

PROJECT FACT SHEET: I-69 Southwest/I-610 West Loop Interchange Reconstruction – Harris County

Key Facts

- Upcoming construction improvements to the I-69 Southwest/I-610 West Loop Interchange Reconstruction in Harris County
- Utilities work has already started; construction and detour and lane closure activities begin December 2017
- Construction is expected to last approximately five years
- Estimated cost: \$300 million
- The project includes:
 - Reconstructing one-lane connectors to two-lane connectors
 - Upgrading interchange to current design standards
 - Adding shoulders on I-610 West main lane bridge
 - Increasing vertical clearances
 - Increasing sight distances
 - o Adding detention ponds
 - o Eliminating major weaving
- The purpose of the project is to improve safety and mobility and reduce congestion
- The project also addresses several needs including one-lane direct connectors are over capacity; projected growth would increase demand; and there are no shoulders, low vertical clearances, below minimum sigh distances, and crashes in merge areas
- I-610 West and I-69 South are heavily congested during peak hours (I-610 West Loop is ranked as the #2 Most Congested Highway in Texas)

Initial Construction Process

Phase "0:"

Utility relocations: Late 2017 – Summer 2018

Phase 1:

- Key projects: Summer 2018 Summer 2019
- Sound walls along I-610 SB and I-69 SB Freeway
- High Mast Lights
- Portions of I-69 NB to I-610 NB I-69 SB to I-610 SB,
 I-69 SB to I-610 NB and I-610 Main lanes
- Close And Reconstruct I-610 Exit Ramp To Fournace
- I-610 Widening
- Storm Sewer Work I-69 NB main lanes and South Rice Ave
- Construct SB Post Oak Blvd



Construction Schedule

- Seven-day standard construction work week
- Minimized direct connector closures
- Minimized lane closures
- Smart Work Zones
- Night time freeway closures

Learn More and Ask Questions

For construction questions, please contact:

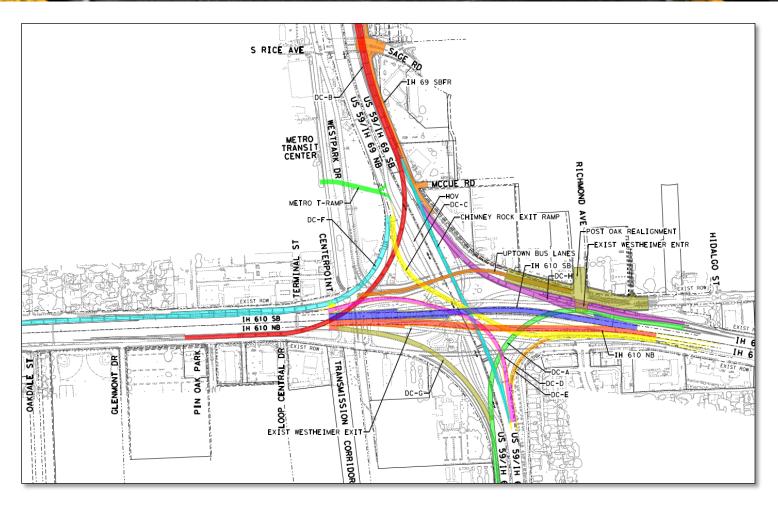
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- Email questions and comments to <u>HOU-PIOWebMail@txdot.gov</u>
- Call: (713) 802-5076
- Check detour and lane closure updates:
 - Drivetexas.org
 - Houston TranStar
 (https://traffic.houstontranstar.org) for real-time closure and detour information
 - TxDOT Houston Twitter site (https://twitter.com/TxDOTHoustonPIO)
- Learn more: www.txdot.gov and Search: I-69/I-610 Interchange, or scan with your phone or tablet:





Overall Schematic



- I-610 SB to I-69 NB
- I-610 NB to I-69 SB
- I-69 NB to I-610 NB
- I-69 SB to I-610 SB
- I-69 SB to I-610 NB
- I-69 NB to I-610 SB
- I-610 NB TO I-69 NB*
- I-610 SB TO I-69 SB*
- I-610 NB, MAIN LANES
- I-610 SB, MAIN LANES
- METRO T-RAMP
- UPTOWN BUS LANES
- CHIMNEY ROCK, EXIT RAMP
- I-69 SB FREEWAY
- POST OAK

*No changes to design

