

Fact Sheet

Project description

- Includes mobility improvements on potentially six Segments along I-820, SH 121/183 and I-35W with accelerated development of Segment 1
- Adds tolled managed "express" lanes and additional general purpose lanes (see Segment Description table)
- Total project 36.2 miles
- General description and location (see attached table and map)

Key project elements

- Improves regional mobility and enhances safety
- Addresses acute and growing congestion in north Tarrant County and the region
- Reflects a high priority project by local governments
- Significant dedication of resources from NCTCOG
- Will tie into and support system of related highway improvements, including SH 161, SH 114/121, etc.
- Managed lanes will be a complete electronic toll collection, compatible with all other toll road networks in Texas.

Public-Private partnership opportunity –

- Develop, design, construct, finance, operate and maintain Segment 1 of the North Tarrant Express project under a Comprehensive Development Agreement (CDA). Segment 1 involves I-820 from I-35W to the Northeast Interchange, including a new I-35W interchange.
- Assist TxDOT in developing remaining segments of the North Tarrant Express

Two-step Comprehensive Development Agreement selection process

Request for Qualifications (RFQ):

Private sector submits qualifications and conceptual proposals

- o RFQ issued December 8, 2006
- o RFQ Workshop January 10, 2007
- Deadline for RFQ March 15, 2007
- Request for Proposals (RFP):

Short-listed Proposers submit detail proposals

- o RFP issued March 3, 2008
- o Deadline for RFP December 1, 2008
- Once formal proposals are received, TxDOT will conduct a thorough evaluation with a recommendation expected by January 2009.

Potential Benefits of Public-Private Partnerships –

- Bring private investment to public transportation and stretch current tax dollars
- Developer responsible for securing private financing on the project
- Maximize and employ private sector participation/creativity in project development and financing
- Mobility improvements provided sooner

