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Northeast Loop Interstate 820 public hearing July 1

NORTH RICHLAND HILLS — All interested citizens are invited to attend the Interstate 820 public hearing Tuesday, July 1 at 7 p.m. at the Richland Hills Church of Christ located at 6300 North East Loop 820 in North Richland Hills, with displays available for viewing at 6:30 p.m. The public hearing will discuss transportation improvements to I-820 from Interstate 35W to the Northeast Interchange.

The 6.4-mile project will reconstruct and expand I-820 from four lanes to 10 lanes with a new I-35W interchange. This includes a toll-managed “express” lanes facility in the median.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is concurrently studying the use of public-private partnerships to accelerate construction on I-820, SH 121/183 “Airport Freeway” and portions of I-35W by combining express lanes and high occupancy vehicle lanes (HOV) within a comprehensive development agreement. A final selection of a best value proposer is expected by the end of this year. Construction could begin on Northeast Loop 820 in 2009 at the earliest.

Maps and other drawings showing the proposed design will be displayed at the hearing. Public input into the project’s design elements will be important during this time. Interested persons have the opportunity to offer verbal and written comments. More information is available on this corridor at: www.txdot.gov KEYWORD: North Tarrant Express.

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