

DALLAS NORTH TOLLWAY PHASE 4&5 Progress Report

North Texas Tollway Authority (NTTA)

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The Dallas North Tollway (DNT) Phase 4 & 5 project could extend the tollway by up to 18 miles north from U.S. 380, providing a link between downtown Dallas and fast-growing cities in Collin and Denton counties.

Corridor Details

- The DNT Phase 4 corridor is planned to extend the tollway north from U.S. 380 to the Collin/Grayson county line. The DNT Phase 5A corridor is expected to extend the DNT from the Collin/Grayson county line to Farm-to-Market (FM) 121 in Grayson County.
- Project limits:
 - Phase 4A (approximately six miles): U.S. 380 to FM 428
 - Phase 4B: (approximately 7.7 miles) FM 428 extending north to the Grayson County line
 - Phase 5A: (approximately 4.3 miles) Extension north of the Grayson County line
- Project length: Approximately 18 miles
- Estimated project cost: To be determined
- Opening date: To be determined

Milestones

- An interlocal agreement (ILA) covering right of way, utility services and northbound service road construction was signed in October 2003 by the NTTA, Collin County and the Town of Prosper. The agreement covers DNT Phase 4A.
- Commissioners courts in Collin and Denton counties approved resolutions in January 2005 designating a preferred alignment along the Denton/Collin county line in Phase 4B. In May 2008, Collin County rescinded its resolution.
- The NTTA began preliminary route studies, schematic design work, environmental documentation and public involvement for Phases 4A, 4B and 5A of the DNT extension project in November 2007.
- On September 17, 2008, the NTTA Board of Directors approved the Phase 4A schematic and environmental assessment.
- The service road that will become the DNT Phase 4A (U.S. 380 to FM 428) northbound frontage road opened to traffic in 2008 as a bi-directional, two-lane facility.
- On March 16, 2009, the NTTA Board approved an expansion of the DNT 4B/5A (FM 428 to FM 121) study area to the west and the north. The expansion captured more of Denton and Grayson counties and a small portion of southeast Cooke County, which enabled the NTTA to identify and preserve right of way for the DNT corridor.

- The NTTA Board selected a “county line” alignment on July 21, 2010, for the DNT Phase 4B/5A extension, from FM 428 in Collin and Denton counties to FM 121 in Grayson County. The NTTA evaluated three alignment options as well as a no-build option.
- A technical work group meeting was held on December 10, 2010, to present schematic and environmental information to representatives from local government agencies.
- Approximately 75 residents attended a public hearing on April 19, 2011, in Celina.
- On June 15, 2011, the NTTA Board approved the schematic design and environmental evaluation for the DNT Phase 4B/5A extension project.

Corridor Updates

- Planning has concluded for all phases of the DNT extension project.

Next Steps

- Ongoing coordination with stakeholders and partners.

Project Partners

- Collin County (4A, 4B)
- Cooke County (5A)
- Denton County (4B)
- Grayson County (5A)
- Celina (4A, 4B)
- North Central Texas Council of Governments (4A, 4B)
- Frisco (4A)
- Pilot Point (4B)
- Prosper (4A)
- Gunter (5A)
- Tioga (5A)
- Grayson County Regional Mobility Authority (5A)
- Sherman-Denison Metropolitan Planning Organization (5A)
- Texoma Council of Governments (5A)
- Texas Department of Transportation (4B,5A)

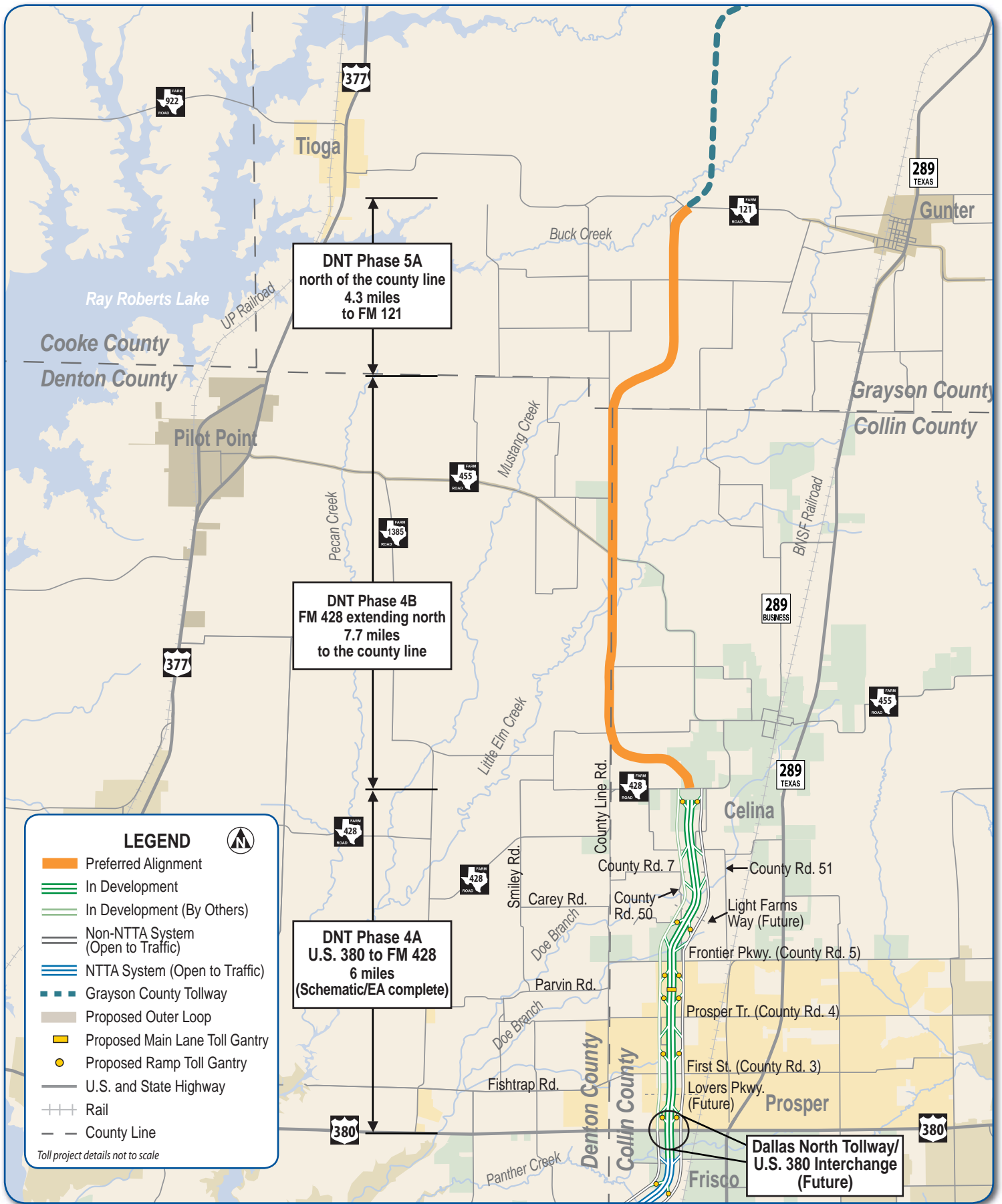
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