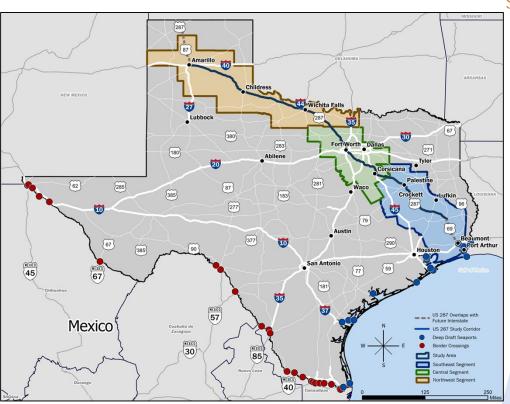


US 287 CORRIDOR INTERSTATE FEASIBILITY STUDY



From Port Arthur to I-40/US 287



STUDY OVERVIEW.

The Texas Department of Transportation is conducting a study of the entire US 287 corridor from Port Arthur to I-40/US 287 in Amarillo, a span of 652 miles. The US 287 corridor serves as a major connection route for freight traffic and intermodal travel and passes through both rural and urban areas throughout the state, connecting small towns and major metropolitan areas. The section of US 287 north of Amarillo has undergone examination and is currently being implemented as part of the Ports to Plains System in Texas. However, it is not included in this US 287 Corridor Interstate Feasibility Study.

STUDY PURPOSE

To evaluate interstate feasibility and prioritized improvements for safety, connectivity, and mobility along US 287.

STUDY AREA OUICK FACTS.

TxDOT Districts

55 Counties

68 Cities

MPOs/COGs 6

Military Installations

Public Seaports

~ 8M (28% of the state) Population in the Study Area

\$510B GDP

Within the study area

44% freight value growth Between 2021 and 2050

KEY CONSIDERATIONS



SAFFTY



CONGESTION



PASSENGER & FREIGHT



INTERMODAL







OPERATIONS & EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES



ASSET PRESERVATION





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STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT & PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

This study will be guided through a corridor-wide Steering Committee with input from three Segment Working Groups, TxDOT Districts and Divisions, the public, and private sectors. Key stakeholders include:

- County Judges and City Mayors, or their representatives
- Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), Councils of Government (COGs), and Rural Planning Organizations (RPOs)
- Chambers of Commerce and Economic Development Organizations
- Regional interest groups
- Statewide trade associations representing industry
- Deep draft ports, class 1 railroads, intermodal freight facilities, and general cargo airports
- Military installations



STEERING COMMITTEE













SCHEDULE

Key Tasks	2023		2024				2025	
	Fall	Winter	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter	Spring	
Introductory Meetings, Evaluate Existing Conditions & Needs Assessment	*	*	**					
Develop Strategies & Prioritization Considerations				**	\			
Prioritize Improvement Strategies					**			
Develop Implementation Plan					*	*		









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