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## TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION TO HOLD PUBLIC OUTREACH MEETING ON THE HISTORIC MERIDIAN HIGHWAY PROJECT

**FORT WORTH, Texas**—Individuals and organizations are encouraged to attend a public outreach meeting to share information and visual items related to the Meridian Highway for use in a public project. Texas Historical Commission (THC) staff and representatives of the preservation planning firm Hardy-Heck-Moore, Inc. (HHM) will introduce the project and involve community members through discussion, question-and-answer session, and displays of maps and historical Meridian images. Please bring historical photos, postcards, maps, and other Meridian-related items to the meeting. With your consent, HHM staff will scan or photograph materials to be included in the project. The meeting is open to the public and will be held Wednesday, February 4, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

**WHO:** Hosted by Tarrant County Historical Commission, Historic Fort Worth, Inc., Hardy-Heck-Moore, Inc., and THC staff. The public is invited.

**WHAT:** Meridian Highway Public Outreach Meeting

**WHEN:** Wednesday, February 4, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Ball-Eddleman-McFarland House  
1110 Penn Street  
Fort Worth, Texas 76102-3417

**BACKGROUND:** The THC is undertaking a two-year study to document the history of the Meridian Highway. The THC has awarded the contract to complete the study to Hardy-Heck-Moore, Inc., an Austin-based historic preservation planning and management firm. The project will result in a written history of the Texas section of the Meridian Highway, and a survey of the Texas Meridian route, including associated historic resources: auto repair garages, gas stations, diners, tourist camps, auto courts, motels, road markers, paving, and traffic signs. This effort is funded by the Texas Legislature and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) through the Transportation Enhancement Program. For more information, contact the THC's History Programs Division at 512.463.5853 or visit [www.thc.state.tx.us](http://www.thc.state.tx.us).

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