

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
2025 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS
(Second Thursday, 1:00 pm)**

January 9, 2025

February 13, 2025

March 13, 2025¹

April 10, 2025

May 8, 2025

June 12, 2025

July 10, 2025²

August 7, 2025³ (August 14, 2025)

September 11, 2025

October 9, 2025⁴

November 13, 2025⁵

December 11, 2025

Dates are subject to change.

¹ The 2025 National League of Cities Congressional City Conference is scheduled for March 10 - 12 and does not conflict with the RTC meeting schedule.

² The NACo Annual Conference is scheduled for July 11 – 14 and does not conflict with the RTC meeting schedule.

³ This meeting date will coincide with the annual Irving Transportation Investment Summit.

⁴ The 2025 Texas Municipal League Annual Conference and Exhibition is scheduled for October 29 - 31 and does not conflict with the RTC meeting schedule.

⁵ The National League of Cities 2025 City Summit is not yet scheduled.





North Central Texas
Council of Governments

Dallas Area Rapid Transit Board Meeting

MICHAEL MORRIS, P.E.

North Central Texas Council of Governments

January 8, 2025

TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITIES FIRST 40 YEARS

Sales Tax Inflation Adjusted Revenue Source to Pay for Construction

Increases with Price of Goods

Increases with Population Growth

Increases with Employment Growth

Larger Economy Reducing Risk from “Point of Collection”

Benefits from Urban/Central City Location Decisions



TRANSIT 2.0 NEXT SEVERAL DECADES: TIME FOR REFLECTION AND ADJUSTMENT

Why?

Leaving Aggressive Construction Phase

Natural Need to Focus on Operations

Greater Board Diversity on Policy

Need Greater Consideration of Technology

Need Review of Transit Patterns Post COVID

Increasing Demographic Growth Rates in Less Urban Locations

State Not Recognizing Benefit from Urban Growth



DRAFT REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL (RTC) POLICY – FEBRUARY 2025: TRANSIT 2.0/RTC POLICY WATERFALL

Draft Transit Authority Policy Waterfall

Step 1: Transit 1.0: Right Size Fixed Routes (Reduce Incentive for Empty Buses), Add Microtransit, Add Shuttle Service, +

Step 2: Transit 2.0 Pillars: Economic Development, Competitive Transit, Crime/Safety, Private Sector Pilot Services, Expand Local Government Corporation

Step 3: Draft Policy for Current Members: Update Infill Station Policy, Update Transit Related Improvement Program (TRIP), and Establish Revenue Sharing Policy

Step 4: On a Limited Application Share Revenue Based on Equity Principles and at Discounted Rates (Pending Transit 2.0 Revenue/Cost Model)

Step 5: RTC Maintains Support for Current Transportation Authority Tax Rates



TRANSIT 2.0 PARTNERSHIP, LEVERAGE AND IMPACTS

	Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART)	Member City	Regional Transportation Council	State
Economic Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revenue Ridership 	Revenue (2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Several Revenues to Transit Authorities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lower Cost Revenue to Transit Authorities
Competitive Transit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ridership Gain Lower Cost 	Better Service for Residents	Several	Revenue to Transit Authority
Crime/Safety	Ridership Gain	Quality of Life	Several	Aids in Future Revenue
Private Sector Pilot	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lower Cost Ridership Gain 	Consistent Business Practice	Consistent Business Practice	Aids in Future Revenue
Expand Local Government Corporation	Business Growth	Lower Cost	Several	Aids in Future Revenue



Therefore, Step 4 is Discounted and Limited



REBUILDING AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE WITH SUSTAINABILITY AND EQUITY (RAISE) GRANT PROGRAM – FY 25



JEFF HATHCOCK - PROGRAM MANAGER
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL (RTC)
ACTION ITEM - January 23, 2025

FY 25 Local & Regional Project Assistance (RAISE) Program

Solicitation Overview – Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

Funding Availability*

\$75 Million
Planning Grants

\$1.425 Billion
Capital Grants

50% / 50%
Urban / Rural Areas

Cost Sharing (Federal)

Up to 80%
Urban Areas

Up to 100%

- a. Rural Areas
- b. Areas of Persistent Poverty
- c. Historically Disadvantaged

Maximum Award*

\$25 Million
– per Project (All)

\$225 Million
– per State (≤ 15%)

Minimum Award

\$5 Million
Urban Areas (Capital)

\$1 Million
Rural Areas (Capital)

No Minimum
Planning Grants

Other Details

FY 24 RAISE applications scored as “Highly Rated”, but not awarded, are defined as **FY 25 RAISE Projects of Merit** & chosen separately. **Round 1** selections expected to be announced by **January 13, 2025**. Those not chosen must submit revised application by deadline below.

Application Limit = Three (3) per Lead Agency

For planning/budget purposes, NOFO provides application, award, obligation, & expenditure deadlines for **FY 25-26 RAISE funding**:

FY 25:

Application Deadline – January 30, 2025
Award Announcement – June 28, 2025
Obligation Deadline – September 30, 2029
Expenditure Deadline – September 30, 2034

FY 26:

Application Deadline – January 13, 2026
Award Announcement – June 28, 2026
Obligation Deadline – September 30, 2030
Expenditure Deadline – September 30, 2035

Applicant Eligibility

1. State / Territorial Government (*or political subdivision*)
2. Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
3. Local / Tribal Government (*or political subdivision*)
4. Public Agency / Chartered Authority
5. Public Special Purpose District (*including Port*)
6. Multi-Jurisdictional Group of Above Entities

Project Eligibility

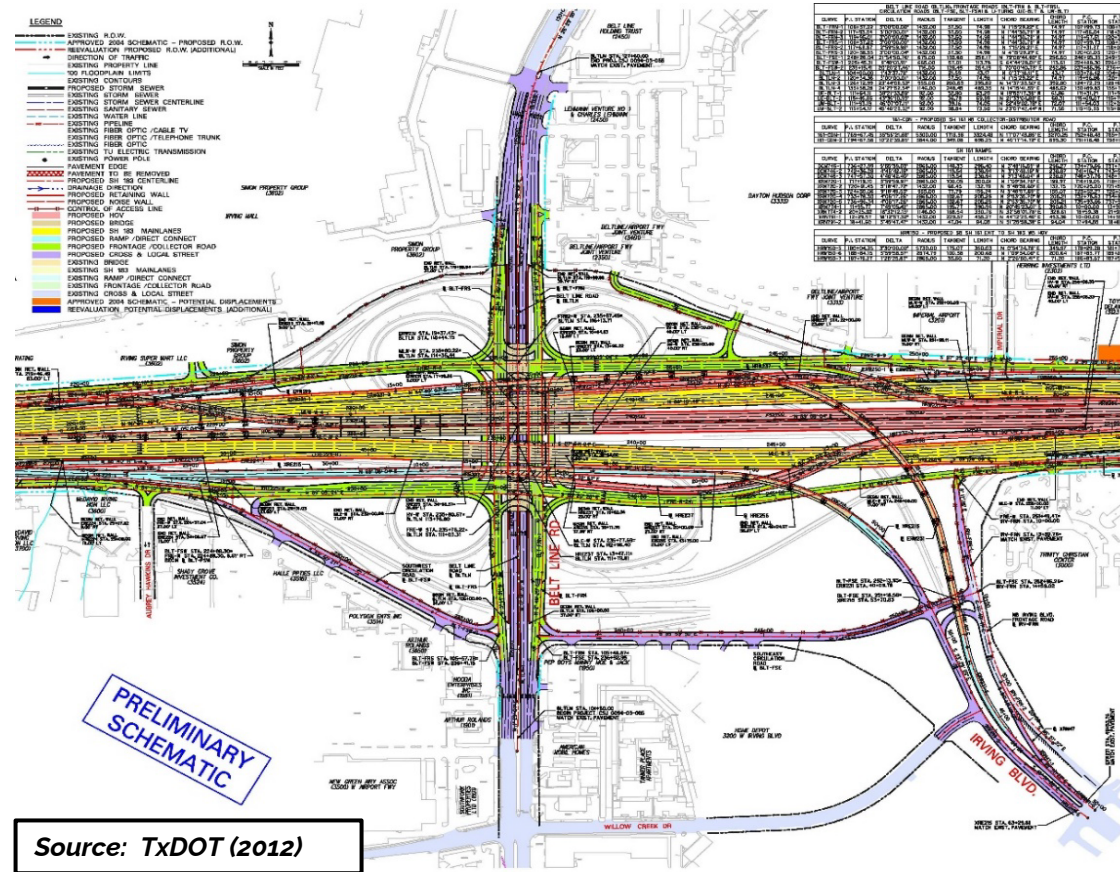
1. Highway, Bridge, or Road (*Title 23*)
2. Public Transportation (*Chapter 53 of Title 49*)
3. Passenger / Freight Rail / Intermodal
4. Port Infrastructure (*incl. inland / land ports of entry*)
5. Airport Surface Transportation (*pt. B, subtitle VII, Title 49*)
6. Stormwater Improvement (*aquatic species habitat*)
7. Tribal Surface Facility (*vested Federal title / maintenance*)
8. TOD / Non-Motorized / Mobility On-Demand

Impact of Round 1 Selections*:

- **Trinity Metro awarded \$25 Million for TEXRail Near Southside Extension Project** (*one of seven TX projects*)
- **With 109 projects chosen for \$1.32 billion, less than \$200 million nationwide remains for Round 2 selections**

FY 25 RAISE Program – Draft Candidate Project List & Details

EAST: SH 183/SH 356/Belt Line Road Interchange (Irving)



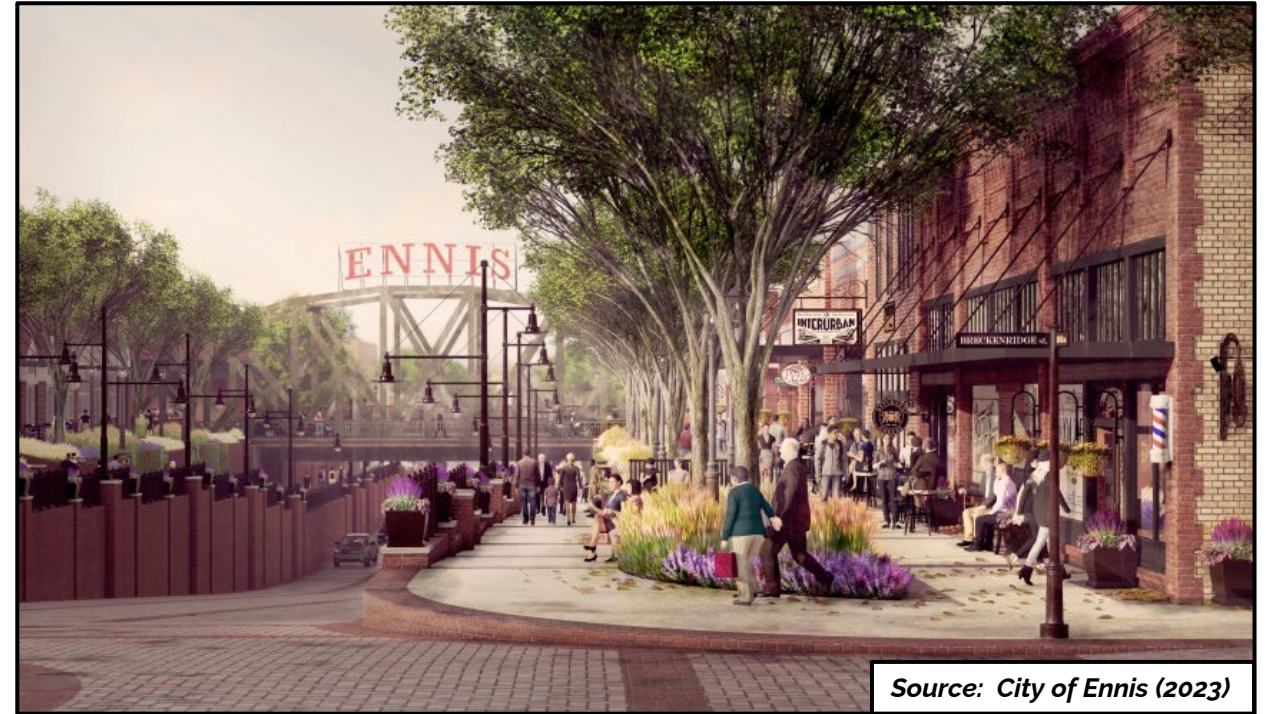
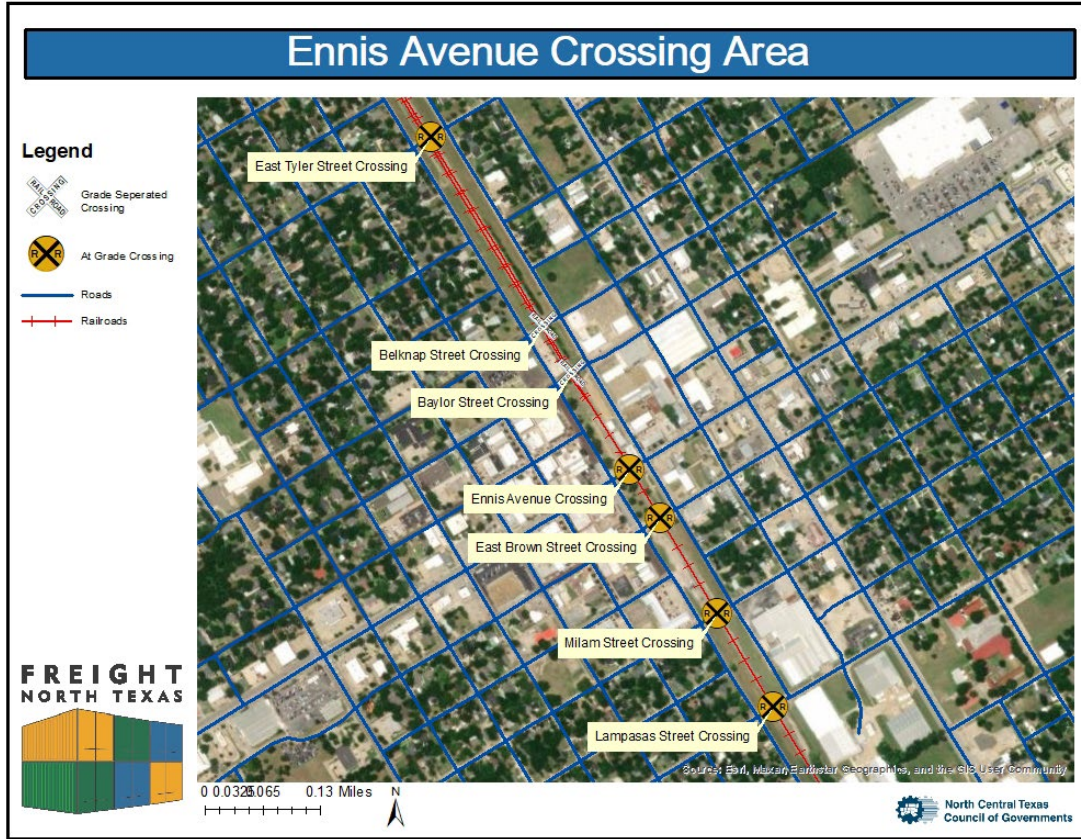
PROJECT			COST/FUNDING BREAKDOWN			
TITLE	DESCRIPTION/LIMITS	URBAN/RURAL	NON-FEDERAL	FEDERAL (Other)	FEDERAL (RAISE)	TOTAL COST
SH 183/SH 356/Belt Line	Reconstruct SH 356/Belt Line Rd interchange as an ultimate SH 183 breakout project.	URBAN	\$241,250,000 (69.7%)	\$80,000,000 (23.1%)	\$25,000,000 (7.2%)	\$346,250,000

Non-Federal: \$15M (TxDOT PE) + \$15M (TxDOT ROW) + \$15M (TxDOT Utilities) + \$100M (TIFIA Loan) + \$70M (RTR – SH 183 Corridor) + \$26.25M (Category 2/CMAQ/STBG/RAISE Match)

Federal (Other): \$80M (Category 2/STBG/CMAQ)

FY 25 RAISE Program – Draft Candidate Project List & Details

EAST: Ennis Avenue/UPRR Grade Separation (CSJ# 0172-12-007)



Repackaging of FY 24 Railroad Crossing Elimination Program (RCEP) application, submitted in September 2024.

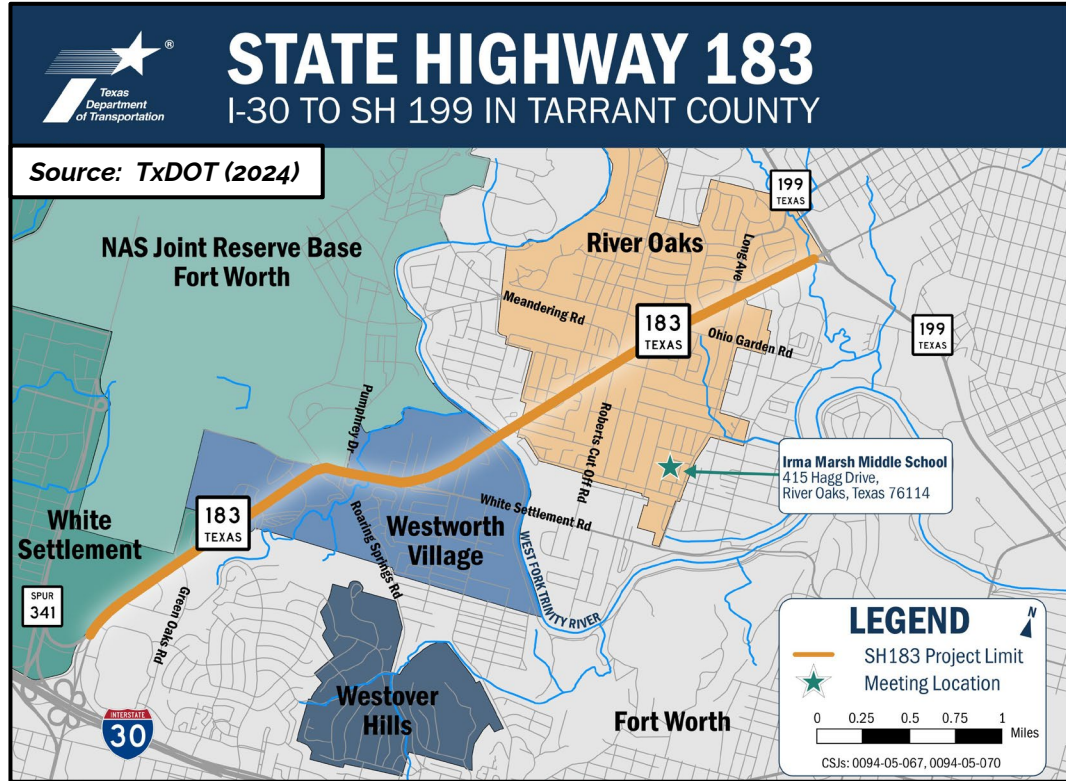
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TITLE	DESCRIPTION/LIMITS	URBAN/RURAL	NON-FEDERAL	FEDERAL (Other)	FEDERAL (RAISE)	TOTAL COST
Ennis Avenue/UPRR	Build grade separation for Business US 287 under UPRR corridor in Downtown Ennis.	RURAL	\$21,360,000 (33.0%)	\$23,440,000 (36.2%)	\$20,000,000 (30.8%)	\$64,800,000

Non-Federal: \$7M (City of Ennis; includes \$5M NCTCOG loan to be repaid by City, not counted in total) + \$12,36M (TxDOT – ROW & RAISE Match) + \$2M (UPRR)

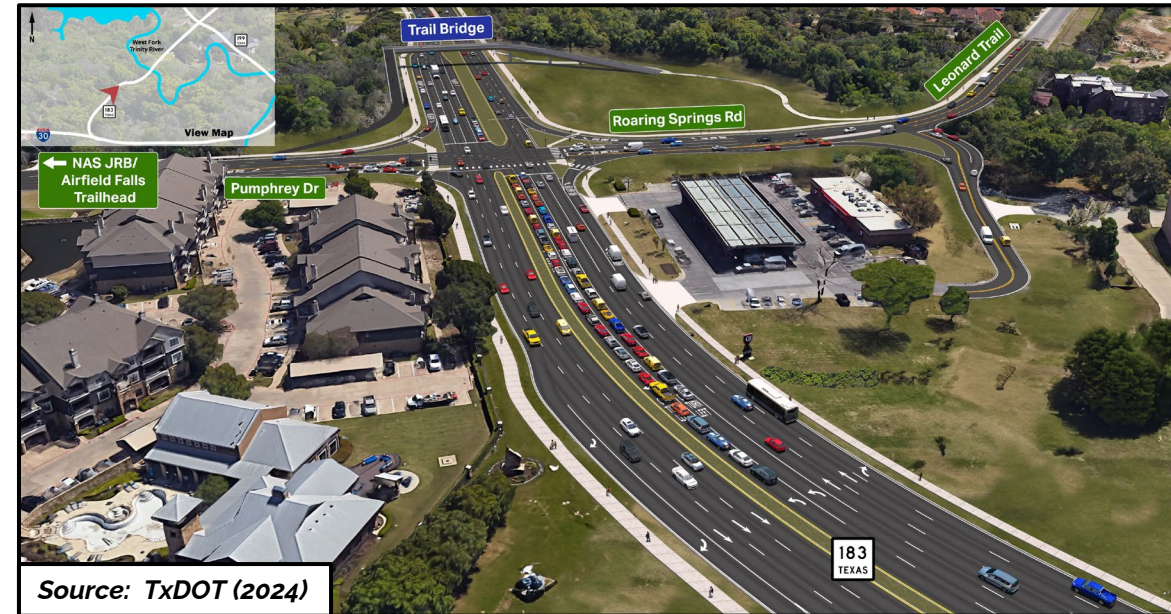
Federal (Other): \$21.44M (RTC Category 2 & Surface Transportation Block Grant funds) + \$2M (TxDOT Category 11 – District Discretionary funds)

FY 25 RAISE Program – Draft Candidate Project List & Details

WEST: SH 183 – Pumphrey Drive Breakout Project (CSJ# 0094-05-070)



Looking North at Pumphrey Drive & Roaring Springs Road:



Project total does not include \$6M previously approved in 2025-28 TIP (\$3M - Engineering, \$3M - ROW)

PROJECT			COST/FUNDING BREAKDOWN			
TITLE	DESCRIPTION/LIMITS	URBAN/RURAL	NON-FEDERAL	FEDERAL (Other)	FEDERAL (RAISE)	TOTAL COST
SH 183/ Pumphrey	Rebuild SH 183 junction with Pumphrey Dr & Roaring Springs Rd for improved multimodal capacity, safety & NAS JRB accessibility.	URBAN	\$7,000,000 \$7,200,000 (20.0%)	\$16,800,000 \$16,400,000 (45.6%)	\$11,200,000 \$12,400,000 (34.4%)	\$35,000,000 \$36,000,000

Non-Federal: \$4.2M \$4.1M (TxDOT Category 2 Match - Construction) + \$2.8M \$3.1M (TxDOT RAISE Match - Construction)

Federal (Other): \$16.8M \$16.4M (TxDOT Category 2 - Construction)

FY 25 Local & Regional Project Assistance (RAISE) Program *(cont.)*

Schedule

November 1, 2024	FY 25 RAISE Program: Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Release
December 6, 2024	STTC Information
December 12, 2024	RTC Information
December 20, 2024	Finalize Candidate Project Details <i>(for posting of January 2025 RTC Agenda)</i>
January 15, 2025	RTC Letter of Support Deadline <i>(for projects submitted by partnering agencies, please send requests to Taylor Benjamin – tbenjamin@nctcog.org or Jackie Nolasco – jnolasco@nctcog.org)</i>
January 23, 2025	RTC Action
January 24, 2025	STTC Endorsement
January 30, 2025	FY 25 RAISE Program: Application Deadline – Grants.gov
February 27, 2025	Executive Board Endorsement <i>(due to postponement of January 2025 RTC Meeting)</i>

FY 25 Local & Regional Project Assistance (RAISE) Program *(cont.)*

Requested RTC Action

Request approval for:

- Proposed projects to submit for funding consideration through FY 25 RAISE Program:
 - ▣ *SH 183/SH 356/Belt Line Road Interchange*
 - ▣ *Ennis Avenue/UPRR Grade Separation*
 - ▣ *SH 183 – Pumphrey Drive Reconstruction Project*
- Allocation of new RTC funds:
 - ▣ *SH 183/SH 356/Belt Line Road Interchange*
 - \$100M in Category 2/Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG)/Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) funds (including \$20M non-Federal match) via future **Regional 10-Year Plan/Unified Transportation Program (UTP) updates and/or Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) revisions**
 - **\$70M in Regional Toll Revenue (RTR) funds, specifically surplus revenues from the SH 183 corridor**
- Administratively amending NCTCOG & State TIPs, as well as other planning & administrative documents, to include proposed projects **and funding** if selected for FY 25 RAISE Grant awards

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USDOT Grant Portal: <https://www.transportation.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/bipartisan-infrastructure-law-grant-programs>

USDOT (Upcoming Schedule of Grant Opportunities): <https://www.transportation.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/key-notices-funding-opportunity>

USDOT RAISE Grant Program: <https://www.transportation.gov/RAISEgrants>





FEDERAL AND STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

REBEKAH GONGORA

NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Regional Transportation Council

January 23, 2025

FEDERAL UPDATE

FISCAL YEAR 2025 APPROPRIATIONS

- December 20 Continuing Resolution approved current spending levels through March 14
 - \$8 billion in FHWA emergency relief funds
 - Funding for Francis Scott Key Bridge reconstruction
- Timeline: Draft FY25 budget bills planned to be in Committee by early February; House and Senate consideration by late February



FEDERAL UPDATE

U.S. SENATE

- Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee Chair Senator Ted Cruz (R-TX)
- Environment and Public Works Committee Chair Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV)
 - No Texas members

U.S. HOUSE

- Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Chair Sam Graves (R-MO)
 - Two Texas members from East Texas/Harris County area

ADMINISTRATION

- U.S. Department of Transportation Secretary Nominee: Sean Duffy
 - Hearings held January 15 and January 22
 - Full Senate expected to approve



November 12, 2024

Bill Filing for the 88th
Texas Legislature
Began

January 14, 2025

89th Session of the
Texas Legislature
Convenes

March 14, 2025

Bill Filing Deadline
(Excluding Local Bills)

June 2, 2025

Final Day of the 89th
Regular Session

June 22, 2025

Last Day Governor
Can Sign or Veto Bills

89th TEXAS LEGISLATURE - DATES OF INTEREST



TEXAS LEGISLATURE

SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

- Robert Nichols, Chair
- Royce West, Vice Chair
- Paul Bettencourt
- Brent Hagenbuch
- Juan “Chuy” Hinojosa
- Nathan Johnson
- Phil King
- Borris Miles
- Charles Perry

Highlighted members represent North Texas



STATE BUDGET

COMPTROLLER'S BUDGET REVENUE ESTIMATE FOR FY2026-27

- \$196.4 billion available for general-purpose spending (-1.1%)
- \$23.8 billion surplus
- Rainy Day Fund to hit cap, excess to General Revenue
- Transfers to State Highway Fund unaffected by Rainy Day Fund cap

SENATE BILL 1 and HOUSE BILL 1

- SB 1 Statewide Total for FY26-27: \$332.9 billion in All Funds
 - General Revenue \$151.6 billion (+6%)
 - SB 1 TxDOT Total for FY26-27: \$40.4 billion in All Funds
- HB 1 Statewide Total for FY26-27: \$335.7 billion in All Funds
 - General Revenue \$154 billion (+8%)
 - HB 1 TxDOT Total for FY26-27: \$40.3 billion in All Funds



BILLS OF INTEREST

TRANSPORTATION REVENUE

- Would add transit-oriented projects as an eligible use of the State Highway Fund (HB 542/HJR 58)
 - Would allow Prop 1 revenue to be used for constructing, maintaining, and acquiring rights-of-way for: (1) public transportation; (2) public bicycle paths; and (3) public sidewalks (HJR 63/SJR 33)
- Would repeal the section of Transportation Code that limits the Transportation Commission's discretionary funding to no more than ten percent of TxDOT's current biennial budget (HB 1288)



BILLS OF INTEREST

SAFETY

- Study on bike lanes and their reduction of collisions involving bicycles, scooters (HB 341)
- Passing a bicycle or pedestrian (HB 535)
- Move Over Law penalties (HB 1625)
- Updates current law on cell phone usage while driving (SB 47/HB 1357)

TOLLING

- Voters in a county must approve new toll project before construction can start (HB 1589)
- Prohibits lane restrictions, including tolls/managed lanes, on I-635 between I-30 and US 75 (SB 720)
- Toll invoicing, collection and enforcement (HB 1333/SB 137)



BILLS OF INTEREST

AIR QUALITY

- Would redistribute LIRAP funds to counties for air quality/transportation uses (HB 1361)
- Tire disposal programs (HB 464, HB 1463)
- Emissions
 - Conducting additional analysis for permits (HB 853/SB 429, SB 273)
 - Changes to TCEQ public hearing requirements (SB 212, HB 1412)
 - Concrete batch plant permits, monitoring emissions, locations, public meeting notifications, task force on concrete plant pollution (various)



BILLS OF INTEREST

HIGH-SPEED RAIL

- Would prohibit money of the state, a state agency, or a political subdivision of the state to pay for alteration of a roadway related to high-speed rail (HB 1402)
- Would prohibit a private entity from exercising the power of eminent domain for the purpose of developing or operating high-speed rail (HB 663)
- Would direct TxDOT to enter a CDA with a private entity to construct and operate high-speed rail connecting Dallas to San Antonio along the I-35 corridor (SB 424/HB 483)



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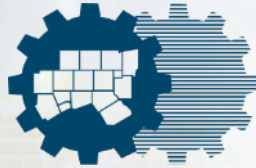
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NCTCOG Legislative Updates: www.nctcog.org/legislative





NCTCOG PRESENTATION

New 511DFW Traveler Information System

January 23, 2025, RTC Meeting

511DFW Software as a Service (SaaS) Solution

Regional transportation data integration for operations, planning, and executive decision-making activities.

A Public Website, Mobile Application, Interactive Voice Recognition (IVR) system, and a Regional Data Portal.

REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION DATA INTEGRATION

Reg. Data Hub, supporting data-driven decision making
Lonestar, DART, TRE, NTTA, HERE, WAZE,

PARTNER AGENCY USER INTERFACE

Event Management, MapViewer, Alerts
Incident, Construction, Waze, Alerts

DATA ANALYTICS & PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Operational dashboards, Monthly Reports, KPIs Tracking
OPS Dashboards, TIMS, Exec Dashboards



PUBLIC WEBSITE & MOBILE APP

An interactive Map Viewer displays real-time and predictive conditions.
Mobile app focused on Roadway Assistance

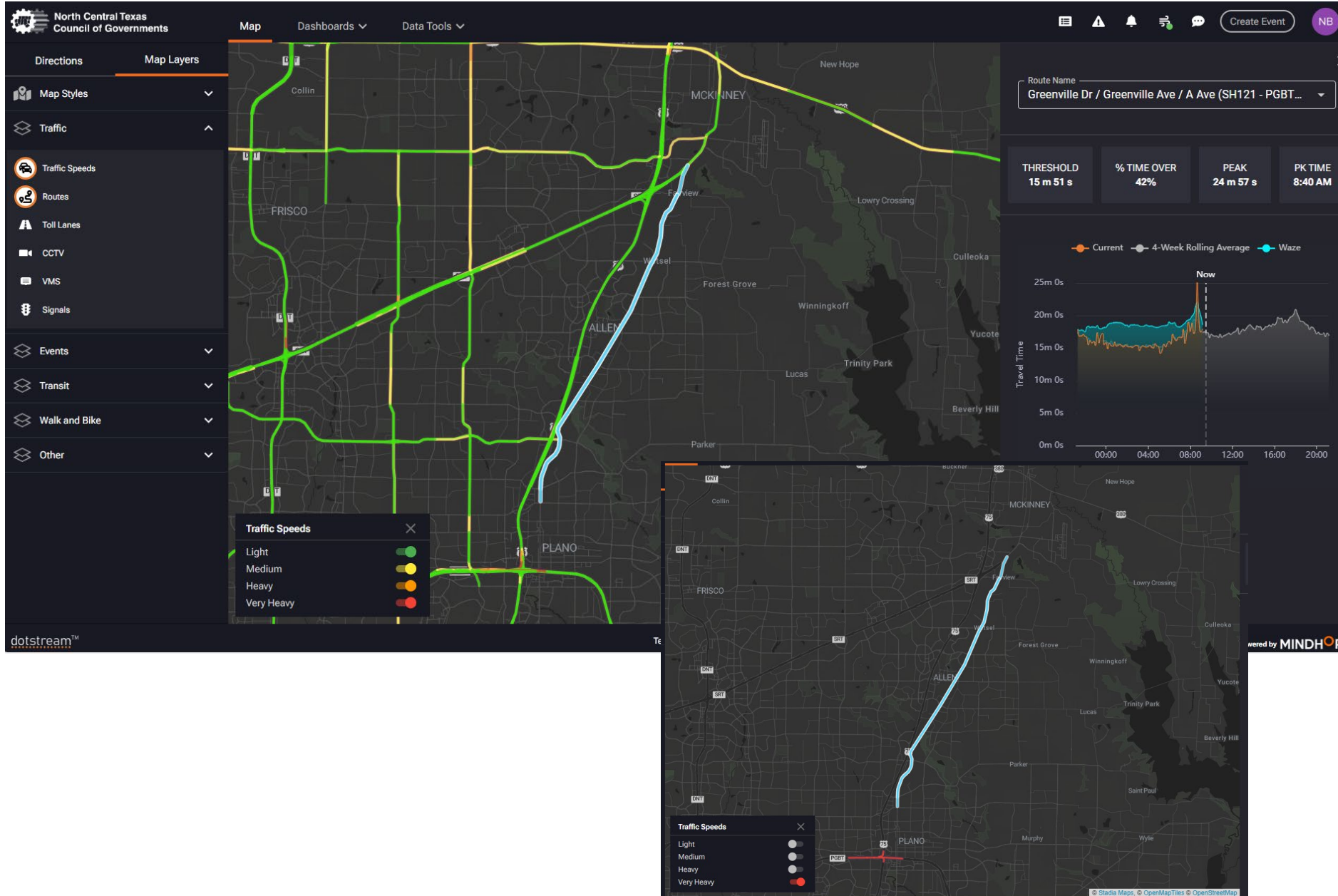
IVR & ALERTS

Location-based alerts, IVR with speech recognition and natural language processing
Simplified IVR features focused on Roadway Assistance

REGIONAL DATA PORTAL

Comprehensive developer portal to service regional partners and app developers.
Regional Data Sharing (APIs)

Agency User Interface Map Viewer



Map Layers

- Traffic
 - Traffic Speeds
 - Routes
 - Toll Lanes
 - CCTV Cameras
 - VMS Signs
 - Signals
- Events
 - Incidents
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 - Bike Lanes
- Other
 - Roadside Assistance
 - EV Charging Stations
 - Weather Conditions
 - Truck Routes
 - Mile Markers

Agency User Interface Event Entry

North Central Texas Council of Governments

Map Viewer

- Map Styles
- Traffic
- Events
- Incidents**
- Construction / Work Zones
- Special Events
- Waze
- Transit
- Walk and Bike
- Other

Incident Work Zone Special Event

REQUIRED INFORMATION

Crash Stalled Vehicle

Overturned Vehicle Disabled Vehicle

Vehicle Fire Other

Date 05/23/24 12:50 PM Confirmed

Reported by: juan.moreno


Location I-30 E

4 3 2 1 RS

Description
Crash on I-30 E at 05/23/24 12:50 PM. Lane 1 closed.

INCIDENT IMPACT

Cancel Submit



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Map **Dashboards** ▾ Data Tools ▾

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FILTERS ←

Month
2024 11 ▾

Incident Category ▾

Incident Type ▾

Severity ▾

Duration ▾

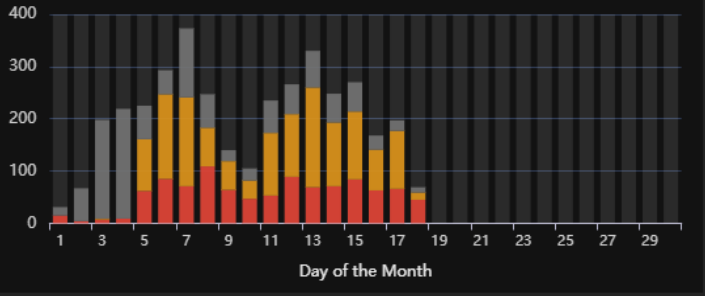
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Breakdown by category

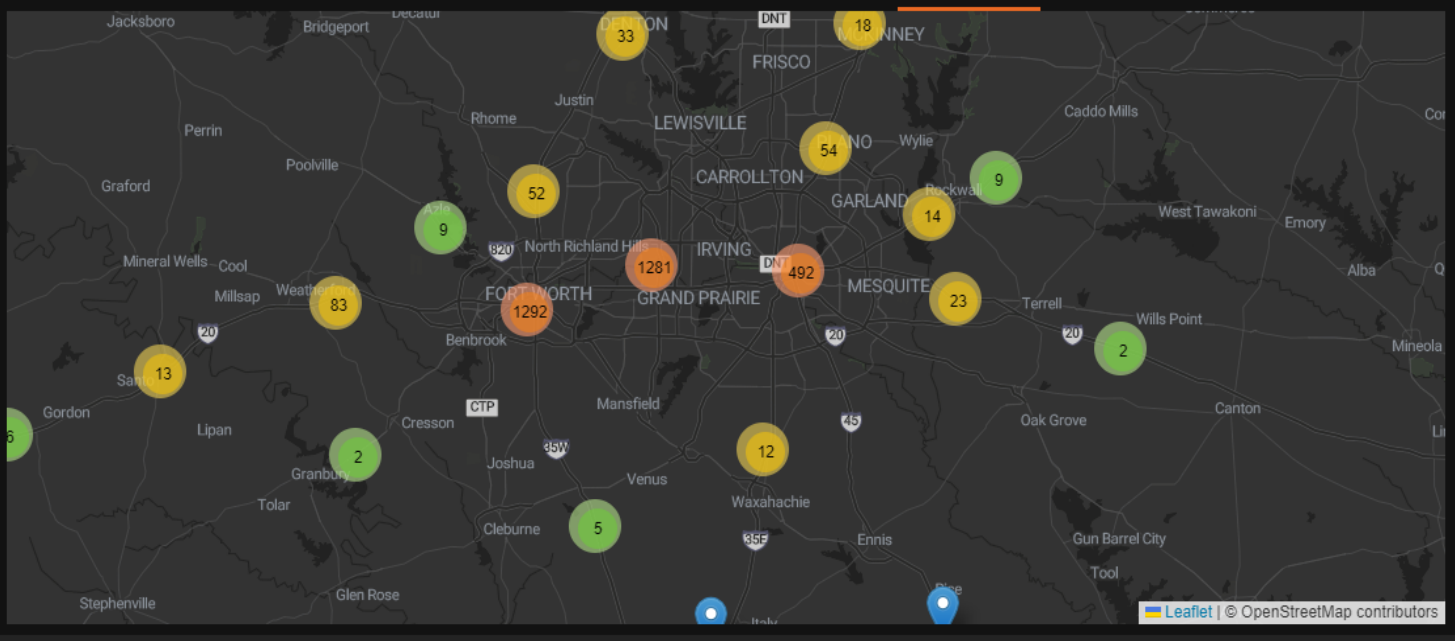
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INCIDENTS	3682	7	+52500.00 %
CONFIRMED (%)	N/A	N/A	NaN %
AVG DURATION	2:56	0:18	+853.35 %

TRAFFIC INCIDENT MANAGEMENT - NOV 2024

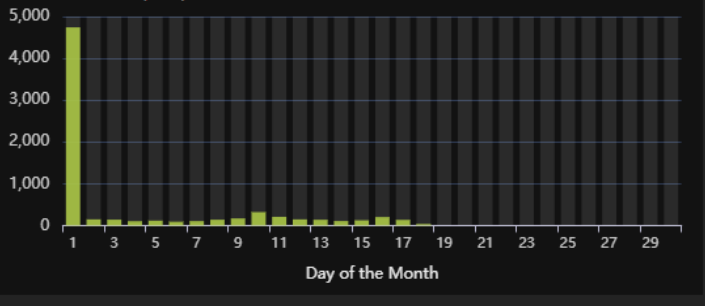
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CLUSTERS **HEATMAP** **LOCATIONS**



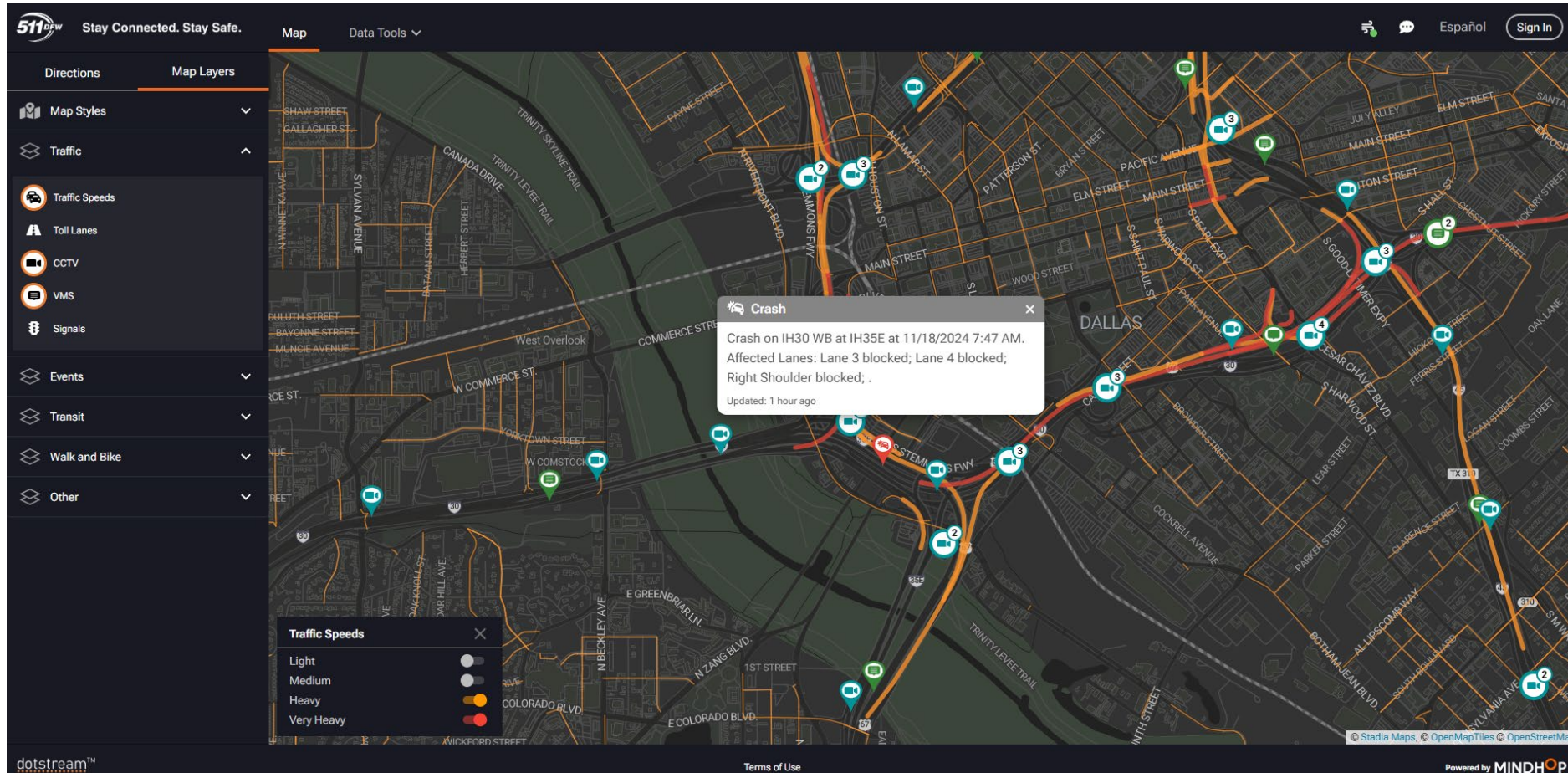
AVG DURATION (MIN)



DATE/TI...	CATEGORY	TYPE	DESCRIPTION	SEVERITY	DURATION (H:MM)	...
2024-11-18 16:39:01	Disabled Vehicle	Disabled Vehicle	TxDOT Fort Worth: Disabled Vehicle on IH-35W northbound at Garden Acres. Affected Lanes: Right Shoulder blocked; Additional Details: Disabled Vehicle	● Minor	0:10	🔗
2024-11-18 16:38:28	Crash	Crash	Accident FM1776 NS from 3.048 Miles North of FM1450 on FM1776 to 1.011 Miles North of FM1450 on FM1776 between 11/18/2024 10:35AM - 11/18/2024 02:00PM. Additional details: Motorists should expect delays. Watch for flag personnel directing traffic. Traffic being slowed due to accident. Use Caution	●	0:02	🔗

511DFW PUBLIC WEBSITE

- Available on www.511dfw.org
- Multi-language: English and Spanish
- An interactive map providing regional multimodal information

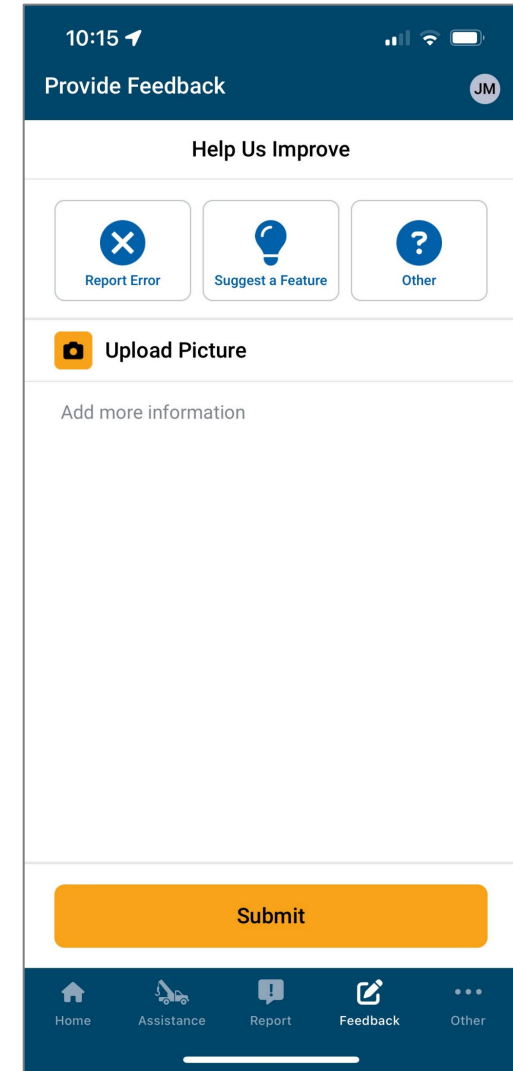
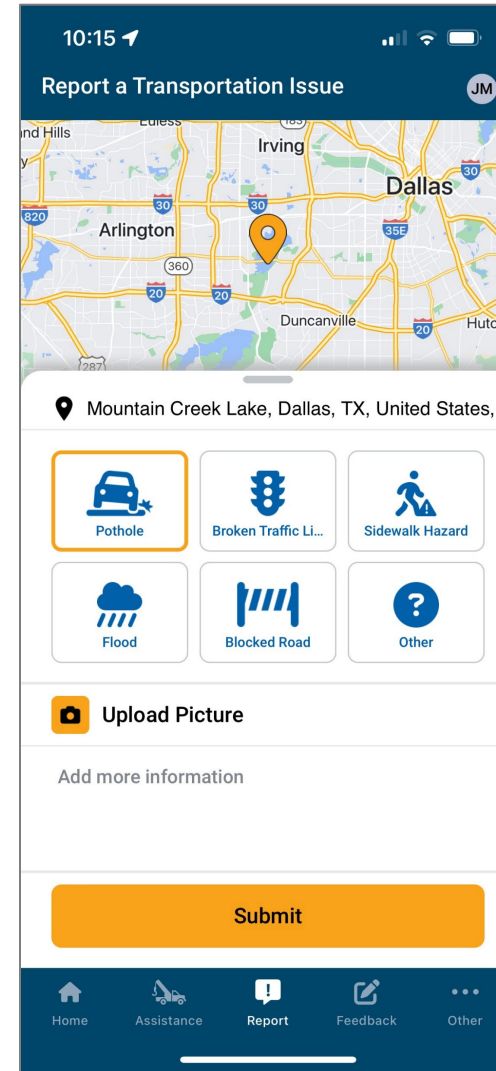
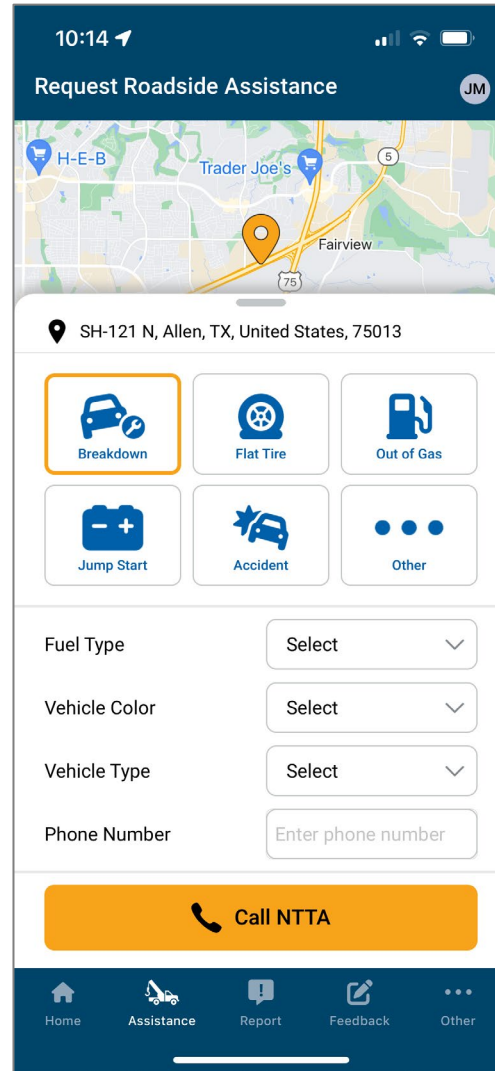


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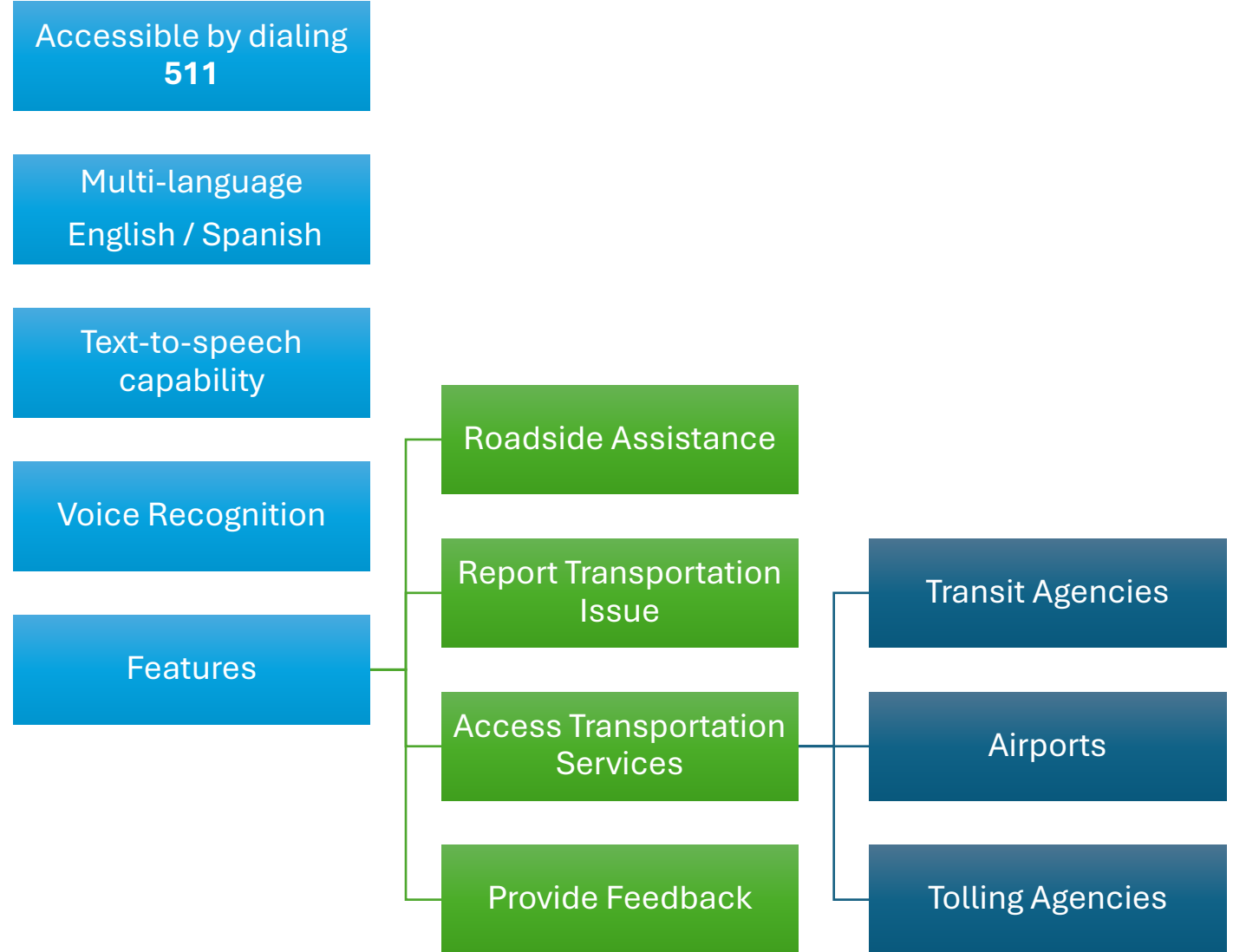
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511DFW Mobile App

- iOS and Android
- Multi-language: English and Spanish
- Features
 - Roadside Assistance
 - Report Transportation Issue
 - Provide Feedback
 - Access to Other Regional Apps



511DFW IVR (Interactive Voice Recognition System)



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