# **DISTRICT PROFILE**

The El Paso district plans, designs, builds, operates and maintains the state transportation system in its counties. The district is committed to working with others to provide safe and reliable transportation solutions for Texas by maintaining a safe system, addressing congestion, connecting Texas communities, and being a best-in-class state agency.





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#### **Counties:**

Brewster, Culberson El Paso, Hudspeth Jeff Davis and Presidio

#### **State Senators:**

Sen. José Rodríguez Sen. Carlos Uresti

## **State Representatives:**

Rep. César Blanco Rep. Mary González Rep. Marisa Márquez Rep. Joseph Moody Rep. Poncho Nevárez Rep. Joe Pickett

## **U.S. Senators:**

Sen. John Cornyn Sen. Ted Cruz

# U.S. Representatives:

Rep. Beto O'Rourke Rep. Rep. Will Hurd

## FAST FACTS (FY 2014):



Population	994,200
Area (Sq. Miles)	21,700
Lane Miles	4,877
Daily Vehicle Miles	12,867,265
Registered Vehicles	643,604
TxDOT Employees	261
Construction/Maintenance Expenditures	\$338 million
Percentage of Highway Projects Completed On Time	62.5%
Percentage of Highway Projects Completed Under Budget	62.5%

### **MAJOR PROJECTS UNDERWAY:**

- Braided Ramps/I-10: widening project \$25 million
- I-10 Widening: additional lane in each direction/ widening from Viscount to Zaragoza; separate project to extend to Joe Battle / Americas (Loop 375) – \$9 million (spring 2014)
- Alameda/Paisano Intersection Improvements: reconstruction of existing intersection to include two roundabouts – \$10.5 million
- I-10 Americas Interchange Phase III: two additional direct connectors – \$32 million
- Border West Expressway (Loop 375): extension of Loop 375 from east of downtown to US 54 south of downtown and then to Sunland Park Drive – \$615 million (mid-2014)
- I-10 Collector-Distributor (CD) Roads: construction of two CD lanes on the outside edge of the existing main lanes in both directions connecting three interchanges – \$150 million (end of 2014)

### **PLANNED MAJOR PROJECTS:**

- Loop 375: additional lane in each direction from Bob Hope to Montana – \$22 million (December 2015)
- Desert Boulevard Phase II: I-10 frontage road improvements and pedestrian facilities – \$6 Million (July 2015)
- Carolina Bridge: replace bridge and upgrade pedestrian facilities from Stiles Drive to Alameda Drive (SH 20) – \$7.4 million (July 2015)
- I-10 Improvements: operational ramp and lane improvements – \$15 million (Fall 2016)
- I-10 Widening: additional lane in both directions from Loop 375 to Eastlake – \$35 million (2016)
- Mesa Park Improvements: new interchange and frontage roads to I-10 – \$25 million (August 2016)

**MAINTENANCE:** 2014: \$3 million in repairs to concrete pavement on I-10; \$650,000 in repairs on asphalt pavements. \$1.8 million to maintain the Intelligent Traffic System; \$3.1 million to maintain right of way; \$500,000 for vegetation management; \$500,000 for work on drainage structures; **2015:** Over \$650,000 to improve bridges; \$750,000 for repairs to safety features; \$1.5 million for traffic control contracts for safer work zones. (Note: these are numbers from 105 and 144, not Category 1 construction)

**CORRIDORS**: Fort Bliss links several corridors, Loop 375, Montana (US 62/180), US 54, and Spur 601. These corridors connect to Lubbock, White Sands and New Mexico. Due to the probable sale and development of up to 6,000 acres of federal land for a new hospital, as well as retail and smart growth dense developments, several projects are planned to improve connectivity to the Fort Bliss area, such as improving the intersection of Spur 601/Loop 375 and widening US 62/180, Loop 375 and Spur 601.

**SAFETY:** Plans include upgrading pavement markings over four years and I-10 cable barrier projects.