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## FINAL BEAMS ON I-35W HIGHWAY RECONSTRUCTION TO BE PLACED ON APRIL 30

**FORT WORTH (April 28, 2023)** – In the early morning hours of **Sunday, April 30,** the North Tarrant Infrastructure (NTI) team will place the final beams on the North Tarrant Express (NTE) 35W Segment 3C project at the I-35W-SH 170 interchange. It is anticipated the final beam – one of 500 beams placed throughout the project since construction started – will be lowered around 3 a.m.

"Placing the final beam on a highway project of this size and scope is a major milestone and signals that the project is rapidly advancing towards the finish line," said Angel Beltran, CEO of NTI.

Segment 3C's 7.2-mile highway construction project extends from the N. Tarrant Parkway north to Eagle Parkway in Alliance. Construction on the \$950 million project began in 2020 and is scheduled to be completed this year. NTI has reconstructed the main lanes, expanded frontage roads, added TEXpress Managed Lanes, and rebuilt dozens of structures, including 27 bridges and flyovers.

The NTE 35W Segment 3C project is one of three reconstructed segments along the most highly congested parts of the I-35W corridor. Construction began in 2013 to significantly reduce congestion, improve safety for drivers, and ensure more reliable travel through the critical corridor connecting downtown Fort Worth with AllianceTexas to the north.

The \$1.4-billion Segment 3A project, extending from I-30 to I-820, was constructed between May 2014 and July 2018. The \$256-million Segment 3B project, extending from I-820 to the U.S. 81/287 cutoff, was constructed between April 2013 and December 2016.

"In addition to the congestion relief that we are providing motorists, projects like NTE 35W have had a significant impact on the local economy," said Paco Galdeano, COO of North Tarrant Express Mobility Partners Segment 3 (NTEMPS3). "We have hired hundreds of local workers,

contracted with dozens of small businesses, and helped foster economic growth and new development along the corridor between downtown Fort Worth and AllianceTexas, which recently reported \$111 billion in economic impact over the last 24 years."

The I-35W corridor is a major north-south trade corridor connecting Mexico with Canada. It is estimated that 215,000 vehicles travel the corridor daily.

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