

## Appendix F: Consulting Party Comments

## Chad Putnam

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**From:** Chad Putnam  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 03, 2019 11:33 AM  
**To:** Sarah Stubblefield  
**Cc:** Linda Henderson  
**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL EMAIL]Southeast Connector ~ CS:J 0008-13-125, etc.

**Categories:** 0008-13-125

Thank you for your response, Sarah. As it currently stands, the proposed project would remain within the existing right-of-way in the area of Hawkins Cemetery. If any design changes occur that would impact the cemetery, I will make sure to let you know.

Thanks,

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**From:** Sarah Stubblefield [mailto:Sarah.Stubblefield@arlingtontx.gov]  
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Chad,

Thank you for this thorough evaluation of the proposed Southeast Connector project, related to historical resources. I know the City of Arlington is very pleased with the progress on this project and is eager for its completion. Regarding the specific historic preservation findings you have listed below:

- Does CLG agree with our findings and are the above properties the only known historic resources in the project area?

Yes, based on the Texas Historical Commission resources, and the City of Arlington Historic Resources Survey (2007) there are no additional known resources within the project area within the city limits of the City of Arlington.

- Does CLG have any additional information about these or other historic resources including pre-1976 historic buildings, structures, objects, cemeteries or other historic resources that may be important locally within the project area?

If there is potential impact to the property including Hawkins Cemetery (5301 US 287), we are happy to facilitate conversations to protect the integrity of this historic resource. These property owners have taken great care to maintain this private cemetery in perpetuity, and to acknowledge its significance to the Arlington community.

- Does CLG have general comments or questions about how our project could impact the historic properties in the project area?

Not at this time.

Thanks!



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Dear Ms. Stubblefield:

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is proposing to reconstruct and add capacity to Interstate Highway (I) 20, I-820 and United States Highway (US) 287 including three major interchanges in southeast Tarrant County within the cities of Arlington, Forest Hill, Fort Worth, and Kennedale. The major interchanges are the I-820/US 287 Interchange, the I-20/I-820 Interchange, and the I-20/US 287 Interchange. This project spans approximately 16 miles and would add main lanes and frontage roads to I-20 from Forest Hill Drive to Park Springs Boulevard, I-820 from I-20 to Brentwood Stair Road, and US 287 from Bishop Street to Sublett Road. New frontage roads would be constructed at various locations, and bicycle and pedestrian accommodations would be provided throughout. The project is collectively referred to as the “Southeast Connector.”

Environmental issues, including the identification of historic properties, are scheduled to be resolved by May 31, 2020. When resolved, the project will be cleared for construction. Please see the attached map for the proposed project location.

A recent newsletter regarding this project has been attached to this email for your convenience.

**Study Area Scope:** 1300 feet from edge of existing or proposed new right-of-way and easements.

### **Previously Evaluated Historic Resources**

A review of the Texas Historical Commission's (THC) Texas Historic Sites Atlas (Atlas), the TxDOT Historic Bridge Survey database, and TxDOT Historic Districts and Properties databases resulted in the identification of one historic district previously determined eligible for NRHP listing, the Carver Heights Historic District (Criterion A: Ethnic Heritage, evaluated 2014).

In 2004, a previous survey of the project area (excluding the section from Brentwood Stair Road to Meadowbrook Drive) resulted in the identification of 202 historic-age properties (built in or before 1955), surveyed in 2001-2003. Two of these properties were recommended eligible: a 1928 bungalow at 3001 Louise Street (Site No. 118, Criterion C: Architecture), and the Hawkins Cemetery (Site No. 161, Criterion A: Exploration and Settlement). A follow-up intensive survey of the F.E. and Mamie Wolff Addition in 2006 covered a small neighborhood on the north end of the project area consisting of 75 Ranch style homes built between 1955 and 1956. The intensive survey recommended the neighborhood as not eligible for NRHP listing.

### **Previously Designated Historic Properties**

A review of the THC Atlas and survey files, the National Park Service NRHP database, the TxDOT Historic Districts and Properties database, the list of non-archeological State Antiquities Landmarks (SAL), and the list of Recorded Texas Historic Landmarks (RTHL) resulted in the identification of no individually listed or designated historic properties. One OTHM for the Hawkins Cemetery is within the project study area. Two cemeteries –the Henderson Cemetery and the Hawkins Cemetery – are within the project study area.

### **Previously Designated Historic Districts**

A review of the THC Atlas and survey files, the National Park Service NRHP database, the list of non-archeological State Antiquities Landmarks (SAL), and the list of Recorded Texas Historic Landmarks (RTHL) resulted in the identification of two NRHP-listed historic districts in the project study area, the Central Handley Historic District (Criteria A and C: Commerce, Community Planning and Development, Architecture; listed 2002) and the Masonic Widows and Orphans Home Historic District (Criteria A and C: Social History, Architecture; listed 1992).

### **Description of Impacts**

Much of the improvements for the proposed undertaking are planned for within existing right-of-way. Small sections of additional right-of-way are proposed at select locations to accommodate improvements to the roadway where existing right-of-way would be insufficient. No right-of-way is proposed from the boundaries of the listed or previously determined eligible NRHP properties. Given the long-term existence of the roadways under study and all determinations of eligibility made after their construction, it is anticipated that the proposed undertaking would have no adverse effect to historic properties.

We request the CLG's help to locate historic properties within our project area. Historic properties are generally those that are 50 years old that are listed in, or eligible to be listed in, the National Register of Historic Places. If you would, please respond to this email by September 22, 2019 and answer the following questions:

- Does CLG agree with our findings and are the above properties the only known historic resources in the project area?
- Does CLG have any additional information about these or other historic resources including pre-1976 historic buildings, structures, objects, cemeteries or other historic resources that may be important locally within the project area?
- Does CLG have general comments or questions about how our project could impact the historic properties in the project area?

Thank you for your assistance in this project. If you have any questions or need additional information, I would encourage you to email either myself ([Chad.Putnam@txdot.gov](mailto:Chad.Putnam@txdot.gov)) or Linda Henderson ([Linda.Henderson@txdot.gov](mailto:Linda.Henderson@txdot.gov)) our Historic Preservation Specialist for the Fort Worth District.

Thanks,

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