

35EXPRESS

TxDOT PROJECT TRACKER

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OVERVIEW

Interstate 35E (I-35E) serves the rapidly growing areas of southern and central Denton County, as well as the major Dallas suburbs immediately north of I-635. This corridor functions as a major artery for hundreds of thousands of commuters, as well as a primary link to major universities in the city of Denton, including the fourth-largest university in the state, the University of North Texas (UNT). In addition, I-35E is an important truck corridor and accommodates more than 12,000 trucks daily. The interstate also handles almost 200,000 total vehicles daily near I-635, and 128,000 vehicles a day across Lewisville Lake. Furthermore, due to the lack of continuous frontage roads across Lewisville Lake, there are no viable north-south commuting alternatives to I-35E at this crossing. Therefore, it is imperative to provide motorists reliable alternatives with a combination of continuous frontage roads and managed lanes. The \$4.8 billion project, proposed to be constructed in phases, would rebuild the entire 30-mile corridor and provide managed lanes that feature dynamic pricing to keep traffic moving at 50 mph. Approximately \$1.4 billion in funding has been identified for Phase 1 of this project, which includes SH 121 regional toll revenue (RTR) funds dedicated to Denton County. Phase 2 of the project will occur when the additional funding becomes available.

PROJECT HISTORY

- I-35E constructed: 1950s and 1960s
- Major Investment Study for future expansion: Began 1998
- Express Lane Demonstration Program approval by Federal Highway Administration: Sept. 30, 2009
- The Senate Bill (SB) 1420 Committee determined in March 2012 that Phase 1 of the project should be delivered as a design-build project with public financing and utilizing the Regional Transportation Council managed lane policy.
- Request for Qualifications (RFQs) issued 1/23/12; received 3/23/12
- Request for Proposals (RFPs) issued July 13, 2012; received Nov. 12, 2012
- AGL Constructors, comprised of Archer Western, Granite and LANE Constructors, were selected and awarded the contract on Dec. 13, 2012
- Contract Executed: May 17, 2013
- TxDOT issued Notice to Proceed (NTP) 1 to AGL to begin design in May 2013 and NTP 2 for construction in Sept. 2013
- Construction began in late October 2013

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW STATUS

- Environmental Assessment public meetings: 2008
- Environmental Assessment process: 2003-2012 (complete)
- Finding of No Significant Impact by FHWA: Dec. 28, 2011-south segment; Jan. 28, 2011 - middle segment Jan. 31, 2012 - north segment
- All public hearings have been completed
- Phase 1 FHWA environmental concurrence: Feb. 15, 2013 - south segment; April 18, 2013 - middle segment; March 11, 2013 - north segment

PROJECT FACTS

- South segment (I-635 to Pres. George Bush Turnpike - PGBT): 7.5 miles
- Middle segment (Pres. George Bush TP to FM 2181): 12.1 miles
- North segment (FM 2181 to US 380): 10.5 miles
- Additional general purpose lane in each direction: N of SH 121 to US 380



Pictured above is the column construction for the new southbound Lewisville Lake Bridge.

AGL photo archives

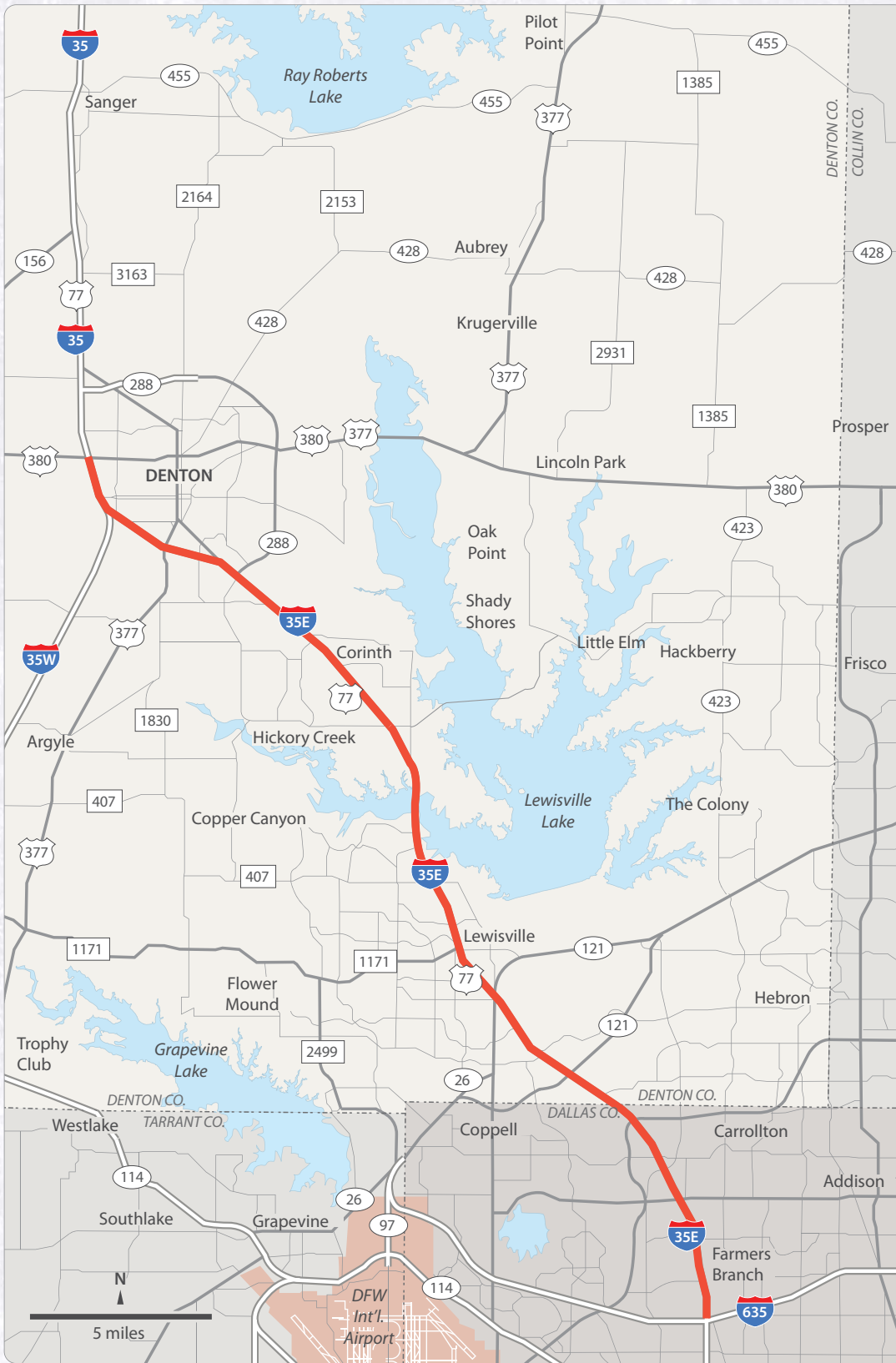
- Two reversible managed toll lanes from I-635 to Turbeville/Hundley
- New southbound bridge over Lewisville Lake
- Belt Line Road intersection reconstruction
- Intersection improvements at Dickerson, FM 407, Garden Ridge, S. Denton/Oak, Turbeville/Hundley, Corinth, Post Oak, North Texas Blvd.
- Substantial completion: Mid 2017

PROJECT PROGRESS

- Demolition of existing southbound I-35E bridge over Belt Line Rd completed, southbound I-35E traffic shifted to the middle. Construction of new I-35E bridge and temporary southbound frontage continue.
- Southbound frontage road traffic from Garden Ridge Blvd to FM 407/Justin Rd on new permanent pavement. Construction continues to prepare for 2015-Q1 demolition of FM 407 bridge over I-35E and to elevate I-35E over an widened FM 407.
- Work continues on new Lewisville Lake bridge. Bridge column construction continues to accelerate.
- Work has started on new trail at Copperas Branch Park on east side of I-35E.
- Bridge widening continues on northbound I-35E over US 77/Dallas Dr entrance ramp to southbound I-35E. Northbound I-35E traffic shifted to the middle on temporary pavement as widening progresses.
- Traffic barriers placed on mainlanes near Corinth Blvd and Post Oak Dr for mainlane traffic shift for 2015-Q1 demolition of Corinth Blvd bridge over I-35E; I-35E to be reconstructed to go over an widened Corinth Blvd.
- I-35E bridge widening continue over Valley View Ln, Valwood Pkwy, Crosby Rd, Sandy Lake Rd/Whitlock Ln, Timber Creek, Mayhill Rd and Loop 288.

FUNDING

- Base scope and seven additional options = \$1.4 billion for Phase 1
- Federal - \$460 million; State - \$979 million (includes \$534 million in RTR funds, and \$285 million in RTR backstop funds for options, totaling \$819 million from RTR funds). Pending Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) loan approval, the Federal amount will increase and the State amount will decrease; Local - \$14 million



NOTE: Highlighted areas are not to scale.

Roadway and Limits	Existing frontage road lanes (Each dir.)	Existing main lanes (Each dir.)	Existing HOV lanes (Each dir.)	Interim** frontage road lanes (Each dir., 2016)	Interim** general purpose lanes (Each dir., 2016)	Interim** reversible managed lanes (2016)	Proposed frontage road lanes (Each dir., 2030)	Proposed general purpose lanes (Each dir., 2030)	Proposed managed lanes (Each dir., 2030)
South: North of I-635 to President George Bush Turnpike	2 - 3*	3	1	2 - 3	3	2	2 - 3	4	2
Middle: President George Bush Turnpike to Turbeville Rd.	2 - 3*	3	0	2 - 3	3** - 4	2	2 - 3	4	2
North: Turbeville Rd. to U.S. 380	2 - 3	2	0	2 - 3	3	0	2 - 3	3	1 - 2

* Discontinuous. ** PG&T to SH 121. *** Interim configuration relies primarily on use of existing pavement for expansion. Final configuration involves reconstruction of remainder of the corridor. TxDOT graphic

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