Update on Greenhouse/Skinner Road Underpass Connection to U.S. 290

Harris County MUD 500 has been working diligently on the design for a roadway underpass and associated trail to connect Greenhouse Road to U.S. 290 and Skinner Road. After significant work and coordination with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR), the plans and utility relocations are nearing completion. Once the plans are complete, TxDOT will oversee the bidding and construction process for the project, and they will be working with UPRR to finalize the agreements necessary for TxDOT to work within the railroad right of way.

The MUD 500 Board has secured federal funding for 80% of the construction costs for the project in the federal 2026 fiscal year, which runs from October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026. Barring any unforeseen circumstances, we expect bidding to occur and construction to start during that timeframe. The MUD 500 Board also is grateful to its local funding partners, Harris County, Precinct 3, the Harris County Toll Road Authority, and Harris County Emergency Services District No. 9 for their agreement to contribute toward the cost of the remaining 20% local share for this important regional mobility project. MUD 500 understands the traffic challenges in the area and is doing everything within its control to get the project underway as quickly as possible.