



# County of Panola

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September 4, 2018

Mr. Peter Smith  
TxDOT  
P.O. Box 149217  
Austin, Texas 78714-9217

RE: 2015 Transportation Alternatives Program Call


Dear Mr. Smith:

As you are aware, US 79 serves as a vital transportation corridor from East Texas to the Austin metropolitan area and south. It impacts the lives of hundreds and thousands of citizens who live and work in the East Texas area.

We are excited to let you know we are aware of and fully support any opportunity to add super 2's from Jewett to Hearne and Hearne to Rockdale on US 79. East Texans are familiar with US 79, as it is heavily traveled to avoid the traffic and delays on I-35. Additionally, upgrading the road to add super 2's will increase safety on the road allowing a lane for slower moving vehicles to travel in, while faster moving vehicles can pass. The NET RMA fully endorses the TxDOT in its pursuit to make US 79 a safer road for travelers while allowing for the increase in traffic by adding super 2s.

The NET RMA looks forward to this project coming to fruition. We are excited about this quality of life road expansion that super 2's will bring for East Texans traveling to Austin. Please let us know what else we can do to support the project.

Sincerely,

  
LeeAnn Jones  
Panola County Judge



# UNIFIED TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

## COMMENT FORM

This form is provided to receive your comments regarding the development of the Unified Transportation Program (UTP). Please use the space provided below, attaching additional pages as necessary. You may leave the form at the meeting, or mail it to the address provided below. You may also submit comments through the TxDOT website, [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov), using search engine keyword: UTP or by email at [TPP\\_UTP@txdot.gov](mailto:TPP_UTP@txdot.gov). We appreciate your interest and value your input.

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Texas Department of Transportation  
Attention: Unified Transportation Program  
P.O. BOX 149217  
Austin, TX 78714-9217

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(Texas Transportation Code, §201.811(a)(5)): check each of the following boxes that apply to you:

- I am employed by TxDOT
- I do business with TxDOT
- I could benefit monetarily from the project or other item about which I am commenting

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