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NTTA to Hold its First Tarrant County Vendor Symposium

Outreach efforts aimed at Southwest Parkway contracting opportunities

Plano, TX – The North Texas Tollway Authority (NTTA) will hold its first Tarrant County Vendor Outreach Symposium in Fort Worth on Thursday, June 4, in an effort to increase outreach efforts and to market Southwest Parkway (SWP) contracting opportunities to the public.

The symposium will be held from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Garden Room at Goodwill Industries in Fort Worth located at 4005 Campus Drive. Registration will begin at 2 p.m.

“Including these business enterprises in the procurement of goods and services with the North Texas Tollway Authority is a top priority,” said Business Diversity Director Anthony Coleman.

“This symposium will help make certain that vendors and businesses across the North Texas area are aware of how to maximize the various opportunities with the NTTA.”

The NTTA continues to work with its project partners – Tarrant County, the City of Fort Worth and the Texas Department of Transportation – to meet deadlines for the obligation of approximately \$133.9 million of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds.

The complete SWP/Interstate Highway 20/State Highway 183 interchange construction cost is estimated at \$270 million. ARRA funds of approximately \$133.9 million are one half of the total interchange cost. This SWP ARRA project is expected to be advertised in July, with an anticipated construction start date in September 2009. The NTTA is finalizing contract documents to advance construction of this portion of the SWP project ahead of schedule.

Approvals of how ARRA funds are spent must be completed by June 29, 2009 in order to advance this designated portion of the project. In addition, the temporary hump lead at the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) Davidson Yard was accepted by the UPRR in late April.

The NTTA and project partners will continue working with the UPRR to meet all terms of the Formal Agreement.

Vendors wishing to RSVP for the symposium should contact Tamesha Robinson at (817) 332-0404, or e-mail tamesha@openchannelsgroup.com.

For those with questions about the NTTA's vendor outreach efforts, call the Vendor Outreach Symposium hotline at (972) 447-3333, or e-mail VendorOutreach@ntta.org.

For more information about the NTTA Business Diversity Department, visit www.ntta.org/WorkingWithUs/Small+Business+Policy.

About the NTTA

The North Texas Tollway Authority, a political subdivision of the state of Texas, is authorized to acquire, construct, maintain, repair and operate turnpike projects in the north Texas region. The nine-member governing board is comprised of Chairman Paul N. Wageman; Vice Chairman Victor Vandergriff; and Directors Kenneth Barr, Gary Base, Bob Day, David Denison, Michael Nowels, Bob Shepard and Alan E. Sims.

The NTTA serves Collin, Dallas, Denton and Tarrant counties and is responsible for the NTTA System, consisting of the Dallas North Tollway, President George Bush Turnpike, Sam Rayburn Tollway, Addison Airport Toll Tunnel, Lewisville Lake Toll Bridge and the Mountain Creek Lake Bridge. The NTTA is able to raise capital for construction projects through the issuance of turnpike revenue bonds. NTTA toll projects are not a part of the state highway system and receive no direct tax funding. Tolls are collected to repay debt and to operate and maintain the roadways.

Visit the NTTA Web site at www.ntta.org or call 214-461-2000 for additional information about the NTTA. For customer service, please call 972-818-NTTA (6882).

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