Collin County Transportation Update

presented to the

Texas Transportation Commission

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by

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and

Keith Self, Collin County Judge

Context to Elected Officials Letter

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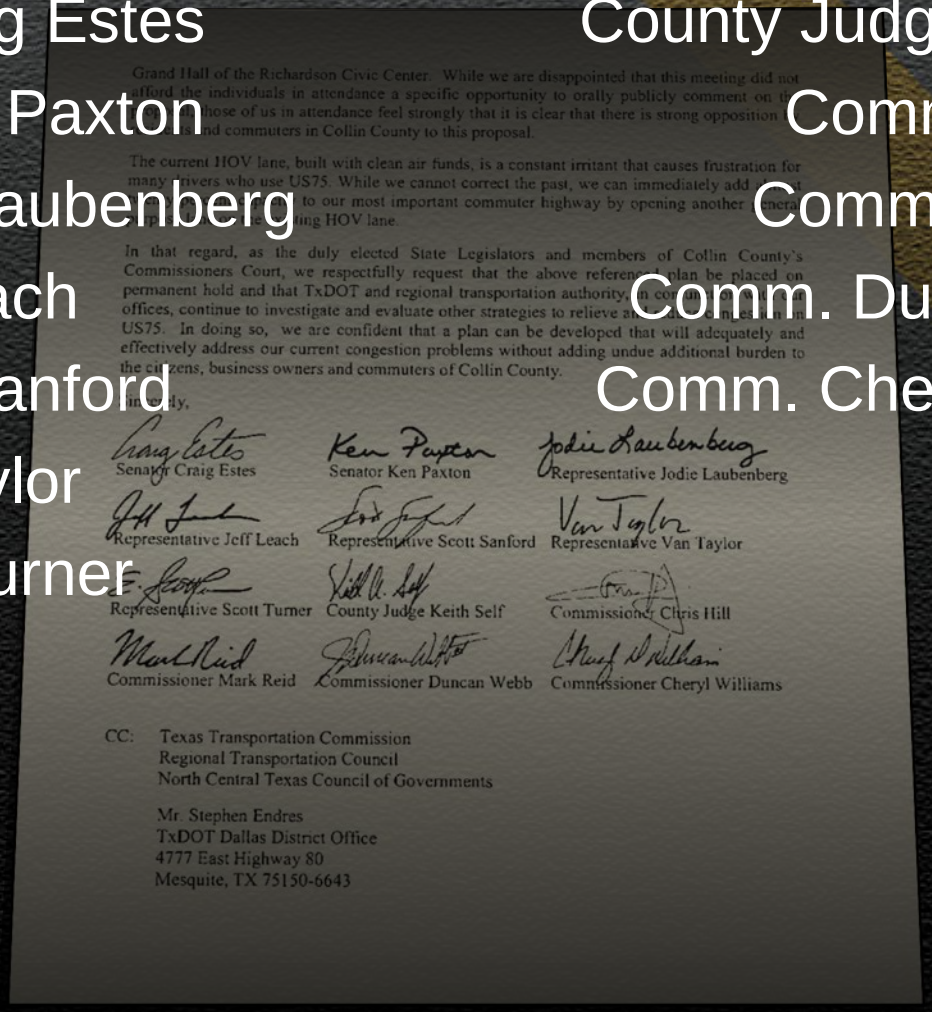

Grand Hall of the Richardson Civic Center. While we are disappointed that this meeting did not afford the individuals in attendance a specific opportunity to orally publicly comment on t[illegible] those of us in attendance feel strongly that it is clear that there is strong opposition [illegible] commuters in Collin County to this proposal.

The current HOV lane, built with clean air funds, is a constant irritant that causes frustration for many drivers who use US75. While we cannot correct the past, we can immediately add [illegible] to our most important commuter highway by opening another [illegible] HOV lane.

In that regard, as the duly elected State Legislators and members of Collin County's Commissioners Court, we respectfully request that the above referenced plan be placed on permanent hold and that TxDOT and regional transportation authority, [illegible] offices, continue to investigate and evaluate other strategies to relieve [illegible] US75. In doing so, we are confident that a plan can be developed that will adequately and effectively address our current congestion problems without adding undue additional burden to the citizens, business owners and commuters of Collin County.

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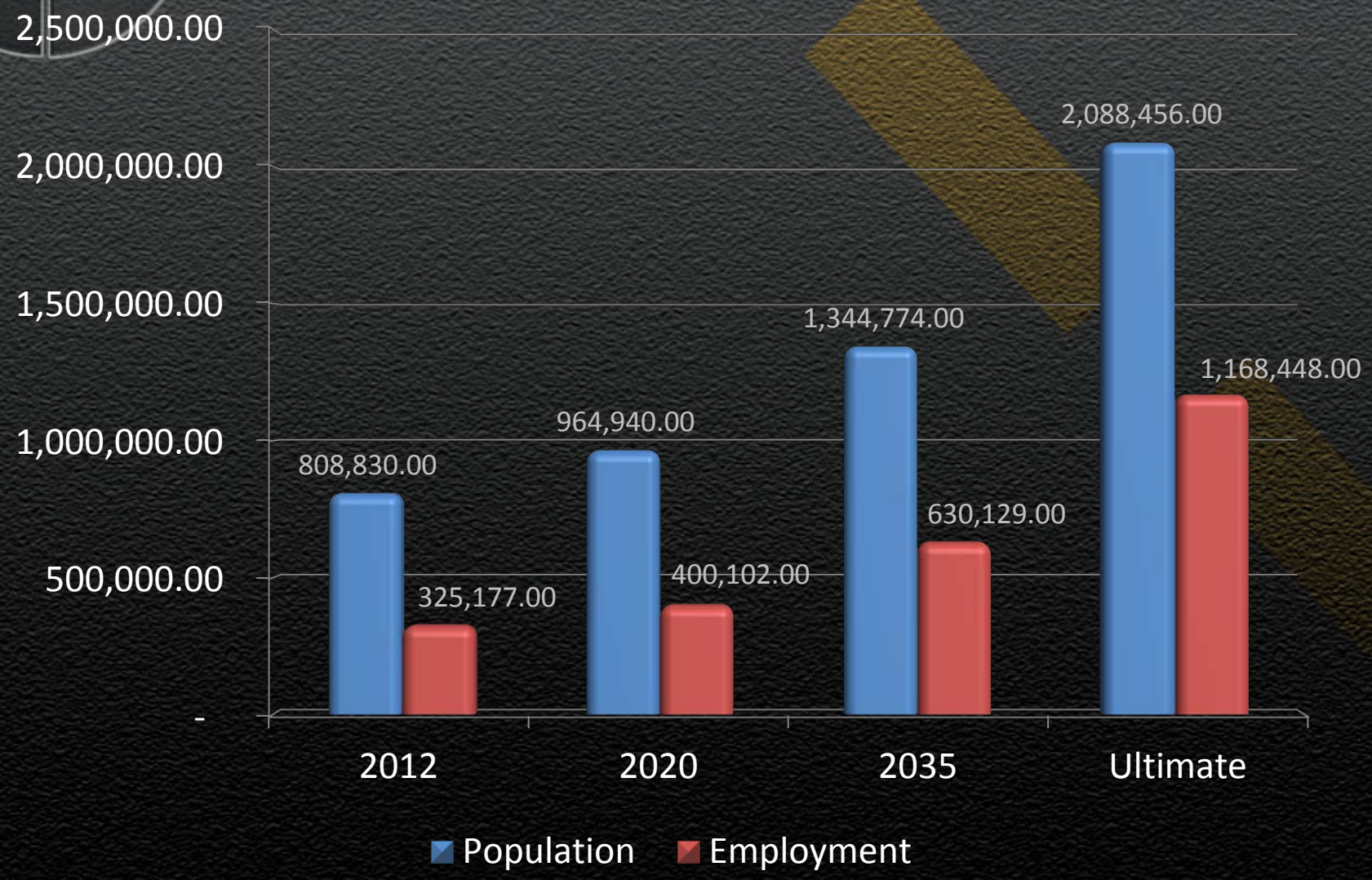
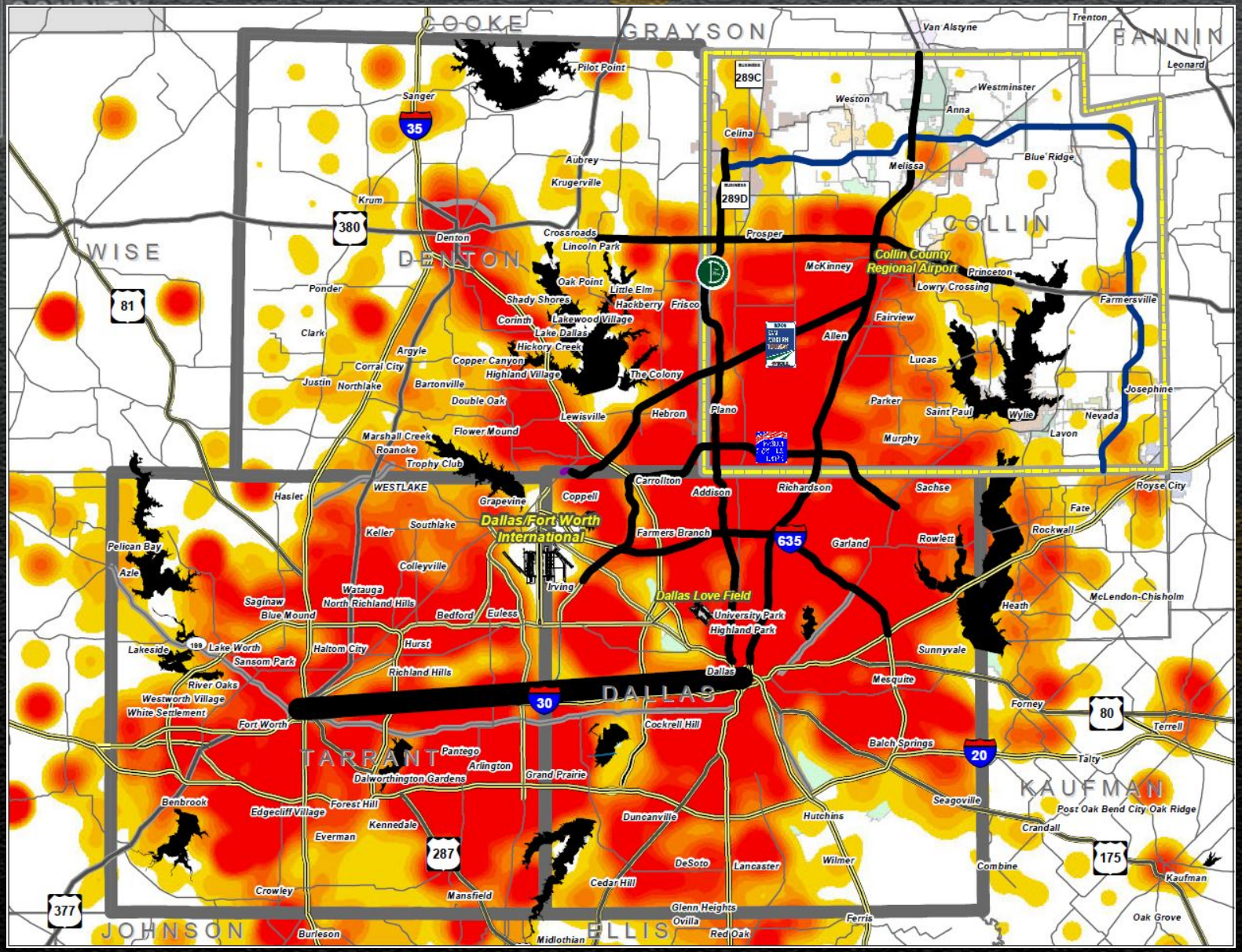
Growth Projections



2030 Population Density



NTTA Toll Revenues

NTTA Percentages by County:

Percent of Total TollTags

Collin	580,751	19.81%
Dallas	992,024	33.84%
Denton	407,126	13.89%
Tarrant	415,275	14.17%
Other	535,941	18.29%
Total	2,931,117	100%

As of June 5, 2014

Total Transactions

Collin	29.59%
Dallas	34.43%
Denton	18.85%
Tarrant	7.35%
Other	9.78%
Total	100%

Through June 2014

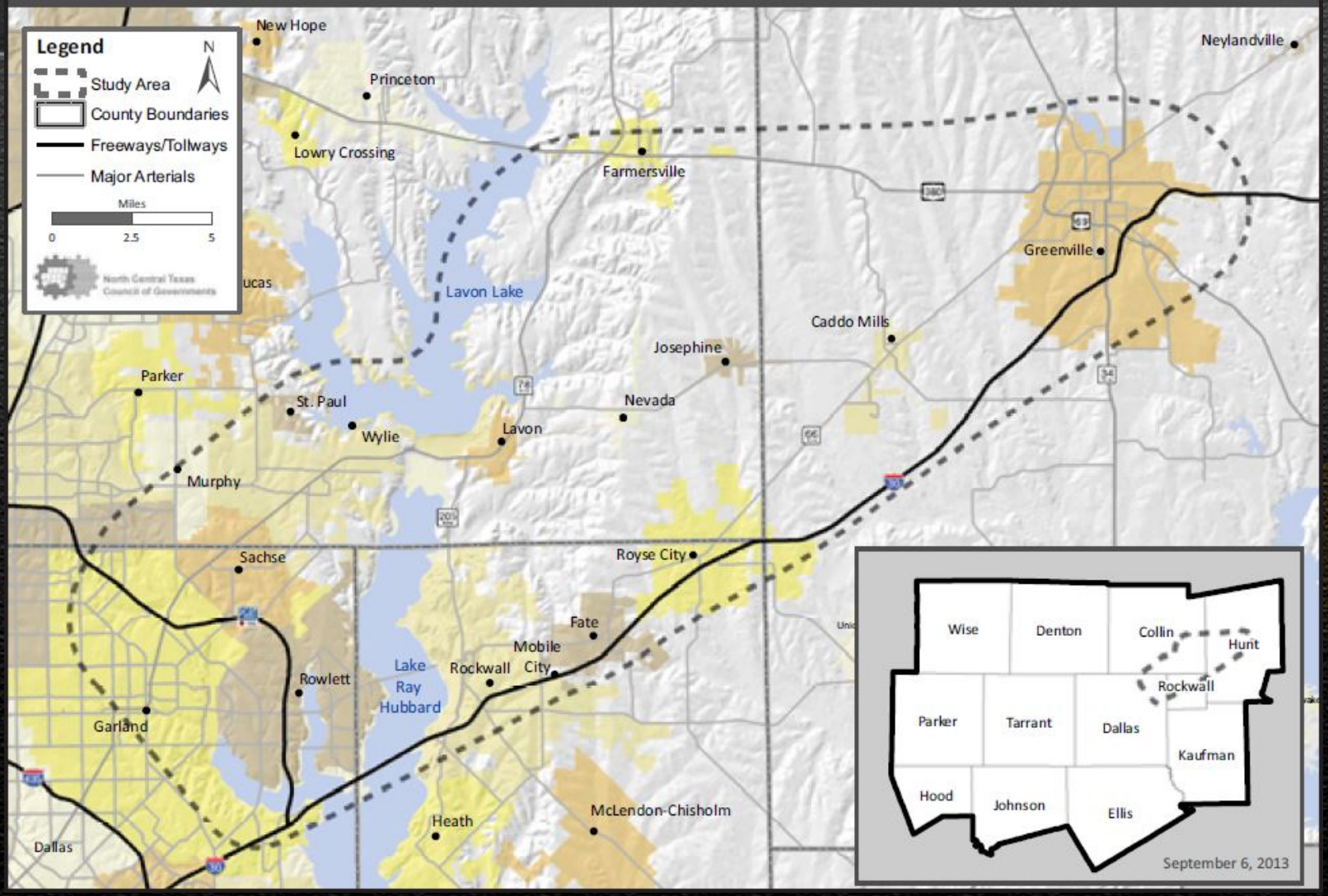
Total Revenue

Collin	30.07%
Dallas	33.25%
Denton	18.12%
Tarrant	7.23%
Other	11.32%
Total	100%

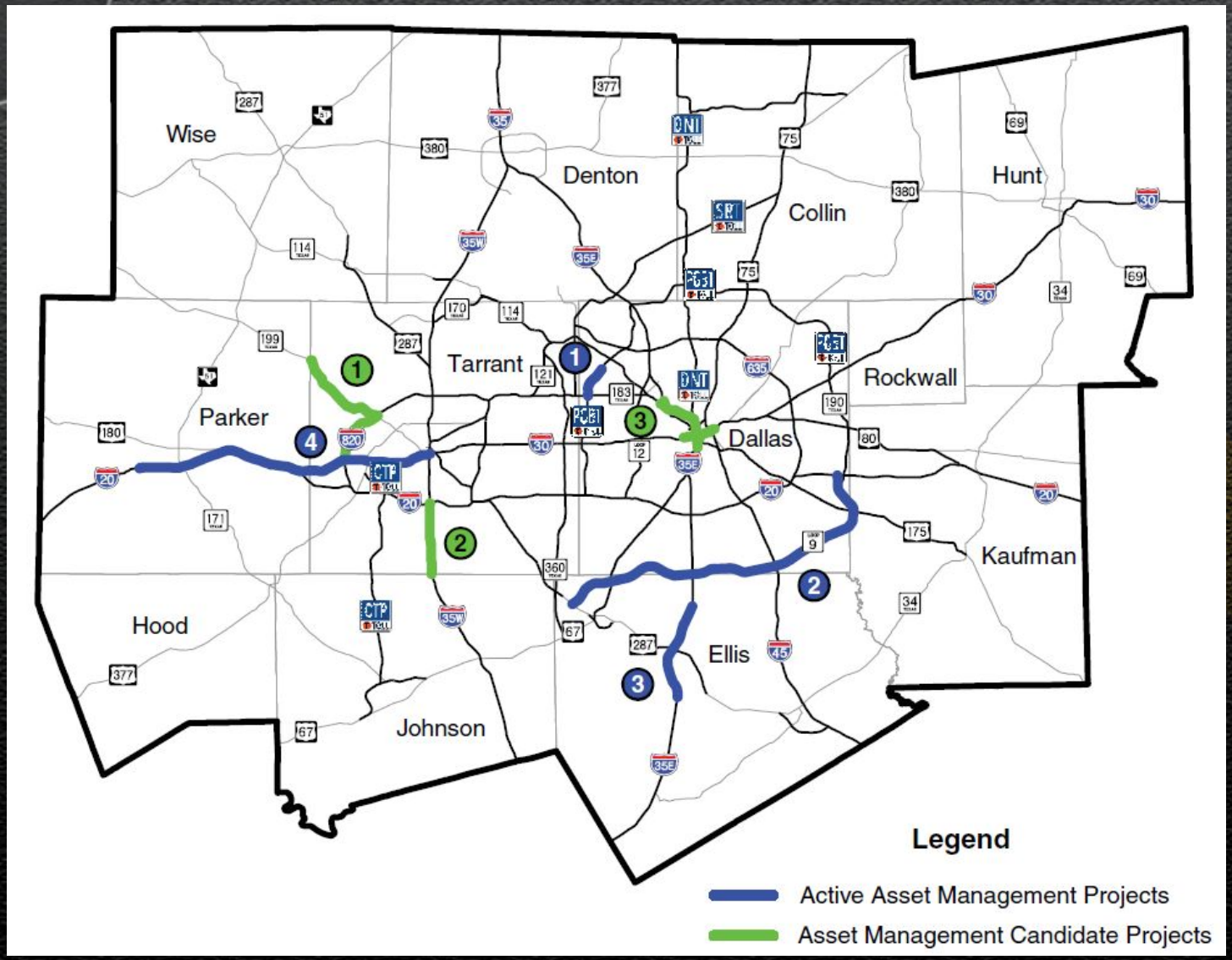
Through June 2014

Blacklands Toll Road

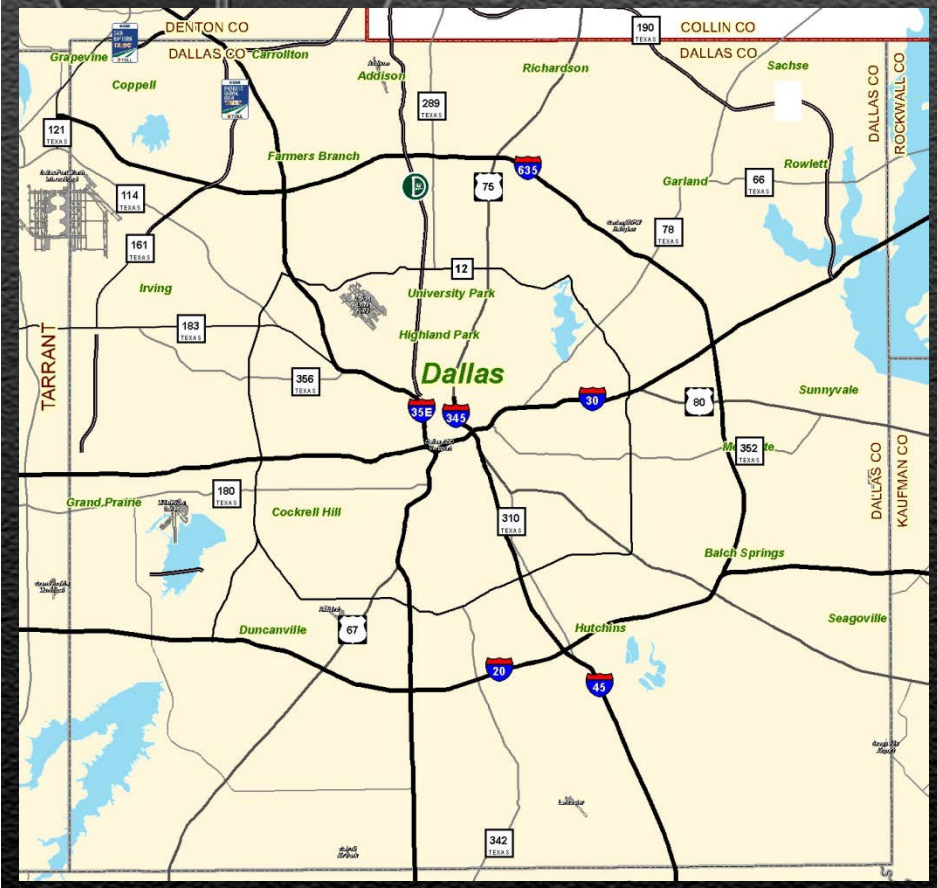
Blacklands Corridor Study Area



NCTCOG Asset Management Projects

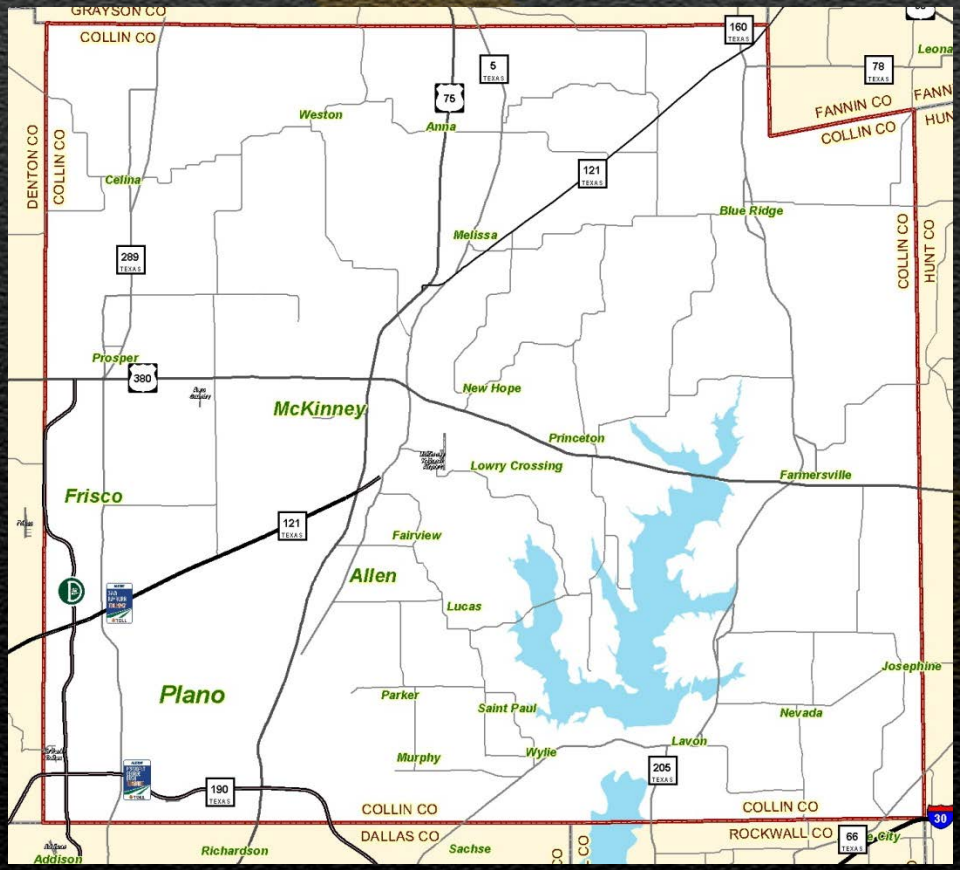


Major Highway Comparison

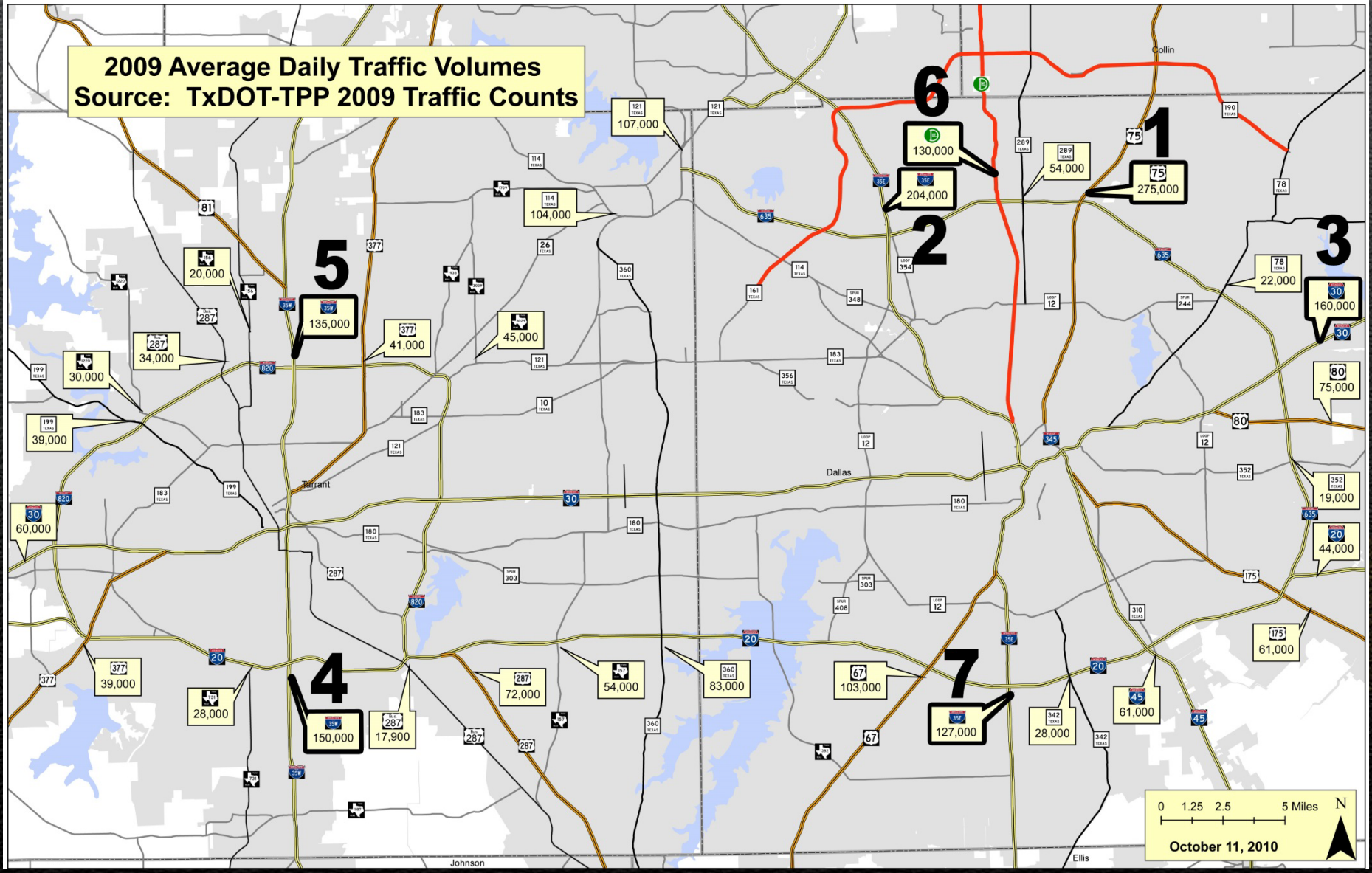


Dallas County

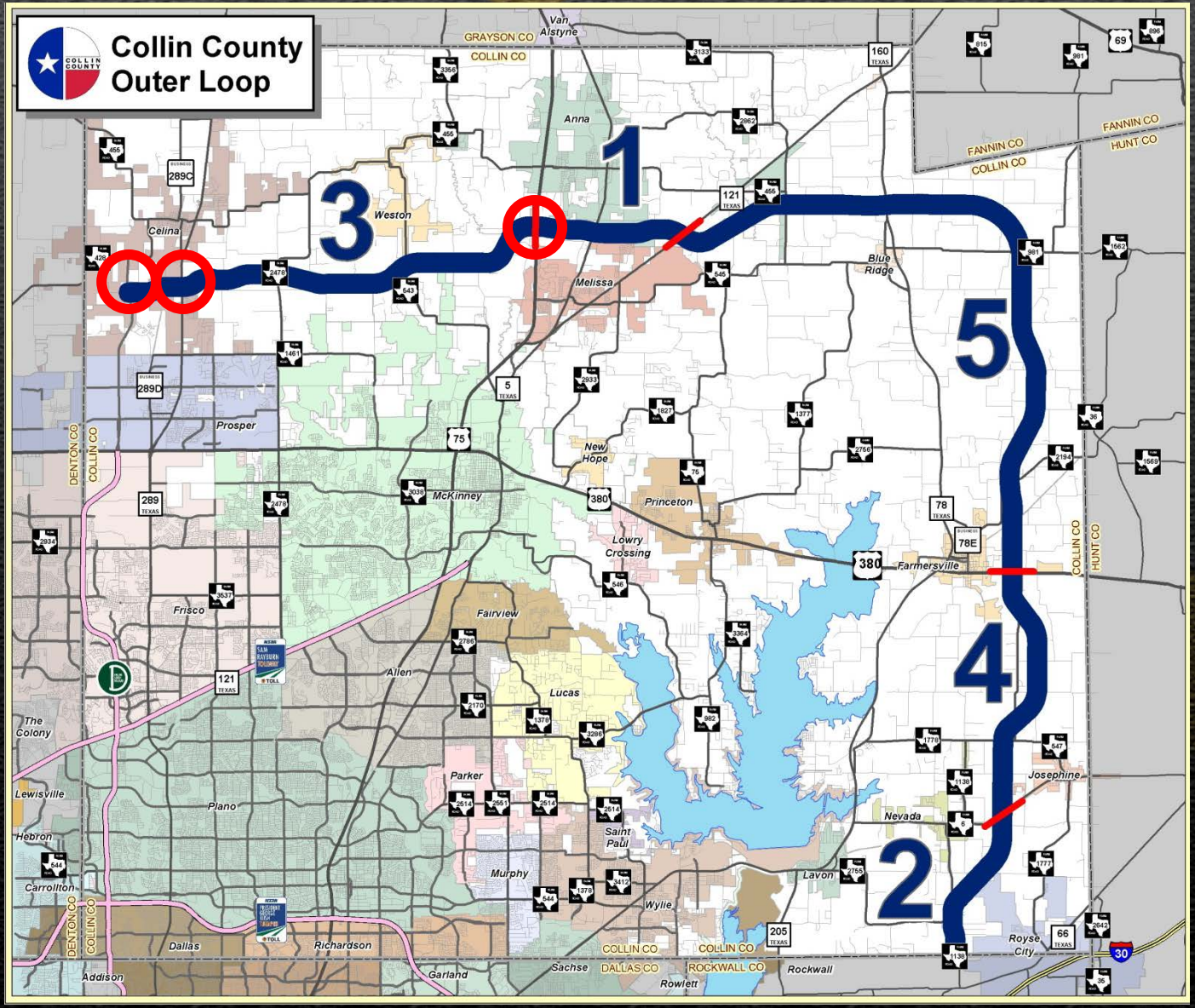
Collin County



Major Highway Traffic Counts



Outer Loop


Collin County
Outer Loop
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2
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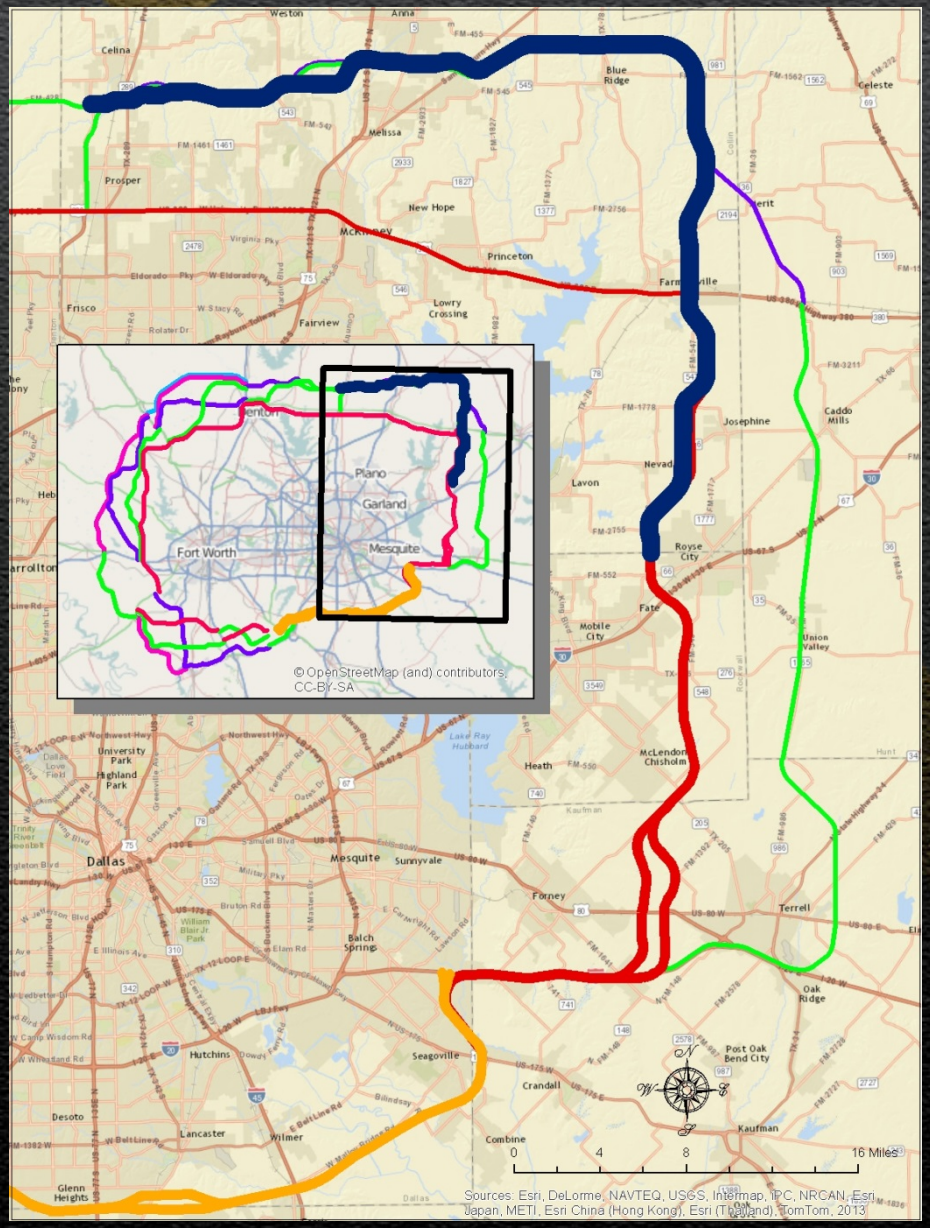
5
GRAYSON CO
COLLIN CO
FANNIN CO
HUNT CO
DENTON CO
DALLAS CO
ROCKWALL CO
Van Alstyne
Anna
Weston
Celina
Melissa
Blue Ridge
Prosper
New Hope
McKinney
Princeton
Lowry Crossing
Farmersville
Frisco
Fairview
Allen
Lucas
The Colony
Parker
Lewisville
Plano
Hebron
Saint Paul
Nevada
Josephine
Carrollton
Murphy
Lavon
Wylie
Dallas
Richardson
Addison
Garland
Sachse
Rowlett
Rockwall
Royse City

Regional Outer Loop

Regional Outer Loop

- Collin County Outer Loop
- Loop 9
- Regional Path A
- Regional Path B
- Regional Path C



US75 Interstate Status

US75

Expressed Desires on US75:

No Tolling

No More ROW

Commuter Highway

Managed Lane Issues

1. Capacity
2. Shoulder/Safety
3. Rebuild
4. Register (opt out)
   - In order to avoid toll charges, HOV drivers must register online at least 15 minutes prior each time they plan to use the SOV/HOV lanes
5. Access
6. Concept

Recommendations

1. Don’t toll US75
   - Add maximum capacity to existing ROW by changing HOV lane to free lane
   - Which also opens access to cities along US75
   - Restrict trucks from newly opened free lane
   - Request legislature appropriate TERP and LIRAP funds to address air quality issues
2. Help build Outer Loop
3. Support US75 Interstate status north of McKinney

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