

FORT WORTH DISTRICT PARTNERS



TxDOT Prepares for Winter Weather in Early December

TxDOT: Connecting You with Texas

As part of its mission, TxDOT works to keep the highways passable during inclement weather.

Historically, North and West Texas experience the heaviest snowfalls or icy road and bridge conditions. Remember to:

Call 911 if stranded for any reason on a Texas roadway

Stay tuned to local news for road conditions

For travel information, visit: drivetexas.org

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TxDOT's New Mission Statement

TxDOT has established a new mission statement to define the purpose of our agency. "Connecting You with Texas" exemplifies the very core of why TxDOT exists as a department. Everything TxDOT does flows out of this mission: from building roads and bridges, to operating our ferries; to helping communities get funding for their general aviation airports and transit services; to supporting Texas ports; and managing the state's only railroad.

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SH 170 Public Hearing


A public hearing for SH 170 from I-35W to SH 114 was held on Dec. 19. The proposed six-mile project would add portions of mainlanes to improve operations in the corridor. The \$177 million project is estimated to be awarded to a contractor this fall.

Alliance Texas/Haslet Accessibility

TxDOT has issued a finding of no significant impact for the AllianceTexas/Haslet Accessibility Improvement Project which includes the widening of Avondale-Haslet Road from Haslet to FM 156, the extension of Avondale-Haslet Road to I-35W, and the extension of Intermodal Parkway. The approximately \$50 million project is estimated for construction in 2021.

Texas Transportation Forum

The 2020 Texas Transportation Forum will be held in San Antonio Feb. 9-11. Building on this annual event's reputation as an impactful platform to dive deeper into key transportation topics that help drive our state's success, the 2020 Forum will focus on "Connecting You with Texas" and how the innovations of today and the geo-political landscape affect what is next for transportation in Texas, the nation and the world.

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Transportation Summit

The 11th annual Tarrant Transportation Summit will be held at the Hurst Conference Center Friday, Feb. 14. The summit will focus on how innovation and transportation is shaping the destiny of mobility initiatives throughout North Texas, including the integration of 5G into the transportation network, the AllianceTexas Mobility Innovation Zone, and growth of transit options for Tarrant County.

 netransportationsummit.com

INSIDE:



UPDATE

PARTNERS *in construction*

AWARDED PROJECTS

	Hwy	Limits	Type of Work	Estimate (millions)	Bid (millions)	Over/Underrun (%)
DEC	US 67	SH 220 to US 281, Erath County	Add passing lane	\$14.0	\$15.7	+11.9
	Various roadways	Districtwide	Seal coat	\$13.2	\$12.6	-3.9
	SH 121 frontage rd	At Mustang Dr, Grapevine	Traffic signal	\$1.1	\$1.5	+36.4

PROJECTED PROJECTS

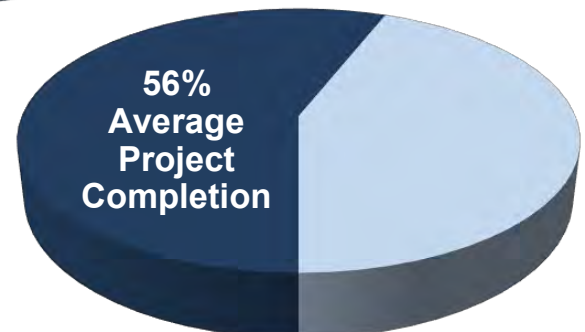
	Hwy	Limits	Type of Work	Estimate (millions)
JAN	FM 3450	FM 167 to SH 171, Hood & Parker Counties	Pavement rehabilitation	\$5.7
	FM 917	At FM 2738 & FM 731, Johnson County	Illumination & signing	\$0.2
FEB	FM 8	Bluebonnet St to Bates St, Erath County	Resurfacing	\$3.6
	Various roadways	Johnson County	Resurfacing	\$15.1
	SH 174	Elk Dr to Newton Dr, Burleson	Hike & bike trail	\$2.2
	Various roadways	Districtwide	Traffic signal improvements	\$6.0
MAR	FM 1658	US 380 to SH 114, Wise County	Resurfacing	\$1.1
	FM 157	Green Oaks Blvd to Lamar Blvd, Arlington	Resurfacing	\$2.8



\$435 M PROPOSED LETTING



FY 2020 CONSTRUCTION*



TOTAL CONTRACTS \$3.3 B

*includes CDAs

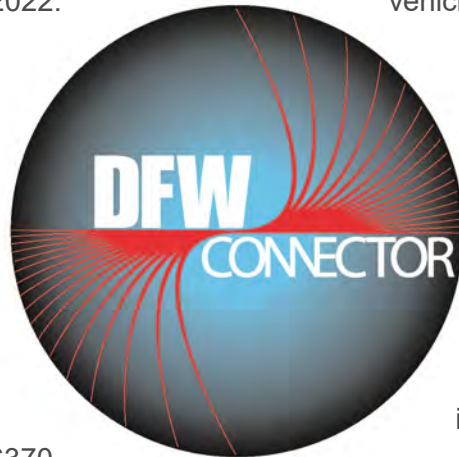
PROJECT *update*

Construction is progressing on the I-635/SH 121 interchange project which is 54 percent complete and scheduled to finish in 2022.

In January, the project will reach a major milestone when the new northbound SH 121 auxiliary lanes open to traffic. Already open are three new direct connectors, with seven more direct connectors opening this year. The second half of the widened Bass Pro Drive bridge is scheduled to open this spring.

In addition to a new interchange, the \$370 million congestion-relief project is constructing

new direct connectors at SH 26 and FM 2499. Added auxiliary lanes will improve safety by moving merging vehicles from out of the SH 121 mainlanes.



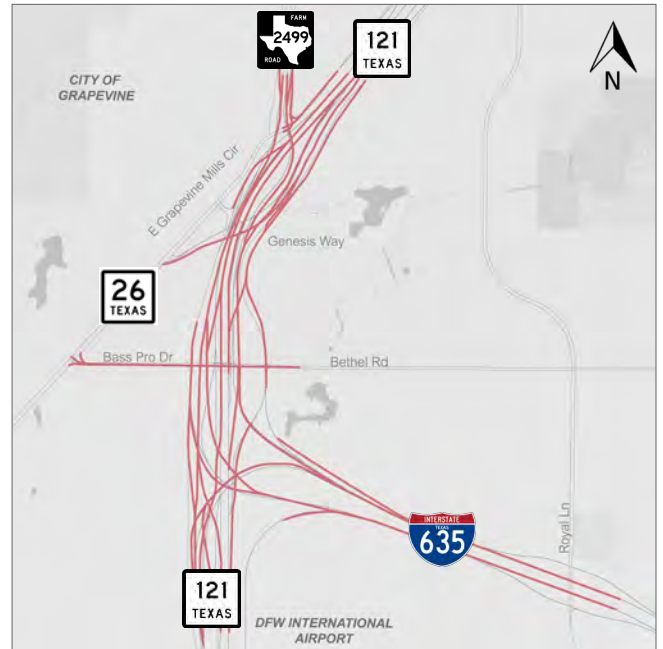
When the project is complete, drivers will have one added mainlane each direction on SH 121 from Bass Pro Drive to north of FM 2499. I-635 will have two added mainlanes each direction from SH 121 to Royal Lane.

The three-mile project is funded as part of TxDOT's Texas Clear Lanes initiative to reduce congestion.

 dfwconnector.com



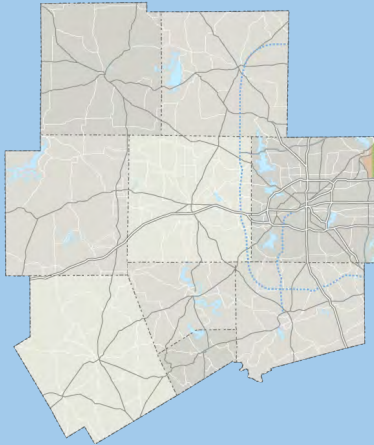
Future I-635 Ramp to Southbound SH 121



SH 121 at I-635

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WE'RE READY

Winter emergency road preparedness

Hazardous weather can unexpectedly change from freezing ice to snow and fog in some areas of the state. TxDOT works 24/7 to ensure our roads remain passable and safe year-round. Road crews throughout the state are especially prepared to address road safety during severe winter weather conditions.

Particular attention is given to bridges, traffic interchanges and roadways. TxDOT uses snowplows, spreaders and brine equipment to assist with de-icing/anti-icing of the roadways and bridges.

TxDOT stockpiles various types of de-icers and anti-icing agents for winter storms as well as sand or small aggregate. Because each winter storm is unique, TxDOT will use a combination of materials and equipment depending on the severity of the storm.



TREATING THE ROADS

Each area of Texas treats roads based on weather conditions.
The two most common materials used include:

Brine solution to prevent roads from icing






Granular de-icing materials to improve traction



USE CAUTION!

TxDOT's #1 priority is the safety of the traveling public, including using every resource available to keep the roads open and passable during winter storms. Motorists should always exercise caution and, if possible, allow extra time to reach destinations or delay travel until conditions improve.

Simple driving tips to practice in inclement weather:

-  Remove snow and ice from your vehicle before you drive
-  Maintain your vehicle in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations
-  Ensure headlights and taillights are functioning properly
-  Accelerate slowly, drive cautiously, and observe traffic signs and alerts
-  Approach bridges, shaded spots and turns slowly