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Sylvan Avenue Bridge Construction Across the Trinity River Begins

Boat ramp at Trammell Crow Park will close for the duration of the construction period

DALLAS – Ground breaks this week for the reconstruction of the existing Sylvan Avenue Bridge in Dallas. The project will consist of construction of a new elevated bridge over the Trinity River, with roadway accesses to Trammell Crow Park and improvements to the area. Crews will begin work on March 28, 2012 along Sylvan Avenue between Irving Boulevard and Morris Street.

The contractor will begin by drilling piers along both sides of the existing Sylvan Avenue Bridge at the river. For this construction work, the existing boat ramp to the Trinity River and its associated parking lot will be closed beginning March 28, 2012 until early 2014. At this time, the public will continue to have access to the remainder of Trammell Crow Park until this fall when the contractor anticipates closing the existing Sylvan Avenue Bridge and associated roadway from Irving Boulevard to Morris Street to complete their work.

Sylvan Avenue is expected to be fully closed this fall until early 2014 when the bridge is expected to be complete. The public will be notified of available detour routes in advance of the Sylvan Avenue closure. All work is weather permitting.

TxDOT awarded this \$42.3 million project to Webber, LLC. This project includes reconstruction and rehabilitation of the existing Sylvan Avenue Bridge and construction of roadway approaches to the bridge. Sylvan Avenue will be re-built as one bridge that spans the Trinity River and flood plain from levee to levee raising it approximately 50 feet and bringing the roadway up high enough to clear a 100 year flood event as well as to accommodate future levee improvements. Currently, there are three smaller bridges that cross the levees and the river while Sylvan Avenue remains at ground level through the flood plain and is often closed because of high water.

TxDOT and the City of Dallas appreciate the patience of motorists and the general public, and encourages attention to all warning signs within the construction work zone while crews work diligently to complete this project as quickly and as safely as possible.

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