



Documented Reevaluation Checklist (DRC)

For detailed instructions on completing this checklist please see *Guidance: Preparing a Documented Reevaluation Using the Documented Reevaluation Checklist (DRC)* available in the TxDOT Environmental Compliance Toolkit.

Original Environmental Decision Date: 12/21/2018

Let Date: February 2020

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DRC Reviewed by: Lindsey Kimmitt

Project Name: Oak Hill Parkway Project

Project Limits From: US Highway (US) 290 W - State Loop1 (Mopac); State Highway (SH) 71 US 290 W

Project Limits To: US 290 W - Ranch-to-Market (RM) 1826; SH 71 - Silvermine Drive

Control Section Job Number (CSJ): 0113-08-060, 0700-03-077

District(s): Austin

County(ies): Travis

Yes **Has the project design or scope changed since the original environmental decision and subsequent reevaluations?**

Project Description:

The Oak Hill Parkway (OHP) Project proposes improvements that include direct connectors at the intersection of US 290 and SH 71, controlled access along both highways in Oak Hill, and an overpass for US 290 at William Cannon Drive. The mainlanes would be three lanes in each direction with adjacent one-way, two- to three-lane frontage roads in each direction. Aesthetic enhancements and bicycle/pedestrian facilities along the corridor are also proposed.

Project History:

In December 2018, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) approved a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Record of Decision (ROD) for the OHP Project. After the 2018 ROD was issued, minor right of way (ROW) changes occurred to accommodate utility relocations, water quality features, and schematic refinements, which initiated the reevaluation and additional surveys to determine whether or not the previous environmental decision remains valid under circumstances listed in 43 TAC 2.85 and 23 CFR 771.129.

Portion of Project Currently Being Advanced:

Not applicable

Date(s) of Prior Reevaluations:

Not applicable

Who is the lead agency responsible for the approval of the entire project?

- FHWA (Not Assigned to TxDOT) State
- TxDOT (Assigned by FHWA) FTA
- Other federal agency

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.

I. Environmental Classification

Select the project's environmental classification: Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS)



Yes Have major steps to advance the action occurred within three years after the approval of the FEIS, SEIS, or the last major approval or grant? Major steps include authority to undertake final design, authority to acquire a significant portion of the right-of-way, or approval of the plans, specifications, and estimates.

II. Project Information

1. Proposed Action

No Have substantial changes occurred to the project design and/or scope since the original environmental decision or subsequent reevaluations?

Explain:

See attached project description and map for details.

2. Project Limits

No Has there been a change to the project limits from what was described in the original environmental decision or subsequent reevaluations?

3. Right of Way

Yes Have the ROW requirements changed since the original environmental decision or subsequent reevaluations?

Yes Would the changes require the acquisition of any new ROW not covered by the previous decision?

What was the amount of ROW originally required (in acres): 74.580

How much did ROW change since the previous decision? (in acres): -25.840

If the required acreage is reduced, enter a negative number.

Total ROW required (in acres): 48.740

Describe:

Previously, drainage easements were considered proposed ROW; now they are considered easements.

No Would any additional ROW be required from a significant publicly owned park, recreation area, wildlife or waterfowl refuge, or historic site?

4. Easements

Yes Have the requirements for temporary or permanent easements changed since the original environmental decision or subsequent reevaluations?

Yes Would the changes require the acquisition of any new easements not covered by the previous decision?



What was the amount of easements originally required (in acres): 3.840

How much did easements change since the previous decision? (in acres): 30.540

If the required acreage is reduced, enter a negative number.

Total easements required (in acres): 34.380

Describe:

Previously, drainage easements were considered proposed ROW; now they are considered easements.

No

Would any additional easements be required from a significant publicly owned park, recreation area, wildlife or waterfowl refuge, or historic site?

5. Displacements

Yes

Will changes, if any, result in residential or nonresidential displacements that were not covered by the original environmental decision or subsequent reevaluations?

Number of displacements originally required: 5

How have displacements changed since the previous decision? 4

If the required displacements is reduced, enter a negative number.

Total number of displacements required: 9

Describe:

Please see attached project description, map and Community Impacts Assessment Addendum.

6. Access

No

Will changes, if any, to the project design result in a temporary or permanent adverse change of access to any residential or nonresidential properties that were not covered in the original environmental decision or subsequent reevaluations?

7. Traffic

No

Have there been substantial changes to the projected ADT from what was described in the original environmental decision or subsequent reevaluations?

8. Laws and Regulations

No

Have there been any changes to laws or regulations that would result in the need for any updated analyses since the original environmental decision or subsequent reevaluations?

9. Land Use and Population

No

Have there been any substantial changes in land use or population within the project area since the original environmental decision or subsequent reevaluations?



III. Required Action

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Responses to the previous questions indicate there are potential changes that may affect the previous environmental decision. Further evaluation is required. Complete the reevaluation and Sections IV-X.



IV. Environmental Setting and Affected Environment

Indicate whether there have been changes in the affected environment since the environmental decision. Changes in the affected environment could result from changes in design, in the environmental setting, or laws and regulations.

Only select NA if a resource was not addressed in the original environmental documentation and does not need to be addressed as a result of the changes.

If Yes is selected, describe the changes in the field provided.

Changed?	Resource/Setting
<u>No</u>	Environmental Justice
<u>Yes</u>	Socio-economics <i>Comments:</i> Additional displacements are required. See attached, the Community Impacts Assessment Addendum.
<u>No</u>	Farmlands
<u>No</u>	Threatened/Endangered Species <i>Comments:</i> Additional survey was completed due to updated right of entry agreements. See attached, the Revised Biological Resources Technical Report Addendum.
<u>No</u>	Vegetation
<u>No</u>	Water Quality <i>Comments:</i> Additional survey was completed due to updated right of entry agreements. See attached, the Revised Water Resources Technical Report Addendum.
<u>No</u>	Wetlands/Waters of the U.S. (including any changes in permitting) <i>Comments:</i> Additional survey was completed due to updated right of entry agreements. See attached, the Revised Water Resources Technical Report Addendum.
<u>No</u>	Floodplains
<u>No</u>	Air Quality
<u>No</u>	Noise Impacts <i>Comments:</i> A conference call was held with a TxDOT Environmental Affairs Division Noise Analysis Specialist on March 21, 2019. It was decided that no horizontal or vertical design changes warranted additional noise analysis.



Changed?	Resource/Setting
<u>No</u>	Hazardous Materials
<u>Yes</u>	Archeological Resources <i>Comments:</i> Additional survey was required. See attached, the 2019 Cultural Resources Technical Report.
<u>Yes</u>	Historic Resources <i>Comments:</i> No additional survey required. See attached, the revised Historic Resources Project Coordination Request.
<u>No</u>	Section 4(f)/6(f)
<u>No</u>	Visual Resources/Aesthetics
<u>No</u>	Indirect and Cumulative Impacts
<u>No</u>	Others

V. Resource Agency Coordination

Check the box in the NA Column if no additional coordination was required.

If additional coordination was required, describe it, and enter the dates the original and additional coordination were completed. List documentation of additional coordination in Section IX below.

NA	Agency	Previous Coordination Completed	Additional Completed
<input type="checkbox"/>	Texas Historical Commission Archeology <i>Describe:</i> Please see attached updated archeological resources technical memorandum.	June and October 2017	4/18/19
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Historical Structures		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Texas Parks and Wildlife Department		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	U.S. Coast Guard		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FHWA (Conformity Determination)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other:		



VI. Additional Studies

If applicable, describe any additional environmental studies that were conducted. Select NA if changes to the project did not result in a need for new studies. Indicate whether studies have been conducted or remain to be completed. Describe additional studies, and list them in Section IX below.

Yes **Were additional studies needed?**

Describe:

Biological, water resources, geological, archeological, historical, and community impact studies have been conducted in the new areas of ROW. All updates are attached as appendices.

Yes **Are there studies that remain to be completed?**

Describe:

Archeological studies will need to be completed once right of entry is granted for remaining parcels.

VII. EPICS

Indicate the status of required any permits and/or commitments, and describe any changes in the related requirements. List any required documentation in Section IX below. Selecting some options will trigger the appearance of a description field. If a field appears after making a selection, a description is required.

Select the applicable finding from the dropdown field below:

All mitigation and/or commitments from the original approval remain the same.

VIII. Public Involvement

If additional public involvement is required, list summaries or required documentation in Section IX below. If no additional public involvement was required, select NA.

No **Is there substantial controversy on environmental grounds?**

Yes **Was additional public involvement completed for this reevaluation?**

Previously Completed Public Involvement Activities:

Meeting with Affected Property Owners

Yes **Does any additional public involvement remain to be completed?**

Public Involvement Activities yet to be completed:

Meeting with Affected Property Owners

Comments:

MAPOs are ongoing. Please see attached project description and attachment 3 for summary.

IX. Attachments and References



Attachments:

List any studies, permits, coordination, etc. attached to this checklist. If there are no associated attachments, enter NA into the field.

Attachment 1 - Project Description and Design Change Location Map
Attachment 2 - Community Impacts Assessment Addendum
Attachment 3 - MAPO Summary
Attachment 4 - Revised Schematics

Submitted separately:
Revised Geologic Assessment
Revised Historic Resources Project Coordination Request
2019 Cultural Resources Technical Report
Revised Water Resources Technical Report Addendum
Revised Biological Resources Technical Report Addendum

References:

List any studies, permits, coordination, etc. incorporated into the DRC by reference. Include the names and locations of electronic files. If there are no associated references, enter NA into the field.

OHPW Project FEIS and ROD
https://www.oakhillparkway.com/files/impact/OHP%20Final%20EIS_12.21.2018%20signed%20ROD%20cmprsd.pdf

X. Conclusion and Recommendation

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Reevaluation Preparer's Recommendation

The environmental decision has been reevaluated as required by 23 CFR 771.129 and/or 43 TAC §2.85 and it has been determined that no substantial changes have occurred to the social, economic or environmental impacts of the proposed action that would substantially impact the quality of the human or natural environment. Therefore, the original environmental decision remains valid. It is recommended that the project be advanced to the next phase of project development.

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Reevaluation Preparer Name

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Reevaluation Reviewer's Recommendation

The environmental decision has been reevaluated as required by 23 CFR 771.129 and/or 43 TAC §2.85 and it has been determined that no substantial changes have occurred to the social, economic or environmental impacts of the proposed action that would substantially impact the quality of the human or natural environment. Therefore, the original environmental decision remains valid. It is recommended that the project be advanced to the next phase of project development.

Comments (Optional):

Lindsey Kimmitt

Reevaluation Reviewer Name

Environmental Specialist

Title

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Department Delegate's Decision

The environmental decision has been reevaluated as required by 23 CFR 771.129 and/or 43 TAC §2.85 and it has been determined that no substantial changes have occurred to the social, economic or environmental impacts of the proposed action that would substantially impact the quality of the human or natural environment. Therefore, the original environmental decision remains valid. It is recommended that the project be advanced to the next phase of project development.

Comments (Optional):

Jenise Walton

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