

## **Rusk County, NET-RMA signing Loop 571 terms today**

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Lawmakers and county and transportation authorities plan to meet this morning at Loop 571 to sign an agreement they hope leads to expansion of Henderson's bypass highway. The ceremony is open to the public.

North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority members and Rusk County commissioners will formally sign an agreement at 10 a.m. on the loop, just north of U.S. 79 South.

The agreement calls for further development of Loop 571 and gives the county access to the authority's professional and engineering services, according to a statement from the group.

The agreement also calls for the Texas Department of Transportation to provide engineering and design work for the road surface, bridges and property acquisition.

Commissioners set aside about \$2.1 million in May to acquire property for the 3.4-mile second phase of Loop 571 between U.S. 79 South and U.S. 259 South.