



Corpus Christi District

### What is an Environmental Impact Statement?

- Document required by National Environmental Policy Act for large construction projects that use federal highway funds.
- Discloses project information, describes the project and study areas, and analyzes possible environmental consequences associated with construction.
- Includes public involvement at beginning of EIS development and throughout the process
- Must be approved by the Federal Highway Administration before right-of-way acquisition and construction can begin.

# F A C T S H E E T

*Improvements to US 181 at the Harbor Bridge - Environmental Documentation and Schematic Development*.....  
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### What is the Harbor Bridge Project?

- Proposed improvements to US 181 at the Harbor Bridge over the Corpus Christi Ship Channel
- Project would extend from Beach Ave on US 181 to Morgan Ave on SH 286
- Federal Highway Administration is the lead Federal agency for the project
- TxDOT is the joint lead agency

### Project Development Phases and Anticipated Timeline

- Public involvement throughout project
- Feasibility Study: completed in 2003
- Initiate Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) project development with public and agency scoping meetings: 2011
- Consider all project alternatives and compare them to Purpose and Need for Project: 2012
- Move forward with four build alternatives (red, green, orange, and west) plus the No Build alternative: 2012
- Meeting: 2012 **We are here**
- Identify and evaluate proposed project effects on historical resources and recreational facilities: 2012-2013
- Prepare and review process for draft EIS: 2012 - 2014
- Hold Citizens' Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee Meetings: 2012 - 2014
- Hold Public (Design Guideline Workshop): 2013
- Hold Public Hearing and recommend a preferred alternative: 2014
- Prepare and review process for Final EIS: 2014 - 2015
- Environmental Clearance (Record of Decision): anticipated 2015
- Permits and approvals: 2015 - 2017
- Purchase of right-of-way: 2015 – 2016
- Design project: 2016: 2017
- Phased construction: 2017 - 2021

### Stay involved in the Harbor Bridge Project by participating in the following:

- Follow the project online: [www.ccharborbridgeproject.com](http://www.ccharborbridgeproject.com)
- Sign up to be on our mailing list (tonight or on the website)
- Attend public meetings and public hearing
- Request a meeting for your group or organization.
- Read our newsletter

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