

# 35EXPRESS

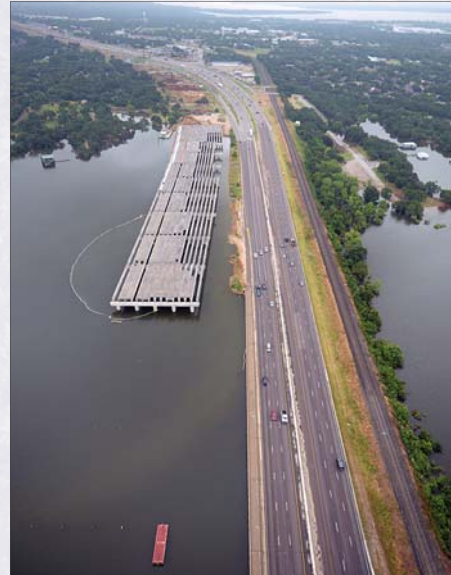
## TxDOT PROJECT TRACKER



"Work with others to provide safe and reliable transportation solutions for Texas."

### 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.



**Looking north at the progress of the new southbound Lewisville Lake Bridge.**

AGL photo

### 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 President George Bush Turnpike, PGBT): 7.5 miles
- Middle segment (PGBT 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
- 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

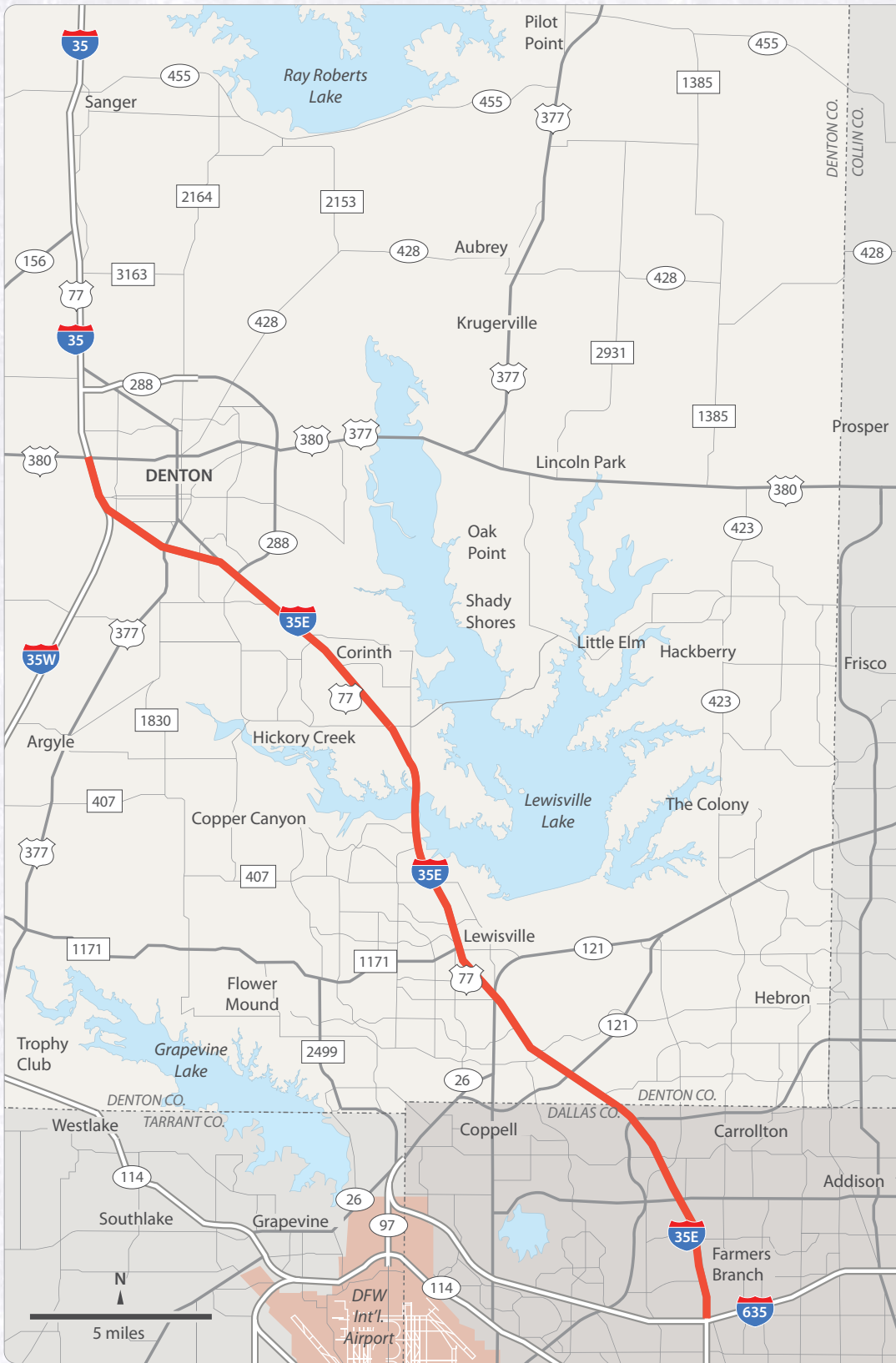
### PROJECT PROGRESS

- Work at Harry Hines continues with crews widening the existing bridges by installing drilled shafts, columns and bridge decking.
- Main Street in Carrollton is temporarily closed underneath I-35E and is expected to reopen Tuesday, September 1.
- Belt Line Road has been shifted to the south and reduced to two lanes in each direction in preparation for construction of the interchange.
- Construction has begun on the columns for the direct connectors from the Sam Rayburn Tollway to northbound I-35E.
- The existing FM 407 bridge over I-35E was demolished in May 2015 and construction of the I-35E bridges over FM 407 is progressing.
- Beams have been set for the Garden Ridge Blvd bridge over I-35E.
- Work continues on the new southbound Lewisville Lake bridge. The bridge will have additional mainlanes, continuous frontage roads, TEXpress managed lanes and hike-bike trails.
- The Corinth Parkway bridge was demolished in February 2015 and cross traffic was severed to begin construction of the new elevated I-35E mainlane bridge which will go over a widened Corinth Parkway.
- With the increase in traffic from the Corinth Parkway closure, the Post Oak Drive bridge over I-35E has been closed to truck traffic.
- This summer in Denton, Collier and Knight will close at the NB I-35E frontage road and Knight and Ave. C will close at the SB I-35E frontage road through spring 2016. Kendolph will close permanently at both frontage roads and; Underwood will close permanently at the SB frontage road.

### 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)
<b>South:</b> North of I-635 to President George Bush Turnpike	2 - 3*	3	1	2 - 3	3	2	2 - 3	4	2
<b>Middle:</b> President George Bush Turnpike to Turbeville Rd.	2 - 3*	3	0	2 - 3	3** - 4	2	2 - 3	4	2
<b>North:</b> 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.  
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