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## NEW 55 MPH SPEED LIMIT GOING INTO EFFECT AS CONSTRUCTION BEGINS ON THE SOUTH END OF THE DALLAS NORTH TOLLWAY

**PLANO, Texas – April 19, 2017 –** The North Texas Tollway Authority (NTTA) is lowering the speed limit on the Dallas North Tollway (DNT) between Harvest Hill Road (south of Interstate 635) and I-35E for safety as proactive, planned maintenance gets underway on the DNT. Signs will be changed to reflect the new, lowered speed limit of 55 mph in this area, which will be enforced throughout construction.

The lowered speed limit is to help ensure safety for both drivers and workers for the duration of construction work, which includes replacing the DNT center barrier, resurfacing the roadway pavement, restriping all lanes in both directions and other pavement work between Harvest Hill Road and I-35E.

To minimize traffic impacts, the majority of this work will happen during off-peak hours — at night and on some weekends. Nightly lane closures will be performed under the guidance of local law enforcement. The work area will move locations periodically.

The project is expected to be completed in approximately 18 months, weather permitting. These improvements are a part of NTTA's continuing effort to improve roadway quality and traveling conditions for our customers.

For more information on the DNT Improvement Projects, visit <u>ProgressNTTA.org</u>, email <u>ProgressNTTA@NTTA.org</u> or call (972) 628-3134.

## About the NTTA

<u>The North Texas Tollway Authority</u>, a political subdivision of the state of Texas, is authorized to acquire, construct, maintain, repair and operate turnpike projects across the north Texas region. The <u>nine-member board</u> comprised of Chairman Kenneth Barr; Vice Chairman Bill Moore; and Directors William D. Elliott, Mojy Haddad, John Mahalik, Michael Nowels, George "Tex" Quesada, Carl O. Sherman and Jane Willard.

NTTA serves Collin, Dallas, Denton, Tarrant and Johnson counties and owns and operates the Dallas North Tollway, President George Bush Turnpike, Sam Rayburn Tollway, Addison Airport Toll Tunnel, Lewisville Lake Toll Bridge, Mountain Creek Lake Bridge and Chisholm Trail Parkway. NTTA raises 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.

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