

FORT WORTH DISTRICT PARTNERS



Tower 55 Celebration

REDUCE *our congestion*

TxDOT is working together with our partners to improve efficiency for rail in Texas.

Recent Tower 55 improvements will alleviate congestion at one of the busiest rail intersections in the nation:

100,000 hours in delay reduced per year for motorists and pedestrians at crossings

93,000 tons of carbon dioxide emissions reduced per year

22,600 gallons in fuel consumption reduced per day

December 2014

Tower 55

On Nov. 7, city, state and federal officials celebrated the completion of Tower 55 improvements. The public-private partnership between BNSF Railway, Union Pacific Railroad, the city of Fort Worth, TxDOT and the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) made \$101 million in improvements.

Trinity River Vision

Local and state officials broke ground Nov. 10 on three signature bridges of the Trinity River Vision project in Fort Worth, a partnership between the city, the Trinity River Vision Authority, TxDOT and the North Central Texas Council of Governments. The \$66 million project is estimated for completion in 2018.

 trinityrivervision.org

High-Speed Rail

Three public meetings were held Nov. 18-20 regarding the proposed high-speed and express passenger rail service between Dallas and Fort Worth. The project will consider potential track alignments, station locations, and more. In September, the FRA approved an environmental study to identify alignment and funding strategies for the Dallas/Fort Worth corridor. The study is scheduled for completion

in 2017 with a final decision by the FRA anticipated in 2018.

 dfwhighspeedrail.com

Proposition 1

In the Nov. 4 general election, Texas voters approved Proposition 1, which will allow a portion of oil and gas tax revenues to be deposited into the State Highway Fund. As the Legislature begins its important work in deciding how much of this funding will be made available, TxDOT will continue to work with local leaders and planning organizations to identify possible projects to advance using these funds. Many of these projects will be ready to proceed to construction within six months after the appropriation is received.

TEXpress Lanes Fast & Free Week

Thanks to a partnership between LBJ Express, North Tarrant Express and TxDOT, all motorists who registered for the Drive On TEXpress app program by Nov. 28 are receiving free trips on the region's three managed lane projects from Dec. 1 through Dec. 7. The "Fast and Free Week" promotion gives drivers unlimited access to experience the managed-lane concept.

PARTNERS *in construction*

AWARDED PROJECTS

	Hwy	Limits	Type of Work	Estimate (millions)	Bid (millions)	Over/Underrun (%)
NOV	East First St	Beach St to Oakland Blvd	Replace bridge; widen roadway to 4 lanes	\$18.3	\$15.0	-3.9

PROJECTED PROJECTS

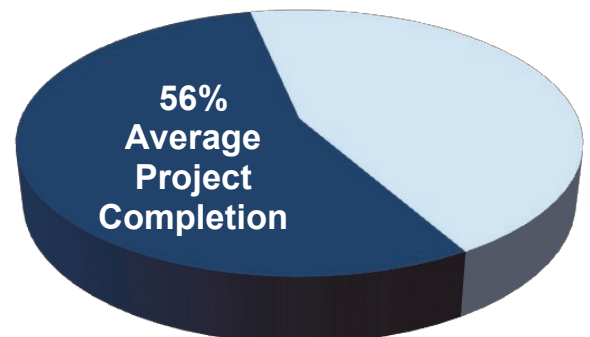
	Hwy	Limits	Type of Work	Estimate (millions)
JAN	US 81	Alvord to Montague County Line, Wise County	Add shoulders and pavement overlay	\$3.8
	US 81/287	Various locations, Wise County	Intersection improvements	\$5.7
FEB	I-30	US 377 to Las Vegas Trail	Pavement overlay and repairs	\$7.1
MAR	US 281	SH 108 to FM 8, Erath County	Pavement overlay and repairs	\$1.2
	SH 174	Fox Run Rd to Hill County Line, Johnson County	Pavement overlay and repairs	\$2.4
	US 180	At I-20/Lakeshore Dr, Hudson Oaks	Reconstruct intersection	\$5.8
	US 377	RM 2871 to Tiger Trail, Benbrook	Pavement overlay and repairs	\$2.9
	SH 114	Loop 373 to FM 51, Wise County	Pavement overlay and repairs	\$3.0



\$367 M PROPOSED LETTING



FY 2015 CONSTRUCTION*



TOTAL CONTRACTS \$815 M

**does not include CDAs, Chisholm Trail or pass-throughs*

The next big piece of the puzzle for Arlington transportation and the North Texas region will be a fully directional interchange at Interstate 30 and SH 360. Currently under design and environmental evaluation, this interchange is a key part of proposed improvements to I-30 from Cooper Street to SH 161.

A public meeting was held on Dec. 2 to provide an update on modifications and potential phasing to make the project shovel ready once construction funds are identified.

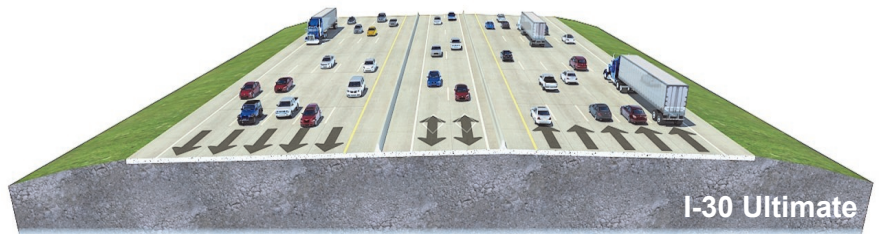
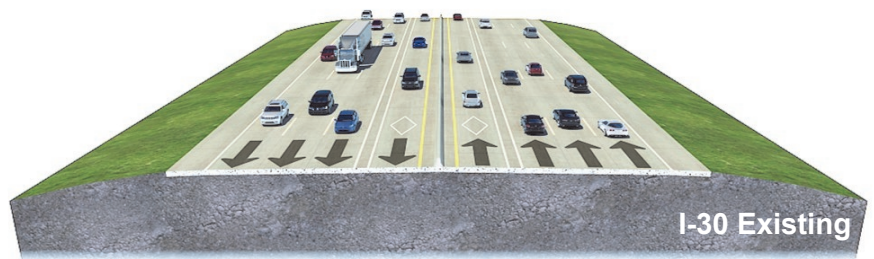
An interim \$255 million project would include the SH 360 interchange, a turnaround bridge at Six Flags Drive and one TEXpress lane in each direction.

The ultimate project would improve capacity for I-30 by constructing an additional four main lanes (two lanes each way), adding collector-distributor roads, and converting the concurrent managed lanes to a reversible two-lane managed facility.

Environmental approval from the Federal Highway Administration is anticipated in summer 2015 with letting of the interchange by fall 2015 if funding becomes available.

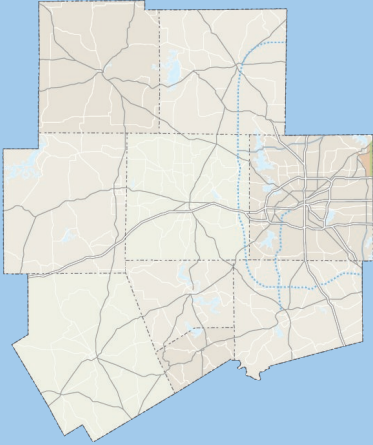
These improvements will improve mobility and safety in the region complementing the recently-completed I-30 Mobility Improvement Project to the west and the SH 161 interchange to the east. During construction, the public will be kept informed through a mobility coordinator, e-alerts and a project website.

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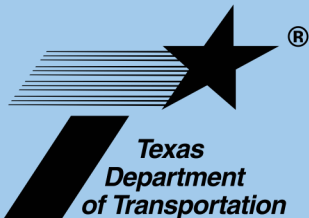


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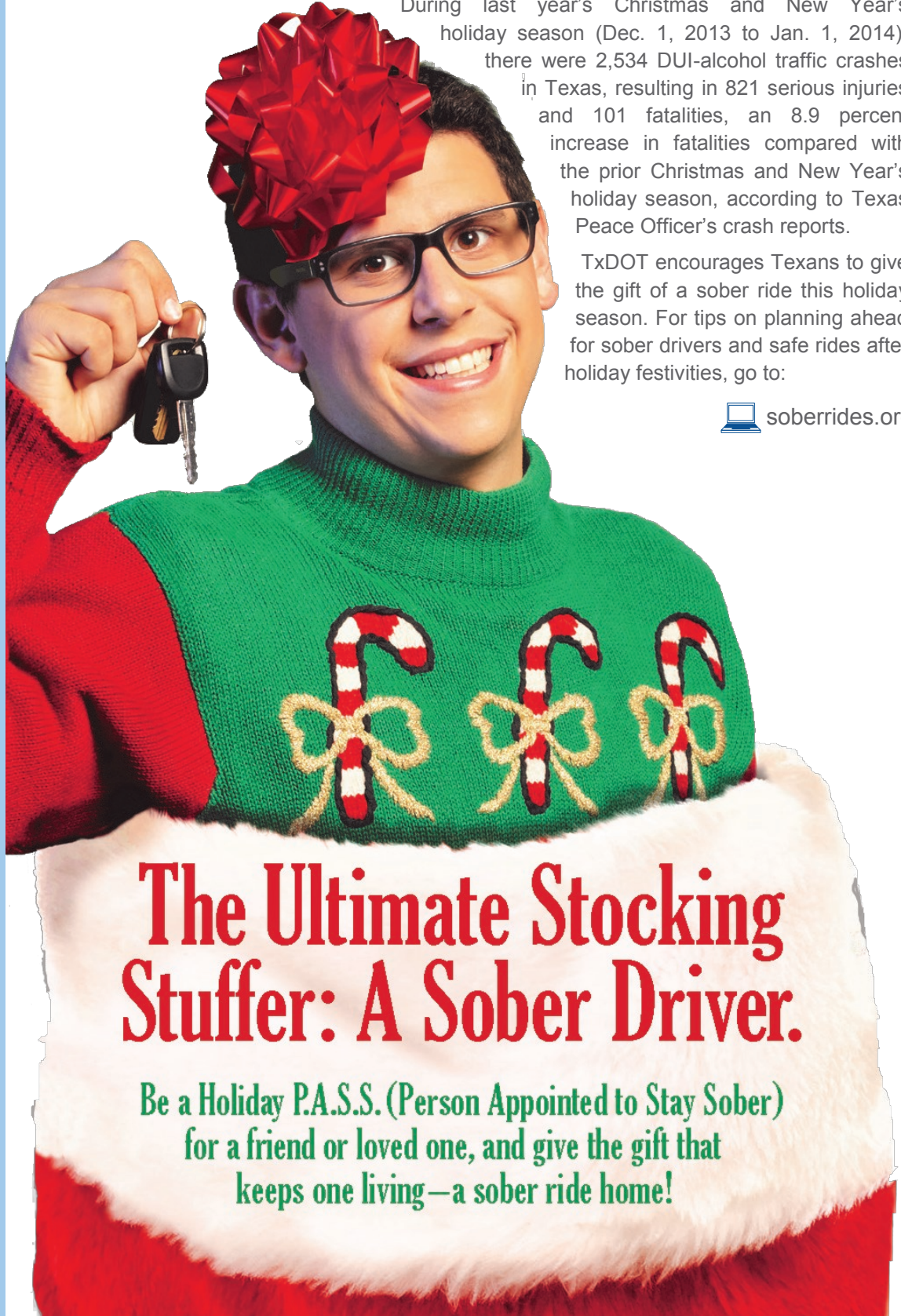
Pledge to ride sober

The daily death toll from drunk driving crashes during the Christmas and New Year's holiday period is significantly higher than during the rest of the year. **Traffic crashes always increase during holiday periods, especially in December.**

During last year's Christmas and New Year's holiday season (Dec. 1, 2013 to Jan. 1, 2014), there were 2,534 DUI-alcohol traffic crashes in Texas, resulting in 821 serious injuries and 101 fatalities, an 8.9 percent increase in fatalities compared with the prior Christmas and New Year's holiday season, according to Texas Peace Officer's crash reports.

TxDOT encourages Texans to give the gift of a sober ride this holiday season. For tips on planning ahead for sober drivers and safe rides after holiday festivities, go to:

 soberrides.org



The Ultimate Stocking Stuffer: A Sober Driver.

Be a Holiday P.A.S.S. (Person Appointed to Stay Sober)
for a friend or loved one, and give the gift that
keeps one living—a sober ride home!