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## Toll Rates Changing on Mobility Authority Corridors

**(Austin, Texas)** — The Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority (Mobility Authority) announced at the October 2021 Board meeting that new rates on 183A Toll, 290 Toll, 71 Toll Lane, 45SW Toll, 183 Toll, and the MoPac Express Lanes will take effect January 1, 2022. The 5.39 percent increase on all Mobility Authority roads, except for the MoPac Express Lanes, is consistent with the Consumer Price Index. The base rate on the MoPac Express Lanes will increase by \$0.10 cents. The changes on all other Mobility Authority roads will equate to rates approximately \$0.02 – \$0.09 greater than the current rates at each toll gantry for customers with electronic tags driving two-axle vehicles.

Pay By Mail customers, or customers who drive on toll roads without an electronic tag, pay rates that are 50 percent higher than rates paid by tag holders plus a \$1 processing fee. As a partner in the Central United States Interoperability Hub, the Mobility Authority accepts any of the following tags on its toll roads as payment: Harris County Toll Road Authority's EZ-TAG, North Texas Tollway Authority's TollTag, Texas Department of Transportation's TxTag, Kansas Turnpike Authority's K-TAG, Oklahoma Turnpike Authority's PIKEPASS, as well as Bancpass.

There is also an option for customers who wish to pay discounted toll rates without getting an electronic tag: Mobility Authority Prepaid Registered Accounts. This payment method allows customers without an electronic tag to have their tolls paid automatically rather than waiting to receive a toll bill in the mail. Customers can opt in online or over the phone, add \$25 to their registered account, and begin driving Mobility Authority-operated toll roads hassle-free. Registered account holders receive a 25 percent savings on Pay By Mail toll rates.

Customers without a tag who choose not to opt in for a Prepaid Registered Account can pay their toll bill in person, over the phone, online, or by mail.

### 183A Toll

This inflation-based adjustment adds \$0.18 to the cost of a full-length trip on 183A Toll for customers with an electronic tag. The increase at individual tolling locations varies.

| 183A 2022 Toll Rates (two-axle) | Tag    | Pay By Mail |
|---------------------------------|--------|-------------|
| Crystal Falls Parkway Ramps     | \$0.47 | \$0.71      |
| Crystal Falls Mainline Plaza    | \$1.19 | \$1.79      |
| Scottsdale Drive Ramp           | \$0.66 | \$0.99      |
| Park Street Mainline Plaza      | \$1.68 | \$2.52      |
| Brushy Creek Ramps              | \$0.66 | \$0.99      |
| Lakeline Mainline Plaza         | \$0.62 | \$0.93      |

## **290 Toll**

This inflation-based adjustment will add \$0.10 to the cost of a full-length trip on 290 Toll for customers with an electronic tag. The increase at individual tolling locations varies.

| <b>290 Toll 2022 Toll Rates (two-axle)</b> | <b>Tag</b> | <b>Pay By Mail</b> |
|--|------------|--------------------|
| U.S. 183 Ramps (direct connectors)         | \$0.63     | \$0.95             |
| Springdale Road Ramps                      | \$0.63     | \$0.95             |
| Giles Lane Ramps                           | \$0.63     | \$0.95             |
| Giles Lane Mainline Plaza                  | \$1.29     | \$1.94             |
| Harris Branch Parkway Ramps                | \$0.63     | \$0.95             |
| Parmer Lane Mainline Plaza                 | \$0.63     | \$0.95             |
| 130/290 Direct Connectors                  | \$0.65     | \$0.98             |

## **71 Toll Lane**

This inflation-based adjustment will add \$0.05 to the cost of a full-length trip on the 71 Toll Lane for customers with an electronic tag.

| <b>71 Toll Lane 2022 Toll Rates (two-axle)</b> | <b>Tag</b> | <b>Pay By Mail</b> |
|--|------------|--------------------|
| FM 973 EB and WB                               | \$0.99     | \$1.49             |

## **45SW Toll**

This inflation-based adjustment will add \$0.05 to the cost of a full-length trip on the 45SW Toll for customers with an electronic tag.

| <b>SH 45SW 2022 Toll Rates (two-axle)</b> | <b>Tag</b> | <b>Pay By Mail</b> |
|---|------------|--------------------|
| Bear Creek Plaza                          | \$1.06     | \$1.59             |

### **183 Toll**

This inflation-based adjustment will add \$0.13 to the cost of a full-length trip on the 183 Toll for customers with an electronic tag.

| <b>183 Toll 2022 Toll Rates (two-axle)</b>   | <b>Tag</b> | <b>Pay By Mail</b> |
|--|------------|--------------------|
| 51st Street Ramps                            | \$0.70     | \$1.05             |
| MLK Jr. Boulevard/51st Street Mainline Plaza | \$1.30     | \$1.95             |
| 969 Ramp                                     | \$0.94     | \$1.41             |
| Smith Road Ramps                             | \$0.62     | \$0.93             |
| Thompson Mainline Plaza                      | \$1.13     | \$1.70             |
| Direct Connectors to/from SH 71              | \$0.62     | \$0.93             |

### **MoPac Express Lane**

This adjustment will add \$0.10 to the base cost of a trip on a single segment, or \$0.20 to the cost of a full-length trip on the MoPac Express Lane for customers with an electronic tag. This increase does not apply to the variable toll rate. This equates to an increase from \$0.35 to \$0.45 per segment, or from \$0.70 to \$0.90 for the base cost of a full-length trip on the MoPac Express Lane.

| <b>MoPac Express Lane 2022 Base Toll Rates (two-axle only)</b> | <b>Tag</b> | <b>Pay By Mail</b> |
|--|------------|--------------------|
| <b>Northbound</b>  |            |                    |
| Segment: Cesar Chavez to US 183                                | \$0.45     | \$0.68             |
| Segment: RM 2222 to Parmer                                     | \$0.45     | \$0.68             |
| Entire length: Cesar Chavez to Parmer                          | \$0.90     | \$1.35             |
| <b>Southbound</b>  |            |                    |
| Segment: Parmer to RM 2222                                     | \$0.45     | \$0.68             |
| Segment: RM 2222 to 5th/Cesar Chavez                           | \$0.45     | \$0.68             |
| Entire length: Parmer to 5th/Cesar Chavez                      | \$0.90     | \$1.35             |

The toll rate increases are part of a Mobility Authority policy that adjusts rates annually in line with inflation to avoid larger increases every five years. To inform customers of this rate change, the toll rate signs will be updated in advance of the rate increase. However, customers will continue to be charged the lower 2021 rates through December 31, 2021.

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### **About the Mobility Authority**

The Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority is a local, independent government agency created in 2002 to improve the regional transportation system in Travis and Williamson Counties. The Mobility Authority implements innovative and sustainable transportation options to enhance quality of life and economic vitality in Central Texas. The Mobility Authority operates 183A Toll, 290 Toll, 71 Toll Lane, the MoPac Express Lane, 45SW Toll, and 183 Toll. The agency is also construction the 183A Phase III Project in Williamson County and the 183 North Mobility Project in north Austin. For more information about the Mobility Authority, visit [www.MobilityAuthority.com](http://www.MobilityAuthority.com).