

Appendix E

Major Stakeholder Meeting Summaries

E1: Ash Grove Cement Company

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E3: UPRR

E3: BNSF

E4: IIIPOD

E5: Skyline Landfill

E6: Oncor

E1: Ash Grove Cement Company

Major Stakeholder Meeting Summary

Date: April 5, 2013 **Time:** 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM
Project: Loop 9 Southeast
Location: Ash Grove Cement Company
900 Gifco Road
Midlothian, TX 76065
Purpose: Provide Project Status of Loop 9 Corridor/Feasibility Study
Attendees: See Attachment A for sign-in sheet of all attendees.
Attachment A: Sign-in Sheet
Attachment B: PowerPoint Presentation/Handout

1. Introductions (see **Attachment A** for the Sign-in Sheet)

- Representatives from the Ash Grove Cement Company were in attendance to receive an update on the status of the Loop 9 Corridor/Feasibility Study.

2. Presentation (see **Attachment B** for the PowerPoint Presentation/Handout).

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3. Questions/Comments

- Kevin Blankenship, Plant Manager, asked if the project was still being considered as a tollway. Brian Clark stated that when the traffic counts were updated, the project type changed and a fully tolled facility is no longer considered a viable option. He also discussed the traffic projections being conducted by the North Central Texas Council of Governments.
- Kevin Blankenship asked if the timeframe was still within the next few years. Brian Clark discussed the current project status and schedule.
- Kevin Blankenship asked what the future Loop 9 would connect with. Brian Clark explained that the need for the fully circumferential Regional Outer Loop is no longer there, based on traffic projections. He explained the planned connections for the current Loop 9 Corridor/Feasibility Study and that the proposed project is now only approximately 35 miles long. Brian Clark also discussed the recent Task Force Meetings and local municipal

interviews and how that has changed the original alignments. He showed an exhibit of Loop 9 near US 67 and discussed the different alternatives shown on the exhibit, including Lake Ridge Parkway.

- Kevin Blankenship stated that the cement plant is currently under expansion and has moved further to the east than is currently shown on the project aerial photographs. Ash Grove is required to stay 200 ft from any state right-of-way. Also stated the quarry will be active for the next 50 years. They are also currently constructing a new kiln and a 340 ft tower to be completed May 2014.
- Kevin Blankenship stated that the plant has donated land for Midlothian Parkway.
- The team discussed changing the name on project exhibits to “Ash Grove Cement Company”.

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Sign-in Sheet

Loop 9 Corridor Major Stakeholder Meeting

April 5, 2013, 1pm

Ashgrove Quarry

900 Gifco Rd, Midlothian, TX

Sign In

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LOOP 9 CORRIDOR FEASIBILITY STUDY

ASHGROVE QUARRY STAKEHOLDER MEETING

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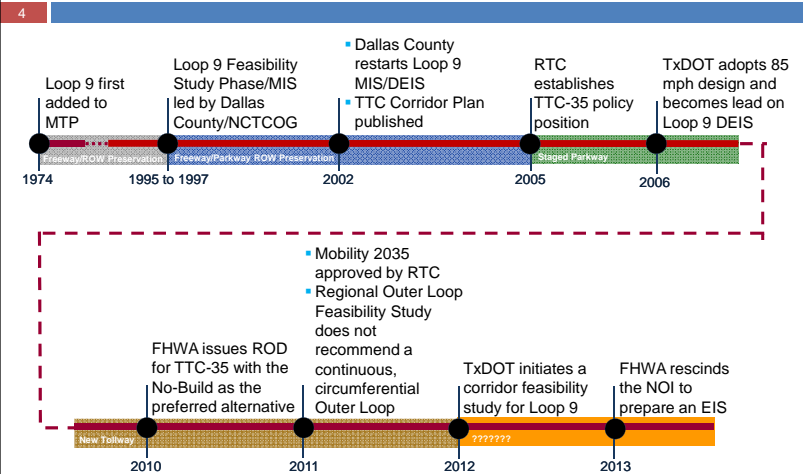
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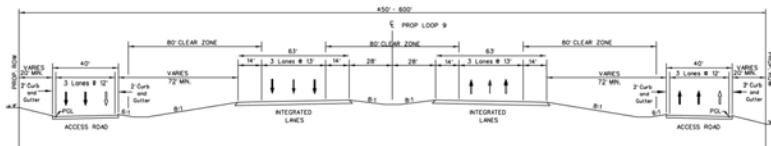
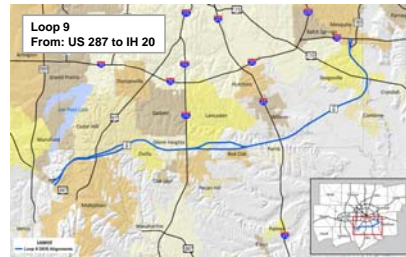
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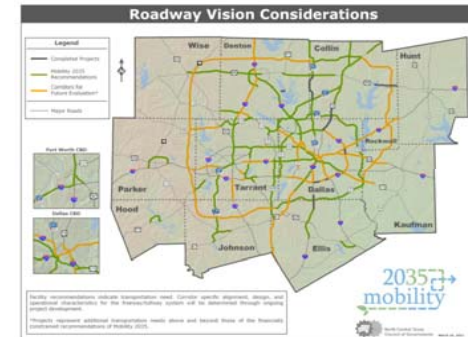
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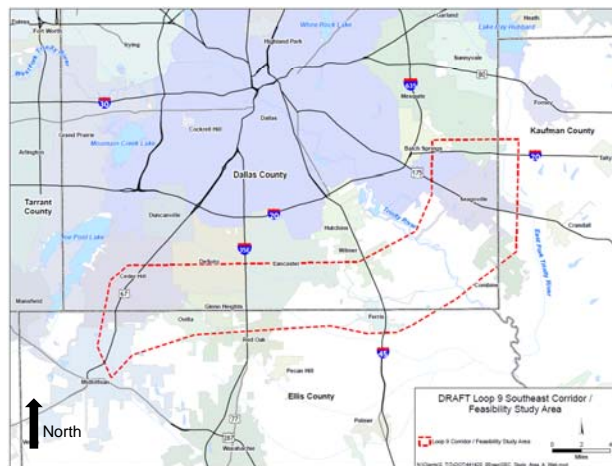
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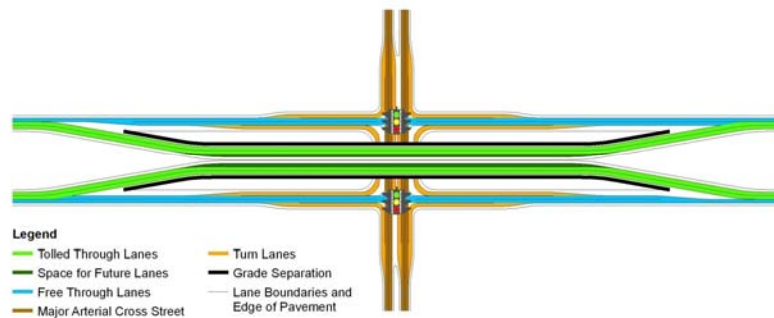
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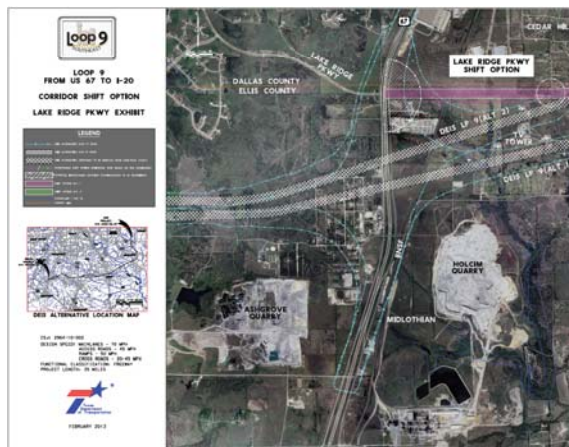
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Loop 9 Near Ashgrove Quarry

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COMMENTS &
QUESTIONS

E2: Holcim

Major Stakeholder Meeting Summary

Date: April 10, 2013 **Time:** 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
Project: Loop 9 Southeast
Location: Holcim
1800 Dove Lane
Midlothian, TX 76065
Purpose: Provide Project Status of Loop 9 Corridor/Feasibility Study
Attendees: See Attachment A for sign-in sheet of all attendees.
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1. Introductions (see **Attachment A** for the Sign-in Sheet)

- The Plant Manager, Michel Moser, from Holcim was in attendance to receive an update on the status of the Loop 9 Corridor/Feasibility Study.

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3. Discussion

- Mr. Moser heard about project in 2005 and discussed plans with Barbara Leftwich (Dallas County, now with Ellis County) during that time.
- Brian Clark discussed history of project since 2005 based on the timeline slide and other slides in the handout. Also discussed that the study area limits are shorter than before.
- Discussed meetings with stakeholders and changes over time.
- Mr. Moser stated that Holcim is in favor of improvements to help provide mobility within and around their plant.
- Discussed previous alignments from DEIS north of Holcim and new alignment at Lake Ridge Parkway.
- Brian Clark told Mr. Moser that the updated website is now available for more information.
- Mr. Moser explained that the plant uses a blasting method to mine.

- Property line extends just north of the small road around the north of the plant. No plans to mine north of that road. They blast approximately once a week. Mr. Moser noted several seismic measuring locations on the map - they have 3 on their property.
- Bruce Nolley explained that new interchanges will be much smaller than previously considered during the DEIS. Shouldn't interfere with blasting and construction of pilings.
- Holcim owns additional property (agricultural) to the north of the plant. They do not currently have mining rights on that property, but could in the future.



- Discussed Lake Ridge Parkway as a potential interchange location which would allow truck access to Loop 9 for the plant.

Attachment A:
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Loop 9 Corridor Major Stakeholder Meeting

April 9, 2013, 10am
Holcim Quarry
1800 Dove Ln, Midlothian, TX

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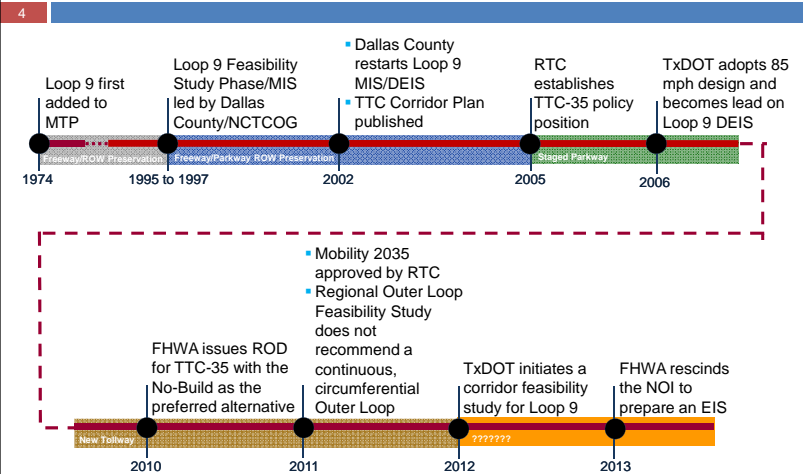
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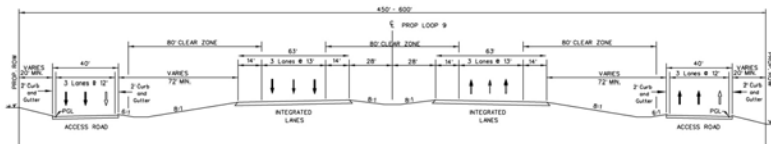
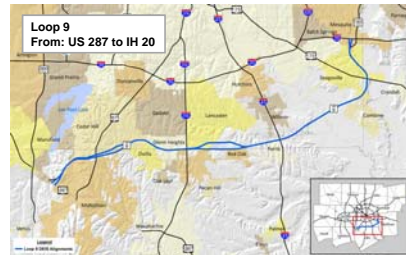
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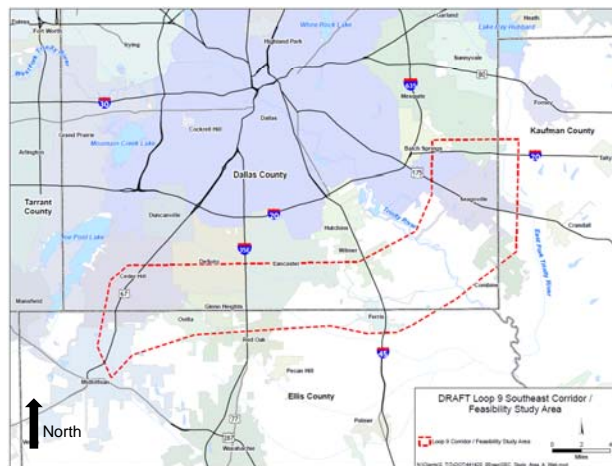
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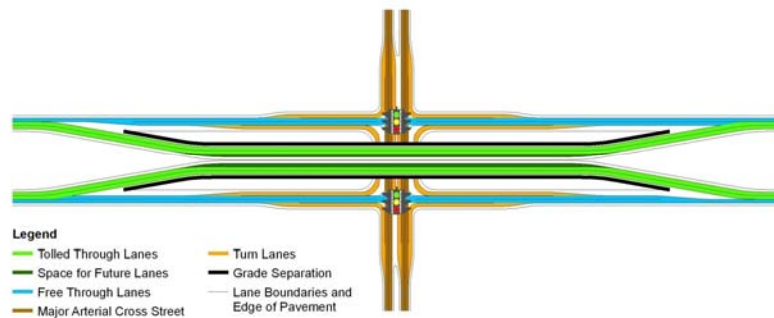
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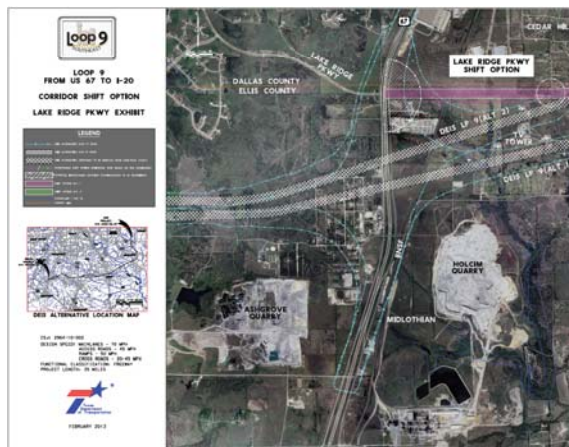
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E3: UPRR

Major Stakeholder Meeting Summary

Date: April 16, 2013 **Time:** 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
Project: Loop 9 Southeast
Location: UPRR
101 S. Watson Rd,
Arlington, TX 76010
Purpose: Provide Project Status of Loop 9 Corridor/Feasibility Study
Attendees: See Attachment A for sign-in sheet of all attendees.
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- The team looked at the exhibit for the UPRR line near Skyline Landfill. They discussed two locations of possible crossings. Steve Martchenke requested the project to span the entire UPRR ROW. The team determined the proposed crossing is 1700-2100 feet north of the Waste Management driveway crossing. MP 247.07.

- Steve Martchenke requested the project team utilize a standard subject line in emails to UPRR (MP 247.25-Ennis Sub).
- The railroad needs 24 foot of vertical clearance and no at grade frontage road crossings.
- The team can email a request to Steve Martchenke for the exact ROW width at this location. Usually takes a week to get data back.
- Brian Clark informed Steve Martchenke of the upcoming public meetings.
- The team discussed the current project on US 67 frontage roads at Lake Ridge Parkway. Those are UPRR lines, not BNSF. MP 23.65 on Midlothian Subdivision. It was later determined that the UPRR tracks are located south of the Loop 9 study area. Loop 9 would not utilize an at-grade crossing for any proposed UPRR crossings.
- MP numbers increase from Fort Worth to Waxahachie.
- Lighting is required if crossing is over 88 feet.
- Steve Martchenke asked about funding. Brian stated \$100M has been set aside for this project. UPRR would receive the Letter of Authority LOA and 30% schematics from TxDOT.
- TxDOT may have railroad data on their website to download with correct names.
- The team can request a system map from UPRR to make sure owners are accurate.

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UPRR

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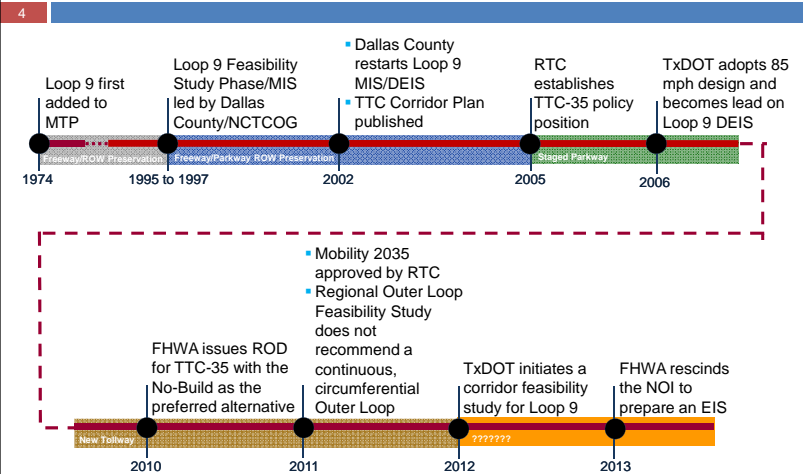
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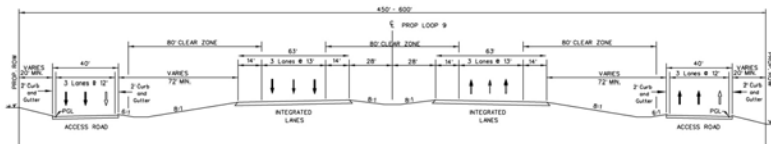
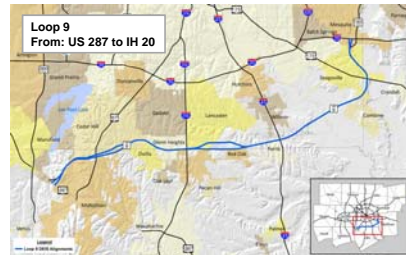
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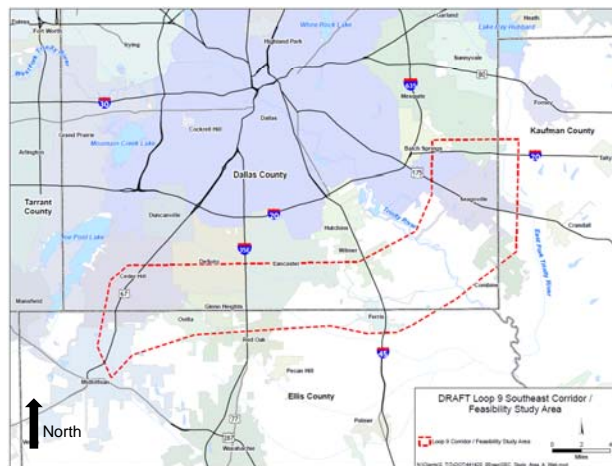
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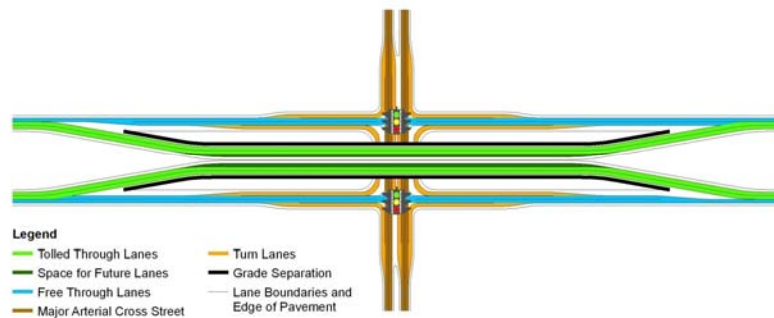
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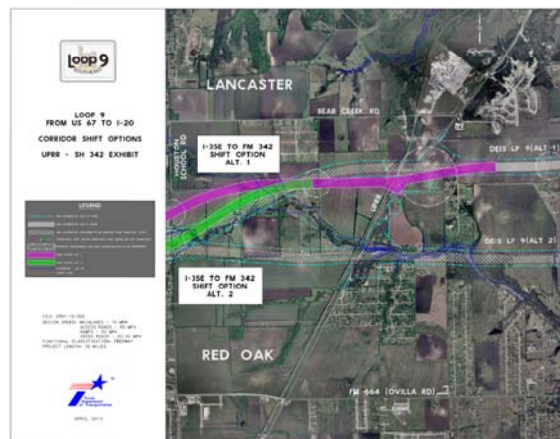
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Loop 9 at I-45

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Updated Loop 9 Website

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<http://www.loop9.org/>

- As of April 9, 2013, the Loop 9 website has been updated to include all of the information included within this presentation.

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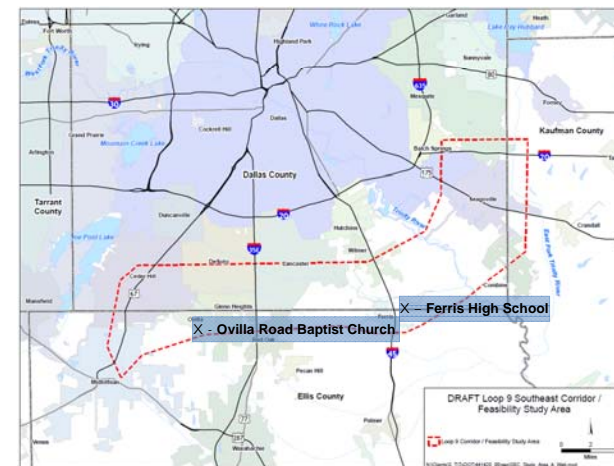
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- Thurs, May 16th, 2013 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm
 - ▣ Ferris High School
1025 E. 8th Street
Ferris, TX 75125
- Thurs, May 23rd, 2013 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm
 - ▣ Ovilla Road Baptist Church
3251 Ovilla Road
Ovilla, TX 75154

Public Meetings

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COMMENTS &
QUESTIONS

E4: BNSF

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Date: April 17, 2013 **Time:** 11:00 AM – 12:00 AM
Project: Loop 9 Southeast
Location: BNSF
5800 N. Main
Ft. Worth, TX
Purpose: Provide Project Status of Loop 9 Corridor/Feasibility Study
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- 3. Questions/Comments**
 - Brian Clark provided hard copy printouts of the presentation.
 - Brian Clark stated the project anticipates two crossings for BNSF and one for UPRR
 - Brian Large confirmed that BNSF shares trackage rights with UPRR, adjacent to I-45.
 - The team looked at the exhibit near Red Oak (SH 342 at UPRR). Brian Large confirmed that BNSF owns the line adjacent to SH 342.
 - The railroad needs 23.5 foot of vertical clearance and no at grade frontage road crossings.
 - The team can email a request to Brian Large for the exact ROW width at this location.
 - Brian Clark provided information for the upcoming public meetings.

- BNSF explained that they would like to receive a courtesy copy of the schematic design when the time comes, however, they would not officially need to be updated until final design plans are being developed.

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Loop 9 Corridor Major Stakeholder Meeting

April 17, 2013, 11am

BNSF

5800 N. Main, Ft. Worth, TX

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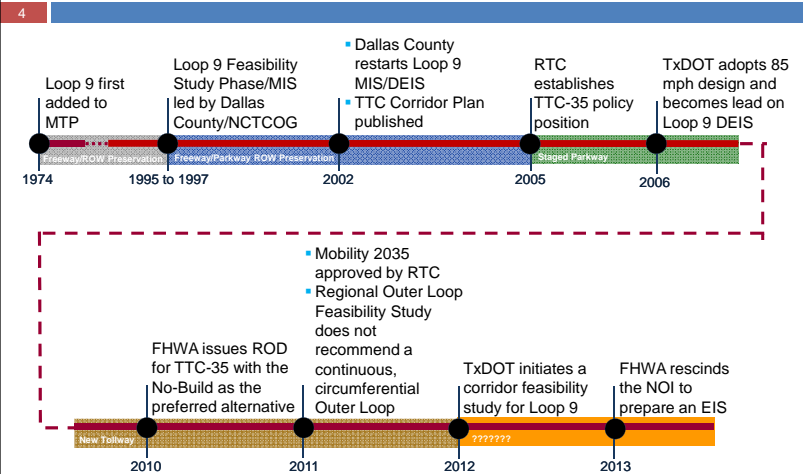
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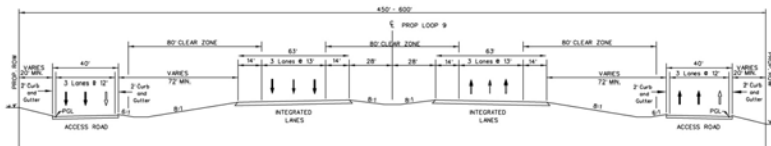
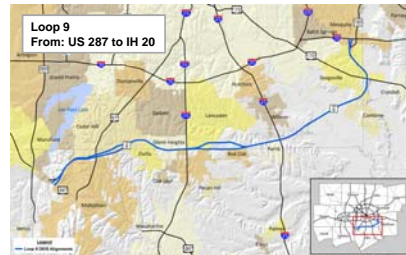
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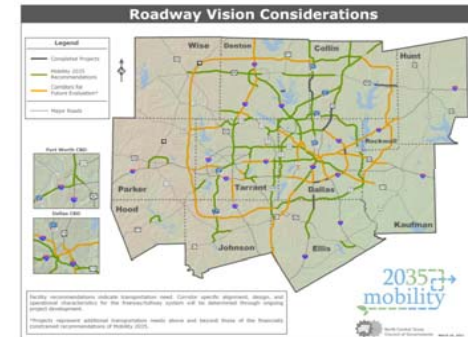
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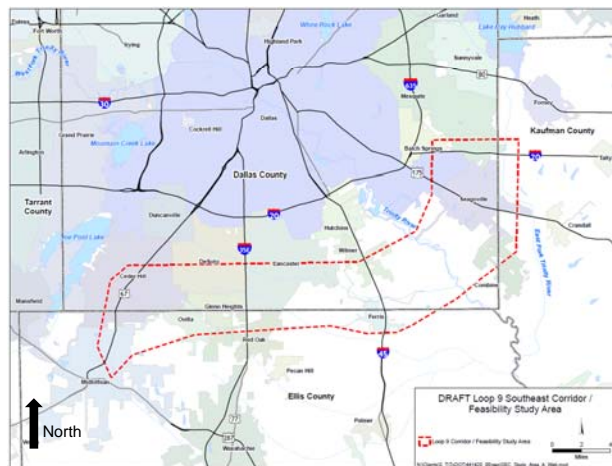
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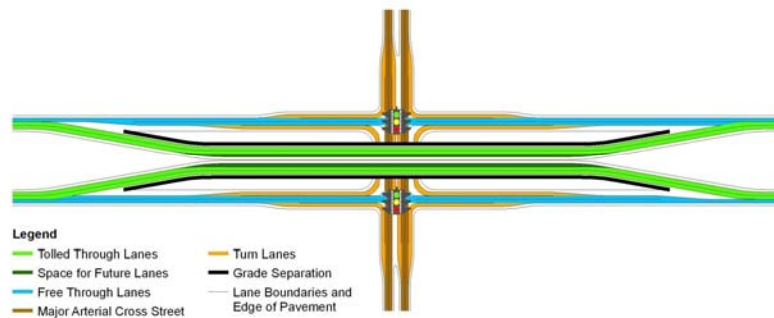
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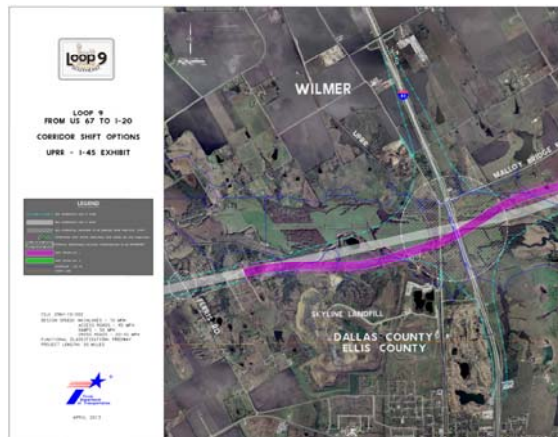
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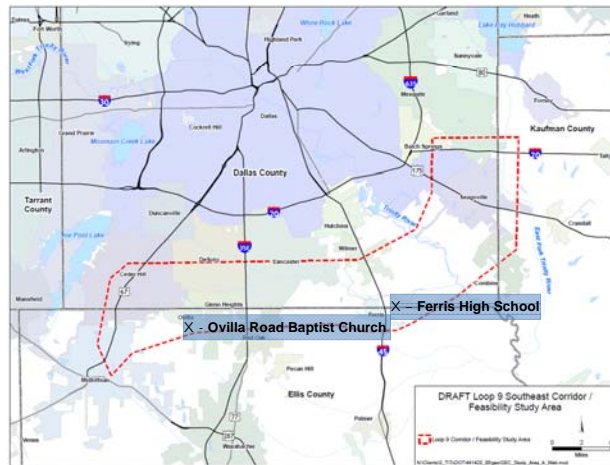
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E5: IIIPOD

Major Stakeholder Meeting Summary

Date: May 10, 2013 **Time:** 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

Project: Loop 9 Southeast

Location: North Central Texas Council of Governments Office
Six Flags Conference Room
616 Six Flags Drive
Arlington, TX 76011

Purpose: Meeting with developers associated with the International Inland Port of Dallas (IIPOD) to provide a status update on the Loop 9 Corridor/Feasibility Study

Attendees: See Attachment B for sign-in sheet of all attendees.

Attachment A: Invitee List
Attachment B: Sign-in Sheet
Attachment C: PowerPoint Presentation/Handout

1. **Introductions** (see **Attachment A** for the Invitee List and **Attachment B** for the Sign-in Sheet)
 - Representatives from various entities associated with the IIPOD were in attendance to receive an update on the status of the Loop 9 Corridor/Feasibility Study.
2. **Presentation** (see **Attachment C** for the PowerPoint Presentation/Handout).
 - Loop 9 project team presented the following:
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3. **Discussion:**
 - The group asked about the proposed project schedule and when land acquisition would occur. Brian Clark stated that the first project could be developed within 5-6 years, with land acquisition within the next 2-3 years.
 - A representative from Trammell Crow asked how many stop signs would be located between IH 35 and IH 45. Brian Clark stated that type of design information has not been developed yet.
 - Sandy Wesch discussed the future connections to existing facilities would provide more mobility for the next 20-30 years and the group discussed how the project would impact the trucking industry.

- A group member asked where possible truck weigh stations would be located along the corridor. The team discussed future technology for the trucking industry and stated that TxDOT may no longer require weigh stations.
- The group members stated there was a lot of development potential between Ferris and Red Oak and that they were glad to see movement on the proposed project.

Attachment A:
Invitee List

Patterson, Susan K

Subject: Loop 9 Feasibility Study
Location: NCTCOG Offices - Six Flags Conference Room

Start: Fri 5/10/2013 9:00 AM
End: Fri 5/10/2013 10:00 AM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Accepted

Organizer: Sandy Wesch

Invitee List:

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Jacob Asplund
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djohnson@idi.com
brice@weeksrobinson.com
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The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG), in cooperation with local government officials, are working together to conduct a corridor feasibility study for the Loop 9 Southeast study area from I-20 to US 67 in Dallas, Ellis, and Kaufman Counties. As part of this study, we would like to provide you and members of your organization with an update on the status of the project and solicit your input. The meeting will be held at the NCTCOG Office located at 616 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, TX 76011.

For more information on the project, please visit www.loop9.org.

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Sign-in Sheet



North Central Texas
Council of Governments

Loop 9 Southeast Corridor/Feasibility Study
IIPD Stakeholder Meeting
May 10, 2013 - 9:00 AM



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Susan Patterson Mailing Address:	ATKINS	936-935-5793	Susan.patterson@atkinsglobal.com
	1250 April Wood Branch Park Suite 300 Houston TX 77079		
Tom Pearson Mailing Address:	Colliers Int'l	214-217-1237	tom.pearson@colliers.com
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JEFF NEAL Mailing Address:	NCTCOG		
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PowerPoint Presentation/Handout

LOOP 9 CORRIDOR FEASIBILITY STUDY

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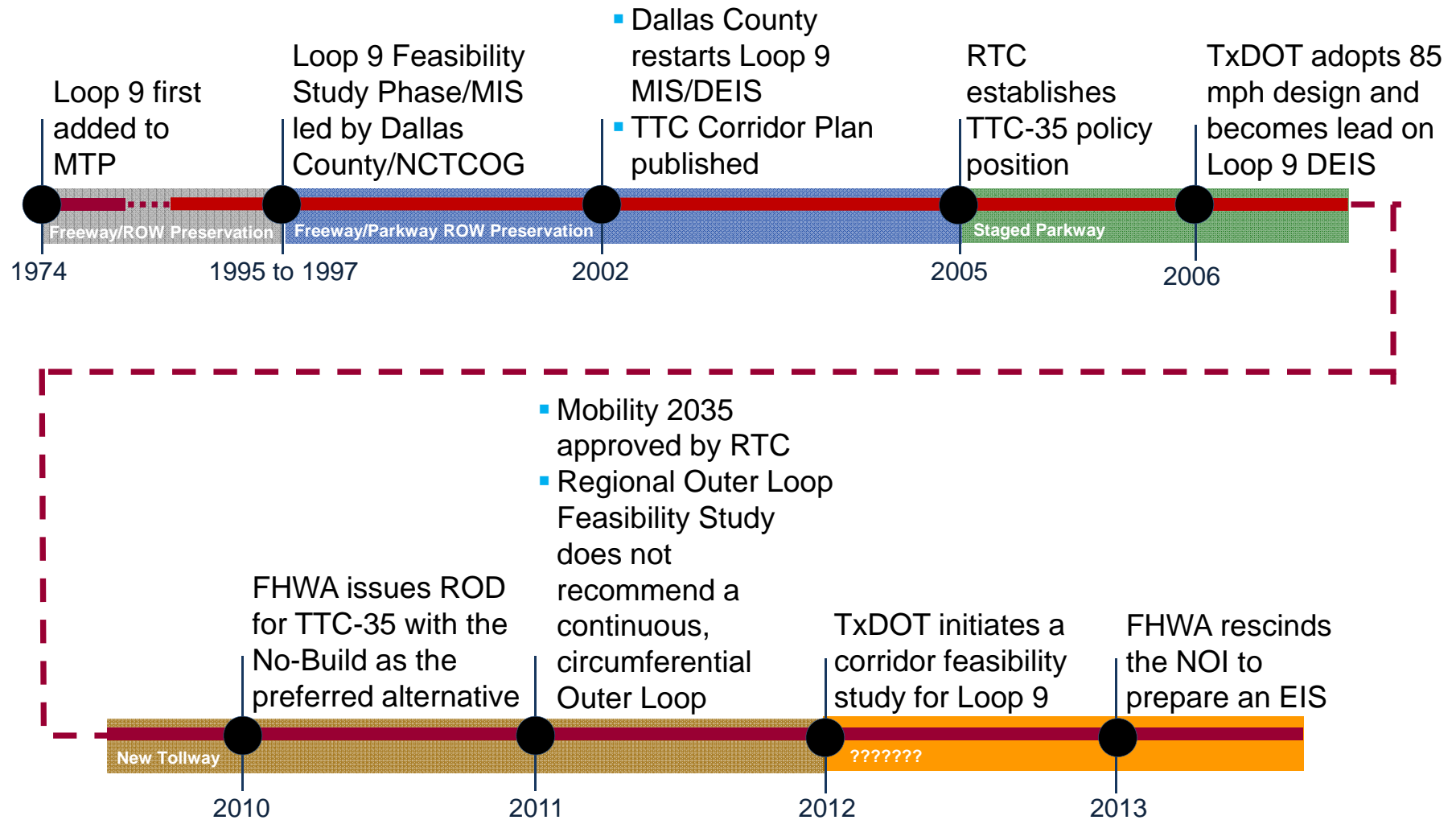
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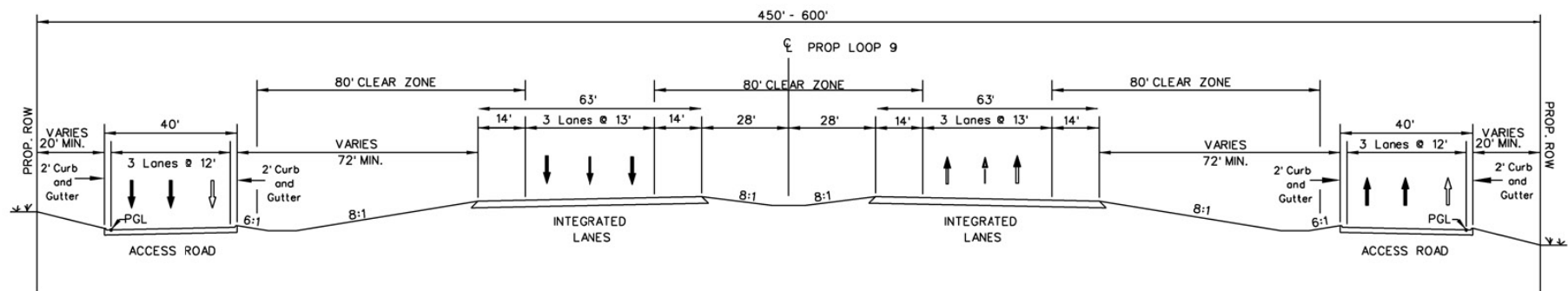
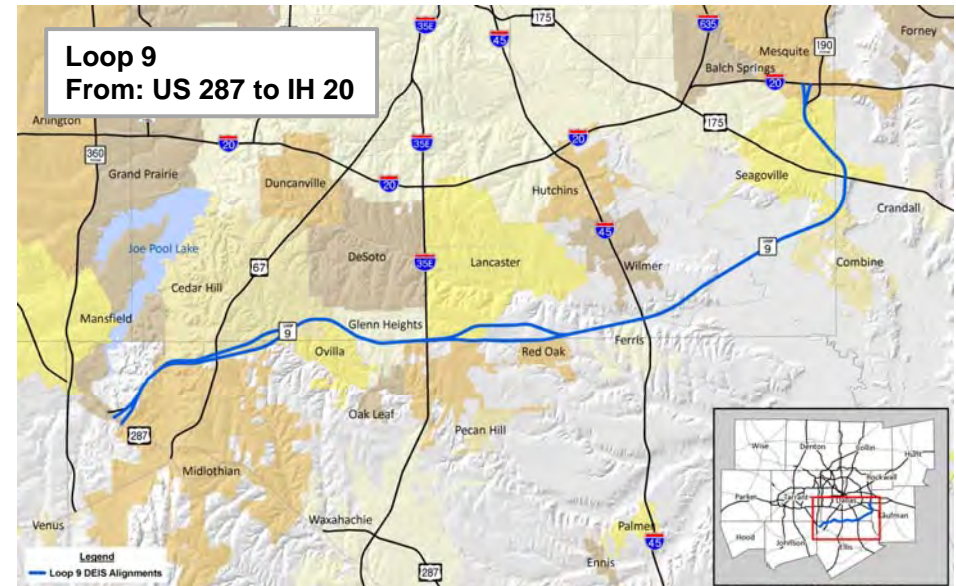
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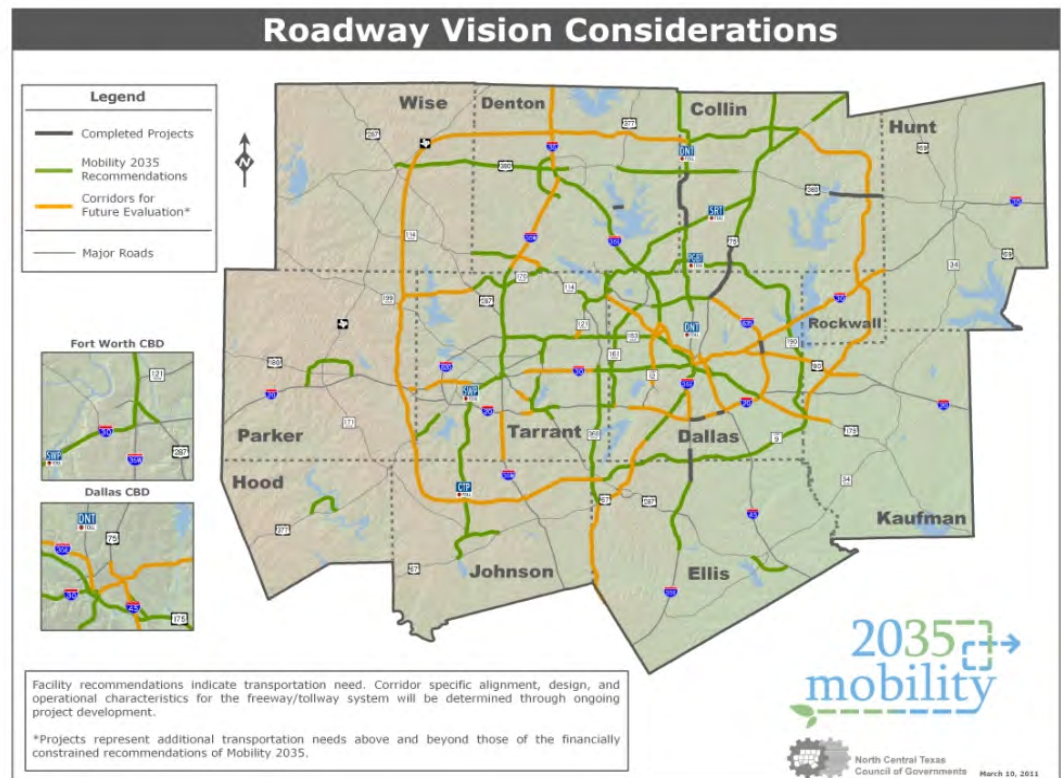
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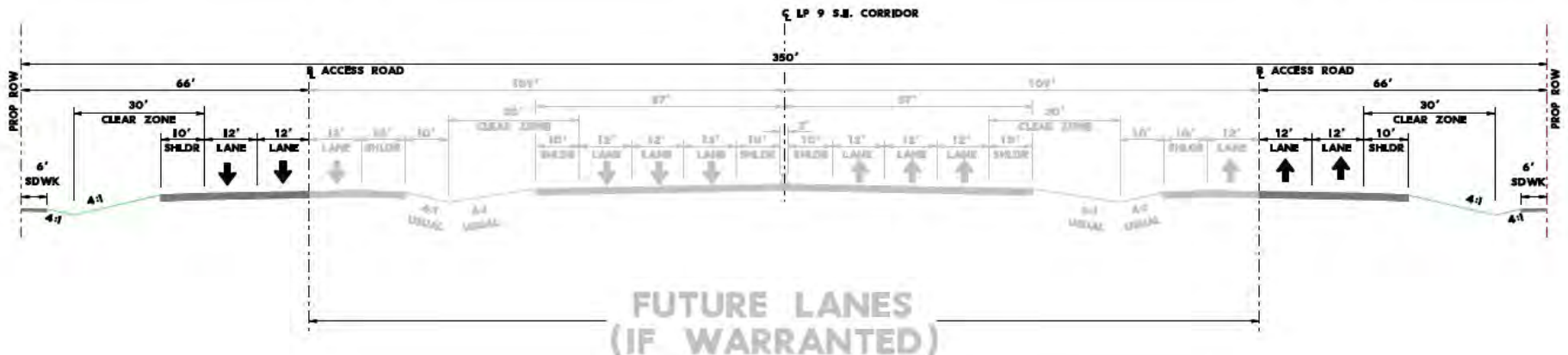
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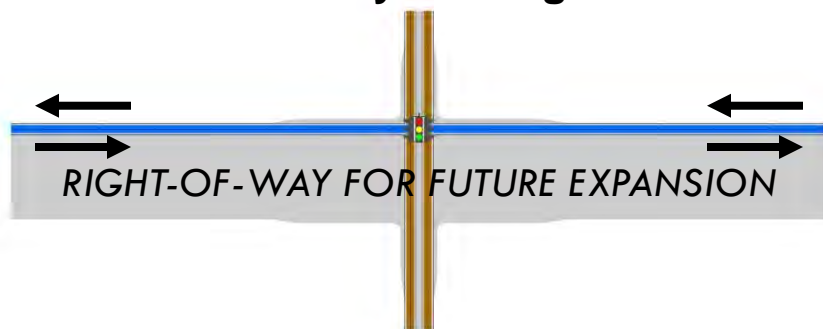
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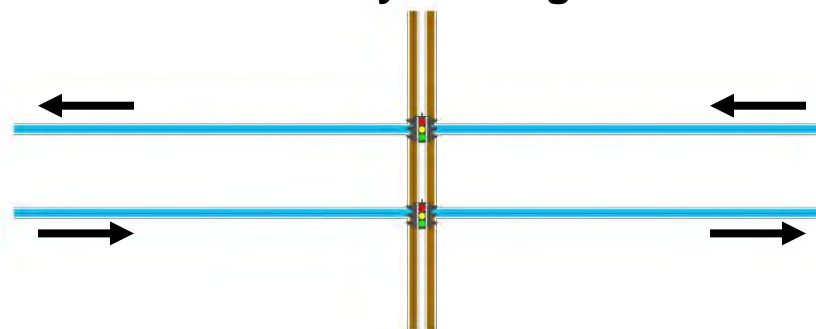
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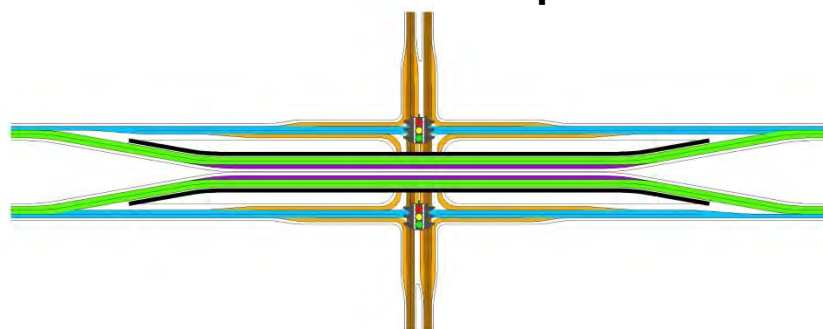
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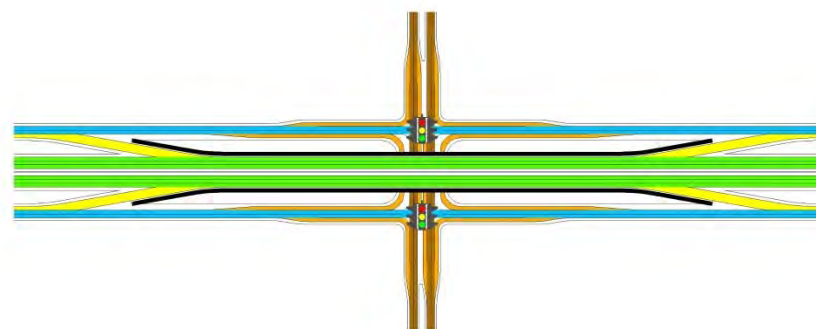
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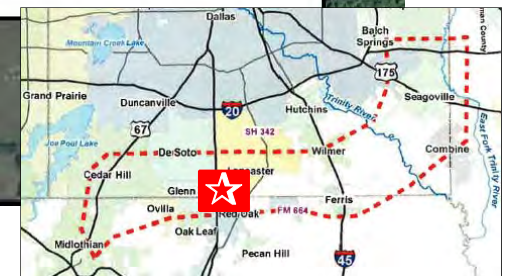
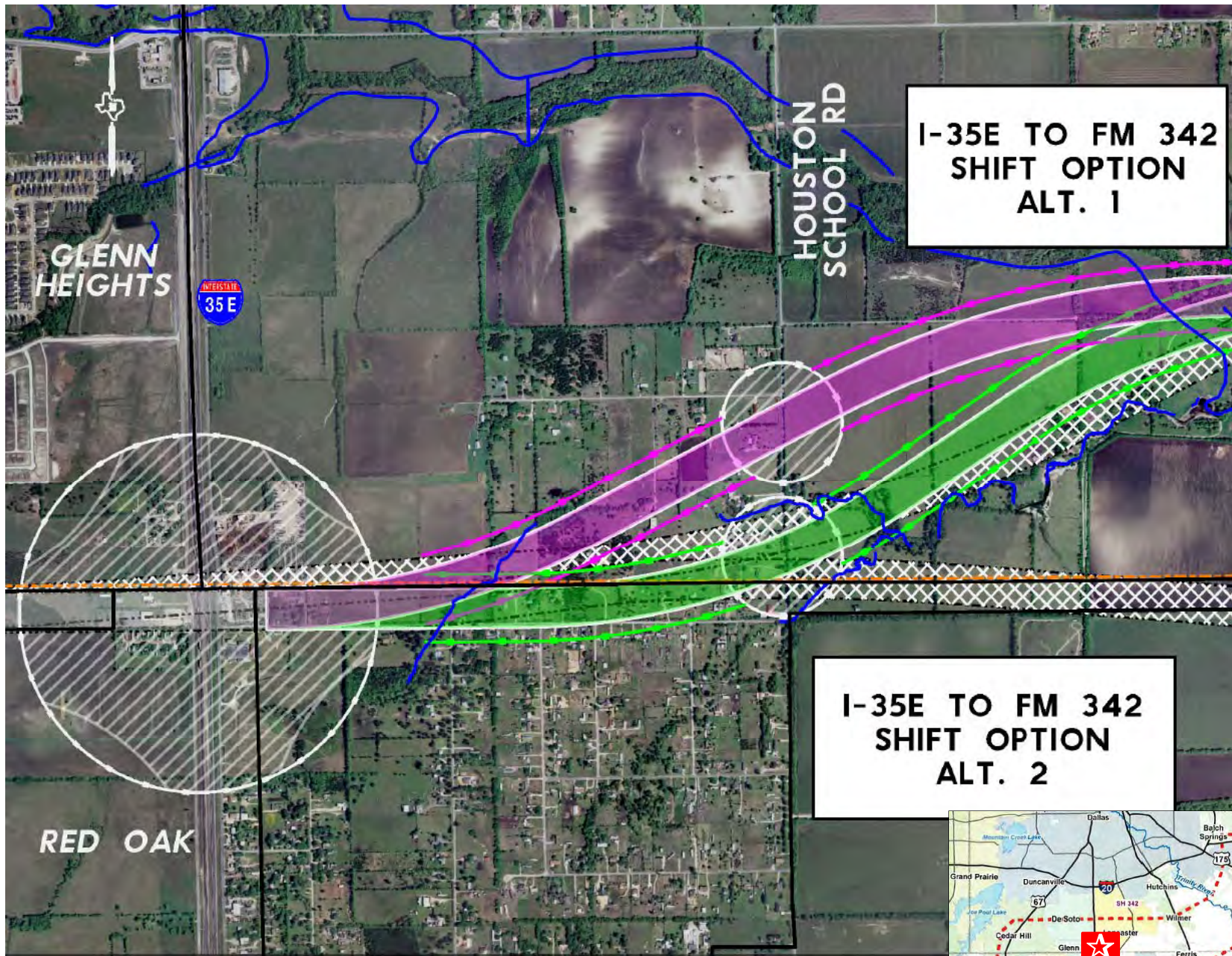
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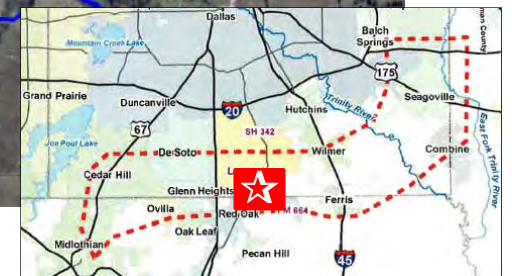


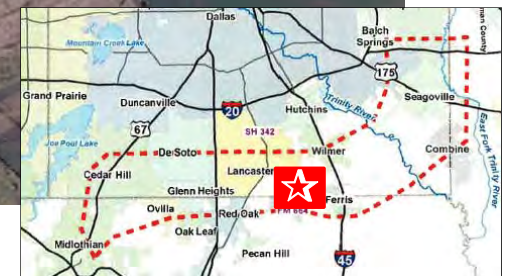
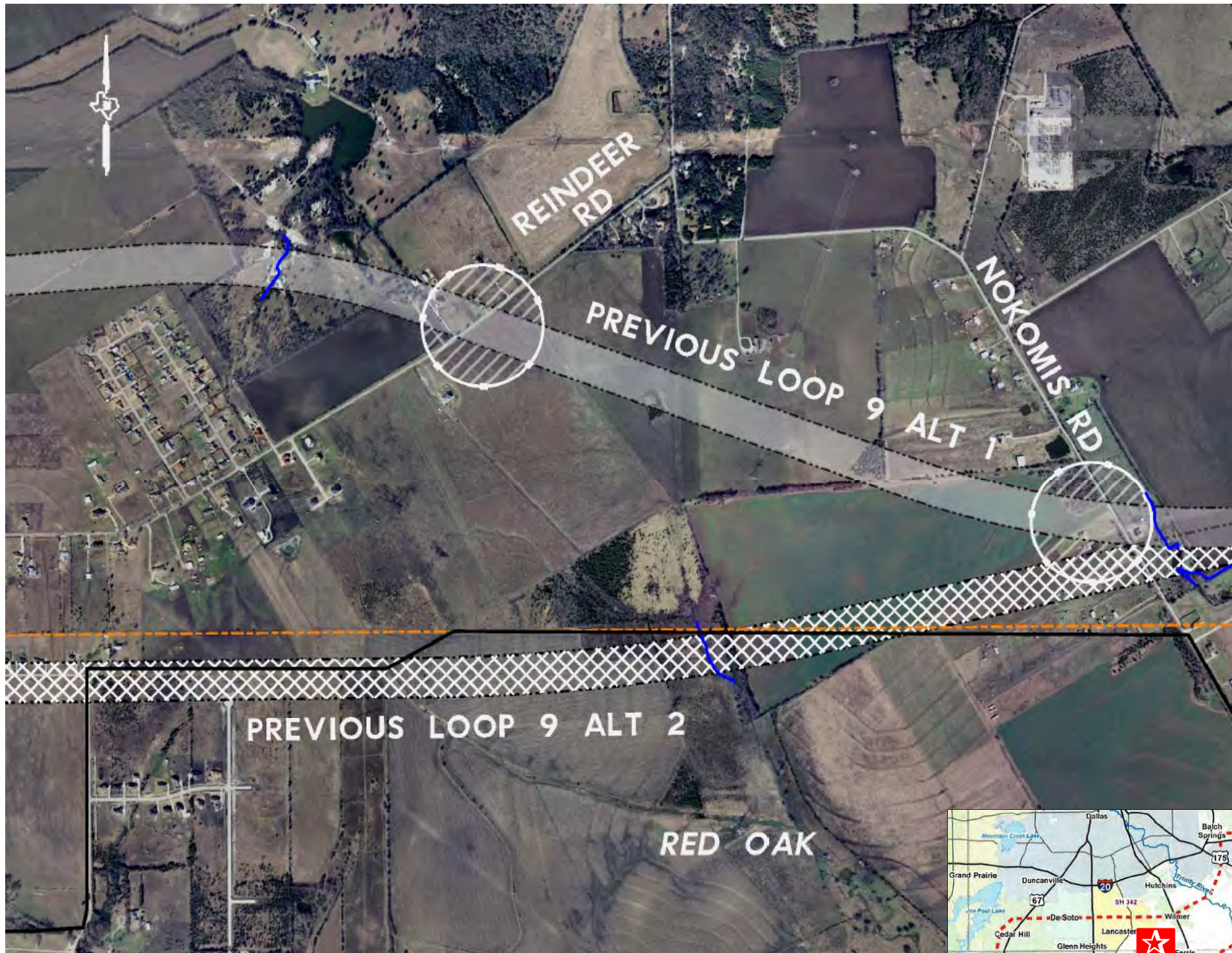
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E6: Skyline Landfill

Major Stakeholder Meeting Summary

Date: May 16, 2013 **Time:** 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Project: Loop 9 Southeast
Location: Skyline Landfill
1201 N Central Street
Ferris, TX 75125
Purpose: Provide Project Status of Loop 9 Corridor/Feasibility Study
Attendees: See Attachment A for sign-in sheet of all attendees.
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3. **Discussion:** The group reviewed the proposed project location layout and discussed the following:
 - Ruth Muelker asked why the pink alternative was created to the south of the previous alternatives they had seen. Brian Clark explained it was another option created to avoid the high power transmission lines located north of the landfill.
 - Landfill representatives stated the property boundaries for the landfill have not changed since the last meeting.
 - Ruth Muelker stated that their concerns are the same as previously discussed and they are still considered significant impacts to their facility. She asked if the team had met with the City of Ferris since the impacts to the landfill would impact their revenue (they currently receive \$1M/year). Brian Clark summarized the Task Force Meetings held in 2012. Representatives from the City of Ferris were in attendance.

- Charles Rivette stated that their preference is to move the alignment as far north as possible to avoid financial, regulatory, and planning impacts to their facility.
- Brian Clark asked the group if the structure was elevated would the impacts be the same. Ruth Muelker stated the impacts would still be problematic due to groundwater issues, environmental regulations, and buffer distances.
- Waste Management presented a map showing the property boundaries and current landfill areas and stated they would send a copy to Atkins for their files.
- Ruth Muelker stated that if the landfill was to be impacted by the roadway, they would have to apply for a revised landfill permit with different buffer and drainage requirements. The group also discussed the location of a USACE permitted wetland mitigation area on the site. The group was unsure of the location on the area but would notify TxDOT of its location.
- Waste Management has already submitted a revised permit for the landfill to accommodate the original alignment for Loop 9 and for their future planning purposes (relocation of power lines to the south, revised buffers, etc.). The permit is in review and has not been approved yet. The permit approval can take 18 months to 5 years.
- Waste Management stated they preferred Alternative G at a 350 foot ROW width. Alternative H would impact the landfill and trigger additional permit revisions.
- Three water monitoring wells are located along the north side of the landfill within Alternative H alignment. Alternative H would also impact the Waste Management hauling facility.
- Ruth Muelker expressed concern that TxDOT would have to assume responsibility for the landfill property to be impacted, including closure and post-closure care and monitoring plans. She stated the responsibility would be for at least 20 years.
- Waste Management stated they felt the project was important and their facility would benefit from better access in the future.

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Sign-in Sheet

May 16, 2013, 2pm
Skyline Waste Management
1201 N Central St, Ferris, TX 75125

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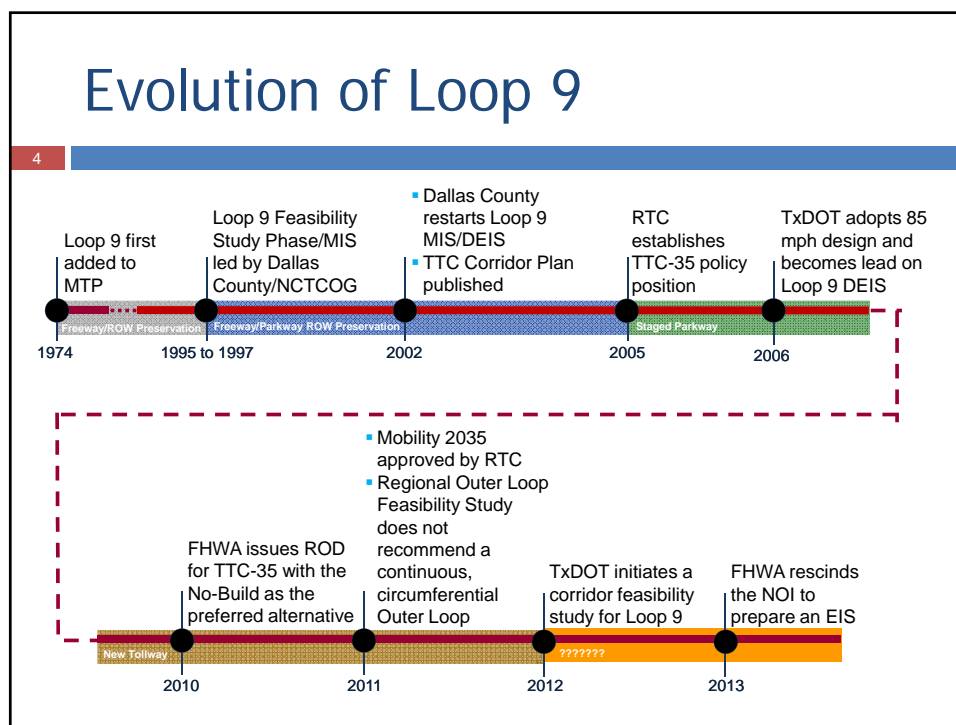
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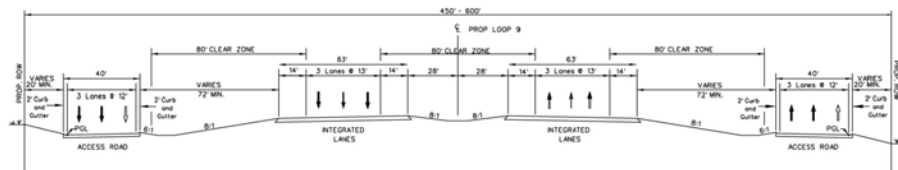
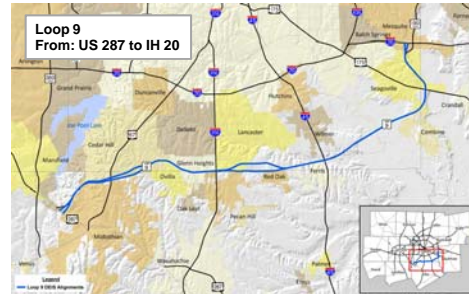
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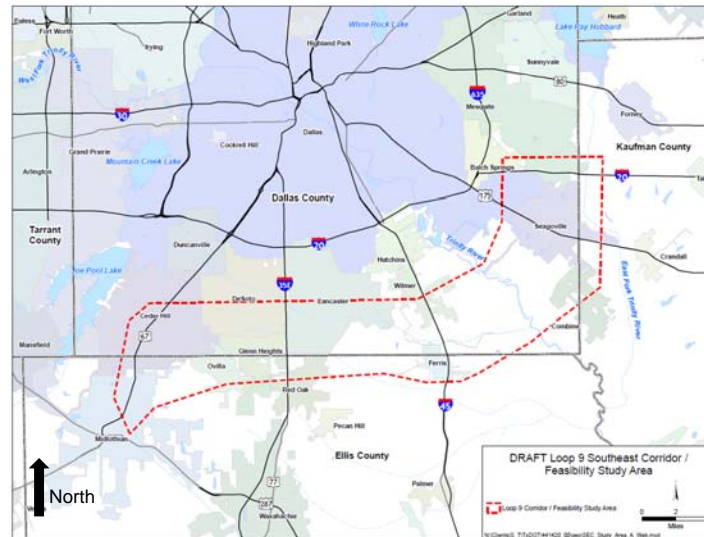
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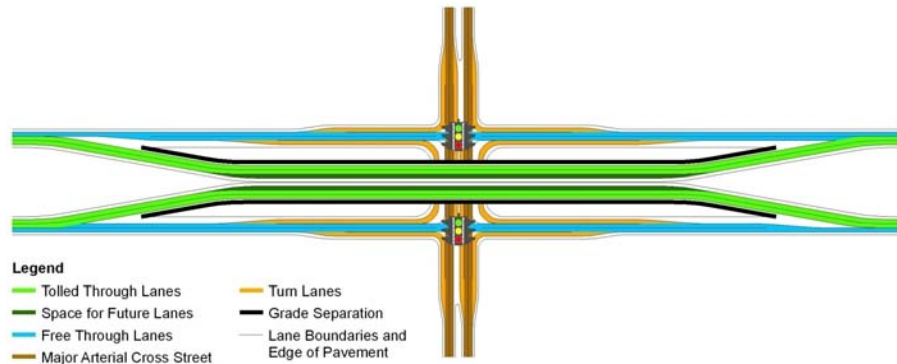
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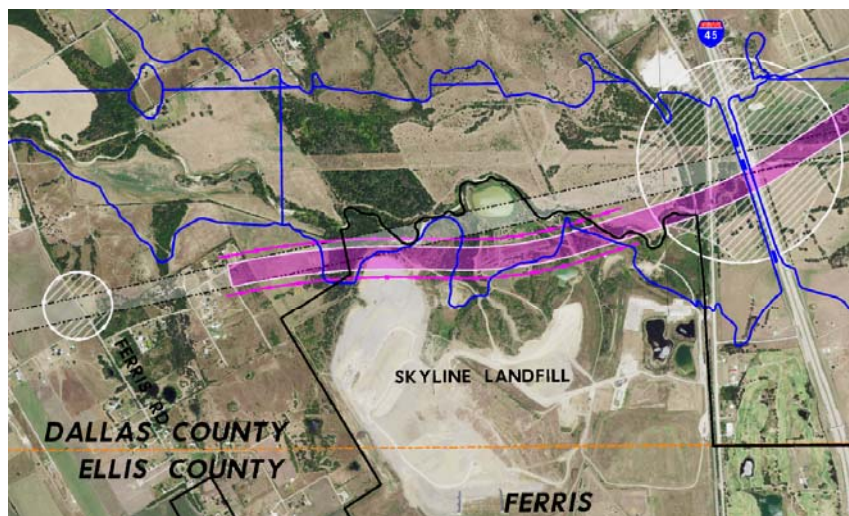
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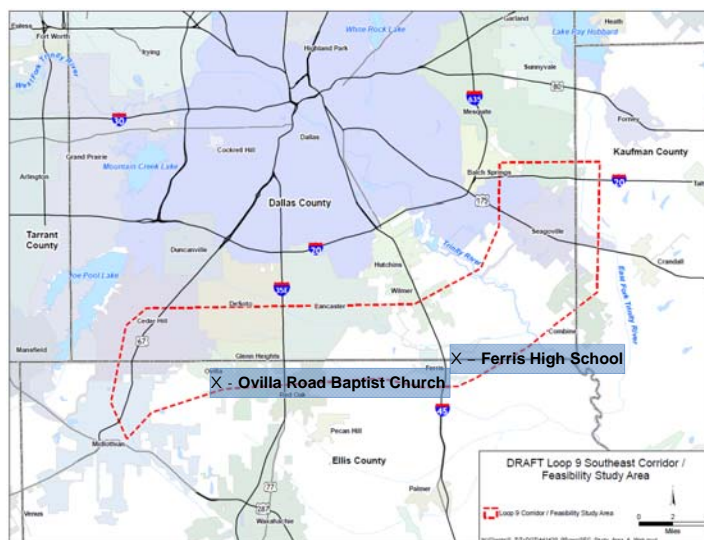
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E7: Oncor

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Date: August 5, 2013 **Time:** 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Project: Loop 9 Southeast

Location: Oncor
115 W. 7th Street, Suite 625
Fort Worth, TX 76102

Purpose: Provide Project Status of Loop 9 Corridor/Feasibility Study

Attendees: Bruce Nolley, TxDOT
Brian Clark, Atkins
Susan Patterson, Atkins
Jeff Neal, NCTCOG
Jim Chase, Oncor
Bryan Williams, Oncor

Attachment A: PowerPoint Presentation/Handout

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3. Questions/Comments

- Jim Chase stated that the original cost for Loop 9 was \$5.7 billion and asked what is the cost now. Brian Clark stated that cost estimates are currently being evaluated.
- Jim Chase asked which segment would be first. Bruce Nolley stated that is still to be determined.
- Jim Chase stated that ROW acquisition would drive the schedule for Oncor's relocation efforts.

- Bryan Williams stated that TxDOT would not want a Oncor structures within their ROW and they might need an exception to TxDOT policy.
- The team discussed the process of realigning the utilities and timing. Oncor must request the alignment change from the Public Utility Commission (PUC).
- The team discussed how far the utility lines can be spanned. Oncor stated that the large towers can span 1400-1500 ft. The smaller H frame ones can span 900-1000 ft.
- Brian Clark asked if the utility lines can be raised. Bryan Williams stated that some can be raised, but there are limitations. There is a 200 ft ceiling height.
- The team agreed that coordination of impacts can occur at any time, but they can't do anything until the ROW acquisition process begins and TxDOT owns the ROW.
- Jim Chase noted approximately a dozen locations of impacts to distribution lines and 8-10 locations of impacts for transmission lines.

Attachment A:

PowerPoint Presentation/Handout

LOOP 9 CORRIDOR FEASIBILITY STUDY

ONCOR STAKEHOLDER MEETING

8/05/2013

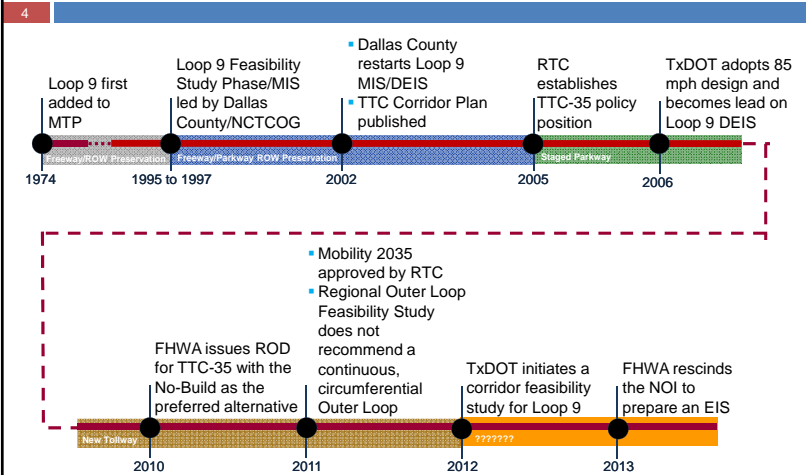
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- Introduction
- Evolution of Loop 9
- New Approach – Corridor Feasibility Study
- Project Status
- Comments and Questions

EVOLUTION OF LOOP 9

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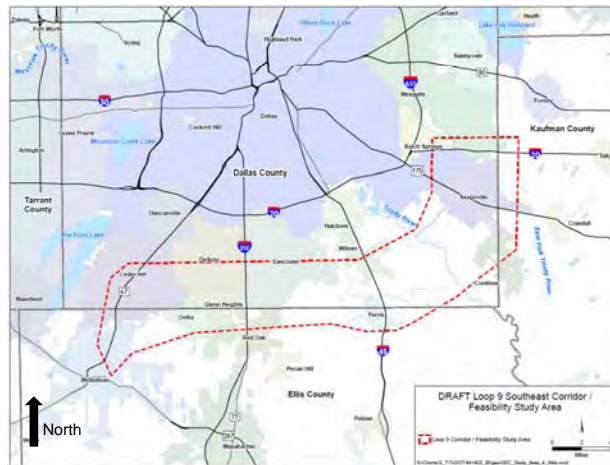
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- There still is a need for a east-west facility in South Dallas/North Ellis Counties to provide:
 - ▣ Connectivity
 - ▣ Travel time savings
 - ▣ Potential economic development opportunities

CORRIDOR FEASIBILITY STUDY

Study Area

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Goals of the Study

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- Solicit input from local and community leaders on specific transportation facility needs
- Determine the transportation problems within the study area
- Identify a corridor where transportation projects could be developed to address area problems
- Identify specific transportation projects to advance in the corridor while considering the potential for impacts on the natural, socio-economic, and cultural environments
- Recommend a program of transportation projects to advance by priority within the corridor as funding becomes available

Corridor Feasibility Study

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- Establish new vision
- Use information developed for the DEIS
- Conduct engineering/right-of-way studies for priority sections
- Emphasis on the section with the highest traffic volumes (from US 67 to IH 45) and adjacent development potential
- Follow Planning and Environmental Linkages methodology

Establish New Vision

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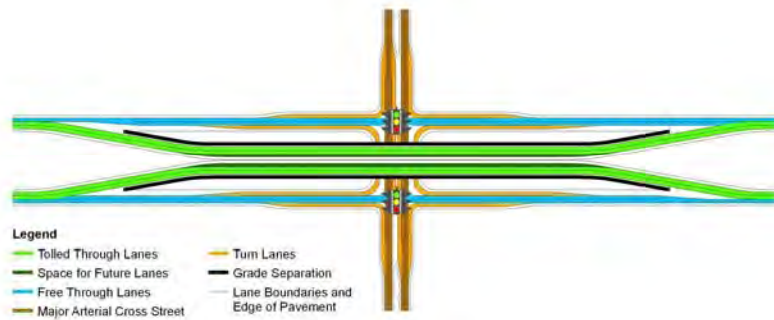
- Elements to include:
 - ▣ Narrower right-of-way (350 feet vs. 600 feet)
 - ▣ Lower design speed (70 mph vs. 85 mph)
 - ▣ Context sensitive solutions
 - ▣ Access management
 - ▣ Flexibility to convert to a full, controlled access facility, if needed



New Potential Design

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- Could allow for innovative finance approach by including toll bridges at cross streets



Outcome

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- What type of facility is needed
- Determine effect to other planned transportation facilities
- Corridor alignment
- Logical termini
- Prioritization based on traffic, local needs, and funding
- Staging (i.e., construction vs. right-of-way preservation)

PROJECT STATUS

Efforts to Date

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- NOI to prepare an EIS rescinded March 20, 2013
- Corridor alignments and data from preliminary DEIS are being used and updated
- Study team has interviewed staff and elected officials from all local governments in the corridor
- Refinement of corridor alignments is underway
- Travel demand modeling nearing completion

Efforts to Date

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- Refined the corridor alignment(s) based on community comments
- Analyzed travel demand modeling data to help determine the type of roadway needed
- Met with other stakeholders (IIPOD, UPRR, BNSF, Skyline Landfill, Trinity River Authority)
- Held two public meetings (Ferris and Ovilla)

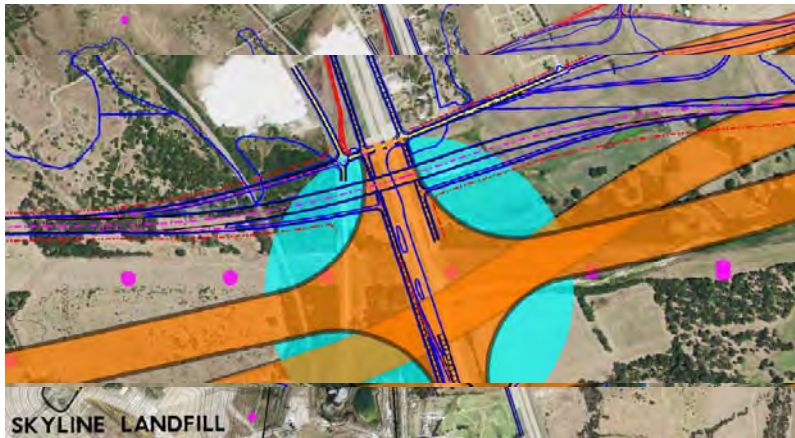
Loop 9 near I-45 – DEIS Concept

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Loop 9 near I-45 – Feasibility Study

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Updated Loop 9 Website

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<http://www.loop9.org/>

- As of April 9, 2013, the Loop 9 website has been updated to include all of the information included within this presentation.

Future Efforts

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- Continue efforts to refine the corridor alignment(s) based on community comments
- Continue to analyze travel demand modeling data to help determine the type of roadway needed, location, and staging
- 2nd set of public meetings (early Fall 2013)

COMMENTS &
QUESTIONS