# **PHARR DISTRICT**

# **DISTRICT PROFILE**

The Pharr District plans, designs, builds, operates, and maintains the state transportation system within its eight counties. Pharr is a coastal district with 13 international crossings and serves as a NAFTA corridor. The Pharr District is committed to ensure the safety of the traveling public.



## **MAJOR PROJECTS UNDERWAY:**

- US 83 Super 2 Highway in Zapata County – \$38 million
- US 83 Veleno Bridge in Zapata County
- US 281 Expressway Relief Route in Falfurrias-Brooks County - \$68 million
- US 83 at Inspiration Road \$36
  million
- I-69E & SH 550 direct connectors in Cameron County - \$43.9 million
- FM 106 \$11.5 million
- US 281 Faysville \$19.8 million

# FAST FACTS (FY 2014):

Population	1,363,491
Area (Sq. Miles)	8,812
Lane Miles	6,357.027
Daily Vehicle Miles	19,041,755
Registered Vehicles	956,687
TxDOT Employees	302
Construction/Maintenance Expenditures	\$233 million
Percentage of Highway Projects Completed On Time	74.6%

## PLANNED MAJOR PROJECTS:

- Second Access to South Padre Island, environmental clearance in FY 2015 – estimated \$600 million
- SH 365 \$138 million (FY 2016)
- SH 68 \$55 million (FY 2018)
- IBTC environmental stage –
   estimated \$145 million
- US 83 Relief Route at La Joya/Penitas
   estimated \$85 million (FY 2015)
- SL 195 in Starr County, environmental stage, 17-mile relief route – estimated \$168 million

**MAINTENANCE**: FY 2015 – Spent \$20 million on preventive maintenance and \$17.6 million in rehabilitation including the US 281 rural section north of SH 186 in Hidalgo County. FY 2016 – Projected to spend \$17.5 million in preventive maintenance and \$19.8 million in rehabilitation including US 281 in Brooks County.

**CORRIDORS:** The Pharr District's priority corridors include expansion and relief route projects on I-69E, I-69C, I-2, US 77, US 281 and US 83.

**SAFETY:** Constructed 26 traffic signals, 100 miles of centerline rumble strips, seven miles of concrete median barrier and resurfaced 24 miles on I-69E (\$7 million). FY 2014 – let two roadway widening projects (30 miles for \$8 million). Also, 80 miles of centerline rumble strip projects (\$1 million) and 16 federal railroad signal program projects (\$3 million). Spent \$3.5 million in interstate sign upgrades.





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#### **Counties:**

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