

# SAM RAYBURN TOLLWAY

## Progress Report

North Texas Tollway Authority (NTTA)

June 2012

The Sam Rayburn Tollway (SRT) extends 26 miles southwest to northeast, linking the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport and growing communities in Collin, Dallas and Denton counties. The SRT features six main lanes and all-electronic toll collection (all-ETC).

### Corridor Details

- Project length: 26 miles
- Project limits: from Business 121 in Denton County to Medical Center Drive in Collin County
- Estimated NTTA cost: \$639 million (This does not include approximately \$59 million for the future expansion from six to eight lanes. Estimate in 2007 dollars.)
- Substantial completion dates:
  - Segment 1 [from Denton Tap Road to Old Denton Road]: Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) opened on August 29, 2006
  - Segment 2 [from Old Denton Road to Hillcrest Road]: TxDOT opened on August 31, 2008
  - Segment 3 [from Hillcrest Road to Hardin Boulevard]: NTTA opened on September 29, 2009
  - Segment 4 [from Hardin Boulevard to east of U.S. 75 (Central Expressway), including the SRT/U.S. 75 interchange]: NTTA opened in stages by March 31, 2011
  - Segment 5 [the SRT/Dallas North Tollway (DNT) interchange]: NTTA opened four ramps on October 31, 2011; last four ramps opened in stages as of November 14, 2011

### Milestones

- The NTTA and TxDOT finalized the State Highway (SH) 121 project agreement in October 2007. It authorizes the NTTA to design, build, operate and maintain SH 121 in Collin, Dallas and Denton counties for approximately 50 years, beginning with the completion of Segments 1 and 2 by TxDOT in September 2008.
- The NTTA made a \$3.2 billion up-front payment to TxDOT and the Regional Transportation Council of the North Central Texas Council of Governments in November 2007.
- On September 1, 2008, the NTTA assumed operations and maintenance of the SRT.
- On March 16, 2009, the NTTA Board of Directors named the corridor the Sam Rayburn Tollway. Before then, the NTTA had called the roadway the 121 Tollway.

- The NTTA formally dedicated the SRT on June 5, 2009.
- The NTTA Board awarded the Segment 4 construction contract in September 2008. Construction began in December 2008.
- The NTTA Board awarded the contract for Segment 5 construction in December 2009. Construction began in February 2010.
- As of November 14, 2011, all of the eight direct-connect ramps on the SRT/DNT interchange were open to traffic ahead of schedule.
- The NTTA held an event on January 30, 2012, to celebrate the completion and opening of the full SRT corridor. During the event, the NTTA thanked the mobility partners who helped the Authority deliver the essential infrastructure link to the North Texas region.

### Corridor Updates

- Crews continued work on final tasks on the SRT/DNT interchange which includes concrete riprap, sod placement, lighting, signs, striping and cleaning.
- Landscaping work continues on Segment 4.
- Segment 5 landscaping is anticipated to begin this summer.
- The NTTA Maintenance Department continues work on the pavement repair and restriping project located in Segment 1, which is scheduled to be completed this summer. Crews are also replacing SRT trailblazer signage and improving the sand stockpile site at SRT/I-35E.
- The Woodland mitigation landscape contract is anticipated to begin this fall.

### Next Steps

- Finish final tasks on the SRT/DNT interchange.

### Project Partners

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| • TxDOT         | • Allen      | • Fairview   | • McKinney   |
| • Collin County | • Carrollton | • Frisco     | • Plano      |
| • Dallas County | • Coppell    | • Lewisville | • The Colony |
| • Denton County |              |              |              |

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