

Rusk County: Loop 571 agreement tops meeting agenda

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Plans to extend Loop 571 could be on the fast track if Rusk County commissioners approve an interlocal agreement between the county and Northeast Texas Regional Mobility Authority today.

The meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. in the Rusk County Commissioners Court Chambers, 115 N. Main Street in Henderson.

Commissioners tentatively approved the agreement June 8 to help fund environmental and engineering studies for the project after District Attorney Micheal Jimerson reviewed the document.

Plans call for the bypass to be extended 4.1 miles from U.S. 79 South to U.S. 259 South. If approved, the county would use \$411,600 from its transportation budget to help cover engineering and land costs for the loop.