



New TEXpress Ramps on NTE

The new TEXpress Lanes entrance ramp at Bedford Road opened to drivers this Friday just in time for their morning commute! This ramp is on **westbound SH-121/183** and is one of the new TEXpress Lanes ramps that has been added along the SH-121/183 corridor.

Due to weather delays, the new TEXpress exit ramp will open this coming weekend. This ramp is located on **eastbound SH-121/183**.

With the addition of new Bedford Road ramps, drivers will have better access to and from the NTE TEXpress Lanes from the general highway lanes.

These ramps will also help to further alleviate congestion and improve mobility in the Hurstview area along SH-121/183.



NTE Mobility Partners Presents First Grant Check for Lego Robotics

On Friday, March 31, NTE Mobility Partners (NTEMP) presented their first STEM related grant check for \$3,618.37 to teachers from O.H. Stowe Elementary for their LEGO Robotics program at the annual Tribute to Leadership event. This grant is part of the \$40,000 that NTEMP awarded to Birdville Education Foundation for STEM related education programs.

This is the first of many grant presentations that will follow in the spring. As more grant recipients are revealed, the Birdville Education Foundation and NTEMP will join together to surprise the winning teachers with big checks. [Read More >>](#)



NTE Team Highlights Work Zone Safety

"Safety first" was the message of the day at the National Work Zone Awareness Week press conference hosted by the North Tarrant Express (NTE) project team and the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) on April 5.

The event was attended by more than 300 workers, project team members, and executives, and covered by local television, radio and print media. The goal was to highlight the importance of work zone safety, but also honor the memory of those workers who have lost their lives in work zones around the country.

Since construction began on the I-35W project in 2014, **there have been zero worker fatalities**, prompting a theme that was echoed throughout the press conference: "Be a Hero...Keep it at Zero!" [Read More >>](#)



I-35W Construction Activities and Closures

We are hard at work building better roads and highways for North Texas. In fact, the section of I-35W between I-820 and U.S. 81/287 is nearing completion! As we continue construction to complete the I-35W corridor, the following entrance and exit ramps along I-35W are closed for an extended period of time:

- On-ramps to southbound I-35W from Weatherford Street and Gilvin Street (June 2017)
- Off-ramp from southbound I-35W to westbound Spur 280 (June 2017)
- Northbound I-35W off-ramp to Meacham Boulevard (through July 2017)
- Northbound I-35W on-ramp at Northside Drive/Yucca Avenue (through July 2017)

Subscribing to the NTE [e-alerts](#) and checking the [website](#) for updated closure and detour announcements are two easy ways to stay on top of upcoming construction activities and areas that may have delays.

Construction footage is also available on the North Tarrant Express [YouTube channel](#), as well as aerial images on the project website.



Legislative Update

With the 85th session of the Texas Legislature well underway, representatives of NTE Mobility Partners and LBJ Infrastructure Group have been meeting with members of the Texas Legislature to share with them the success of the North Tarrant Express and LBJ Express corridors in providing congestion relief, higher speeds and shorter travel times. Our goal is to keep North Texans mobile and we look forward to continuing our work with TXDOT and regional transportation planners to provide much needed highway expansion.

Know Before You Go!

We encourage drivers to check for up-to-the-minute information on lane closures and traffic detours on our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) accounts.

We also post information about major accidents and delays, which can help keep you on track when traveling along I-35W or the North Tarrant Express corridor along Loop 820 and Airport Freeway or LBJ Express.

Be sure to "Know Before You Go!" You can find a complete list of current NTE lane closures on I-35W [here](#) along with alternate route maps [here](#).