



**CENTRAL TEXAS  
Regional Mobility Authority**

## AGENDA ITEM #13 SUMMARY

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Executive Director's Report.

Department: Administrative

Associated Costs: None

Funding Source: None

Board Action Required: No

Description of Matter:

The Executive Director's Report is attached for review and reference.

Attached documentation for reference:

Executive Director's Report

A. 2012 IBTTA Toll Excellence Award in the Social Responsibility category for  
Green Initiative Program

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# REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS JULY 25, 2012

MIKE HEILIGENSTEIN - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

## PRIORITY ISSUES



183A Shared-Use Path Pedestrian  
Bridge Construction



MoPac Improvement Project  
Environmental Study



Installation of 183A Shared Use Path Pedestrian  
Bridge - opening September 2012

### ADMINISTRATION

#### IBTTA SUSTAINABILITY AWARD

Last month, the Mobility Authority was notified by the International Bridge Tunnel and Turnpike Association (IBTTA) that our Green Initiative Program has won the 2012 IBTTA Toll Excellence Award in the category of Social Responsibility. The award submittal included information about our Green Construction Practices, Green Credits Program and Green Mobility Challenge.

The official Toll Excellence Awards ceremony will take place Monday, September 10th during the opening session of the IBTTA Annual Meeting in Orlando, FL. During this ceremony, one of the five Toll Excellence Award winners will be named as the winner of the overall President's Award.

### PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

#### MANOR EXPRESSWAY

#### US 183 INTERCHANGE PROJECT

Significant progress was made last month on the interchange project. Following the traffic switch in late June, extensive milling, excavation and subgrade preparation work was completed for the east and west bound mainlanes. The east bound toll plaza is nearly complete, and the final components of the west bound toll plazas are being installed.

100% of the drill shafts, footings, columns, aesthetic features, caps and concrete beams have been installed. Steel erection is complete for both the US 183 north to US 290 east and the US 290 west to US 183 south direct connectors, and the concrete bridge decks for the entire US 183 south to US 290 east direct connector have been poured.

#### MANOR EXPRESSWAY

#### PHASE II PROJECT

Central Texas Mobility Constructors (CTMC) completed construction of the east bound frontage road between the US 183 interchange and Giles Road in late June allowing for the traffic switch necessary to complete the interchange project as well as to finish construction of the interim milestone mainlanes and west bound frontage road. Additional construction activities include installation of drainage structures, subgrade preparation and erection of bridges and retaining walls. Earthwork and bridge

substructure activities have also begun on the east end of the project between Decker Lane and Gilleland Creek across SH 130.

The Public Involvement team hosted a barbecue July 4th for the residents of Walnut Creek Neighborhood to thank them for their patience with the continuing construction activities. These residents are being significantly affected by around the clock construction and are enduring delays getting in and out of their neighborhood.



July 4th Barbecue with Walnut Creek Neighborhood

## MO PAC IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

### PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

The environmental study continues to stay on schedule. TxDOT is scheduled to submit the final Environmental Assessment to FHWA on July 13th. We expect to receive a decision in August. Previously, the Board approved the following short list of potential Design/Build teams for the MoPac Improvement Project: DW/Sundt, Abrams/Lane and CH2M HILL. Last month, the proposing teams were provided the Draft Request for Detailed Proposals (RFDP) for review and comment. They were also introduced to important project aspects at a workshop. Staff is currently conducting

workshops and one-on-one meetings with the proposing teams and anticipates issuing the final RFDP in September.

Additionally, Austin City Council will consider two interlocal agreements in support of the MoPac Improvement Project at their August 2nd meeting. These agreements address reimbursement for additional modeling and context sensitive design guideline development as well as finalizing soundwall construction and tree planting within City of Austin right-of-way along the corridor.

## 183A EXTENSION CONSTRUCTION

Final touches on the 183A Northern Extension continue. Construction activities include clean-up, drainage construction, painting and illumination lighting installation. Shared Use Path construction and aesthetic enhancements are also being completed.

With Board approval, the Mobility Authority anticipates increasing the speed limit along 183A from 70 MPH to 75 MPH in early August.

## US 183 BERGSTROM EXPRESSWAY ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY

### PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

The Mobility Authority continues to partner with TxDOT on an Environmental Assessment of US 183 from US 290 to SH 71, otherwise known as the Bergstrom Expressway. Staff has initialized development of the public involvement materials, begun meeting with stakeholders and has scheduled the first Open House for September 18th at the Delco Center.