

Mapped Comments from March 25th, 2015 FM150 Public Workshop:

<https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=zF01KqzUbx28.kcQRqFoEio7A>

Instructions:

Clicking the link above will take you to a Google map that shows the comments received at the March 25th, 2015 FM150 Public Workshop. Because the majority of comments pertained to general areas rather than particular points, comments were grouped into five main regions (Dripping Springs, Driftwood, the Onion Creek Crossings, the 3237 Intersection, and Kyle) and four additional regions covering the areas between each of the main locations. Comments that pertained to the corridor as a whole were grouped together as well and displayed on the map at an arbitrary location northeast of the FM150 corridor. The comments were entered exactly as received from the public; neither the words nor the category were altered. When you open the map there are a few things to note:

1. On the top left you will see a list of the five comment categories displayed with their associated colors: Safety (yellow), Historical & Personal Property (pink), Environmental (purple), Aesthetics (blue), and Mobility (orange). You can click the check boxes next to each category to turn on or off its display on the map.
2. On the map itself you will see five dots at each of the ten locations mentioned above, one for each comment category. Clicking on the dot will bring up a list of all comments received at that location for the given category. For example, if you wanted to see all of the comments related to Aesthetics in Driftwood, you would find Driftwood on the map and then click on the blue dot shown there.
3. Aerial photography can be turned on by clicking the box in the lower left of the map that says "Satellite," and turned off again by clicking the same box (which will have changed to say "Map").

Themes:

Below is a list of common themes taken from the comments received. Again, these themes are taken from the comments received thus far. They will be evaluated again after the close of the comment period on April 25, 2015.

- Do not alter FM150.
- Go around major locations (e.g. Dripping Springs, Driftwood, Onion Creek Crossings).
- Preserve heritage "Hill Country feel" of the road and area; FM150 is a road meant to be driven slowly in order to appreciate the views and wildlife.
- Preserve historically and culturally significant items (e.g. churches, cemeteries, ranches, etc.).
- Revamp FM150/Darden Hill Road intersection.
- Extend 1826 to RR12.
- Preserve low water crossings.
- Do not alter Elder Hill Road.
- Maintain rural character offered by two-lane road rather than widening ROW and expanding to four lanes.
- Concern about additional pavement causing more runoff into creeks since much of corridor is in the contributing zone of the Edwards aquifer.
- Concern about widening requiring people to give up significant portions of their land, especially land that has been in their families for long periods of time.
- Increase environmental zone from Onion Creek Crossings to Driftwood due to endangered species habitat.
- Yorks Creek crossing is compromised after dam broke.
- Concern about the effects a larger roadway and more traffic would have on area wildlife.
- Due to the rural, residential nature of FM150, concern about the speed at which many people drive on it.