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MAINTAIN a safe system

As one of its goals, TxDOT works with its partners to keep the area's roadways passable during inclement weather.

After recent flooding, TxDOT led a multiagency effort to remove brush, trees and debris on Johnson County roads:

10,000 man-hours of continuous operations

Over 4,000 cubic yards of debris removed

Zero incidents or accidents

Proposition 7

The 84th Texas Legislature gave Texas voters an opportunity to vote this November on a constitutional amendment that would guarantee reliable, robust and sustainable revenue for Texas roads and bridges. Dependent on voter approval, the first deposit to the highway fund would occur in fiscal year 2018. As this and other funding becomes available, TxDOT will continue working with local stakeholders and partners to prioritize and accelerate the delivery of critical projects around the state.

I-30

The public hearing for I-30 from Cooper Street to SH 161 was held June 30 in Arlington. The proposed improvements would increase safety, connectivity and mobility by adding mainlanes and converting the existing concurrent managed toll/HOV lanes to a reversible twolane managed toll/HOV facility. This includes the new \$254 million direct connect I-30/ SH 360 interchange that is scheduled for letting this fall. The ultimate project for I-30 is not currently funded.

I-20/U.S. 180 in Hudson Oaks

August 2015

Construction begins in early 2016 to widen and reconstruct the intersections at I-20/ U.S. 180/Lakeshore Drive in Hudson Oaks. The \$7.3 million project is estimated for completion in 2017.

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Don't Mess With Texas Calendar

Keep Texas Beautiful and TxDOT have selected artwork to appear in the 2016 *Don't Mess with Texas* calendar. Selected in the annual *Don't Mess with Texas* Elementary School Art Contest, six of the 13 winning entries are from North Texas. The contest motivates young Texans to keep the state beautiful by not littering and by encouraging others to protect the environment.

LontMesswithTexas.org

Unified Transportation Program

A public hearing will be held Aug. 6 in Austin to accept public comments for the development of the 2016 Unified Transportation Program (UTP). This follows public meetings that were held across the state in July. The UTP is TxDOT's 10-year plan to guide transportation development for future construction projects and related activities. It is approved by the Texas Transportation Commission annually prior to Aug. 31.

INSIDE:



PARTNERS in construction

Over/ AWARDED PROJECTS Estimate Bid Underrun Limits Type of Work (millions) (%) Hwy (millions) US 281 to FM 52 Add shoulders +21.5 FM 1885 \$4.6 \$5.6 Parker & Palo Pinto Counties Add shoulders FM 2201 FM 4 to US 281, Palo Pinto County \$3.7 \$4.7 +24.4Park Rd 36 to SH 16 Add shoulders \$4.0 FM 2353 \$5.3 +33.0 Palo Pinto County NUN FM 3028 At Rocky Creek, Parker County Bridge replacement \$1.4 \$1.6 +15.1US 67 At Ice Branch, Somervell County Bridge replacement \$0.3 \$0.4 +38.1County Rd 2372 At Black Creek, Wise County Bridge replacement \$0.4 \$0.5 +11.7At County Rd 391 and FM 916 I-35W Bridge replacement \$1.1 \$1.3 +17.4Johnson County Various roadways **Tarrant County** Construct curb ramps \$1.9 \$2.0 +5.2US 180 At I-20/Lakeshore Dr, Hudson Oaks **Reconstruct intersection** \$5.8 \$7.3 +26.2**J Business 287** At FM 718 (Avondale Haslet Rd) Intersection improvements \$0.6 \$0.8 +28.8

PROJECTED PROJECTS

	Hwy	Limits	Type of Work	(millions)
AUG	SH 6	FM 847 to FM 914, Erath County	Add shoulders	\$5.2
	US 281	At SH 6, Erath County	Intersection improvements	\$4.6
	FM 2580	FM 4 to 3 Miles South of Parker County Line Granbury	Add shoulders	\$1.5
	Nolan River Rd	Harlin Dr to Country Club Rd, Cleburne	Hike and bike trail	\$1.2
	FM 1807	FM 1706 to Ellis County Line, Johnson County	Add shoulders	\$6.8
	FM 1902	FM 917 to FM 1187, Johnson County	Add shoulders	\$5.3
	FM 2738	FM 917 to Tarrant County Line, Johnson County	Add shoulders	\$2.6
	Forest Hill Dr	At Village Creek, Forest Hill	Bridge replacement	\$2.2
	Various roadways	Tarrant County	Texturize shoulders	\$0.2

DISTRICT statistics

Estimate

PROJECT*update*

fter two years of construction, the FM 2499 project is 66 percent complete and on target to reach substantial completion in early 2017.

Earlier this year, the new Stars and Stripes Way bridge was opened to traffic, and the south side of the new Grapevine Mills Boulevard bridge was also finished, allowing crews to begin construction on the north side of the bridge.

The \$92 million FM 2499 project is building the mainlanes and rebuilding the northbound frontage road and the bridges over Denton Creek. The roadway is being built 25-30 feet below grade level, which will allow commuter traffic to bypass the intersections of Stars and Stripes Way and Grapevine Mills Boulevard.

Crews continue to perform excavation, drainage and wall work for the lowered FM 2499 mainlanes. Now that traffic has been moved to the new south side of the Grapevine Mills Boulevard bridge, crews are continuing excavation to the north. In 2016, the new mainlanes will open to traffic and work will begin on the frontage road intersections of Stars and Stripes Way and Grapevine Mills Boulevard.

The FM 2499 improvements were originally included in the \$1.6 billion procured scope of the project awarded to NorthGate Constructors, but funds were not available at that time to deliver the entire scope. Since then, other elements of the project, including FM 2499, have been added to the contract.

Also added to the DFW Connector contract were two new ramps to improve access from William D. Tate Avenue to SH 121 and SH 360. Construction began on this \$17 million project earlier this year, and it is estimated for completion in early 2017.

Both the FM 2499 and SH 121/360 projects will further improve mobility and safety for the residents, businesses and traveling public in northeastern Tarrant County.



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PARTNERS August 2015



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DriveKind RideKind

Seven of the fastest growing cities in the U.S. are in Texas. Along with our population growth, there has been a nationwide surge in cycling, particularly in Texas. Studies have shown there is an educational gap between what people perceive to be true about cyclists and the actual laws. In addition to creating a healthier community that is more social and more physically fit, cycling is an alternative mode of transportation that contributes to congestion relief and improving air quality.

Bicycle laws from the Texas Transportation Code:

Cars:

- Yield right of way to a bicycle
- Recognize that bicyclists have the same rights and duties of other vehicles

Bicyclists:

- Ride as near to the right as practicable
- Ride in the same direction as traffic
- Stop at stop signs and red lights
- Signal while turning and stopping
- Use lights and reflectors for night riding.



Drivers should allow plenty of distance when passing bicyclists





FEDERAL update

Discussions continue on the authorization of the next federal transportation bill. To keep up with its status, visit these sites regularly:



transportation.nationaljournal.com

- trans2group.com
- innobriefs.com



Monthly Report on Dallas District Projects and Topics ***

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LBJ EXPRESS PROJECT NEARS COMPLETION



As the state of Texas' largest public-private partnership infrastructure project, the LBJ Express project is rebuilding one of the busiest and most congested highways in North Texas. Located on the north side of Dallas and connecting with I-35E, the Dallas North

Tollway and US 75, this vital east-west interstate carries more than 250,000 vehicles per weekday.

The LBJ Express is the first comprehensive development agreement (CDA) project signed in Dallas County. The joint project with LBJ Infrastructure Group (LBJIG) leveraged a \$490 million TxDOT investment into \$3.1 billion to build, operate and maintain the 16.5-mile project.

Construction began in early 2011 and will be completed by the end of this year. The project is being designed and built concurrently, shaving several years from the project schedule. When complete, it will provide improved mobility by almost doubling the existing roadway capacity. LBJ Express features a combination of four main lanes in each directions, two to three lanes of continuous frontage roads in each direction, and three managed toll lanes (known as TEXpress Lanes) in each direction that will use fluctuating, congestion managed tolling to keep traffic moving at a goal of 50 mph.

The majority of the managed lanes were constructed sub-grade in a cantilevered, depressed corridor under the mainlanes. The project also includes elevated managed lane connections on I-35E that feed directly into the managed lanes on I-635. The project also includes bypass lanes at most of the major intersections along the corridor; new



The Interstate 35E-LBJ Freeway interchange, part of the \$3.1 billion LBJ Express project that is nearing completion.

SOURCE: www.txdot.gov

TxDOT graphic

ornate bridge structures, retaining walls and unique lighting are also major components of the rebuilt corridor.

To expedite this project, LBJ Infrastructure Group built its own beam and cap production sites along the project to eliminate any delays in delivery of concrete beams and caps from other areas of the state. They also constructed a one-of-a-kind beam setter that could drop and slide beams in the depressed lanes without having to interrupt the surface mainlanes to operate large cranes. The LBJ Express project also worked very closely with the City of Dallas Office of Emergency Management to implement a sophisticated communications system in the depressed lanes that will ensure no disruption of communications during emergencies in the managed lanes below the surface. That system is currently in the final testing stage. These innovative tools of construction were ground-breaking in many cases and

have paved the way for other projects to implement.

BY THE NUMBERS				
64	Bridge structures rebuilt			
200	Direct subcontractors			
5,760	Beams placed			
3.5 million	Dollars spent per day at peak construction			
9,000+	Safety orientations conducted			
564,000+	Linear feet of concrete barriers placed			
678,000+	Tons of asphalt laid			
6 million+	Cubic yards of dirt moved			
17 million	Man hours worked			
SOURCE: TXDOT.	TxDOT graphic			

SH: STATE HWY. | FM: FARM TO MARKET | CR: COUNTY RD. | CS: CITY ST. | SL: STATE LOOP | SP: SPUR | BUS: BUSINESS | VA: VARIOUS | LET | PROJECTED | COMPLETED

JULY 2015 LET PROJECTS

CSJ NUMBER	HWY	LIMITS	TYPE OF WORK	EST. (M)	BID (M)	(%)	EST. TOTAL COSTS (M) ****	CONTRACTOR	
0092-06-101	I-45	South of SH 14 to I-45 Business North in Corsicana	Widen from 4 to 6 lanes and install ITS	\$63.36	\$58.76	-7.26	\$67.06	Sterling Delaware Holding Co., Inc.	1
0093-01-098	1-45	0.4 mile south of FM 246 to 2.1 miles south of Business I-45F	Widen freeway from 4 to 6 lanes and install ITS	\$89.06	\$71.99	-19.16	\$82.15	Webber, LLC	2
0596-02-042	FM 66	On FM 66 at Greathouse Rd. and Grande Casa and on Bus. 287 S	Add left turn lanes	\$2.05	\$2.09	1.94	\$2.35	O. Trevino Construction, LLC	3
0596-02-043	FM 66	FM 308 to FM 916	Widen, safety treat fixed obj. & centerline texture	\$3.48	\$4.26	22.22	\$4.84	Apac-Texas, Inc.	4
1785-01-035	FM 407	FM 1830 to Briarhill Blvd.	Landscape development	\$0.60	\$0.50	-17.28	\$0.60	C. Green Scaping, L.P.	5
0081-04-040*	US 377	Various highways in City of Denton	Landscape development	\$0.30	\$0.32	7.73	\$0.39	Carruth Nursery Irrigation & Land- scape, Inc.	
0918-47-101*	CS	Various intersections in City of Dallas	Traffic signals	\$0.57	\$0.80	40.80	\$0.90	FNH Constr., LLC	
*Unmapped.	JULY 2013 TOTAL			\$159.42	\$138.72	-12.99	\$158.29		
 **District FY 2015 Letting Vol. Cap includes the following: I) The SH 183 Managed Lanes project for \$513 million. 			\$1,282.30	\$1,399.11	9.11				
	Est. Total Proj. Costs includes estimated PE, ROW, E&C, Indirect Costs and Potential Change Order Costs at the time of bid.			\$1,046.87					

AUGUST 2015 PROJECTED LETTING PROJECTS (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

CSJ NUMBER	HWY	LIMITS	TYPE OF WORK	EST. (M)	
0048-04-079	I-35E	US 77 south of Waxahachie to US 77 north of Waxahachie	Reconstruct and widen from 4 lanes to 6 lanes	\$155.32	1
1451-01-025	FM 55	At Big Onion Creek	Replace bridge and approaches	\$1.49	2
			TOTAL	\$156.81	

COMPLETED CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (FROM JULY 1 - 31, 2015)

CSJ NUMBER	HWY	LIMITS	TYPE OF WORK	DATE COMPLETED	COST (M)	
0816-04-047	FM 455	CR 98 to FM 3356	Provide Additional Paved Surface Width	7/30/15	\$5.54	1
2678-01-009	FM 428	Denton C/L to FM 455	Base Repair, Shoulder Widening	7/30/15	\$2.52	2
0092-14-083	I-345	Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. to US 75	Repair Bent Caps & Girders	7/10/15	\$0.67	3
0095-02-109	US 80	0.3 mi. east of E Fork Rd. on eastbound frontage rd.	Repair Slope with Headwall	7/30/15	\$0.26	4
0081-13-051	I-35W	Tarrant County Line to Cooke County Line	Install Guide Signs	7/16/15	\$0.38	5
0697-03-027	FM 429	SH 243 to US 80	Texture Shoulders & Centerline	7/07/15	\$0.21	6

*Unmapped.

SOURCE: Texas Department of Transportation.

TxDOT graphic

\$9.58

TOTAL

DALLAS DISTRICT PROJECTS MAP Colored and numbered boxes correspond with the charts on page 2 and show projects that have let in July, are projected to let in August or have recently been completed. COOKE CO./WICHITA DIST. FANNIN CO./ GRAYSON CO /PARIS DIST PARIS DIST. DENTON CO. Ray COLLIN CO Roberts Lake 5 377 CO./FORT WORTH DIST. 35 380 377 Melissa 380 380 DENTON McKINNEY HUNT CO./PARIS DIST. Lewisville Frisco 380 Lake Lavon 156 121 Lake WISE 78 289 350 Plano Nevada 114 COLLIN CO. DALLAS

190 Garland A. 114 75 635 (INFORMATION FOR EACH COUNTY IS IN THE 183 **BLUE SIDEBAR** DALLAS 34 161 AT RIGHT) TARRANT CO./ FORT WORTH DIST. 12 Mesquite Terrell 30 80 3 Forney 80 34 KAUFMAN 77 C. 45 67 243 35E 342 Ferris 34 E. Cedar MIDLOTHIAN Creek 77 JOHNSON CO./ FORT WORTH DIST. Palmer 287 Res. WAXAHACHIE 45 34 66 ENNIS HENDERSON CO./ TYLER DIST. Bardwell 2 876 Lake LEGEND 34 NAVARRO CO. 45 ELLISCO LET CORSICANA PROJECTED COMPLETED Navarro 287 HILL CO./ PLANNED 31 Mills WACO DIST. **Richland Chambers** FREESTONE CO JBRYAN DIST. **TOLL ROAD** Lake 45 **TOLL ROAD UNDER** CONSTRUCTION - 35 **INTERSTATE HWY** 14 U.S. HWY -67)-G. STATE HWY LIMESTONE CO./ 34 WACO DIST. N 4

SOURCE: TxDOT research. *POPULATION ESTIMATE: NCTCOG



DALLAS DISTRICT TOTALS VEHICLE REGISTRATION | 3,591,178 *POPULATION ESTIMATE | 4,259,090 LANE MILES | 10,847.34

B.

D.

F.

VAN ZANDT CO./TYLER DIST.

10 miles

A. DENTON COUNTY

VEHICLE REGISTRATION: 559,501 *POPULATION ESTIMATE: 683,010 LANE MILES: 1,597.47

B. COLLIN COUNTY

VEHICLE REGISTRATION: 680,383 *POPULATION ESTIMATE: 804,390 LANE MILES: 1,563.69

C. DALLAS COUNTY

VEHICLE REGISTRATION: 1,952,662 *POPULATION ESTIMATE: 2,385,990 LANE MILES: 3,440.13

D. | ROCKWALL COUNTY VEHICLE REGISTRATION: 79.075 *POPULATION ESTIMATE: 80,270 LANE MILES: 346.35

E. ELLIS COUNTY

VEHICLE REGISTRATION: 165,360 *POPULATION ESTIMATE: 152,580 LANE MILES: 1,516.77

F. KAUFMAN COUNTY

VEHICLE REGISTRATION: 103,929 *POPULATION ESTIMATE: 104.600 LANE MILES: 1,191.95

G. NAVARRO COUNTY

VEHICLE REGISTRATION: 50,268 *POPULATION ESTIMATE: 48,250 LANE MILES: 1,190.98



From Ron W of Corsicana, Texas:

"I want to tell you that the repaving done between Corsicana and Trinidad was, perhaps, the best road repair I have ever experienced (and I am 64 years old and have seen many

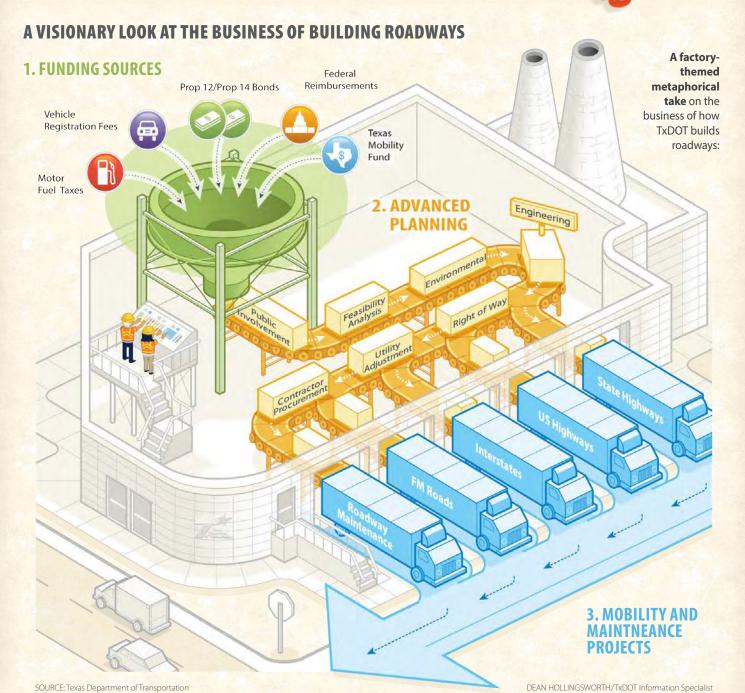
roads). The transitions at bridges are very smooth. I have heard many other people in Corsicana make similar comments about this road. When I compare this resurfacing to that done in Dallas, there is really

no comparison. The transitions in Dallas are rough and looks as though it is a temporary repair rather than a permanent one. GREAT JOB!"



TxDOT graphic

SOURCE: Texas Department of Transportation



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Visit www.txdot.gov/contact-us/formhtml?form= Report a Pothole or call 800.452.9292. Progress report can be downloaded at http://www.txdot.gov/ inside-txdot/district/dallas/progress.html



On the Move

August 2015

See What's Coming with TollPerksEXpress



The rewards for NTTA customers who enroll in the TollPerks loyalty program are rolling in, just in time for a fall 2015 debut.

TollPerks is a true rewards program. It is NTTA's way of thanking you, our customers, for helping create North Texas' world-class toll road system and for continuing to use NTTA toll roads.

So how will it work? Simple: just drive and you'll earn points for every dollar spent using toll roads. The more you drive, the more you earn. The points given for using toll roads can be redeemed for exclusive rewards from DFW merchants.

In addition, TollPerks members will have access to everyday offers that do not require redemption of points as well as special promotions, including instant sweepstakes and monthly prize drawings.

Rewards will consist of deals from local businesses, and members can redeem their points to access specials, discounts, coupons and other exclusive offers.

We want to hear from you. Send us an email to TollPerks@NTTA.org.

Your TollTag Saves You On TEXpress

A reminder to TollTag drivers on TEXpress Lanes – you're saving money there, too! The final milestone of the LBJ Express project will be the opening of the new TEXpress managed toll lanes from Luna to Preston Roads later this year.

The TEXpress Lanes are part of a larger managed toll lane network in North Texas that utilizes fluctuating toll prices to control congestion. Two sections of the lanes, on the eastern and western sides of the expansion project, are already open. The opening of the final section will connect all the managed lanes in the corridor.

NTTA does not own or operate TEXpress Lanes, but we partner with all toll road operators in the region so that drivers have a single customer service contact.

NTTA provides billing service for all TEXpress Lane projects. TEXpress Lanes in the DFW region are owned and operated by:

- LBJ TEXPress operated by LBJ Infrastructure Group, owned by the Texas Department of Transportation
- North Tarrant Express operated by NTE Mobility Partners, owned by the State of Texas
- DFW Connector operated by Texas Department of Transportation, owned by the Texas Department of Transportation

If you drive on TEXpress Lanes, you will see the transactions listed on your TollTag account by their project names: 1635, 1820 and DFWC.

TEXpress Lanes are toll lanes built within an existing highway, expanding capacity to accommodate more traffic. Prices for the lanes change based on the level of traffic in the corridor, with the goal of maintaining minimum speed of 50 mph. TollTag customers always receive the lowest rates, and carpoolers can save even more.

Question regarding your TEXpress Lanes transactions? Contact NTTA customer service at 972-818-6882.

PROJECT UPDATES Speed Limits Lowered on Dallas North Tollway during Construction



Speed limits on the Dallas North Tollway have been lowered to 60 mph now that construction work on the Tollway is underway between the President George Bush Turnpike and Sam Rayburn Tollway.

Customer Service Legislation Takes Effect September 1

New legislation passed earlier this year that aims to improve customer service billing and access will become effective on Sept. 1, 2015.

House Bill 2549 - ZipCash billing

 Adjusts ZipCash (pay-by-mail) payment periods to allow for predictable monthly billing by converting to a 25-day customer payment period. This is the amount of time between when a bill is mailed and when payment is due. The new payment period will provide appropriate time for customers to pay their bills, The lowered, enforced speed limit is in place to ensure safety for both drivers and workers for the duration of construction work. This work includes building an additional travel lane in each direction of the Tollway from the Sam Rayburn Tollway to the Bush Turnpike. Crews recently set concrete barriers, and as of late June were restriping lanes to create work zones. Work zone signage has also been placed along the mainlanes.

The improvement projects also include the reconfiguration of the existing direct-connector ramps on the north side of the DNT/PGBT interchange to add a lane, as well as improvements to the Park Boulevard exit.

> while allowing NTTA time to reconcile accounts, process transactions and prepare the next monthly bill.

• Creates paperless, electronic billing notification option for pay-by-mail customers.

Senate Bill 57 – Information privacy

• Will protect account information of TollTag and payImprovements to the ramps between Parker Road and Windhaven Parkway, and the addition of new entrance ramps north of Windhaven Parkway will also be part of this construction.

Drivers can learn more about the Dallas North Tollway Improvement Projects at ProgressNTTA.org, Lane/ ramp closure and traffic-related information are also available there.

This project is scheduled to be complete by early 2018.

by-mail users from public disclosure.

- This change will not prohibit any law enforcement or judicial requests for information.
- The new law is also applicable to DART, DCTA and regional mobility authorities.

For more information about NTTA's Government Affairs program, visit <u>NTTA.org</u>.

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