



## NEWS RELEASE

### WACO DISTRICT

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### **TxDOT SEEKS INPUT ON THE I-35 IMPROVEMENTS FROM BELTON TO TEMPLE**

*A virtual public meeting with an in-person option will be held to collect feedback and share information about community and environmental resources within the project area that need to be considered.*

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**WACO** – The Texas Department of Transportation will host a virtual public meeting with an in-person option for the proposed I-35 improvements from Belton to Temple to accommodate the future I-14 extension. TxDOT will share information about the project and provide opportunities for community members to ask questions and share input on it.

These improvements will create better mobility, connectivity and safety between urban and rural areas, military installations, maritime ports and economic sectors, including freight, energy, timber and agriculture. The limits of the I-14 Extension project along I-35 (also referred to as “Segment 1”) are from Loop 121 in Belton to Loop 363/US 190/SH 36 in Temple. This corridor is part of a larger project that will extend I-14 from Belton, TX, to BU 190 in Rogers, TX, comprising a total of three segments.

A virtual workshop will be available on Thursday, May 2, 2024, by 5 p.m. To view the materials, go to [TxDOT.gov](https://www.txdot.gov) and search “I-14 Extension.” These materials will consist of informational display boards shown at the in-person public meeting and the opportunity to provide feedback. The information will remain available for viewing until May 17, 2024.

**The in-person public meeting will be held on Thursday, May 2, 2024, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Cadence Bank Center, 301 W. Loop 121, Belton, TX 76513.** Displays will be available for viewing beginning at 5 p.m. A formal presentation is not planned for this public meeting, and community members are invited to come and go at their convenience. In-person attendees will be able to view the same information shared in the virtual option and will have the opportunity to ask questions of TxDOT staff and leave written comments.

Comments may be submitted using any of the following methods:

- IN-PERSON: at the public meeting via comment form
- EMAIL: [Lmunsh-c@txdot.gov](mailto:Lmunsh-c@txdot.gov)
- MAIL: Rifeline, I-14 Extension – Segment 1, 1608 W. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Austin, TX 78703
- ONLINE: [TxDOT.gov](https://www.txdot.gov) and search “I-14 Extension”

TxDOT will continue to collect feedback throughout the process. All comments received on or before Friday, May 17, 2024, will be included as part of the public meeting summary.

For inquiries, contact TxDOT Waco District Public Information Officer Jake Smith at [Jacob.Smith@txdot.gov](mailto:Jacob.Smith@txdot.gov) or 254-867-2836.

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