

FORT WORTH DISTRICT PARTNERS



New I-20 Exit Ramp in Willow Park

CONNECT Texas communities

The DFW Connector will provide connections for major North Texas businesses including the DFW International Airport.

According to NCTCOG traffic modeling:

48 percent of vehicles will be generated from Tarrant County

52 percent will commute to/from Collin, Dallas and Denton Counties

DFW Connector Celebration

TxDOT and local leaders will celebrate the substantial completion of the DFW Connector on Aug. 21. The \$1.1 billion project rebuilt SH 114 and SH 121 through Southlake, Grapevine and the north edge of the DFW International Airport. Completed nearly a year ahead of schedule, the DFW Connector will improve mobility and air quality for the corridor's 250,000 daily commuters.


 dfwconnector.com

Loop 567 in Granbury

The SH 567 extension project from Farm-to-Market Road 51 to Business 377 opened in July. The \$4.6 million project completes the north loop around Granbury to provide a 6.5-mile corridor that will improve traffic flow through downtown Granbury by relieving congestion around the square and addressing the increasing growth in this area.

Drive Clean Across Texas

TxDOT kicked off its annual clean-air initiative in June. The air quality campaign encourages motorists to change their driving and vehicle maintenance behaviors to reduce vehicle emissions and save gas. The campaign will give one lucky winner a 2013 Ford Fusion Hybrid, donated by the Dallas Cowboys.

 DriveCleanAcrossTexas.org

Willow Park Ramp Opening

TxDOT accompanied local officials celebrating our partnership in opening the new I-20 westbound exit ramp to FM 5 in Willow Park on July 25. The ramp opening marks the beginning of new development opportunities for the area. The new exit ramp will provide better access to surrounding area developments, improve overall traffic congestion, and allow for new commercial development along the frontage road and Crown Pointe Boulevard.

Move Over, Slow Down

On Sept. 1, the Move Over, Slow Down law will be extended to TxDOT vehicles that are stopped with activated flashing blue or amber lights. First passed in 2003, the law now puts TxDOT vehicles in the same protected class as emergency response vehicles and tow trucks. Drivers must vacate the lane nearest to the vehicle or reduce their speed by 20 mph from the posted speed limit. Failing to slow down or give these vehicles space could result in a \$500 fine. This law will prevent crashes and protect both workers and drivers in TxDOT work zones.

PARTNERS *in construction*

AWARDED PROJECTS

	Hwy	Limits	Type of Work	Estimate (millions)	Bid (millions)	Over/Underrun (%)
JUNE	I-30	Cooper St to Fielder Rd Arlington	Construct westbound auxiliary lane	\$0.7	\$0.6	-3.1
	FM 113	At N Rippy Branch Parker County	Bridge replacement	\$0.4	\$0.4	+25.5
JULY	SH 114	At N Carroll Ave Southlake	Construct turnaround bridge	\$1.4	\$1.7	+18.7
	Various roadways	Districtwide	Concrete pavement repairs	\$1.5	\$1.4	-6.8
	Various roadways	Tarrant County	Bridge joint maintenance	\$2.2	\$2.7	+30.0

PROJECTED PROJECTS

	Hwy	Limits	Type of Work	Estimate (millions)
AUGUST	US 67	SH 6 to the existing US 67, Dublin	Complete relief route	\$12.8
	SH 174	At Stadium Dr, Joshua	Traffic signal	\$0.4
	County Rd 519	At King Branch, Johnson County	Bridge replacement	\$0.4
	FM 3325	I-20 to FM 1886, Parker County	Add shoulders	\$3.4
	SH 26	Grapevine	Construct hike and bike trail	\$1.3
	Various roadways	Districtwide	Install signing for No Trucks Left Lane	\$0.5
	FM 156	Heritage Trace Pkwy to Avondale Haslet Rd	Intersection improvements	\$0.3
	Pipeline Rd	At Harrison Ln, Hurst	Intersection improvements	\$0.7
	Precinct Line Rd	SH 10 to Trammel Davis Rd	Widen from 2 to 4 lanes	\$10.7
	FM 1220	Bailey-Boswell Rd to Boat Club Rd	Add shoulders and pavement overlay	\$5.6
	US 81	At Business 81, Decatur	Construct overpass	\$12.6
	FM 718	SH 114 to Derrett Creek bridge Wise County	Add shoulders	\$4.8
	FM 920	3 miles north of SH 199 to the Trinity River, Wise County	Rehabilitate roadway and add shoulders	\$4.3

Using a design-build process, the first phase of the DFW Connector is estimated for substantial completion in August, nearly a year ahead of schedule. The \$1.1 billion project includes 8.4 miles of the original 14.4-mile scope for SH 114 and SH 121 through Grapevine and Southlake.

FM 2499 improvements were included in the original \$1.6 billion procured scope of the project awarded to NorthGate Constructors, but funds were not available to deliver the entire scope at that time.

In January, the Texas Transportation Commission approved MAP-21 federal funds to deliver the FM 2499 improvements. NorthGate Constructors will begin this summer on the \$98 million project with construction expected to last until 2017.

This FM 2499 project will rebuild the main lanes, the northbound frontage road and the bridges over Denton Creek in Flower Mound. It will also reconstruct both the Stars and Stripes Way and Grapevine Mills Boulevard intersections.

The FM 2499 main lanes will be built 25-30 feet below grade level, allowing commuter traffic to bypass two intersections.

This project will improve mobility and access for the estimated 44,000 daily users of the roadway. It will also benefit multiple stakeholders, including residents of Flower Mound, northeastern Tarrant County and western Denton County, as well as Grapevine Mills Mall and adjacent businesses.

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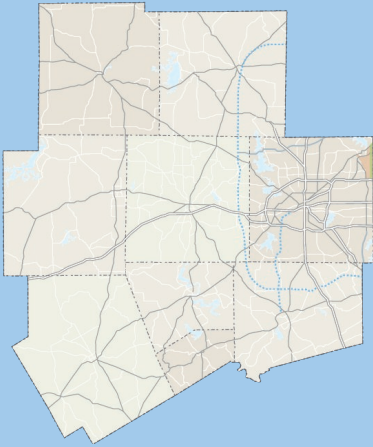


NOTE: Highlighted areas are not drawn to scale.

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45 percent of Texans who drink while at a football watching party drive home.

TxDOT encourages fans to enjoy the big games, but to be responsible when it comes to game-day drinking and know when to pass. Always designate a sober driver if you plan on drinking and if you are impaired, do not drive — call a taxi, use mass transit, contact the community safe ride program or call a sober friend or family member to get you home safely or simply stay where you are.

 soberrides.org

Football game days are among the heaviest days for alcohol consumption. A University of Colorado study found that college home football games are associated with a 13 percent increase in drunk driving arrests. **A 2009 TxDOT research report shows that**

1,400 DUI

*Alcohol-related
Texas crashes
on football game days
when a Texas team
was playing in 2011*

