Inwood Forest Area Reconstruction Project
CIP No. M-410025-0001

PROJECT INFORMATION
Updated February 2017
About the Project Area

This Capital Improvement Plan project provides storm water drainage and paving improvements to reduce the potential for structural flooding in the Inwood Forest neighborhood. Other improvements include water and sanitary system upgrades.

The project area is bounded by W Gulf Bank Road on the north, Antoine Drive on the east, White Oak Bayou (HCFCD Unit No. E100-00-00) on the south, E140-00-00 and E240-00-00 (Old E140-00-00) on the west.

The first subproject (north of Lawn Lane) is funded and programmed for design in 2018 and construction in mid to late 2021.

PROJECT TIMELINE

Subproject I

- 2014 Planning (Complete)
- 2018 Design
- 2021 Scheduled Construction
- 2023 Anticipated Completion

*Timeline subject to change.

Subproject II

- 2014 Planning (Complete)
- TBD Design
- TBD Scheduled Construction
- TBD Anticipated Completion

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Public Input Meetings held:
October 13, 2016

Meeting Locations:
White Oak Conference Center
7603 Antoine Drive
Houston, TX 77088

Presenter:
Jason Samkutty
Project Manager
Department of Public Works & Engineering (PWE)

Total # of Attendees: 26
Project Details

• Improve storm drainage
• Improve pavement conditions and mobility
• Improve water and wastewater as needed
• Improve pedestrian safety and accessibility
• Replacement of driveways and sidewalks
• Construction of a detention basin to divert peak overland flow from Green Lawn Drive during 100-year storm events.

For a more detailed view of the map, please click here.
Summary of Public Comments

Public Comment or Concern
Many comments were related to the Harris County Flood Control District (HCFCD) proposed detention basins. Several residents are concerned that the proposed detention basins will reduce the amount of green space available to them. A few residents mentioned concern about proximity of the detention basins to their property lines or homes as well as the potential for property values to be negatively affected by the construction of the detention basins. A few residents had questions relating to maintenance responsibility of the proposed detention basins as well as mosquito, pest and snake prevention.

**PWE Response:**

The City of Houston has purchased the Inwood Forest Country Club for storm water detention basin purposes. Harris County will be responsible for construction and maintenance of the detention basin and the city of Houston will own and manage the green space that surrounds it.
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Public Comment or Concern

Almost every comment submitted expressed concern that the existing paved trails (previously used as golf cart paths) which many residents use for walking, running, and biking, might be removed permanently.

Residents also voiced concern about the neighborhood trees that will be removed as well as the trees in their yards which have roots extending into the proposed detention areas. Any comments relating to the Inwood Forest Area Reconstruction Project (M-410025) were positive and supportive.

**PWE Response:**

The project is still in the pre-design phase and no final decision has been made regarding the trail paths. Objects such as tree roots that are in the area of the proposed detention basin may need to be cut, cleared and removed. The City is working with Harris County on a design plan that will best serve the community and meet City/County design standards.

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**Major Categories or Areas of Concern Are:**

**HCFCD Proposed Detention Basins:**
- Location
- Size
- Land Use
- Aesthetics

**Walking Trails**

**Trees**

**Safety**

**Task Force Recommendations**

For more information on the City of Houston Tree Ordinance, Please visit:

http://www.houstontx.gov/parks/forestry/tree ordinance.html
About Complete Streets and Rebuild Houston

ABOUT COMPLETE STREETS

Houston Complete Streets and Transportation Plan (Executive Order 1-15) guides the development of mobility planning and design of the City of Houston street and drainage projects. This Executive Order identifies goals and steps to move the city toward the achievement of Complete Streets through the planning, designing, budgeting, constructing, and reconstructing of all transportation improvements. The Executive Order recognizes that all streets are not the same and that reconstruction of the public right-of-way (ROW) should strongly utilize context sensitive design, incorporating local development context, and also take into account the role a particular corridor plays in the region’s multimodal transportation networks. The introduction of these programs, as well as other initiatives that address multimodal safety on the region’s roadways, requires rethinking existing planning and design. Evaluating existing approaches ensures that projects developed and constructed by the City of Houston meet these objectives.

ABOUT REBUILD HOUSTON

The reconstruction of the City’s street and drainage infrastructure following the guidelines of the Complete Street and Transportation Plan is made possible through resources provided by the ReBuild Houston Program. ReBuild Houston is a voter-initiated and voter-approved, Pay-As-You-Go program to address the City of Houston’s street and drainage infrastructure needs in a systematic, prioritized and objective manner. ReBuild Houston is a part of the City’s Capital Improvements Program (CIP) and the 10-Year plan for Streets & Drainage. Street & Drainage improvement projects are separated into three phases of planning, design, and construction which allows for a much more detailed and objective planning process that complements the City’s established Capital Improvement Plan.

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