

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The City of Dallas will conduct a public meeting to discuss and receive input on proposed plans for improvements to the Sylvan Avenue Bridge. The proposed project, located in Dallas County, is approximately one mile in length and would modify the existing facility to replace the bridges and approaches crossing the Dallas Floodway from Morris Street to Irving Boulevard. The proposed project includes a ramp to provide access to Trammell Crow Park and the relocation of an existing boat ramp. The purpose of the public meeting is to present information to the public about the proposed project and to allow the community an opportunity to provide public comments. The public meeting will be held in open house format on Thursday, October 7, 2010 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the West Dallas Multipurpose Center at 2828 Fish Trap Road, Dallas, Texas 75212.

The existing facility is the last remaining at-grade roadway and bridge within the Dallas Floodway. During periods of intensive rain, sheet flood events often overtop the existing facility. As a result, Sylvan Avenue is typically closed to traffic approximately two to three times per year due to the flooding. The duration of closure lasts from a single day to several months. The purpose of the proposed project is to improve motorist and pedestrian safety by providing a highway facility that would meet current design and safety standards. The proposed project would address the transportation needs of the area by providing uninterrupted service for north-south travelers during the flood events of the Trinity River. The proposed project would not require any additional right of way. Additionally, the relocation of residences and businesses would not be required.

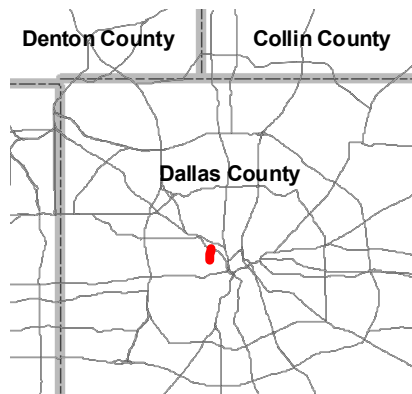
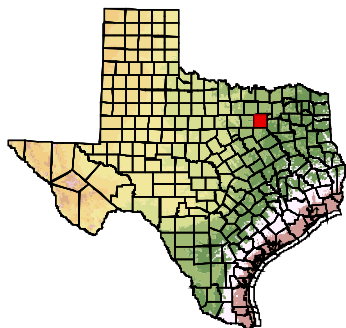
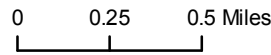
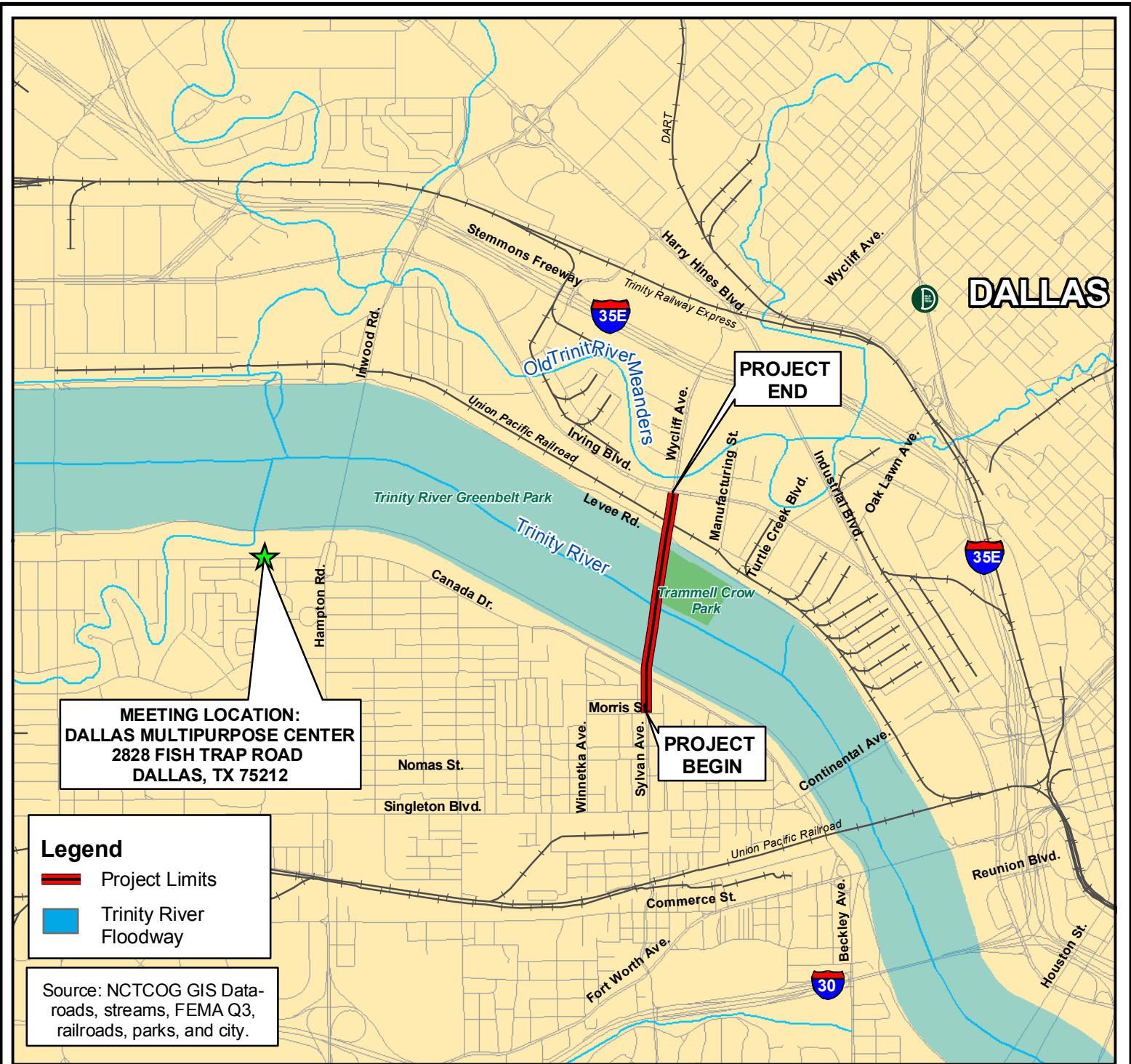
The proposed project crosses the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) designated 100-year floodplain south of the West Levee, between the levees, and north of the East Levee. The hydraulic design for the proposed project would be in accordance with current Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) design policies. Three water features, totaling approximately 0.84 acre, and one wetland feature, approximately 0.06 acre, are located within the proposed project area. The proposed project is authorized under Section 404 and Section 10 utilizing Nationwide Permits (NWP) 14 - *Linear Transportation Projects* and NWP 36 - *Boat Ramps*.

The existing facility would be closed to traffic during construction for approximately one year; therefore, detours would be required, temporary lane closures may occur, and there would be no access to Trammell Crow Park or the boat ramp. However, access to businesses and residences would be maintained at all times. The project is located within the Dallas Floodway which may be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), and in close proximity to Trammell Crow Park. Although no takings from these properties are proposed, coordination with the Texas Historical Commission (THC) and FHWA to determine potential impacts to the Dallas Floodway or to Trammell Crow Park is required and is in progress.

Persons interested in attending this public meeting who have special communication or accommodation needs should contact Ms. Shannon McCord at HNTB Corporation, (972) 628-3116, at least two working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Any request for language interpreters or other special communication needs should also be made at least two working days prior to the meeting. Every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs will be made.

All interested residents are invited to attend this public meeting. Maps, drawings, and other information about the project will be on display at the meeting. The project team staff will be available to assist in orientation and interpretation of the meeting materials as well as to answer questions regarding the proposed improvements. Project information is on file and available for inspection and copying at City of Dallas, Public Works & Transportation Department, 1500 Marilla Street, Room L1BS, Dallas, Texas 75201.

Verbal and written comments from the public may be submitted either in person at the meeting or by mail to: HNTB Corporation, Attn: Shannon McCord, 5910 W. Plano Parkway, Suite 200, Plano, Texas, 75093. Comments may be made up to 10 days after the meeting and must be postmarked by October 18, 2010, to be included as part of the public record.



PROJECT LOCATION MAP
Sylvan Avenue at Trinity River
From Morris Street
to Irving Boulevard

Categorical Exclusion
Dallas County, Texas
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