

CHISHOLM TRAIL PARKWAY Progress Report

North Texas Tollway Authority (NTTA)

December 2011

Chisholm Trail Parkway (CTP) is a limited-access toll road in southwest Tarrant County that will extend from Fort Worth's central business district to southwest Fort Worth, continuing south to Cleburne, and provide a north-south alternate route for Interstate Highway (I) 35W. Formerly known as Southwest Parkway (SWP)/Chisholm Trail, the new corridor in southwest Tarrant and northwest Johnson counties is expected to open to traffic in mid-2014.

Corridor Details

- Length: Approximately 27.6 miles
- Limits: I-30 to U.S. 67
- Estimated project cost: Approximately \$1.4 billion
- Estimated NTTA cost: \$859.8 million
- Anticipated open-to-traffic dates:
 - Section 1 (I-30 to Rogers Road): Mid-2014
 - Section 2 (Rogers Road to south of Arborlawn Drive, except Union Pacific Railroad [UPRR] crossing): Mid-2014
 - Section 2B (Hulen Street, UPRR Davidson Yard): Mid-2014
 - Section 2C (Forest Park Boulevard to south of Hulen Street): Mid-2014 (Construction complete second half 2013)
 - Section 3A (TxDOT construction – American Recovery and Reinvestment Act project): Mid-2014 (Construction complete February 2013)
 - Section 3B (south of Arborlawn Drive to south of Overton Ridge Boulevard): Mid-2014
 - Section 4 (south of Overton Ridge Boulevard to south of Altamesa Boulevard): Mid-2014
 - Section 5 (south of Altamesa Boulevard to FM 1187): Mid-2014
 - Section 6 (FM 1187 to U.S. 67): Mid-2014

Milestones

- In late 2008, the Fort Worth City Council approved plans for SWP from I-30 to Altamesa Boulevard. An accompanying resolution supports NTTA and Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) project development from I-30 to U.S. 67.
- The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) approved the SWP's Final Environmental Impact Statement Re-evaluation in June 2009.
- The Texas Transportation Commission (TTC) approved additional funding in August 2009 for Section 2C construction related to the formal agreement with UPRR. In April 2010, the NTTA began Section 2C construction – retaining walls, Rosedale Street connector bridges, and bridge components inside UPRR's Davidson Yard.

- In February 2010, the NTTA Board of Directors authorized an agreement to supplement the State Highway (SH) 161 toll equity loan agreement (TELA) with TxDOT to help fund the SWP/CTP project.
- On October 27, 2010, the SWP/CTP project agreement with TxDOT was executed, and the NTTA Board exercised its first option to develop, finance, construct and operate the CTP toll facility.
- In March 2011, TxDOT-Fort Worth held an environmental public hearing about Section 6 and NTTA conducted a public hearing in Cleburne to disclose Section 6 financial information.
- On April 15, 2011, NTTA signed a TELA with TxDOT to advance the financing of the President George Bush Turnpike Western Extension project. NTTA and TxDOT agreed to supplement the TELA to support future financing of the SWP/CTP project. The two projects constitute the NTTA Special Projects System.
- CTP in Johnson County received environmental clearance in May 2011.

Corridor Updates

- Financing for CTP was finalized on November 10, 2011, following several milestones. On September 29, 2011, the TTC approved the supplement to the TELA for CTP funding. On October 6, 2011, the NTTA Board approved the bond sale, voted to add CTP to the NTTA Special Projects System and approved the TELA supplement with TxDOT. On November 11, 2011, the NTTA issued notice to proceed to contractors.
- The Hulen Street bridge area Business Information Group met on December 15, 2011, at Arborlawn United Methodist Church in Fort Worth. As construction activity in other sections of the corridor begins to increase, the NTTA will host outreach meetings for residents and businesses along I-30. These meetings are expected to occur in December 2011. Similar meetings will be held for other groups as construction progresses.

Next Steps

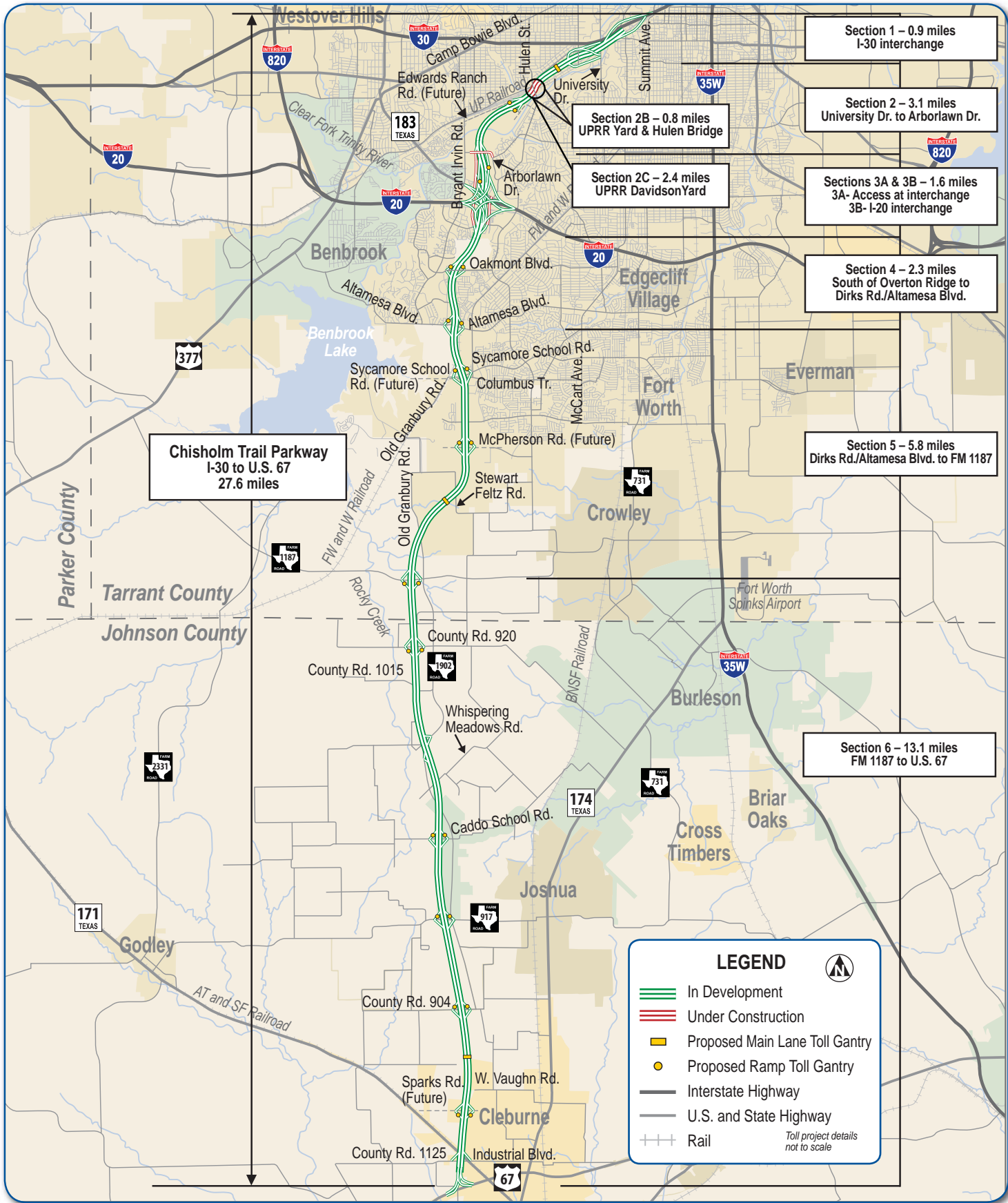
- Continue construction on CTP

Project Partners

- Burleson
- Cleburne
- Fort Worth
- Fort Worth and Western Railroad
- Johnson County
- North Central Texas Council of Governments
- TxDOT
- Tarrant County
- UPRR

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