

PGBT Widening Project
Frequently Asked Questions
January 31, 2019

What is the President George Bush Turnpike Widening project?

- This PGBT Widening Project will include widening of the PGBT from Interstate 20 to State Highway 183 and from north of Belt Line Road (Irving) to State Highway 78 to four lanes in each direction.
- All widening will take place within the center median.
- PGBT will be widened in phases:
 - U.S. 75 to the Dallas North Tollway and westbound from Renner Road to U.S. 75: The fourth lane opened to traffic Nov. 12, 2016
 - State Highway 78 to U. S. 75: The fourth lane opened to traffic Oct. 23, 2018
 - DNT to I-35E: Construction began July 10, 2017; Anticipated completion in late 2019
 - I-35E to north of Belt Line Road (Irving): Design was recently completed
 - SH 183 to I-20: Currently in the design phase

Why are you widening the PGBT?

The PGBT Widening Project is a part of the NTTA's continuing effort to improve traveling conditions for motorists. This widening project is needed to respond to the increase in traffic demand and on-going commercial and residential development in the project area.

Who is the project's owner?

The North Texas Tollway Authority owns the President George Bush Turnpike.

Will there be any lane closures or detours for this project?

There will be minimal lane closures and detours anticipated for this project as most of the construction work will occur inside the PGBT median.

What will happen with all the landscape in the median?

The NTTA will make every effort to reuse the existing landscaping in other areas within the NTTA system of roads. Landscaping will be relocated to other NTTA roads.

Will right of way (ROW) be needed on this project?

The widening does not require any additional ROW or easements and does not require any residential or commercial displacements or relocations.

What is right of way (ROW)?

Right of way is land acquired by purchase, gift or eminent domain in order to build and maintain a public road.

Will there be a public hearing for the PGBT Widening Project?

A Notice Affording an Opportunity for a Public Hearing was announced and published October 2, 2014 for the first section (DNT to U.S. 78) of the PGBT Widening. The deadline for requests was November 1, 2014. A public hearing was not required.

A NAOPH for the segment from I-35E to north of Belt Line Road in Irving was published Oct. 29, 2017, with responses due by Nov. 28, 2017. A public hearing was not requested.

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A NAOPH will be announced and published for future phases.

Where can I find more information on this project?

The NTTA is committed to communicating PGBT Widening project information and overall activity to all stakeholders, through multiple vehicles and outreach activities. There are many different ways to get information about the project. Information on these items can be found:

- By visiting www.ntta.org
- By calling the project information phone number: (972) 628-3134
- By emailing PGBT4@ntta.org
- Schedule a speaker for your neighborhood association or community group to discuss the project by emailing us at SpeakersBureau@ntta.org.
- Follow NTTA on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube