

SH 249 ACCESS MANAGEMENT STUDY

FACT SHEET



The Houston-Galveston Area Council and the Texas Department of Transportation have initiated a transportation study along State Highway 249 between I-45 and Beltway 8. This study will identify ways to improve traffic flow, safety, and quality of life along SH 249 as well as ideas to enhance regional connectivity on the area's major cross streets. The study goal is to improve mobility and safety for all modes of transportation, including cars and trucks, buses, pedestrians, and bicyclists.

Public Involvement

Active engagement with community residents, business leaders, and elected officials is an essential aspect of the study. The project supports early and continued participation by the broad spectrum of affected and interested parties that live, work, and play in the area. Key aspects of the public involvement process include:

- Steering Committee Meetings — a core group of individuals representing policy decision makers and community leaders that meets regularly to provide input on mobility issues and review the study report.
- Group Meetings — with area business, institutions, property owners, and neighborhoods to discuss concerns and needs.
- Two Public Meetings — initial meeting in November 2014 to solicit input and concerns; second meeting in spring 2015 to present draft recommendations.

Types of Improvements

The study team will consider a variety of solutions, including lower-cost solutions that can improve mobility in the near-term, and long-term transportation strategies to enhance the overall corridor and regional connectivity, including:

- Improve signal timing
- Add left/right turn lanes at intersections
- Raised medians
- Reduced speeds
- Driveway consolidation, shared driveways
- Eliminate skewed intersections
- Roadway widenings
- Bike lanes
- Pedestrian crossings
- Bus shelters
- Signs and lighting
- Landscaping

Steering Committee

The study is guided by a Steering Committee composed of representatives from:

- Aldine ISD
- City of Houston
- Harris County
- H-GAC
- Houston Intercontinental Chamber of Commerce
- Klein ISD
- METRO
- Near Northwest Management District
- Northwest Volunteer Fire Department
- TxDOT

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Study Corridor

