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OVERVIEW

The initial \$1 billion DFW Connector project simultaneously designed and built 8.4 miles in Grapevine, Southlake and Irving, and it doubled the size of the existing highway system around the north DFW International Airport entrance.

Funding constraints required some original DFW Connector segments to be deferred. However, in early 2013, TxDOT was able to identify funding for the FM 2499 section, in Sept. 2014, funding for new SH 121 and SH 360 ramps and in Feb. 2016, funding for the SH 121/360 interchange.

FM 2499 work included rebuilding the mainlanes of FM 2499 from SH 121 to Denton Creek. The lanes were built below grade level allowing commuters to bypass two intersections.

The SH 121/360 ramps project constructed new on-ramps from the southbound SH 121 frontage road (William D. Tate Avenue) to SH 121 and SH 360.

The SH 121 project from SH 114 to Hall Johnson Road will reconstruct the SH 121/360 interchange.



SH 121/360 interchange construction

NorthGate Constructors photo archives

PROJECT HISTORY

- **March 2006** – Texas Transportation Comm. authorized request for CDA proposals.
- **March 26, 2009** – CDA conditionally awarded to North Gate Constructors.
- **Oct. 6, 2009** – CDA executed.
- **Jan. 2013** – TxDOT identified \$90 million in funding for FM 2499.
- **Aug. 2013** – FM 2499 construction began.
- **Sept. 2014** – TxDOT signs \$17 million contract for the SH 121/360 ramp project.
- **Feb. 2016** – SH 121/360 interchange project approved for congestion relief funding.
- **Aug. 30, 2016** – SH 121/360 interchange groundbreaking held.

FM 2499 PROGRESS

- All lanes of traffic were opened and in its final pattern in summer 2016, six months ahead of schedule.

SH 121/360 RAMP PROGRESS FROM WILLIAM D. TATE AVE.

- The new ramps from southbound William D. Tate Ave. to SH 121 and SH 360 opened to the public on Nov. 12, 2015, more than a year ahead of schedule.

SH 121/360 INTERCHANGE PROGRESS

- Bridge crews will drill and pour concrete for bridge shafts (foundations), form and pour concrete for columns, and begin work on bridge caps on the following:
 - Eastbound SH 114 to Southbound SH 121

- Northbound SH 360 to Northbound SH 121
- Wall crews will begin to build the wall between north and southbound SH 121.
- Drainage crews will begin to install the new drainage systems in the center median of north and southbound SH 121. They will also begin to install the concrete box culvert system in between the existing northbound frontage road and northbound SH 360.
- Grading crews will begin lime treatment subgrade along the new northbound SH 360 alignment to northbound SH 121.

FM 2499 PROJECT FACTS

LENGTH: 1 mile

NUMBER OF LANES

- Two mainlanes in each direction built below the existing grade level, allowing commuters to bypass two intersections
- Two frontage road lanes in each direction at grade level

COST: \$92 M (FUNDED ENTIRELY BY TXDOT)

- Cat. 12 (Texas Transportation Commission approval in Jan. 2013)

CONSTRUCTION DATES

- Construction start: Aug. 2013
- Substantial completion: Summer 2016

SH 121/360 RAMPS FACTS

COST: \$17 MILLION

CONSTRUCTION DATES

- Construction start: Early 2015
- Substantial completion: Nov. 2015

SH 121/360 PROJECT FACTS

LENGTH: 1.6 miles

SCOPE: New direct connectors for SH 114, SH 121 and SH 360

COST: \$61 MILLION

CONSTRUCTION DATES

- Construction start: Aug. 2016
- Substantial completion: 2018

TRAFFIC COUNTS (VEH PER DAY, 2015)

- SH 114/121 north of SH 360: 184,000
- SH 360 south of SH 114/121: 71,000

ORIGINAL PHASE DFW CONNECTOR PROJECT FACTS

LENGTH: 8.4 miles

NON-TOLL LANES (WIDEST POINTS)

- 6 to 8 WB, 6 EB between William D. Tate Avenue and Int'l. Pkwy.
- 4 to 7 NB and 3 to 6 SB at SH 121 near DFW Airport's north entrance

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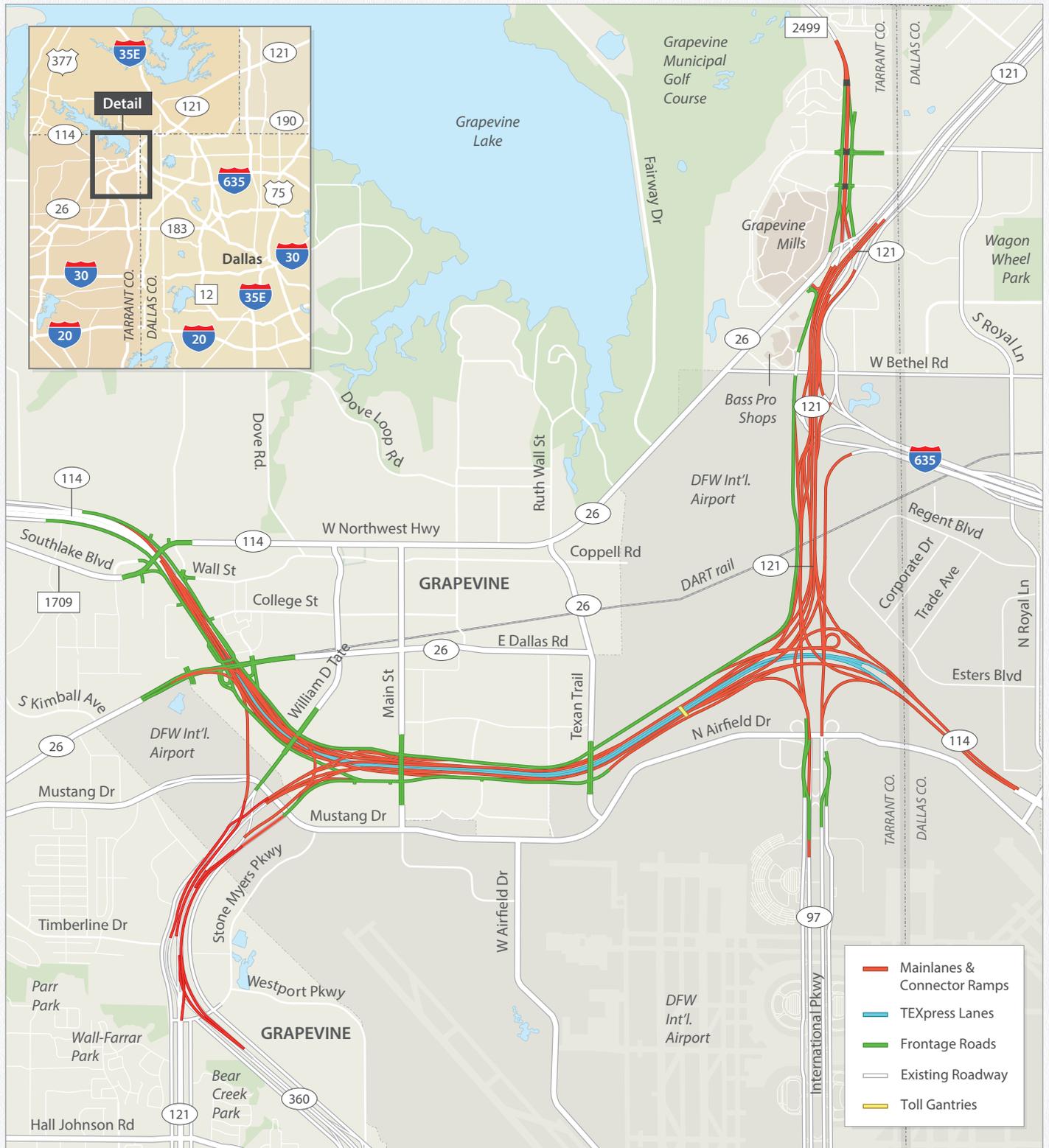
- Four miles, two in each dir. on SH 114

COST: \$1 B (FUNDED BY TXDOT)

- TxDOT: \$696 million; ARRA funds: \$261 million; Prop. 14 bonds: \$17.2 million; Prop. 12 bonds: \$32 million
- ROW: \$127 million (Prop. 14 funds)

CONSTRUCTION DATES

- Construction started: Feb. 2010
- Final acceptance: March 2014



NOTE: Project area is not drawn to scale in order to emphasize details.

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