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Starting Later and Finishing Sooner

New Construction Schedule for the IH 10/ Beltway 8 Interchange Connectors

If there is a way to reduce construction duration and offer a time savings to the driving public all at once– the Texas Department of Transportation is going to find it!

TxDOT, working with Harris County Toll Road Authority and the roadway contractor has discovered an opportunity to reduce the duration of the direct connector (DC) reconstruction at the IH 10/Beltway 8 Interchange. The original construction work was to take place over a two year period beginning in January 2007, and ramps were to be constructed two at a time. TxDOT is pleased to announce that with the new schedule, the DC construction will begin in the spring of 2007 and could be reduced by as much as 10 months with the contractor successfully meeting all the incentive-based milestones. The new schedule requires the brief overlap of three connectors to be closed simultaneously at two separate intervals during the construction and allows for work through the 2007 Christmas holiday season. Reduction in the duration of construction could equate to as much as $6 million in time savings for the driving public!

The decision to reduce construction time during this phase of the project once again demonstrates TxDOT's commitment to partnering with the community to mitigate inconveniences due to the undertaking of such a massive freeway reconstruction project.

TxDOT is excited about the progress of the Katy Freeway Reconstruction Program. Two of the nine major construction contracts have been completed and recently, another major milestone on the IH 10/IH 610 Interchange contract marked the completion of the West Loop Reconstruction. The program as a whole is on track to meet the target date for substantial completion by December 2008.

The Katy Freeway Public Information Team has begun meeting with area businesses, interest groups and civic organizations to public aware about the ph the IH 10/ Interchan your org would like to a presentation to receive information on the new schedule, specific ramp closures, time frames and the detours required, please contact the Katy Freeway Public Information Office at 281-589-5924.

1	Direction	2
H	BW 8 SB/1H 10 WB	97
A	BW 8 SB/1H 10 EB	179
G	BW 8 NB/1H 10 EB	204
B	BW 8 NB/1H 10 WB	90
E	1H 10 WB/BW 8 NB	78
D	1H 10 EB/BW 8 NB	156
F	1H 10 EB/BW 8 SB	204
C	1H 10 WB/BW 8 SB	117

1. Direct Connector Name 2. Closure Duration in Days

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