




McHard Road Extension Project (Mykawa Rd. to Cullen Pwky.)



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McHARD ROAD EXTENSION	

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• Project Schedule Update

- The McHard Road Extension Project is continuing to progress towards construction.
- Project Schedule Delays – the project schedule is being adjusted based on the extended Environmental Assessment (EA) approval process.
- The Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) is approximately 90% complete.
- Some activities since the last project update include:
 - Development of Roadway, Drainage, Detention, Traffic Control Plan, Topographic map, Landscape plan, Tree Protection, and Lighting plan.
 - Submittal of the Draft Geotechnical Report
 - Submittal of the Draft Drainage Report
 - Continued Coordination with other jurisdictions

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• Environmental Assessment (EA)

- The EA is a document that is made up of nine technical reports:
 - Socio-economic/Community Impacts Assessment
 - Biological Evaluation
 - Air Quality
 - Hazardous Material Initial Site Assessment
 - Noise Study
 - Water Resources
 - Indirect Impacts
 - Historical & Archeological Coordination
 - Cumulative Impact
- With the exception of the Historical & Archeological Coordination Report and the Cumulative Impact Report, all technical reports have been approved as submitted.

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- **Project Schedule Update**

- The McHard Road Extension Project construction schedule may be delayed until 1st Quarter of 2018
- The construction duration has not changed and is expected to take approximately 24 months to complete (*provided no unforeseen factors impact the schedule*)

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- The acquisition phase of the project was expected to begin in July 2016, however, due to the extended Environmental Assessment (EA) approval process, this phase has been delayed at least until the end of the year.
 - The EA approval process is taking longer than originally anticipated because:
 - The Federal government has changed the review process requiring additional documentation.
 - TxDOT, the government entity responsible for project oversight, has been inundated with Houston area flooding issues and is taking longer to review the submittals.

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- To mitigate some of the impact the extended EA review is having on the schedule, other activities have been on-going. These include:
 - The submission of a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The CLOMR is a statement that advises FEMA that upon construction, what, if any affect the project will have on the hydrologic or hydraulic characteristics of the floodway.
 - Began coordination for the Public Hearing. The Public Hearing is more formal than a public meeting and is held to gather public comments from all interested parties for the official public record
 - Design of the proposed road profile.
 - Design of the proposed cross drainage structures

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• Project Schedule Update

- The roadway is approximately 50% designed.
 - The final alignment will not be approved until the Draft EA is approved.
 - Utility Coordination is underway.
 - Both public (Centerpoint, Comcast, AT&T) and private (pipeline companies) have been contacted advising of potential conflicts.
 - Utility Coordination meeting is scheduled for September 26, 2016
 - Coordination has begun with Brazoria Drainage District #4
 - Coordination has begun with the US Army Corp of Engineers concerning the impact the project may have on navigable waters of the U.S. and area wetlands.
 - Submitted an application for an Individual Corp Permit

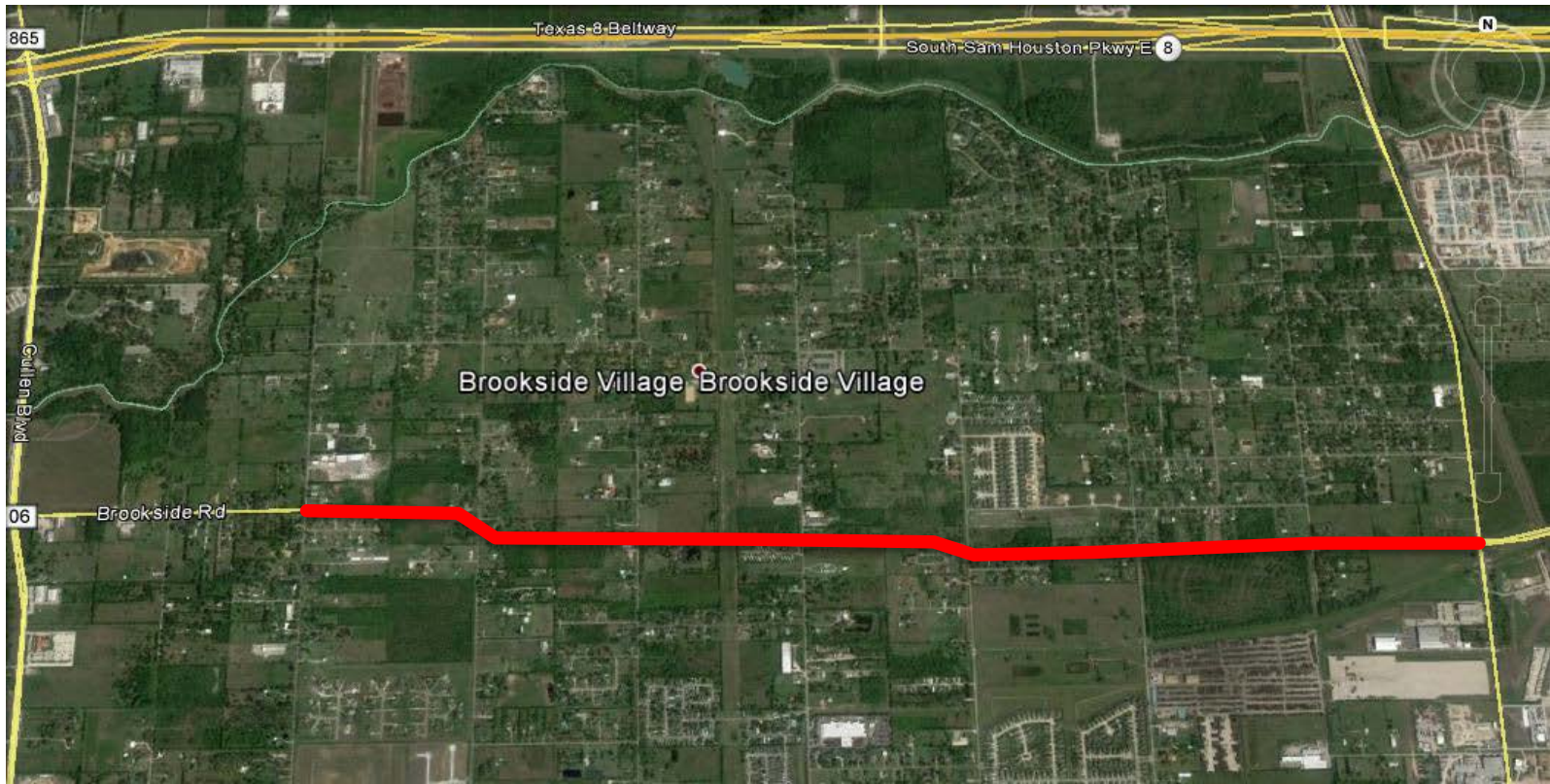
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- **Project Schedule Update**

- The Public Hearing meeting notification will be advertised in the local newspapers, and notices will be sent out via social media.
 - The meeting will include a presentation, speakers, a comment form, and exhibits. There will also be an opportunity to ask questions and provide comments.
 - Final roadway design can be completed after the environmental document is approved and the acquisitions are underway.

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Proposed McHard Road alignment shown here is for the purpose of discussion only. The actual alignment has yet to be determined.

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• REVISED PROJECT MILESTONES*

Dates subject to change

Activity	Approximate Beginning	Planned Duration	Planned Completion
Design Begins	Sep-14	31 months	Apr-17
**Environmental	Sep-14	27 months	Dec-16
Public Meeting	Jan-15	2 months	Feb-15
Public Hearing	Dec-16	1 month	Dec-16
**Right of Way Acquisition	Dec-16	9-12 months	Sep-Dec-17
**Construction Phase	Jan-18	24 months	Jan-20

* Schedule may be impacted by unforeseen factors which may cause unexpected delays.

** Revised dates

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- **Project Information**

- The City of Pearland has set up several means of providing project information to the public:
 - City of Pearland website: pearlandtx.gov/mchard
 - Everbridge, the City's E-notification system: pearlandtx.gov/alerts
 - Social Media
 - Facebook
 - Twitter
 - Instagram
 - City of Pearland Project Manager: Jennifer Lee: jlee@pearlandtx.gov