

MEMOMarch 20, 2017

To:

Clayton Ripps, P.E.

Transportation Planning Director

From:

Design Division

Subject:

Interstate Access Justification Request

CSJ 0025-02-193 Bexar County

I-10/US 90 between Presa Road and Probandt

Attached is a copy of the FHWA final decision for the subject project.

After considerable review, discussions, and revisions the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has denied the request for access based on an unacceptable operational impact on I-10 due to the proposed additional access.

FHWA recommends the Frontage Road Alternative be developed to address the City of San Antonio goals and objectives.

We thank the hard work done by the City of San Antonio planning and engineering team and the San Antonio District for their efforts to move this project forward. Please contact myself at 512.416.2673 or contact Jane Lundquist at 512.416.2708 if there are further questions.

Sincerely

Thomas D. Beeman, P.E. Director, Field Section B



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Bexar County I-10/US-90 between South Presa and Probant CSJ: 0025-02-193 Interstate Access Justification Report

Mr. Thomas D. Beeman, P.E. Director, Field Section B 125 E. 11th Street Texas Department of Transportation Austin, Texas 78701-2483

Dear Mr. Beeman:

We have completed our review of the revised Interstate Access Justification Report (IAJR) for the subject project submitted by your letter dated September 22, 2016. The Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) of the Presa Ramps project proposes a partial diamond Interchange on IH-10 by adding an auxiliary lane and a proposed exit ramp along eastbound (EB) IH-10/US 90 that will tie into Presa Street; and an entrance ramp from Presa Street to IH 10 westbound (WB) and widening IH-10/US90 by adding an auxiliary lane, which will tie to the existing entrance ramp to Probandt Street.

Based on a thorough review of the revised IAJR, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has determined that the proposed partial interchange would result in an unacceptable operational deterioration on IH-10; therefore the request is denied. FHWA recommends additional consideration of Frontage Road Alternative that was presented in the IAJR, but not carried forward for detailed analysis. This option appears to address the project's primary goals and objectives without the need to introduce new access on IH-10.

FHWA greatly appreciates the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT's) coordination and cooperation in evaluating this complex project. Please contact me, or Mr. Justin Ham, P.E., Urban Engineer, at 512-536-5961 if you need additional information.

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District Engineer

Cc: Mario Jorge, P.E., District Engineer, San Antonio District, TxDOT