



BRAZORIA COUNTY

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Brazoria County awards contract for construction of Brazoria County Expressway

Brazoria County – On April 25, 2017, Brazoria County Commissioners’ Court unanimously voted to award Pulice Construction, Inc. of Phoenix, Arizona, the Brazoria County Expressway construction contract. On April 20, 2017, the Brazoria County Toll Road Authority (BCTRA) approved Pulice Construction, Inc.’s bid. The bid of \$97,169,719.81 submitted by Pulice Construction, Inc., was the lowest bid meeting specifications and requirements. “Our 288 Development Team has worked diligently to move this project forward. Today’s vote to award the construction contract is a major step in getting this project underway. The Brazoria County Expressway will bring much needed relief to our resident’s daily commute into and out of Houston,” stated Commissioner Stacy Adams, Precinct 3. Matt Hanks, Director of Brazoria County Engineering commented, “To be here and see this contract awarded, shows great leadership by this Court and a tremendous amount of effort by our whole team. There were many challenges to deliver the largest project in County History and some are still ahead of us; but all are worth it to deliver a project that will benefit all that call Brazoria County home”.

Construction of the 4-lane (2+2) toll way in the median of State Highway 288 is scheduled to begin June 2017. The five mile stretch will extend from the Brazoria/Harris County line to just south of County Road 58 in Brazoria County. As construction begins, the existing 288 lanes will remain open with an occasional short scheduled closure or delay.

Included in the Brazoria County Expressway Project and funded by Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT); is the reconstruction of the FM 518 intersection, which includes

adding turn lanes and adjusting the frontage roads. Also included in this project and funded by the City of Pearland, are aesthetic improvements along the 288 corridor through the city's limits.

County Judge Matt Sebesta stated, "Today's action is a culmination of years working with the Legislature, Texas Department of Transportation and the Brazoria County Toll Road Authority to alleviate traffic congestion in the 288 corridor. The managed lanes will decrease our constituent's time on the road and allow them more time with their families".

For updates on the Brazoria County Expressway go to
<http://brazoriacountytx.gov/departments/brazoria-county-expressway>

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