



# RE-ROUTE THE ROUTE

## WHO ARE WE?

Reroute the Route is a coalition of business owners, transportation experts, and Texas residents advocating to move the proposed high-speed rail route to a safer, simpler, and more sensible area: Downtown Houston.

The current route plans leave the cities along the route exposed to dangerous, costly, and redundant risks that will diminish public safety, and leaves potential economic benefits on the table. We are a coalition with one simple message about high speed rail in our great state:

**Build it Right, Build it Safe, or Not at All.**

## WHY DO WE NEED A REROUTE?

### SAFETY

Texas Central Rail has chosen the cheapest, and most dangerous route possible. The proposed route includes a tight curve that could potentially lead to train derailments. Further, the proximity of the route to a compressed natural gas line poses a risk to the health, safety, and welfare of the community.

### ENVIRONMENT

Texas Central's current alignment would have the train built in an area that now serves as the relief valve for Houston's floodwaters. As Hurricane Harvey demonstrated, we must not escalate the runoff and flooding problems already present in northwest Harris and Waller Counties.

### ACCESSIBILITY

The Houston endpoint of the proposed route is not beneficial for anyone but Texas Central Rail. Placing the Houston endpoint at the Northwest Mall location directly contradicts where travelers, residents, and commuters are located.

### THE ECONOMY

If the Houston route was relocated to Downtown, economic growth in the region could increase. Its proximity to retail, lodging, and the convention center will likely result in more jobs, greater tax revenue, and investment opportunities.

## HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- Visit our website or email [taylor@reroutetheroute.com](mailto:taylor@reroutetheroute.com) for information on how to get involved.
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- Share this information with your friends, colleagues, and neighbors to get them involved.

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