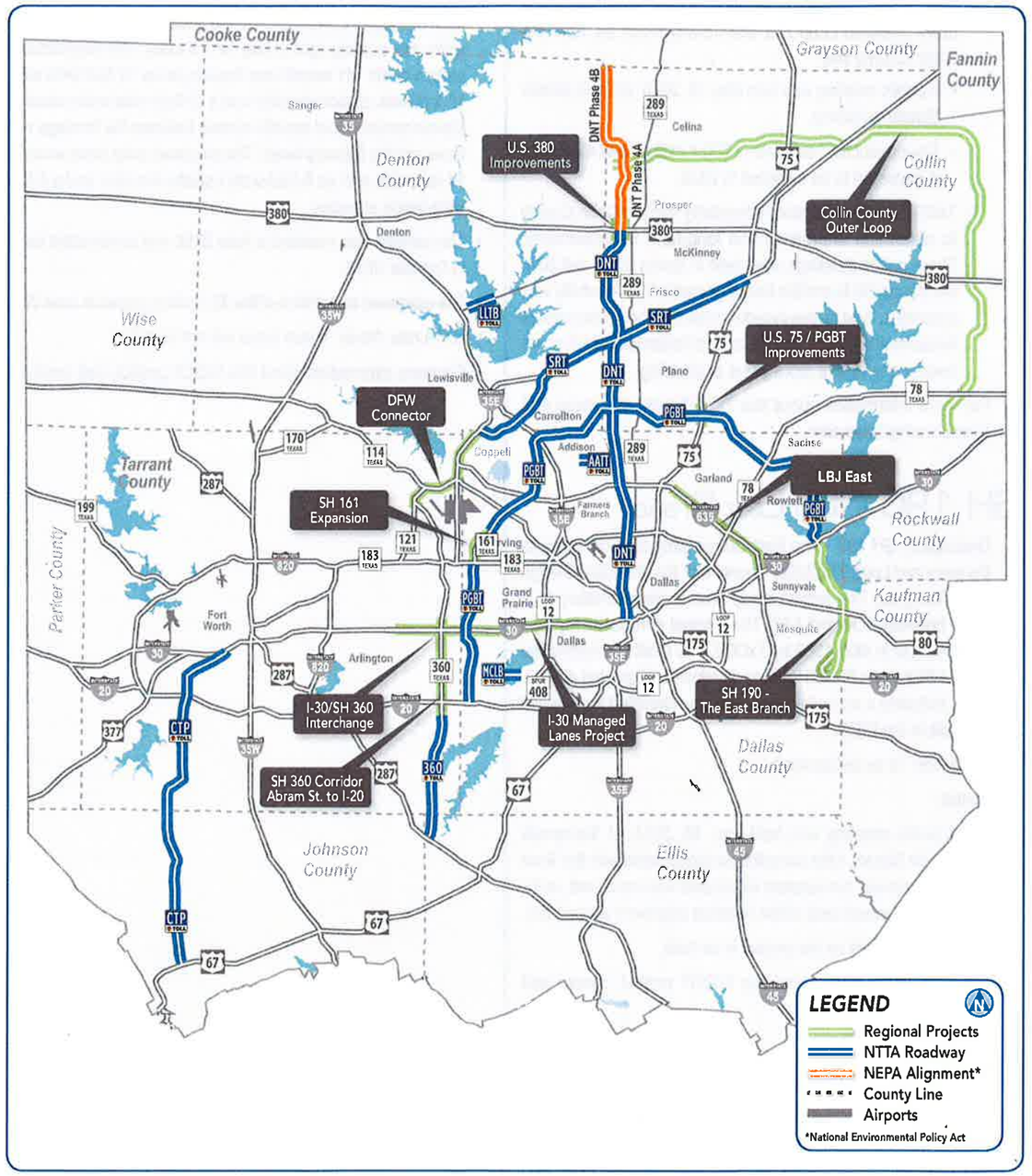
NTTA Roads and Regional Projects Map



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Introduction

These non-NTTA projects are led by various transportation agencies throughout the region. NTTA staff coordinates with our regional partners to provide support and deliver updates on these important mobility projects. See page 4 for project map.

DFW Connector

- Description: The initial $1 billion DFW Connector project, which was designed and built simultaneously, runs 8.4 miles along State Highway 114 and SH 121 and includes multiple major interchanges, 39 bridges, new direct-connector ramps and continuous frontage road lanes. At the widest point along SH 114, the highway corridor is now 24 lanes. It also includes four miles of new TEXpress Lanes. Tolling began July 7, 2014.

  Funding constraints required some original DFW Connector segments to be deferred. However, TxDOT has since been able to identify funding for the expansion of FM 2499, new entrance ramps at SH 121 and SH 360 and the SH 121/360 interchange. TxDOT has also identified funding to construct the Interstate 635/SH 121 interchange.
- Tolling: Toll rates are set by TxDOT.
- NTTA role: NTTA provides customer and billing services for this TxDOT project.
- Status:
  - TEXpress Lanes are open; new entrance ramps to SH 121 and SH 360 opened in November 2015, a year ahead of schedule.
  - FM 2499 reached substantial completion in summer 2016, six months ahead of schedule.
  - The SH 121/360 interchange, including new direct-connector ramps for SH 114, SH 121 and SH 360, reached substantial completion in May 2018, seven months ahead of schedule.
  - Construction began in August 2018 on the I-635/SH 121 interchange. The $370 million project was funded as part of the Texas Clear Lanes initiative to reduce congestion. It is estimated to be completed in 2022.
- For more information about this project, visit *dfwconnector.com* or *texasclearlanes.com*

I-30 Managed Lanes Project

- Description: The 18-mile I-30 Managed Lanes Project added TEXpress Lanes between Sylvan Avenue in Dallas and west of SH 161 in Arlington. Motorists can choose to take the main lanes at no cost or pay to use the TEXpress Lanes, which have a goal to keep traffic moving at at least 50 mph. Traffic is managed through dynamic pricing, meaning the price fluctuates based on congestion. The new TEXpress Lanes feature improved access, including direct-connector ramps and upgraded connections to and from the main lanes, and eight entrance and eight exit ramps.
- Tolling: Toll rates are set by TxDOT.
- NTTA role: NTTA provides customer and billing services for this TxDOT project.
- Status: A seven-mile section of the I-30 TEXpress Lanes between west of Center Street and west of SH 161 is expected to open in 2021.
- For more information about this TxDOT project, call the TxDOT Dallas Public Information Office at 214-320-4480.

U.S. 75/PGBT Improvements

- Description: This TxDOT project includes improvements to the U.S. 75/President George Bush Turnpike interchange between Park Boulevard and the PGBT.
- TxDOT is coordinating with NTTA to minimize impacts to motorists during construction.
- NTTA role: None. These lanes will not be tolled.
- Status:
  - The contract for this 1.3-mile project was awarded in November 2015. The project's winning bidder was Zachry Construction Corporation, which bid the project for an estimated $37.4 million.
  - At its Aug. 19, 2015 meeting, the NTTA Board approved an Advance Funding Agreement with TxDOT for the U.S. 75/PGBT Improvements Project for $2.5 million.