

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION OF INTERSTATE 635 (I-635) EXPRESS/ HIGH OCCUPANCY VEHICLE (HOV) LANES FROM: U.S. HIGHWAY 75 (US 75) TO: INTERSTATE 30 (I-30) CSJs: 2374-01-176 & 2374-02-142

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, November 20, 2014, at the Highland Oaks Church of Christ, 10805 Walnut Hill Lane, Dallas, Texas 75238. The purpose of the hearing is to present the proposed implementation of the I-635 Express/HOV lanes from US 75 to I-30 in the cities of Dallas, Garland, and Mesquite, Dallas County, Texas, and to receive public comments. Open house will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., to allow for questions and review of project exhibits. The formal public hearing presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m.

The existing I-635 facility is an eight-lane freeway from US 75 to I-30 with a single HOV lane in each direction, various auxiliary lanes, and discontinuous frontage roads. The existing right-of-way (ROW) width varies from 330 to 990 feet. The proposed project would implement tolling of single occupant vehicles (SOVs) on the existing I-635 HOV lanes, from US 75 to I-30. The proposed Express/HOV Lane width would not change from the existing 11-foot wide HOV lane throughout the project limits. Proposed construction would include the addition of three toll gantries and toll gantry maintenance areas. The purpose of the proposed project is to reduce congestion and improve mobility. The proposed improvements would not require additional ROW or easements. No residential or commercial structures would be displaced as a result of the proposed project.

Maps and other drawings showing the proposed project's location and design will be displayed at the hearing. Environmental documentation for the project will also be available for inspection at the hearing. This and other public information is also on file and available for public inspection at the TxDOT Dallas District Office, 4777 East Highway 80 Mesquite, Texas 75150; the City of Dallas City Hall, 1500 Marilla Street, Room 6BS, Dallas, Texas 75201; the City of Garland City Hall, 200 North 5th Street, Garland, Texas 75040; and the City of Mesquite City Hall, 757 North Galloway Avenue, Mesquite, Texas 75149. Information is also available at www.txdot.gov under the Public Hearings and Meetings Schedule and www.keepitmovingdallas.com under Upcoming Public Hearing/Meeting.

All interested citizens are invited to attend this public hearing. Verbal and written comments from the public regarding this project are requested and may be presented for a period of 10 calendar days following the hearing. Written comments may be submitted either in person or by mail to the TxDOT Dallas District Office, Jim Dobbins, 4777 E. Highway 80, Mesquite, Texas 75150-6643. Comments must be postmarked on or before Monday, December 1, 2014 in order to become part of the official hearing record.

The public hearing will be conducted in English. Persons interested in attending the hearing who have special communication or accommodation needs, or need an interpreter, are encouraged to contact the TxDOT Dallas District Public Information Office at (214) 320-4480 at least two days prior to the hearing. Because the public hearing will be conducted in English, any requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs should also be made at least two days prior to the public hearing. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs. If you have general questions or concerns regarding the proposed project, you may contact Mr. Stephen Endres at (214) 320-4469.