TxDOT held its Public Meeting with our Copperfield community on June 14, 2005 at Lowery Elementary School. This Public Meeting was in an "open house format" for public viewing and comment. No media was in attendance. The Public Meeting commenced at 6:00 p.m. and ended at 8:00 p.m.

TxDOT fulfilled its legal requirement of notification by placing their Notice of Public Meeting in the Classified Ads section of the Houston Chronicle on May 15, 2005, June 4, 2005, and June 8, 2005. TxDOT’s statement of purpose for this Public Meeting is that "TxDOT is developing a preliminary design for improving the SH 6 and FM 529 interchange". TxDOT chose to use the word "Interchange". TxDOT unveiled its proposed overpass for our community in the form of the TxDOT Proposed Overpass Project.

In an interview with TxDOT Spokesman Norm Wigington as reported on www.houstonchronicle.com on June 8, 2005 at 6:47 p.m., Wigington is quoted as saying that "no alternatives were considered to the TxDOT Proposed Overpass Project".

TxDOT Public Meeting Attendants were present to advise our community of the TxDOT Proposed Overpass Project and to solicit the required Public Comment Form. TxDOT's Exhibit stated the "Purpose and Need for the SH 6 at FM 529 Interchange Project" as follows:

(1) SH 6 is a designated Hurricane Evacuation Route

(2) Improve Traffic Mobility

(3) Reduce Traffic Congestion

It is important to note that the need to improve Safety was not addressed at the Public Meeting.

This TxDOT Public Meeting with our Copperfield community was attended by 101 individuals, as confirmed by the Public Sign-In Sheets. This attendance figure is small, due to the fact that there was no notification or early signage given our residential Copperfield community by our Copperfield Community Association. House District 130 Representative Corbin Van Arsdale was in attendance.

The TxDOT "Public Meeting Summary Report - June 14, 2005" includes our Community's completed Public Comment Forms. The completed Public Comment Forms clearly indicate that those individuals who chose to submit their Public Comment Form are overwhelmingly opposed to the TxDOT Proposed Overpass Project. The Public Comment Forms from 150 Copperfield residents and business owners OPPOSED the TxDOT Proposed Overpass Project. Public Comment Forms from 19 individuals were IN FAVOR of the TxDOT Proposed Overpass Project. It is important to note that 9 of these 19 individuals who were proponents WERE NOT residents of the Seven Villages of Copperfield. This Report, as well as the TxDOT Plan-to-Scale, are available for review at our Copperfield Community Center on Willow River Drive.