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SH 121/360 INTERCHANGE RIBBON CUTTING

State and local officials celebrate early completion of congestion relief project

GRAPEVINE (April 27, 2018) — On Tuesday, May 1 at 10 a.m., the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), the city of Grapevine and NorthGate Constructors will host a ribbon cutting on the SH 121/360 Interchange project. Completed seven months ahead of schedule, this \$61 million project added new direct connectors for SH 114, SH 121 and SH 360 to minimize weaving, reduce congestion and improve safety in the area.

Date: Tuesday, May 1
Time: 10 a.m.
Location: Skate Town parking lot at 2330 William D. Tate Avenue in Grapevine

The SH 121/360 Interchange was the first Texas Clear Lanes project to start construction, part of an overall \$3.8 billion congestion relief initiative provided by Governor Greg Abbott and the Texas Legislature to reduce gridlock in some of the state's most congested areas.

In 2016, Governor Abbott called on the Texas Transportation Commission to develop a focused initiative to address the most congested chokepoints in Texas. Chairman J. Bruce Bugg, Jr. then met with transportation leaders and elected officials in the state's five major metropolitan areas. Those listening tours and collaborative efforts with metropolitan planning organizations and TxDOT districts helped shape this initiative.

"We are on an accelerated pace to address the state's most congested choke points and to get new roads built quickly," said Chairman Bugg. "This is part of an historic investment in our state's transportation infrastructure. These projects will improve drive times, reduce costs to Texas drivers, and improve our quality of life."

The SH 121/360 Interchange improvements were included in the original \$1.6 billion DFW Connector project, but funds were not available at that time to deliver the entire scope. When congestion funding became available for these improvements in February 2016, TxDOT and NorthGate negotiated a plan to rebuild this portion of the original project.

For information on how TxDOT and local partners are further addressing congestion, go to: texasclearlanes.com. For information about construction of the DFW Connector, including all current and upcoming lane closures, visit dfwconnector.com, or call the toll-free hotline at 877-411-4212. The DFW Connector can also be found on Twitter (@DFWConnector) and Facebook (DFW Connector Project).

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