



Tier I Site Assessment

Main CSJ: 0912-72-385

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Date of Evaluation: August 10, 2020

Proposed Letting Date: June 2021

Project not assigned to TxDOT under the NEPA Assignment MOU

District(s): Houston

County(ies): Harris

Roadway Name: Westpark Drive

Limits From: South Dairy Ashford Road

Limits To: Wilcrest Drive

Project Description: The proposed project will include widening and reconstruction of the 2.13-mile portion of Westpark Drive from a two-lane road to a four-lane boulevard with sidewalks, bike lanes, street lighting, traffic control, storm water drainage, and relocation of the underground utilities. The proposed typical section will have two 12-foot (ft) wide lanes in each direction divided by a 32-ft median with associated sidewalks on either side of the road. No Right-of-Way (ROW) acquisition is proposed.

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 9, 2019, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

- 1. No Is the project limited to a maintenance activity exempt from coordination?
<http://txdot.gov/inside-tdot/division/environmental/maintenance-program.html>
- 2. No Has the project previously completed coordination with TPWD?
- 3. No Is the project within range of a state threatened or endangered species or SGCN and suitable habitat is present?

Date [TPWD County](#) List Accessed: July 2020

Date that the NDD was accessed: August 3, 2020

What agency performed the NDD search? TPWD

- 4. No NDD and TCAP review indicates adverse impacts to remnant vegetation?
- 5. No Does the project require a NWP with PCN or IP by USACE?

Comments:

Based on a wetland delineation conducted in June 2020, the two man-made drainage ditches and the roadside ditch in the Subject Property are determined likely non-jurisdictional. The USACE is the final authority to make an



official jurisdictional determination for WOUS. An Approved Jurisdictional Determination (AJD) will be submitted to the USACE. If it is determined that a NWP or IP from the USACE is required, this document will be amended.

- 6. No Does the project include more than 200 linear feet of stream channel for each single and complete crossing of one or more of the following that is not already channelized or otherwise maintained:
- 7. No Does the project contain known isolated wetlands outside the TxDOT ROW that will be directly impacted by the project?
- 8. No Would the project impact at least 0.10 acre of riparian vegetation?
- 9. No Does project disturb a habitat type in an area equal to or greater than the area of disturbance indicated in the Threshold Table Programmatic Agreement?

*Attach associated file of EMST output (Mapper Report or other Excel File which includes MOU Type, Ecosystem Name, Common/Vegetation Type Name) in ECOS

Excel File Name:

EMST Table.pdf

- 9.1. Yes Is there a discrepancy between actual habitat(s) and EMST mapped habitat(s)?

*Explain:

See attached EMST MOU Threshold Table PDF and Figures.pdf for Figure 2: 2020 Aerial Photograph with EMST Vegetation Classification and Figure 3: 2020 Aerial Photograph with EMST Actual Vegetation Map.

The TPWD EMST map shows the vast majority of the the project area as Urban Low Intensity. During the field survey, it was determined that a larger percentage of the project area contained Urban High Intensity, based on TPWD's description of the vegetation type.

The field surveys verified the following habitat types: Urban Low Intensity, Urban High Intensity.

Attach file showing discrepancy between actual and EMST mapped habitat(s).

File Name:

Figures.pdf

Is TPWD Coordination Required?

No - No coordination is required because no Coordination Conditions or MOU triggers were met.



Suggested Attachments

Aerial Map (with delineated project boundaries)

USFWS T&E List

TPWD T&E List

Species Analysis Summary

NDD EOID List and Tracked Managed Areas (Required for TPWD Coordination)

EMST Project MOU Summary Table (Required for TPWD Coordination)

TPWD SGCN List

Photos (Required for TPWD Coordination)

Previous TPWD Coordination Documentation (if applicable)