STATE PROJECT NO. H.000284, H.000286
FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. H000284, H000286
US 90 PEARL RIVER BRIDGES
ST.TAMMANY PARISH, LOUISIANA; HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
OPEN HOUSE PUBLIC HEARING
to review the draft Environmental Assessment

October 20, 2026
Pearlington Recovery Center
5265 Highway 604
Pearlington, Mississippi 39572
4:30 pm – 7:00 pm

October 26, 2026
Northshore High School
100 Panther Drive
Slidell, Louisiana 70461
4:30 pm – 7:00 pm

Thank you for attending this Open House Public Hearing for the proposed **US 90 PEARL RIVER BRIDGES** project and the associated draft environmental assessment (EA). In this handout you will find information about the proposed project, including a project description and a location map. Also included is a comment form which can be submitted tonight or post marked by **November 6, 2026**.

Project team members are stationed throughout the room to discuss the project and answer your questions.

Comments are encouraged and welcomed throughout the project. The primary ways to submit comments are through written comments or oral comments. Written comments can be submitted at the Public Hearing or to the following address postmarked by November 6, 2026, to be included in the Public Hearing transcript. Comments should include the name and address of the person commenting.

Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development
Environmental Engineer Administrator, Section 28
P.O. Box 94245
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9245
Attention: Carey Coxe
or submit comment electronically at the website below:

https://www.dotd.la.gov/about/office-of-project-delivery/planning/environmental/projects-public-notices/district-62-st-tammany/

Oral comments may also be provided to project representatives during the hearing; just look for the comments table. In addition, during the Public Comment Session, the public will have the opportunity to make oral statements that will be recorded for the official transcript. If you are interested in speaking during this time, please complete a Comment Card and sign up at the Comments Table, located near the entrance. The Public Comment Session will start at 6:00 pm. Oral statements will be allotted three to five minutes, depending on the number of individual commentors.

At this meeting you will find five (5) stations:

Station 1: Sign-in Table
At this station, there are sign-in sheets for General Public, Elected and Other Officials, Agency Personnel, and News Media. Please sign in on the appropriate sheet.

Station 2: Exhibits
This station will consist of a maps and overlays that show the proposed project and panels summarizing the environmental impacts.

Station 3: Continuous Presentation
This presentation will provide an overview of the project.

Station 4: Real Estate
At this station, you will find information about the Acquisition of Right of Way and Relocation Assistance Program, which is administered in compliance with the federal laws outlined in the "Uniform Relocation Assistance Act" as amended. A representative will be present to address your questions.

Station 5: Comment Table
At this station, comments can be made verbally or in writing. A recording device is available at this table for verbal comments. The last page of this handout is a comment form that you may use. Comments can be turned in during this meeting or mailed to the address on the back of the form. Additional comment forms are also available to be taken with you. Please note that comments mailed after this meeting must be postmarked no later than **November 6, 2026**, to be included as part of the meeting transcript.

We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to provide input on the proposed **US 90 PEARL RIVER BRIDGES** project. Thank you for attending this public hearing and for providing input.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LADOTD) in conjunction with Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) is proposing the replacement of five bridge structures associated with the Pearl River system along US 90 in St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana and Hancock County, Mississippi. The bridges cross the West Pearl, West Middle Pearl, Middle Middle Pearl, East Middle Pearl Rivers in St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana and East Pearl River in St. Tammany Parish and Hancock County Mississippi. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is the lead Federal agency for the project.

The existing US 90 roadway is a two lane rural arterial roadway with 12-foot travel lanes and 8 foot paved shoulders. The existing roadway section for US 90 meets the minimum design guidelines, however, the existing bridge segments do not. The bridges do not have shoulders and some bridges do not provide the minimum required roadway clearance. According to the LADOTD traffic Assignment Study, dated August 11, 2016, the (2039) Average Daily Traffic (ADT) on this section of US 90 was approximately 3,000 vehicles per day. However, the ADT is now 0. In March of 2021, the roadway was closed from west of the West Pearl River Bridge to west of the East Pearl River Bridge due to the poor condition of the bridges along the route.

PURPOSE AND NEED

The purposes of the proposed action are to improve the structural integrity and functionality of the bridges; to reopen the roadway; and to maintain system linkage on US 90, specifically in the event of a traffic diversion from Interstate 10. The West Pearl, West Middle Pearl, Middle Middle Pearl, and East Middle Pearl River bridges do not meet minimum requirements for a Rural Arterial roadway, have been classified as structurally deficient and were closed to vehicular traffic due to their condition. The East Pearl River Bridge must allow for river navigation. The bridge is classified as structurally deficient and does not meet the minimum requirements for a Rural Arterial roadway though it remains open to local traffic.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS

Detailed information about the project alternatives considered is available in the draft Environmental Assessment (EA). The EA and appendices can be viewed on LADOTD's public website at https://www.dotd.la.gov/about/office-of-project-delivery/planning/environmental/projects-public-notices/district-62-st-tammany/

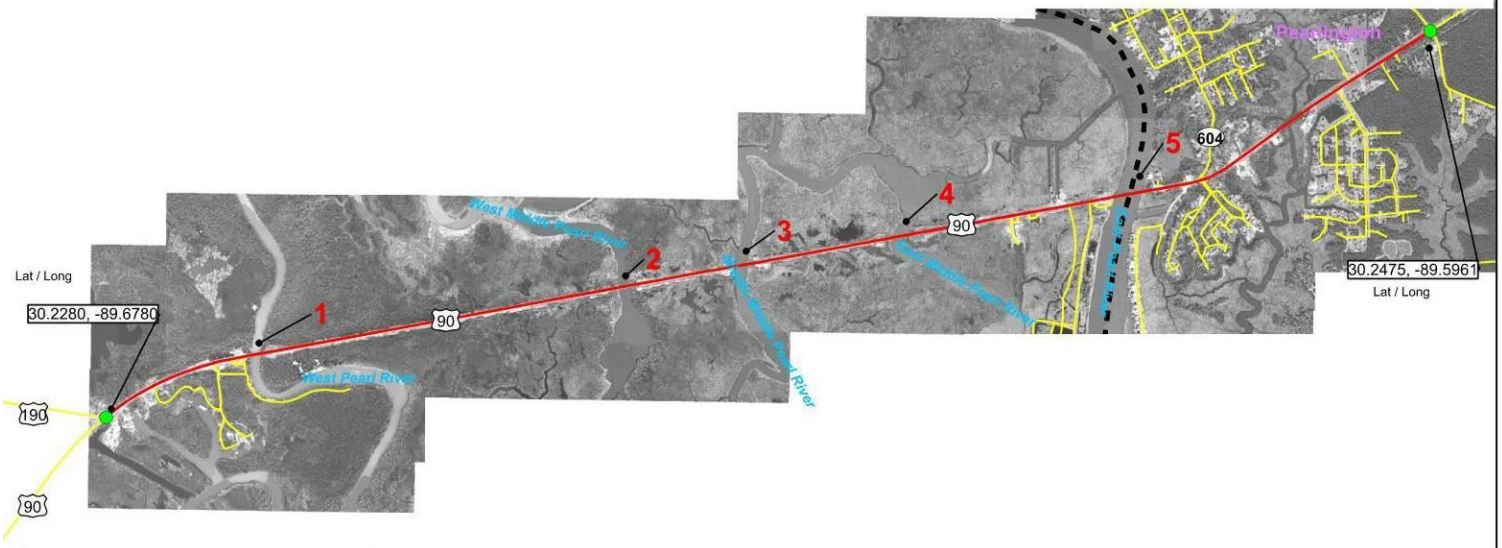
Hard copies of the EA are available for public review at the following locations: St. Tammany Parish Public Library-Slidell Branch 555 Robert Blvd Slidell, LA 70458; St. Tammany Parish Public Library-South Slidell Branch 3901 Pontchartrain Drive Slidell, LA 70458; Hancock County Public Library-Pearlington Branch 6096 First Avenue, Pearlington, MS; Louisiana State Library 701 N. 4th St., Baton Rouge, LA 70802 and LADOTD Headquarters, 1201 Capitol Access Road, Baton Rouge, LA 70802.

	ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS SCHEDULE:
✓	Complete Environmental Inventory
✓	Identify Preferred Alternative
✓	Prepare Environmental Assessment (EA)
✓	Distribute EA for Public Comments
✓	Host Public Hearing— TONIGHT
	Review and Incorporate Public Comments into EA
	Prepare Final EA Report
	Issue Decision

Project Location

Map No.	Structure Number	Structure Type	Water Body Crossing
1	62520060705291	Movable: Lift-Span	West Pearl River
2	62520060706701	Pony Truss - Warren Truss	West Middle Pearl River
3	62520060707111	Pony Truss - Warren Truss	Middle Middle Pearl River
4	62520060707701	Pony Truss - Warren Truss	East Middle Pearl River
5	62520060800001	Movable: Swing - Through Truss (Parker Truss)	East Pearl River

NOTE: Logical Termini are the intersections of US 90 with US 190 and Kelly Rd/7th Ave and latitude and longitude data are in decimal format



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Figure ES-1

Study Area

Legend

- Logical Termini
- Project Limits
- Roadway Network
- LA/MS State Boundary Line

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H.000284 US 90: PEARL RIVER BRIDGES AND H.000286 EAST PEARL RIVER BRIDGE
ROUTE US 90
ST. TAMMANY PARISH, LA

Prepared For:

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LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION & DEVELOPMENT

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Please provide your comments below regarding the project. When complete, please return this form to **Station 5 – Comment Table**. To mail, fold the form in half with the address showing on the outside and seal. Comments received tonight or post marked by **November 6 2026**, will become part of the transcript of this meeting.

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