



# Project Coordination Request for Historical Studies Project

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**Main CSJ:** 0924-06-562

**Child CSJs:** N/A

**District(s):** El Paso

**County(ies):** El Paso

**Roadway Name:** Central Business District (CBD) Phase IV: Oregon Street, Kansas Street, Campbell Street, 6th Av 

**Limits From:** Various locations

**Limits To:**

**Project Description:** The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) El Paso District, in cooperation with the City of El Paso, proposes to reconstruct the roadway and make other improvements in various locations on Oregon Street, Kansas Street, Campbell Street, 6th Avenue, and Father Rahm Avenue in El Paso, El Paso County, Texas.

The proposed project would consist of roadway reconstruction and parking improvements, including storm sewers, sidewalks, curbs and gutters, ADA improvements, driveways, traffic signals, lighting, signing and striping, landscaping, and irrigation. Roadway reconstruction would occur on Campbell Street, Kansas Street, Oregon Street, and 6th Avenue. Parkway improvements would occur on Father Rahm Avenue and Kansas Street (See Figures 1 and 2 for project location maps).

District personnel should complete this form with all appropriate documentation attached. ENV-HIST staff review is contingent on provision of an active CSJ (or equivalent if the project is not a construction project) against which environmental work can be charged. District-provided responses should reflect known data about the project and identify any limitations that hindered provision of the requested information. ENV-HIST staff will review the PCR form and attached information per established Documentation Standards. This review will result in:

- ENV-HIST environmental clearance of the project; OR
- ENV-HIST identification of additional technical studies required for clearance; OR
- ENV-HIST rejection of the PCR for failure to meet specific Documentation Standards and instructions on how to redress the rejection.

**This form specifies minimally required information needed to properly facilitate ENV-HIST's review process. Please submit all relevant documentation with this PCR at one time.**

**NOTE:** \* If this project information changes over the course of design OR if the funding source changes, then HIST requires re-coordination and a revised PCR in ECOS.

## Information Required to Process Historic Resources Coordination and Consultation

1. Targeted ENV clearance date: May 1, 2020
2. \*Anticipated letting date: June 2020
3. "Historic-age" date (let date minus 45 years): 1975
4. No \*The proposed action is subject to federal permitting (i.e. Corps of Engineers, Coast Guard, IBWC, etc.).
5. No \*The proposed action requires additional ROW (purchased or donated) or easements?



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6. The following maps, tables or equivalents been uploaded to ECOS?

Yes/No/NA	Map Type	ECOS File Name:
<u>Yes</u>	Existing and proposed ROW boundaries.	See Figure 3 in Appendix A, attached.
<u>Yes</u>	Area of Potential Effects (APE) appropriate for project type.	See Figure 3 in Appendix A, attached.
<u>Yes</u>	Parcel boundaries for properties within the APE.	See Figure 3 in Appendix A, attached.
<u>Yes</u>	Results of the Texas Historic Sites Atlas search, identifying NHL, NRHP, SAL, and RTHL resources located within one-quarter mile of the project area listed in a table format and identified on color aerial map(s) or equivalent.	See Figure 3 in Appendix A and Appendix C, attached.

Comments: According to the Texas Historic Sites Atlas, there are a number of NRHP-listed properties and one NRHP-listed historic district located within one-quarter mile of the project area. However, there are no properties designated as a NHL, SAL, or RTHL located within one-quarter mile of the project area. None of the NRHP-listed properties or OTHMs are located within the APE. The APE is located within the boundary of the NRHP-listed El Paso Water Improvement District No. 1 historic district but none of the contributing resources to the historic district are within the APE. See Figure 3 in Appendix A and the table of NRHP-listed properties and districts and OTHMs in Appendix C.

<u>Yes</u>	Results of Google Earth search with HIST-provided eligibility and historic bridge layers.	ECOS File Name: See Figure 3 in Appendix A and Appendix C, attached.
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Comments: According to the TxDOT GIS database of previously determined eligible historic districts and properties, the potential El Segundo Barrio local historic district and several contributing resources are within one-quarter mile of the project area; one contributing resource is located within the proposed project's APE. Additionally, one resource that was previously determined NRHP-eligible is located within the APE. There are no historic bridges located within one-quarter mile of the project area.

7. Yes Representative and dated photographs of the project area are uploaded to ECOS.

Note: Photographs should include the following elements:

1. Buildings/structures in the APE and those adjacent.
2. Road Features (culverts, bridges, landscaping, etc.
3. Areas of proposed construction.

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8. Yes Preliminary plans are uploaded to ECOS.

File Name in ECOS:



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- 9.  No Historic-age bridges are within the project area.
- 10.  Yes Rock masonry features (culverts, ditches, walls, etc.) are within the project area.
  - 10.1  Yes The following information is uploaded to ECOS:
    1. Photographs of each feature and any identifying marks.
    2. Map showing location of each feature.

File Name in ECOS: See Photo 10 in Appendix B, attached, for an example. One of many owner-constructed masonry walls found throughout El Paso. They are not associated with a systematic program of Depression-era, work relief construction.

- 11.  No Historic-age rest area(s) are located within the project area.
- 12.  No The proposed action involves the relocation of historical markers.
- 13.  Yes Additional consulting parties (other than the THC) may be involved in this project.

Consulting Party Name	Representing	Contact Information
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### Additional Project Comments:

The proposed project is located in southern El Paso at the edge of the historic commercial core, between the U.S. border with Mexico and downtown El Paso. Although the proposed project would be constructed within existing ROW, the recommended APE is any parcel directly adjacent to the proposed project work.

The project area is generally characterized by historic- and non-historic-age commercial development along each of the streets on which the proposed project activities would occur. A church and parking lots are interspersed among the commercial buildings. There are also multi-family residential properties and a school at the eastern edge of the project. Another school and a large supermarket are located at the southeast end of the project along Kansas and Campbell Streets near the rail yard. Based on preliminary review of aerial and historic photographs and background information, there are historic-age properties within the APE of the proposed project.

## District Personnel Certification

\_\_\_\_\_ I reviewed all submitted documents for quality assessment and control.

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District Personnel Name

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Date:



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The following table shows the revision history for this document.

Revision History	
Effective Date Month, Year	Reason for and Description of Change
December 2013	Version 1 released.
June 2015	Version 2 released. The form was converted to a PDF format. Form level validations were installed to ensure that all certified forms contained the minimum required information. Various questions were modified to accommodate the improved functionality of the PDF format.
August 2015	Version 3 released. Revised the form to make it compatible with Adobe Acrobat Reader DC. No changes were made to the question sequence or form logic.