OPEN HOUSE

RM 12 PARKWAY PROJECT

From RM 32 to SH 80 / Wonder World Drive Hays County, Texas

On December 5, 2013, Hays County in cooperation with the Texas Department of Transportation (*TxDOT*) and the Federal Highway Administration (*FHWA*) will host an Open House for the Ranch-to-Market Road (*RM*) 12 Parkway Project between RM 32 and State Highway (*SH*) 80/Wonder World Drive. The purpose of the Open House is to present proposed design modifications to the original RM 12 Project, which was approved by FHWA on October 5, 2007, with a Finding of No Significant Impact.

The original project design included widening RM 12 from two lanes to four lanes (undivided roadway) with paved shoulders, turn lanes and improvements to the intersection of RM 12 and RM 32. As a result of additional coordination with citizens and local officials in the Wimberley and San Marcos area, a series of modifications to the original design have been proposed. The proposed design modifications would change the four-lane undivided roadway to a four-lane median-divided roadway (in sections). A 10-foot-wide shared-use path for pedestrians and cyclists has also been added to the design. The design modifications would require approximately 37 acres of additional right-of-way; there would be no displacements.

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While the parkway construction would not begin for several years, we are taking the critical steps needed to preserve the corridor now.

The Open House will be held:

Thursday, December 5, 2013 5-8 p.m. Wimberley Community Center 14068 Ranch Road 12 Wimberley, TX 78676

Verbal and written comments will be accepted at the Open House. A court reporter/transcriber will be available to accept verbal comments. Written comments not submitted at the Open House may be mailed to TxDOT Austin District Environmental Coordinator, Texas Department of Transportation, P.O. Drawer 15426, Austin, Texas, 78761-5426 or faxed to (512) 832-7157. Mailed or faxed comments must be received by Monday, December 16, 2013 to be included in the official record of the Open House.

The meeting will use a come-and-go format that will allow agency representatives and members of the public to review the materials at their convenience and speak individually to Hays County, TxDOT and consultant staff. *No official presentation will be given*.

All interested citizens are encouraged to attend the Open House and provide input on the project, including the proposed design modifications. Persons who plan to attend the Open House and have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to call Elizabeth Story at (512) 691-2252 at least five business days prior to the event to request assistance. Because the meeting will be conducted in English, any requests for language interpreters should also be made at least five days prior to the event. Hays County will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.