



Alliance for I-69 Texas

I-69 Construction Will Continue to Accelerate in 2022

Advancing Projects

- The sustained effort to ramp up planning, funding and construction of priority projects on the 1,142-mile I-69 System in Texas has gained significant momentum in the past five years. TxDOT is pushing forward to advance priority projects, extending freeway lanes and filling in gaps that will allow more segments to be added to the Interstate Highway System.
- The Interstate 69 System in Texas is being developed as a series of incremental upgrades to existing highways - US 59, US 77, US 281, SH 44, US 83 and US 84. A total of 214 miles of I-69 and I-2 have been added to the Interstate System. About half of the overall mileage on the Texas I-69 System is either now signed as interstate or is in some stage of the TxDOT project development process.

Billions in 2022 UTP for I-69

- TxDOT is accelerating the pace of I-69 project programming. The latest 10-year Unified Transportation Program (UTP) funding plan includes more than 60 projects on the I-69 System. That includes about \$4.3 billion for projects in mostly rural areas and small cities and about \$3.5 billion for reconstruction of existing I-69 freeway sections in the Houston region.

Keep Funding Flowing

- Progress on I-69 has been possible because Texas voters overwhelmingly approved Proposition 1 and Proposition 7 funding to augment traditional transportation funding. In 2021 voters again made it clear they support increased transportation funding to deal with rapid population growth, aging roadways and the need to improve safety. Props 1 and 7 now provide about \$4 billion a year to build and maintain our roadway system statewide and yet there is still a need for additional investment in transportation infrastructure.
- Again in 2021 the voters of Texas showed their support for funding transportation by voting to allow counties to create transportation reinvestment zones. The Legislature also reopened the voter-approved Texas Mobility Fund as a project funding tool.
- In 2021 Congress passed the \$1.2 trillion Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act which will increase federal funding coming to Texas for transportation including \$27 billion in highway contract authority over the next five years.

Focus 2022

- In 2022 the Alliance will urge TxDOT to provide the funding needed to move more I-69 projects through planning and to construction while stressing the importance of addressing priority projects along the entire I-69 system.
- The Alliance will advocate for the I-69 Corridor during development of the 2023 Texas Freight Mobility Plan and will



Signing Ceremony Celebrating An Addition to I-69E in Nueces County



Two More Direct Connects Being Built From I-69W to I-35 in Laredo

support implementation of the Boarder Master Transportation Plan as it relates to I-69.

- In Washington we will work to ensure federal infrastructure programs are implemented to support the advancement of I-69. We will also work to expand the multi-state I-69 Congressional Caucus as a way of informing members of Congress on the value of I-69 as a national mobility asset.
- The Alliance will urge TxDOT and federal officials to speed up the designation of completed I-69 segments as interstate highways including those not yet connected to the Interstate Highway System.

The Alliance

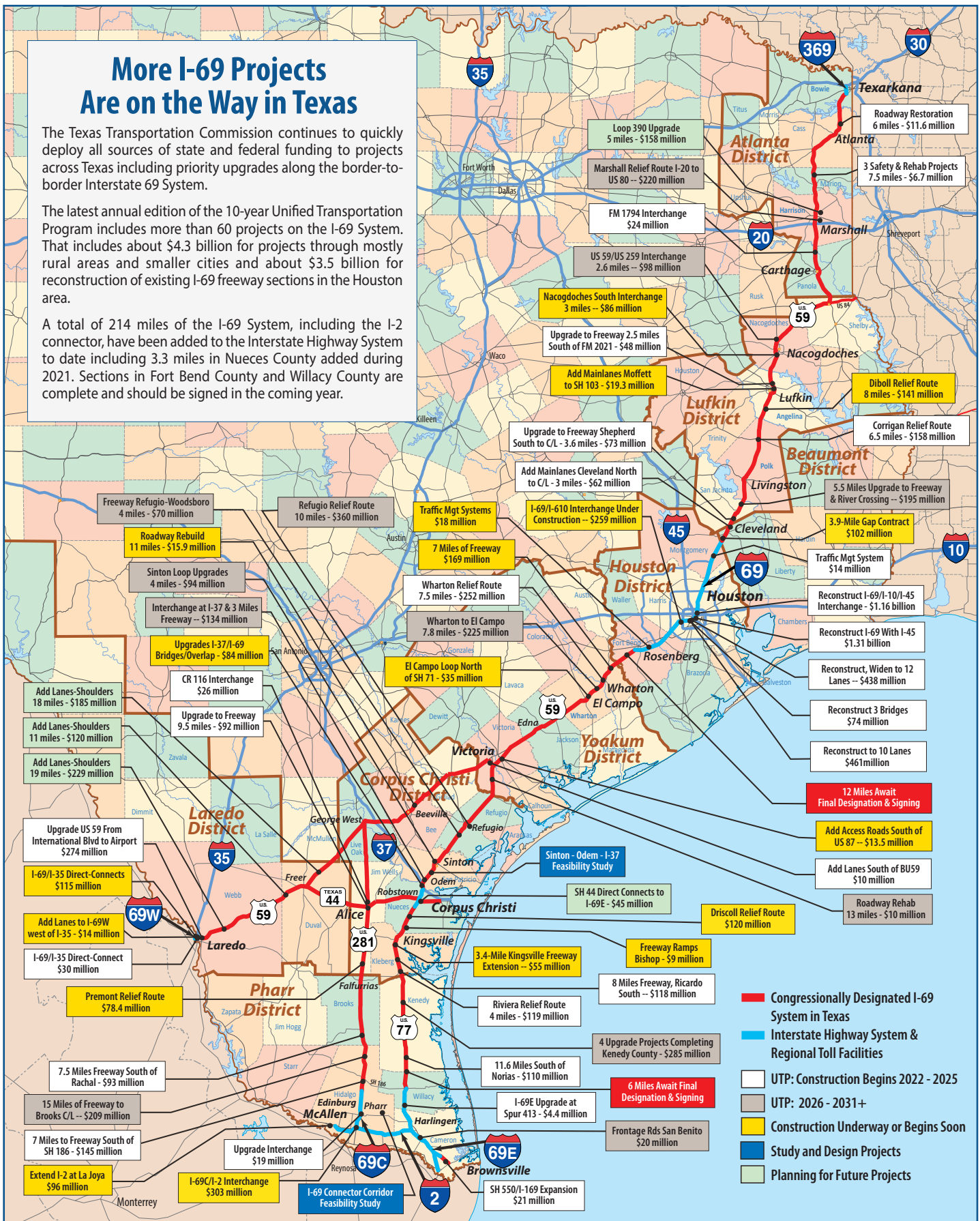
- The Alliance for I-69 Texas has a simple mission: Aggressively press for development of highway projects that will ultimately lead to the completion of I-69 in Texas.
- Established in 1994, the Alliance is a non-profit made up of cities, counties, economic development groups, port authorities and private sector associate members. Members of the Alliance are an integral part of the education and advocacy efforts aimed at advancing I-69 in Texas.

More I-69 Projects Are on the Way in Texas

The Texas Transportation Commission continues to quickly deploy all sources of state and federal funding to projects across Texas including priority upgrades along the border-to-border Interstate 69 System.

The latest annual edition of the 10-year Unified Transportation Program includes more than 60 projects on the I-69 System. That includes about \$4.3 billion for projects through mostly rural areas and smaller cities and about \$3.5 billion for reconstruction of existing I-69 freeway sections in the Houston area.

A total of 214 miles of the I-69 System, including the I-2 connector, have been added to the Interstate Highway System to date including 3.3 miles in Nueces County added during 2021. Sections in Fort Bend County and Willacy County are complete and should be signed in the coming year.



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