

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
NOTICE
August 09, 2011

Dear Interested Colleagues:

On June 10, 2011, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) issued a Request for Information (RFI) regarding the SH 99/Grand Parkway project that included a milestone schedule that anticipated the issuance of a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) on August 15, 2011. The purpose of this notice is to inform you that at this time the anticipated date for issuing the RFQ for the SH 99/Grand Parkway project is being rescheduled to approximately six to eight weeks later.

TxDOT and local stakeholders are taking this additional time to better understand the differences in the feasibility of a public sector financed delivery option versus a private sector financed option prior to issuing the RFQ. In addition, proposed rules that address the new requirements of Senate Bill 1420 are currently under consideration by the Texas Transportation Commission (Commission) and will require additional time to become final. The Commission has published these proposed rules to implement new Transportation Code Section 228.013 that define the process for a committee's issuance of its determination regarding applicable toll projects. To allow further analysis of delivery options, and for final adoption of the proposed rules, the formation of the SH 99/Grand Parkway's SB 1420 committee, and for the committee's input, it is necessary to extend the date for issuance of the RFQ as noted above.

We appreciate your interest and the information that we have received to date from industry on the SH 99/Grand Parkway project. TxDOT believes the above steps are vital to the successful development of the project. We will continue to provide updates to this information and will issue an official notice on the release of the RFQ on our website at <http://www.txdot.gov/grandparkway.htm>.