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556	Ashley (anonymous)	Traffic is so bad here already. This project would cause me to consider moving out of Baton Rouge. I can work anywhere in my profession. Please don't do this.	Comment noted.	3/27/2023	Website form
555	Barrett, Michael	I am totally opposed to this construction project and the interruption of the local economy. We are already struggling with inflation and job losses. This will put more nails in the coffin of our local economy bypassing BTR almost entirely. There are options that have been bypassed for what reason? The incompetence seen here going along to get along is astounding. Almost as bad as the feds. This will motivate people to move over the intended duration of the project just to get good work. We will lose population to MS and to TX for sure. Stop this project and revisit alternatives.	Comment noted.	3/27/2023	Website form
560	Boudreaux, Gregory	NO I-10 WIDENING	Comment noted.	3/27/2023	Website form
552	Bradford, Angelle	While the i10 project appears to be moving forward full steam ahead, the lack of public confidence and desire for the expansion creates a serious tension regarding the need for the project. Beyond this, a FONSI for such a major project feels like an inappropriate environmental assessment category. Please reconsider necessity, cost and impact and host a hearing regarding this project.	Comment noted	3/27/2023	Website form

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561	Brown, Coleman	Please acknowledge receipt of this video link and post it to your comments. Thank you.	Comment noted.	3/27/2023	Email
		https://youtu.be/TXtIBtq27mY			
		EBR Chamber Infrastructure Committee: "I-10 BR Widening Alternative: 4 & 5 lanes at 7 choke points, keeps all lanes open."			
554	Goodson, Joe	PLEASE STOP I-10 widening project!! This will kill BR and surrounding area's economy. There are better solutions that won't affect quality of life and endanger citizens!!	Comment noted.	3/27/2023	Website form
558	Gremillion, Patrice	Please rethink the I 10 widening project. The current proposal will immobilize Baton Rouge and cause undue hardship on individuals and businesses and will create hazardous traveling conditions.	Comment noted.	3/27/2023	Website form
592	Hardee, Larry	While we widen Interstate 10, how about adding say three more ferries south of Plaquemine.	Comment noted.	3/27/2023	Email
559	Joiner, Aukse	My child attends BR FLAIM - we were advised that the project includes using land on the school's campus that sits on a superfund site, and no environmental testing was done to confirm toxicity levels and proposed methods to test the air and water quality so the kids don't get sick during this project! Please advise.	The BR FLAIM property will not be used for this project.	3/27/2023	Website form

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553	Melancon, Donna	Closing this many lanes of I-10/I-110 will be a utter disaster for Baton Rouge - it's citizens, its businesses and for travellers! This will create gridlock and will be a nightmare to navigate. People will avoid Baton Rouge like the plague. There must be better solutions than this that would create much less chaos. Please do not approve this construction project as is!! Find a better way than shutting down the Capital City!!	Comment noted.	3/27/2023	Website form
557	Willis, Christia	At the open house event on Tuesday, March 7, 2023, it was shared that all information at the event would be made available online. Can you please share the direct link? I am interested in the plans and project manager contact information for the interstate at the Essen Exit.	The direct link for exhibits shared during the March 7, 2023 public open house is: https://i10br.com/march-7-2023-open-house-exhibits/	3/27/2023	Email
		L. Christia "Tia" Willis, AIA, NCARB Architect & Project Manager LSU AgCenter Facilities Planning			
564	Badeaux, Coy	when I10 traffic backs up traffic then diverts to 190, the problem is senic hwy overpass is weight restricted and all loaded semi trucks must detour. This restriction has been this way for years, why can't this problem be fix to help the flow of traffic congestion.	Trucks must work through the DOTD Truck Permits Section to determine suitable routes for overweight oversized vehicle routes.	3/28/2023	Website form
565	Boudreaux, Angela	I oppose the I-10 widening disaster. This will shut down the main traffic arteries, destroy our economy, and endanger our way of life. register my opposition to the DOTD I-10 plan.	Comment noted.	3/28/2023	Website form

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563	Scott, Peter	I hope you are having a fantastic day. This email is regarding providing our cost estimation services.	We acknowledge receipt of your interest.	3/28/2023	Email
		If you are in the construction business, you must know the importance of cost estimation as it plays a significant factor in improving the ROI of the company and winning more bids.			
		If you are looking for these services, you can outsource these services to us as we have experienced team who have been doing this for over a decade and can help you get accurate costs for any construction project.			
		If you are interested, please let us know. I hope to hear back from you soon.			
		Regards,			
		Peter Scott Business Development Manager CSI Estimation, LLC			

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666	Landry, Pennie	Researching the original 2016 documents that were submitted to the FHWA re: the reasons for this project, what would be accomplished and a description of the plan, I was unable to locate in the documents anything that referenced 'aging infrastructure'. I hope FHWA is concerned about the fact that LADOTD responded to alternate plans submitted, and rejected them, because these plans did not address 'fixing' aging infrastructure. Remember, the original document submitted to kickstart the DOTD's plan did not mention 'aging infrastructure'. FHWA and our elected officials have not responded to questions regarding the 'legality' of the recent inclusion of 'aging infrastructure' as reasoning for the current plan to totally reconstruct i10 Baton Rouge, devastate Capital Area economies and negatively impact the quality of life of citizens.	Comment noted	3/29/2023	Email
667	Landry, Pennie	Hi James. After our conversation today, re: not receiving any replies to my previously submitted comments, I resubmitted this comment and DID NOT again receive an email acknowledging receipt. Please update your system to include daily review of emails that go to your email spam folder. Your company is contracted to provide citizens with an effective communications system regarding i10. It would be wonderful if y'all used some of the taxpayers \$ Franklin Assoc is being paid to make it more effective.	Comment noted	3/29/2023	Email
 576	Landry, Pennie	Thanks for your thoughtful consideration. Ms. Landry called Franklin Associates office requesting a returned call	Taylor listened to and acknowledged Ms. Landry's points.	3/29/2023	Phone
		from Perry or James. Call returned by James Taylor that afternoon.	Taylor described the process of receiving and drafting responses to public comments and questions.		

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568	Weinmunson, Linda	Please! No more construction! My teenager has known nothing but traffic his whole life!	Comment noted.	3/29/2023	Email
562	Brown, Coleman	Request: FHWA to provide answers to the following questions re: I10 widening 1. What is the remaining useable life for the elevated sections of I-10 in Baton Rouge that are planned to be replaced? 2. Was replacing the elevated section(s) included in the initial plan I-10 widening plan submitted to FHWA? Y/N 3. Did the environmental assessment (EA) address disposing of concrete, steel etc. and concrete dust that will be created by the replacement of the elevated section? Y/N 4. Did the environmental assessment (EA) address the impact to wildlife plant life etc. in the lakes where the bridges that are planned to be replaced? Y/N 5. Did the environmental assessment (EA) address how I10 construction debris (concrete, steel, pilings etc. be disposed? Y/N 6. What is the location for debris disposal? What company was awarded the debris removal contract?" Dear Administrators,	 The estimated remaining service life is approximately 15 years. Routine bridge inspections, ongoing maintenance, and future rehabilitation would be required in order to maintain the bridge in its current service level. Replacing the elevated section was included in the EA that received a FONSI (Finding of No Significant Impact). The contractor is responsible for disposing of the infrastructure that is removed. The development of the Environmental Assessment followed the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) including required permits. The contractor is responsible for disposing of the infrastructure that is removed. The contractor is responsible for disposing of the infrastructure that is removed and will determine the location. Comment received. 	3/31/2023	Email
		We sent this letter to the Joint Transportation Committee almost a year ago. Some of the questions were referred to DOTD, but we do not think the committee completely responded to all of the points in it as well as the 67 questions we submitted on September 12 2018 and partially answered September 12, 2022. Please respond to all of the questions raised in both documents. [attached document Wright 4.30.22 cb.pdf]			

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571	Brown, Coleman	Dear Administrators,	Comment noted.	4/1/2023	Email
		The attached pdf I -10 widening petition is for the proper review			
		procedure using an Environmental Impact Statement complete with a			
		formal public hearing. An Environmental Assessment is woefully inadequate.			
		Please acknowledge receipt of this document. Please also include all			
		of the contents related to traffic in East Baton Rouge Parish on our ebrsolutions.org website in your evaluation of much more			
		practical solutions to our daily congestion problems. Yes correction of			
		the 60 year old design errors in I -10 in Baton Rouge is long overdue.			
		Airline should have been completely widened to 6 lanes 30 years ago.			
		Our City passed Thank you.			
		[attached documents: image0.jpeg, ipetitions log of 191 signatures.]			
		[attached documents. images.jpeg, ipetitions log of 151 signatures.]			
572	Brown, Coleman	[resending document "Wright 4.30.22 cb.pdf"]	Email received.	4/1/2023	Email
		This Was sent to the wrong email.			
		I apologize. But I think you did get it on the 26 th .			
		Thank you			
		Coleman			
569	Ganter, Brenda	The current plans call for reducing lanes which is not acceptable, no	Comment noted.	4/1/2023	Email
		lanes should be closed to traffic. thanks,			
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573	Roe, Deborah	[phone call to Franklin Associates.] Said she has been trying to get in touch w/ Perry about the conversation they had at the I-10 open house. Second call in 2 weeks. She says there is some confusion about a detour on one of the maps. James returned the call and clarified the distinction between a "detour" and an "alternative route." Roe was very concerned that the 2-lane portion of Perkins road proceeding northwest from the overpass towards Park Blvd. would be a "detour" and I explained that portion of Perkins was not identified as an alternative route. Overall she was concerned about increasing traffic on neighborhood streets around and within the garden district. She asked about the Perkins ramps and I stated that they were to be removed permanently as part of the project. I added that the ramps at S. Acadian would be improved and that S. Acadian itself between Perkins Rd. and the interstate would be widened with additional lanes north and southbound. She requested to receive an email with a direct link to exhibit graphics.]	Pour Ms. Roe, You asked me to provide a direct link to the exhibit depicting the improvements to S. Acadian Thruway. You will see the widening improvements on sheet #4 of 4 from Exhibit Station 9 - the "Final Condition" plans. https://i10br.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/station-9-final-condition_4.jpg A higher resolution version of this is available here: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1odSPU8nZ0BQrAS6D_8Kc0GO4j N7XHIi7/view?usp=sharing I was mistaken in what I spoke to you during our telephone conversation yesterday afternoon, as the lane additions to S. Acadian between Perkins and I-10 is not one of the four Off-Site Intersection Improvements contained in Exhibit Station 11 graphics but rather a component of the final plan. However, as you described, improvements to the exit ramp from I-10 westbound to S. Acadian Thruway are one of the four Off-Site Intersection Improvements. Acadian is featured in the lower image below. https://i10br.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/station-11-traffic-mitigations-set-10.jpg Kindest Regards, James	4/5/2023	Phone
574	Melton, Christina	We wanted to check back in about surveying around our museum to see if you all had set anything up. We are trying to involve our structural engineer and architect, so I will want to coordinate their schedules.	A meeting was held with Knock Knock Museum on March 30, 2023.	4/13/2023	Email

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			comments/questions received during the official public meeting open house period will be made public upon completion of a reevaluation.		-
			Please know that when an individual submits a comment(s)/question(s), a submittal may contain multiple questions. For example, one individual submitted over 50 questions in one submittal. We count this as 1 submission of the 89 submissions. We will provide responses to questions within a submission.		
75	Landry, Pennie	Last time we spoke you said there were 155 comments submitted by citizens re: the most recent DOTD Open House. Is this number still accurate or has it changed?	A detailed description of the number of comments received before and during the Open House public comment period is as follows:	4/19/2023	Email
		Please reply at your earliest convenience.	The DOTD held an official public meeting open house on March 7, 2023 as required by NEPA for public comments on proposed modifications to the I-10 widening project. NEPA requires that an official public comment period be established for an official public meeting open house. The official public meeting open house comment period for this March 7, 2023 public meeting was established by DOTD to be from March 7, 2023 through March 26, 2023.		
			DOTD received 89 submissions of comments/questions during the official public meeting open house comment period from March 7, 2023 through March 26, 2023.		
			DOTD directed the grouping of comments into 2 groups. Those received during the official public meeting open house comment period (from March 7, 2023 through March 26, 2023) and those that were received before or after this timeframe.		

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Recently, DOTD posted responses to 23 comments/questions on the i10br.com website that were received during the advertising period for the March 7 public open house (from February 16, 2023 through March 6, 2023.)

Responses to these 23 submissions of comments/questions can be found on the i10br.com website: https://i10br.com/publicinquiries-and-agency-responses/

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			89 submissions. We will provide responses to the questions within a submission.		
579	Rideaux Fabre, Susan	I am part owner of property under succession that is affected by this project however I have not been kept in the loop of what's going on. Has there been payments made on 2729 Valley St? Please get in touch with me at your earliest convenience for I have additional questions regarding the status.	Kiawasha Pierre-White, DOTD Right of Way Region 4 Supervisor, emailed Ms. Rideaux her agency contact information for a follow up phone call.	4/27/2023	Website form
584	Brown, Coleman	1. What is the total cost including ozone impacts (co2) to the public of diverting 150,000 vehicles through the work zone? and within 3 miles of the work zone?	Vehicles are not diverted through the work zone. The I-10 corridor will remain open.	5/1/2023	Website form
		2. How long will a) I-10 be 2 lanes or 1 lane? B) I-110 be reduced to 1 lane?	 2. a) DOTD issued a press release on December 5, 2023 stating that a 6-lane MOT will be provided on I-10 during all stages of construction. Please refer to the I10br.com website for the press release. b) The I-110 will not be reduced to 1 lane in either the SB or NB direction during any of the phases of construction. 		
			As per the press release, although there will be no mainline lane reductions during stage 2, motorists should be aware that nighttime and other periodic lane and/or ramp closures will be necessary throughout construction. DOTD will notify the public when and where such closures will occur.		

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585	Landry, Pennie	When will comments submitted before and after the March 2023 Open House be published here? (on i10br.com)	Ms. Landry,	5/5/2023	Website form
			A new post has been added to the i10br.com website providing a list of public comments, questions, and agency responses for submissions received during the advertising and event promotion period dates of February 16 through March 6, 2023. Below is a direct link for your convenience:		
			https://i10br.com/public-inquiries-and-agency-responses/		
			Public comments and questions received during the official commenting period of the March 7, 2023 public open house event are being addressed by the agency and will be released as an appendix to the reevaluation document (in progress) which DOTD will submit to FHWA. At this time I do not have a date when that will be posted to the website.		
			Kindest Regards,		

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588	Landry, Pennie	Request a call about the i10br.com website.	Request noted.	5/22/2023	Phone
587	Hayes, Beverly	Called to inquire what is the status of property acquisitions? She and her family are eager to sell the property. The house is vacant. Whom	Dear Ms. Hayes,	5/23/2023	Phone
		should she speak with?	Below is the contact at DOTD's Real Estate office who will have the latest information concerning right-of-way acquisition for the I-10 widening project in Baton Rouge affecting your family's Yazoo Street property.		
			Kiawasha Pierre-White Right of Way Region 4 Supervisor 225-242-4593		
			Kindest Regards, James Taylor		
			Kia Pierre-White followed up with Ms. Hayes and explained the process and estimated timeline.		

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590	LeDuff, Pat	Request DOTD I-10 Widening project exhibits and representative at community event: Kids Fest 2023. June 10 in Scotlandville Parkway park.	Dear Ms. LeDuff, I forwarded your request to have an exhibit booth at the June 10 Kid Fest in Scotlandville Parkway. We regret that we are unable to fulfil this request at this time. As project announcements and construction notices become available I will be sure to include	5/25/2023	In Person
			you as a recipient. Another excellent mode through which to receive notifications is to create a MyDOTD account and customize your geographic areas of interest to receive notices only pertaining to those areas. The MyDOTD page is: http://wwwapps.dotd.la.gov/administration/announcements/my dotd.aspx		
			This video explains how to sign up. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yL_dFC3mWbU Kindest Regards,		
589	Miceli, Caila	[BRAC] Would it be possible for you to send me the traffic relief data points for the I-10 widening? It would be very useful when we're promoting the implementation of this project to say it takes "x amount of time to cross the split to Acadian and once the project is completed it will reduce congestion by x amount of time". Thank you!	A meeting was held with Ms. Miceli and she was provided the information.	5/30/2023	Email
591	Booksh, Chuck	I've recently read about the I-10 bridge exit for Highland Road/Nicholson Drive being extended to Oklahoma Street but on your schematic, I do not see that change in your drawing. Does your drawing need to be updated? Thanks,	That project is entitled "LA 30: SOUTH BLVD - W CHIMES ST" and is State Project # H.011098, and is handled under a separate contract by a different design team.	6/11/2023	Email