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Harris County
Townsen Boulevard: N. Houston Avenue to BF 1960A
Control 8103-12-003

CONTACT: DPD

Mr. Robert Maxwell
President, Ramblewood Property Owner's Association
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Dear Mr. Maxwell:

This letter is in response to your letter of April 15, 2003, regarding an extension of the existing noise abatement barrier adjacent to the Ramblewood subdivision. The files for the subject project have been researched to ascertain the intentions when the noise abatement barrier was proposed as well as what was presented at the noise workshop. The records indicate that the noise abatement barrier was intended to extend from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) drainage ditch on the north end to the Harris County Flood Control District ditch on the south end. This is the design that was presented at the noise workshop.

Construction of the two-lane roadway has been completed and now belongs to the City of Humble. Since TxDOT does not have an active project in that area, no new construction can be funded.

However, since the ultimate design for Townsen Boulevard is a four-lane roadway, once the funding and need to widen Townsen Boulevard is presented, improvements to the noise abatement barrier can then be considered. If further noise abatement is proposed, the existing wall would have to be modified to permit extension.

If you have any further questions please contact Dr. Stanley Cooper at (713) 802-5244.

Sincerely,

Pat Henry, P.E.
Director of Project Development
Houston District

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cc: Mr. Stanley Cooper