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TxDOT SETS IN MOTION MUCH-ANTICIPATED AIRPORT FREEWAY PROJECT

Developer selected for \$847 million SH 183 project

AUSTIN – Traffic relief is on the way for North Texas motorists who rely on SH 183 (also known as Airport Freeway) in Dallas and Tarrant counties. Today, the Texas Transportation Commission chose Southgate Mobility Partners as the developer for much-needed improvements on 27.8 miles of roadway. Listed in the Texas Department of Transportation's [100 Most Congested Roadways](#), segments of SH 183 are traveled by nearly 170,000 vehicles daily.

“As we continue to face challenges with transportation funding, innovative project delivery approaches such as this one will remain essential components for addressing our state’s mobility needs and spurring our economic prosperity,” said retired Lt. Gen. Joe Weber, USMC, TxDOT executive director. “We are excited to see momentum on the Airport Freeway and hope to provide Texas drivers with some much-needed traffic congestion relief.”

The project is expected to improve mobility by expanding 15 miles of SH 183 from SH 121 to I-35E, as well as 2.5 miles of Loop 12 from SH 183 to I-35E and 10.5 miles of SH 114 from SH 183 to SH 121/International Parkway. The interim \$847 million project includes design, reconstruction and replacement of deteriorating roadways and the addition of one managed toll lane in each direction. The developer may also provide up to 25 years of maintenance.

The Southgate Mobility Partners is a team comprised of Kiewit Development Company and Kiewit Infrastructure South Company.

Construction is slated to begin on the interim project at the end of 2014 with improvements completed by 2018.

The ultimate phase will include an additional general purpose lane in each direction, up to three managed toll lanes in each direction and the completion of the Diamond Interchange at Loop 12/SH 183/Spur 482/SH 114. Funding for the ultimate project has not been identified.

“On behalf of Irving and North Texas, I want to thank the Commission, TxDOT and our partners at the local, regional, state and federal levels for making this project a reality,” said Rep. Linda Harper-Brown. “This project is a model for innovation in project delivery, leveraging public funds with private sector resources. We look forward to the construction of the first phase of SH 183, SH 114 and Loop 12 project. The project will enhance safety, better

connectivity, and encourage economic development from Dallas and Irving to Euless, and function as the gateway to the DFW International Airport.”

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