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Toll Rates Changing on Mobility Authority Corridors

(Austin, Texas) — The Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority (Mobility Authority) announced that new rates on 183A Toll, 290 Toll, 71 Toll Lane, 45SW Toll, and the 183 Toll will take effect January 1, 2021. The 1.37 percent increase, consistent with the Consumer Price Index, will equate to rates approximately \$0.01 – \$0.02 greater than the current rates at each toll gantry for customers with electronic tags driving two-axle vehicles. Base rates on MoPac will not increase this year.

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. The Mobility Authority accepts any of the following tags on its toll roads as payment: Texas Department of Transportation's TxTag, Harris County Toll Road Authority's EZ-TAG, North Texas Tollway Authority's TollTag, 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 \$0.05 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 2020 Toll Rates (two-axle)	Tag	Pay By Mail
Crystal Falls Parkway Ramps	\$0.45	\$0.67
Crystal Falls Mainline Plaza	\$1.13	\$1.69
Scottsdale Drive Ramp	\$0.63	\$0.94
Park Street Mainline Plaza	\$1.59	\$2.39
Brushy Creek Ramps	\$0.63	\$0.94
Lakeline Mainline Plaza	\$0.59	\$0.88

290 Toll

This inflation-based adjustment will add \$0.04 to the cost of a full-length trip on 290 Toll for customers with an electronic tag. The increase at individual tolling locations varies.

290 Toll 2020 Toll Rates (two-axle)	Tag	Pay By Mail
U.S. 183 Ramps (direct connectors)	\$0.60	\$0.90
Springdale Road Ramps	\$0.60	\$0.90
Giles Lane Ramps	\$0.60	\$0.90
Giles Lane Mainline Plaza	\$1.22	\$1.82
Harris Branch Parkway Ramps	\$0.60	\$0.90
Parmer Lane Mainline Plaza	\$0.60	\$0.90
130/290 Direct Connectors	\$0.62	\$0.93

71 Toll Lane

This inflation-based adjustment will add \$0.01 to the cost of a full-length trip on the 71 Toll Lane for customers with an electronic tag.

71 Toll Lane 2020 Toll Rates (two-axle)	Tag	Pay By Mail
FM 973 EB and WB	\$0.94	\$1.41

MoPac Express Lane

MoPac Express Lane base rates will not increase in 2021.

MoPac Express Lane 2020 Base Toll Rates (two-axle)	Tag	Pay By Mail
Northbound: Cesar Chavez to US 183	\$0.35	\$0.53
Northbound: Cesar Chavez to Parmer	\$0.70	\$1.05
Northbound: RM 2222 to Parmer	\$0.35	\$0.53
Southbound: Parmer to RM 2222	\$0.35	\$0.53
Southbound: Parmer to 5th/Cesar Chavez	\$0.70	\$1.05
Southbound: RM 2222 to 5th/Cesar Chavez	\$0.35	\$0.53

45SW Toll

This inflation-based adjustment will add \$0.01 to the cost of a full-length trip on the 45SW Toll for customers with an electronic tag.

SH 45SW 2020 Toll Rates (two-axle)	Tag	Pay By Mail
Bear Creek Plaza	\$1.01	\$1.52

183 Toll

The total cost for a full-length trip for 183 Toll will be \$2.30 with an electronic tag when the 183 Toll is fully completed in early 2021. The cost to use the tolled flyover ramps between the 183 Toll Road and SH 71 will be an additional \$0.59 with a tag.

183 Toll 2020 Toll Rates (two-axle)	Tag	Pay By Mail
51st Street Entry/Exit Ramps	\$0.66	\$0.99
MLK Jr. Boulevard/51st Street Mainline Plaza	\$1.23	\$1.84
969 Ramp	\$0.89	\$1.34
Smith Road Ramps	\$0.59	\$0.89
Thompson Mainline Plaza	\$1.07	\$1.61
Direct Connectors to/from SH 71	\$0.59	\$0.89

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 2020 rates through December 31, 2020.

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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 finishing construction of the eight-mile 183 South Project and the 290/130 Flyovers Project. For more information about the Mobility Authority, visit www.MobilityAuthority.com.