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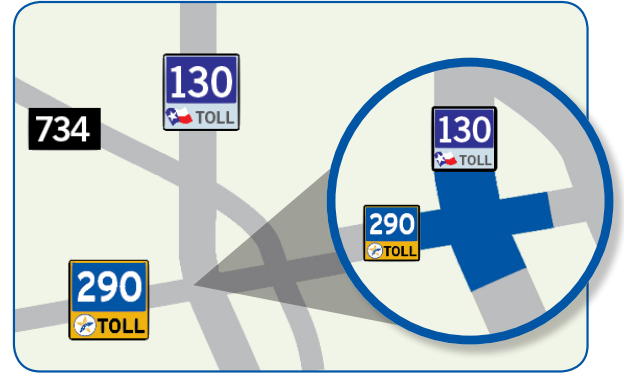
290/130 FLYOVERS PROJECT

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Q: What is the 290/130 Flyovers Project?

A: The Mobility Authority, in partnership with TxDOT, is constructing three flyovers at the convergence of 290 Toll and SH 130 to link the two toll facilities together. This will give drivers a safe, efficient, free-flowing direct connection and free up capacity at the frontage road intersection to benefit drivers who prefer the non-tolled option.



The flyovers are being designed and constructed by the Mobility Authority. TxDOT is financing the construction of the flyover between Eastbound 290 Toll and Southbound SH 130, which will be non-tolled. The Mobility Authority is financing construction of the flyovers from Northbound and Southbound SH 130 to Westbound 290 Toll, which will be tolled connections, paid for by toll revenue bonds and a federal TIFIA loan. A flyover already exists to link Eastbound 290 Toll to Northbound SH 130, which will remain non-tolled. All other movements will use the existing frontage road intersections.

Q: What problem is the 290/130 Flyovers project addressing?

A: After the Mobility Authority opened 290 Toll in 2014, the number of commuters that recognized the convenience of the new roadway surpassed projections. This high demand led to traffic congestion at the frontage road intersection of 290 Toll and SH 130 (a TxDOT-operated toll road). Without a safe and efficient link between the two roadways, mobility and safety are compromised during the morning rush hour for southbound SH 130 drivers trying to head westbound on 290 Toll. The new flyovers will provide a safe and efficient, free-flowing direct connection between the two facilities, enhancing mobility for all drivers.

Q: How is the project funded?

A: \$127 million

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A: \$41.1 million is being paid by TxDOT from available Central Texas Turnpike System (CTTS) toll revenues to develop and construct the eastbound 290 Toll to Southbound SH 130 flyover. The Mobility Authority will fund the Northbound and Southbound SH 130 to Westbound 290 Toll flyovers using toll revenue bonds and a Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) loan from the United States Department of Transportation. TIFIA funding is available for qualified projects of regional and national significance, and for agencies that consistently deliver successful projects.

Q: How long will construction last?

A: Construction will begin in early 2019, and will last three years, with the project anticipated to be open to traffic in late 2021.

Q: What are the hours of operation for construction?

A: The majority of construction will take place during daytime hours, However, to minimize impacts to traffic and to ensure the safety of the traveling public, construction may occur 24 hours a day.



Q: When and where will lane closures occur?

A: Construction activity will occur on US 290/290 Toll from west of Blue Goose Road to Parmer Lane. On SH 130, construction activity will occur from north of E. Parmer Lane to south of Blue Bluff Road.

Overnight: Overnight lane closures may occur between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. on weekdays; and 5 p.m. to 11 a.m. on weekends.

Daytime: Daytime closures on the mainlanes of 290 Toll and SH 130 may occur, but frontage road daytime closures are not approved.

The contractor will face financial penalties if a closure occurs outside of approved time frames. In order to minimize noise from construction activities, the project team will follow a set of guidelines designed to preserve quality of life for adjacent neighborhoods.

Q: Which flyover will be constructed first?

A: The SH 130 Southbound to 290 Toll westbound flyover and the SH 130 Northbound to 290 Toll westbound flyovers will be constructed first.

Q: How do I find out about construction activity and lane closures during construction?

A: Sign up for email notifications, or visit our webpage dedicated to lane closures and construction activity.

Q: Will private property be acquired by the project?

A: No. The entire project will be constructed within existing TxDOT Right-of-Way.

Q: Will the project provide relief for non-tolled drivers, or just those using the toll facilities?

A: The non-tolled eastbound to northbound flyover bridge that already exists at this intersection will remain non-tolled. The flyover from Eastbound 290 Toll to Southbound SH 130 Toll will be non-tolled because TxDOT determined that there was enough toll revenue in the Central Texas Turnpike System (CTTS) to fund the flyover that will connect drivers to a TxDOT-owned toll road (SH 130 Toll). The Mobility Authority will fund construction of the flyovers from Northbound and Southbound SH 130 to Westbound 290 Toll with toll revenue bonds and a federal TIFIA loan. These flyovers will be tolled in order to repay the loans and bonds that will finance construction and to pay for future maintenance costs.

Q: Which types of vehicles are exempt from paying tolls on road operated by the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority?

A: On toll roads operated by the Mobility Authority, tolls are waived under in accordance with state law and Mobility Authority policies for:

- ▶ Emergency vehicles
- ▶ Public transit buses
- ▶ MetroAccess vehicles
- ▶ State and federal military vehicles
- ▶ Capital Metro registered vanpools
- ▶ Qualified veterans accepted into the Qualified Veteran Discount Program

Q: How can I get more information about the 290/130 Flyovers project?

A: For more information, questions or concerns you can call the Mobility Authority at (512) 996-9778. You can also sign-up for the e-newsletter or schedule a presentation with the project team for your organization or group.