwater would be accommodated with a 2.89-acre expansion of an existing detention basin (Basin "G", here after "detention basin") west of the extension of Winn Road and in the southwest corner of the project area. Approximately 7.6 acres of proposed right-of-way would be required for project implementation, including land for roadway construction and the expansion of the detention basin. In addition, the project includes 0.6 acres of permanent construction easements and 3.7 acres of temporary construction easements. The proposed project design would alleviate congestion, facilitate movement of cross-border traffic through the Zaragoza Port-of-Entry, and help reduce freight congestion on State Loop 375.

Copies of the approved final EA, certification of public involvement, and supporting documentation are available for public inspection at City of El Paso, Capital Improvement Department, Mr. Cepeda, 218 N. Campbell St., Second Floor, El Paso, TX 79901, or CepedaJI@elpasotexas.gov. Pursuant to 23 CFR 771.119(h), TxDOT will issue a finding of no significant impact (FONSI) for this project no sooner than 30 days after the issuance of this notice of availability. For further information, please contact Mr. Cepeda, Capital Improvement Department, (915) 212-0065 or CepedaJI@elpasotexas.gov.
