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Houston City Council Member, District H

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Director of Project Development  
TxDOT Houston District Office  
P.O. 1386  
Houston, Texas 77251-1386

**Re: TxDOT Public Comment Deadline**

To the Director:

As the Houston City Council Member representing District H, on behalf of my constituents I request an extension of the Public Comment period on the NHHIP to at least February 7, 2020.

The updated draft of the Community Impacts Assessment Technical report includes over 500 pages of data and material, which will require significant time to review and submit meaningful comments. The current Public Comment deadline of January 10, 2020 is **less than 30 days** from the date the study was released to the public, and especially given the holiday season, I am fearful that the constituents I represent will have difficulty weighing in on this project by the current deadline.

As I have said before, this project has the potential to be transformational for our city and solve longstanding safety issues that exist with the current highway design, *but* it also may further subject our residents to flooding, air quality issues, and limitations on inter-neighborhood mobility. I urge TxDOT to reassess the current timeframe, which would allow for a Public Comment period full of meaningful engagement.

Thank you for your consideration, and please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karla Cisneros".

Karla Cisneros  
Council Member, District H