

Lexington East Viaduct

Project No. RRZ-TMT-1705(3) | Control No 61457

September 12, 2019 | 4:00-6:00 PM

City Council Chambers - Lexington Municipal Building
406 E 7th Street, Lexington, NE

LOCATION

Identified as **Lexington East Viaduct**, this proposed project would construct a viaduct and roadway improvements in the vicinity of County Road 435, the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) crossing, and US Highway 30 (US-30) on the east side of Lexington in Dawson County.

PURPOSE & NEED

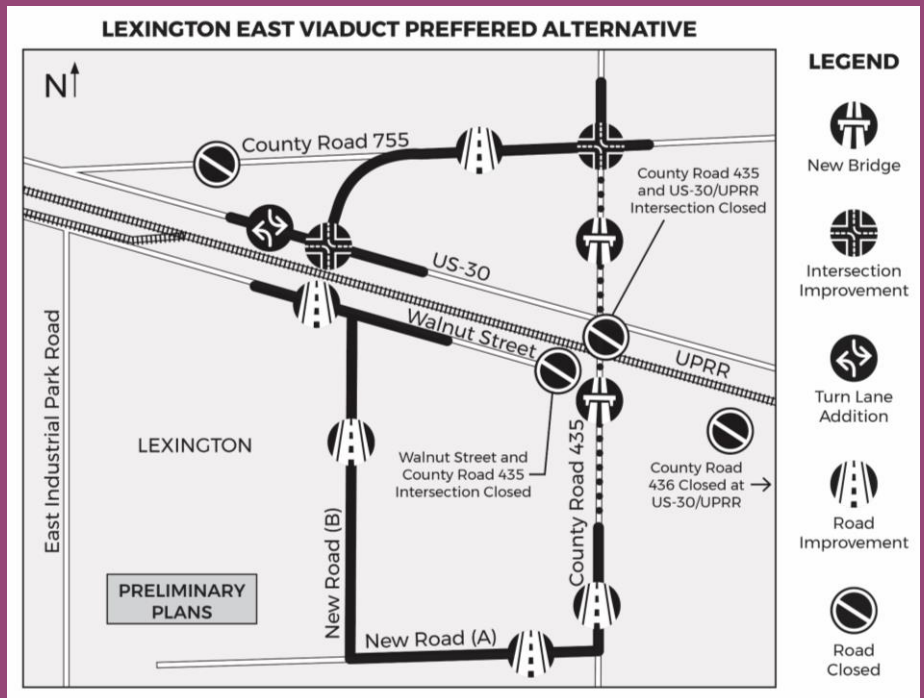
The purpose of this project is to improve traffic flow around the intersection of County Road 435, US-30 and the UPRR. The needs for this project are to reduce crashes on County Road 435 near US-30 and the UPRR crossings, reduce delays for vehicles crossing the UPRR tracks along County Road 435 and provide accessibility that is consistent with plans approved by the City of Lexington.

SCOPE OF WORK

The proposed project would construct a new north-south viaduct along County Road 435 over the UPRR and US-30 and close the existing at-grade crossing of the UPRR tracks at County Road 435 and County Road 436. As part of the development of this project, the City of Lexington would construct two new local roads to maintain access in the area, realign County Road 755 from County Road 435 to provide an optimal intersection with US-30, and create turn lanes and shoulders for US-30 at the relocated intersection of County Road 755.

PROJECT HISTORY

The City of Lexington held a public meeting for the proposed project on November 7, 2013 at the Lexington Municipal Building to present the purpose and need and the proposed alternatives developed for the proposed project. As a result of public feedback and further screening, two of the four alternatives were eliminated from further evaluation. The No Build Alternative (do nothing) and the Preferred Alternative to build a new north-south viaduct over the UPRR and US-30 were carried forward for a detailed evaluation in the Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA). The DEA presents the alternatives evaluated, impacts identified, and proposed mitigation measures for the project; which were based on social, economic, and environmental analyses conducted for the project.



ACCOMODATION OF TRAFFIC

The proposed project would not be constructed under traffic and would require detouring US-30 and local traffic. A designated detour for US-30 traffic would be provided utilizing US Highway 283 (US-283), Interstate 80 (I-80), and Nebraska Link 24B (L-24B). A designated detour for local traffic would be provided utilizing County Road 756 and Taft Street north of US-30 and US-283 and East Walnut Street or County Road 754 south of US-30.

If your property is impacted by this project, you will be contacted by a representative once the design footprint has been established.

RIGHT-OF-WAY

This project would require the acquisition of additional property rights which could include new right-of-way (ROW), permanent easements (PE), and/or temporary easements (TE).

Current access to several businesses would change. Access to adjacent properties would be maintained during construction. Access may be limited due to phasing requirements.

ESTIMATED COST

The cost of the proposed project is approximately \$9.6 million and would derive from federal and city funding sources.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

Anticipated 2-year construction could start as early as spring of 2021 and be completed by fall of 2023.

OPPORTUNITIES TO REVIEW THE DEA

The DEA can be reviewed at the following locations during regular business hours:

Lexington Municipal Building

406 E 7th Street
Lexington, NE

Dawson County Courthouse

700 N Washington Street
Lexington, NE

Lexington Public Library

907 N Washington Street
Lexington, NE

NDOT Headquarters

1500 Highway 2
Lincoln, NE

FHWA Nebraska Division

100 Centennial Mall N.
Lincoln, NE

The DEA is also available for review on

City of Lexington website

<http://www.cityoflex.com/find-info/city-services/public-records>

Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) website

<https://dot.nebraska.gov/projects/environment/pubs/project-docs/>

Written comments or requests should be submitted by
SEPTEMBER 27, 2019 to:

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