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MAINTAIN a safe system

As one of its goals, TxDOT is encouraging motorists to always use their seat belts.

In 2002, TxDOT began the *Click It or Ticket* program. Today:

90 percent of Texans now use their seat belts, up from 76 percent

3,962 fewer fatalities

66,823 serious injuries prevented

\$15 billion saved in related economic costs

Source: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

June 2014

Weber Selected to Lead TxDOT

In April, the Texas Transportation Commission selected retired Lt. Gen. Joe Weber, USMC, as TxDOT's 20th executive director. Weber previously served as Vice President of Student Affairs at Texas A&M University in College Station. As a lieutenant general in the U.S. Marines, Weber most recently managed the welfare of more than 75,000 Marines and Sailors along the eastern seaboard. Previously, the general served in assignments throughout the U.S. and overseas leading major efforts, including tours in Iraq and Japan. Weber succeeds Phil Wilson.

SH 183

In May, the Texas Transportation Commission chose Southgate Mobility Partners for much needed improvements to SH 183. The project is expected to improve mobility by expanding 15 miles of SH 183 from SH 121 to I-35E, as well as 2.5 miles of Loop 12 from SH 183 to I-35E and 10.5 miles of SH 114 from SH 183 to SH 121/International Parkway. The interim \$847 million project includes design, reconstruction and replacement of deteriorating roadway and the addition of one TEXpress lane in each direction. Construction is estimated to begin by the end of 2014 with completion by 2018.

I-35W

On May 1, city, state and federal officials and members of the I-35W Coalition marked the official groundbreaking of Interstate 35W from north of downtown Fort Worth to I-820. The \$1.4 billion project will rebuild this segment of I-35W and add four TEXpress lanes, auxiliary lanes and some frontage roads by 2018. I-35W from I-820 to U.S. 81/287 is currently under construction and estimated to open by 2016 for \$244 million.

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Trinity River Vision

In May, the Texas Transportation Commission awarded the contract to build the three signature bridges of the Trinity River Vision project in Fort Worth. The three signature bridges positioned along the realigned Trinity River are a collaborative effort between the Trinity River Vision Authority (TRVA), TxDOT, City of Fort Worth and North Central Texas Council of Governments. The project was awarded to Texas Sterling Construction for \$65.5 million. Construction will begin in late summer 2014 with estimated completion by 2018.

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PARTNERS in construction

	AWA	ARDED PROJECTS Hwy Limits		Type of Work	Estimate (millions)	Bid (millions)	Over/ Underrun (%)
	MAY	US 377	I-20 to Winscott Rd	Widen from 4 to 6 lanes	\$18.1	\$19.1	+5.5
		SH 199/Bus 287	At Trinity River Bypass	Construct 3 bridges	\$66.8	\$65.5	-2.1
		FM 1191	US 380 to Young County Line, Jack County	Add shoulders	\$4.5	\$5.4	+19.5
		FM 2415	FM 4 to County Rd 401, Johnson County	Add shoulders	\$2.8	\$2.9	+4.1

PROJECTED PROJECTS

Hwy Limits				Type of Work	Estimate (millions)
	JUN	FM 1156	At Beams Creek, Jack County	Bridge replacement	\$0.9
		FM 167	FM 51 to FM 3450, Hood County	Add shoulders	\$2.0
		FM 2738	B Lillian to the Tarrant County Line, Johnson County Seal coat		\$1.8
		SH 16	SH 337 to SH 254, Palo Pinto County	4, Palo Pinto County Pavement repairs and seal coat	
		FM 1187	FM 5 to US 377, Parker County	Rehabilitate roadway and add shoulders	\$5.6
	JUL	Silver Creek Rd	At Silver Creek, Fort Worth	Bridge replacement	\$1.1



\$260 M PROPOSED LETTING

\$180 M Total Let To Date **FY 2014 CONSTRUCTION*** 53% Average Project Completion **TOTAL CONTRACTS \$724 M** *does not include CDAs, Chisholm Trail or pass-throughs

DISTRICT statistics

PROJECT*update*

ifty years in the making, over 300 community leaders, elected officials and transportation representatives attended a rope "ribbon" cutting May 9 to open the new location, 28-mile Chisholm Trail Parkway toll road. Over 5,000 celebrated with a run and bicycle ride on May 10.

The idea for the ultimately \$1.4 billion Chisholm Trail Parkway (formerly Southwest Parkway and SH 121) began in 1963 when a Fort Worth delegation asked the Texas Transportation Commission to begin a feasibility study on a "radial freeway" to provide relief for the growing traffic problems in southwest Tarrant and Johnson counties. In the summer of 1970, the Commission took its first action of many to further develop and study the corridor.

There was overall support for the project, but funding proved onerous and elusive. Meanwhile, Fort Worth, Tarrant and Johnson counties and all of the cities along the route continued to thrive and grow. As a result, the Chisholm Trail Parkway alignment evolved into the final route motorists see today from Interstate 30 in Fort Worth to U.S. 67 in Cleburne.

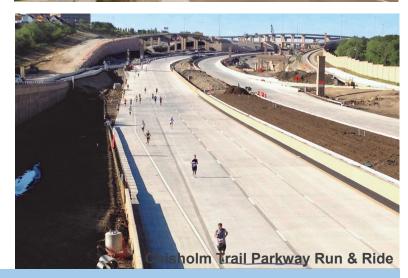
Ultimately in 1994, it was determined that the best way to move the Chisholm Trail Parkway forward was as a toll road. Even then, it took Texas' famous can-do spirit, determination, creativity and dedication to public service to bring agency leaders together to iron out a \$1.4 billion funding solution.

As a result of a partnership between TxDOT, the North Texas Tollway Authority, the city of Fort Worth and other partner agencies, the Chisholm Trail Parkway will improve mobility in North Texas as a major relief route for Interstate 35W and will address future growth and development.

The Chisholm Trail Parkway project has been challenging yet rewarding to all who have worked to make it possible. Now, there is a beautiful corridor that will improve North Texans' quality of life for years to come.







PARTNERS June 2014





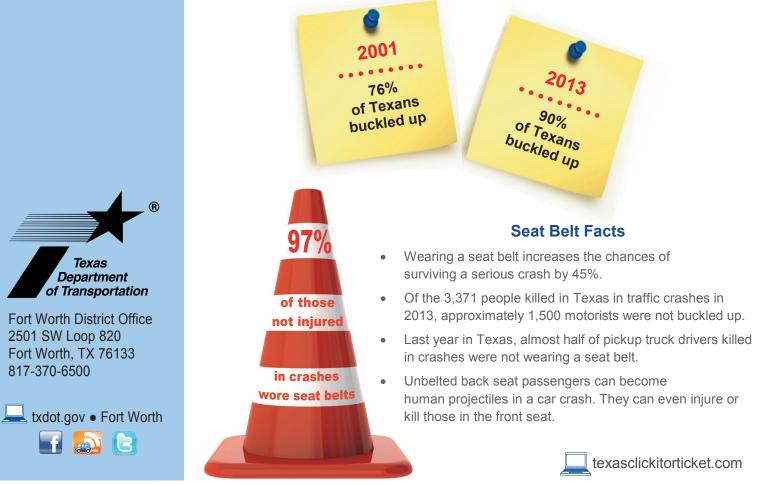
ClickIt BTicket

13th Annual Seat Belt Mobilization Campaign

Tarrant. Johnson Parker . Wise . Hood Erath . Palo Pinto Jack . Somervell

TxDOT, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, and the Texas Department of Public Safety continue to join forces with police and sheriffs' departments across Texas to save lives on Texas roads and highways by working together to increase seat belt use. Officers worked overtime May 19 to June 1 ticketing anyone who was not wearing a seat belt.

After 13 years of seat belt campaigns, more Texans are now buckling up, but with thousands of young Texans each year becoming new drivers and an estimated 1,100 people a day moving to the state, there is a continuing need for education about Texas seat belt laws.



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