

Welcome!

Douglas Commercial Land Port of Entry Connector Road Public Hearing & Open House

Please sign in at the Welcome Table

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Agenda:

5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Open House: view display boards, roll plots, project documents;
ask questions, submit comments

5:30 - 6:00 p.m. Presentation

6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Formal public hearing: panel will listen to public comments only;
questions can be asked at the open house

Study Overview

An Environmental Assessment (EA) and engineering study/Design Concept Report (DCR) are being conducted to evaluate the location of a new proposed connector road from State Route 80 to the planned Douglas Land Port of Entry (LPOE) for commercial vehicles.

The study team has prepared a Draft EA and DCR that will:

- Prepare engineering concepts of options for improvements.
 - Includes a No-Build option in which no connector road is made.
- Prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) to evaluate impacts of the options.
- Seek input on the options from the public and affected areas.
- Select a Build Alternative that best meets study goals and has agency and public support.

What is the Preferred Alternative?

The Preferred Alternative was developed using a consensus-based process between ADOT, the GSA, Cochise County, and the city of Douglas, along with community input.

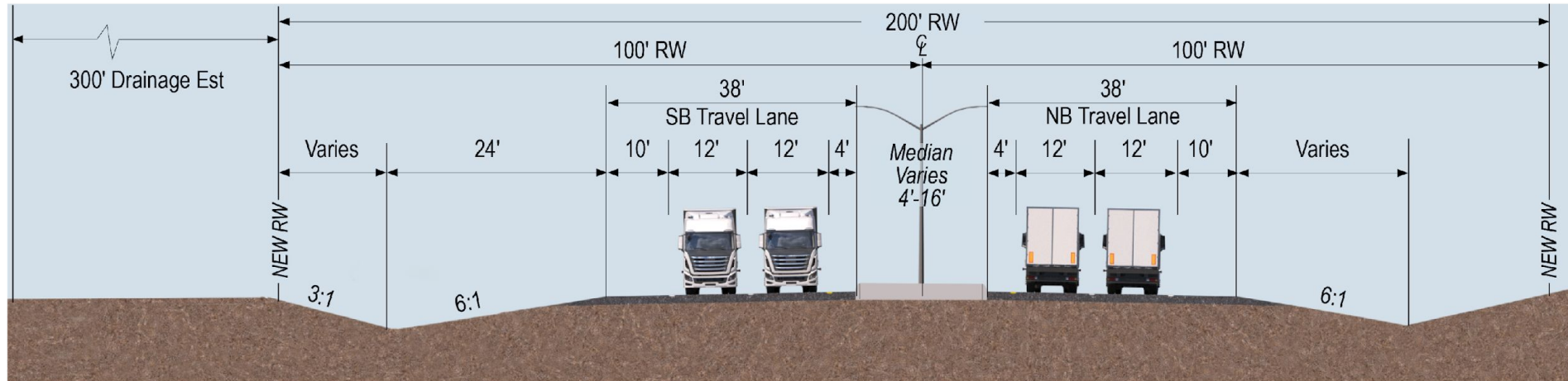
Alternative 1 has been identified as the Preferred Alternative because it satisfies the study's purpose and need and will provide the most direct route between SR 80 and the new commercial land port of entry. This results in less right-of-way acquisition, less disturbance from temporary construction and drainage easements, less construction costs, and the most direct north-south traffic movement into the proposed commercial land port of entry.

Preferred Alternative



Preferred Alternative Cross Section

JAMES RANCH ROAD (ULTIMATE)
Sta 118+00 to 188+40



NOT TO SCALE, FOR VISUALIZATION PURPOSES ONLY

TYPICAL CONNECTOR ROAD CROSS SECTION
(LOOKING NORTH)

Explanation of NEPA

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires agencies to analyze, disclose, avoid, minimize or mitigate adverse environmental impacts for projects with federal involvement. NEPA requires that applicable federal agencies review the project's impacts and mitigations documented during the NEPA process.

An Environmental Assessment (EA) is the NEPA document that has been prepared to evaluate potential impacts of the Douglas Commercial LPOE Connector Road Study. This EA describes the need for the proposed action, alternatives developed for the proposed action and the environmental impacts of the Preferred Alternative and No-Build Alternative.

The environmental review, consultation and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being or have been carried out by ADOT pursuant to 23 USC 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated 6/25/2024 and executed by FHWA and ADOT.

What is a No-Build Alternative?

The No-Build Alternative is used as a baseline to compare against the build alternatives.

The No-Build Alternative provides the SR 80, Douglas Commercial Land Port of Entry Study team with a basis against which social, environmental and economic impacts can be measured. The No-Build Alternative represents the existing transportation system with ongoing maintenance and any improvement projects that have been previously programmed for construction.

The No-Build Alternative does not meet the study's purpose and need and received no notable support from the stakeholders or from public feedback.

Project Timeline

The study is currently in the Draft EA and DCR phase. During this phase, the public is given opportunities to review and comment on the Draft EA and DCR for the SR 80, Douglas Commercial LPOE Connector Road Study.

Feedback from the public, stakeholders, agencies and partners was also previously sought to help guide the study evaluation process and the development of the Draft EA and DCR for the Study.

Study Timeline

