

I-35 CAPITAL EXPRESS CENTRAL PROJECT CONSTRUCTION INFORMATION



Drain Tunnel and Pump Station Overview

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will reconstruct and lower I-35 as a part of the I-35 Capital Express Central project. The planned improvements will require effective flood and stormwater management.

This segment will construct 6.5 miles of 22-foot diameter drainage tunnels between Airport Boulevard and Holly Street; and along Cesar Chavez Street, from I-35 to US 183. Access shafts will also be added along I-35 to ensure proper maintenance and operational access to the new infrastructure. The segment will also include the construction of a pump station to improve stormwater management along the corridor.

Construction Milestones

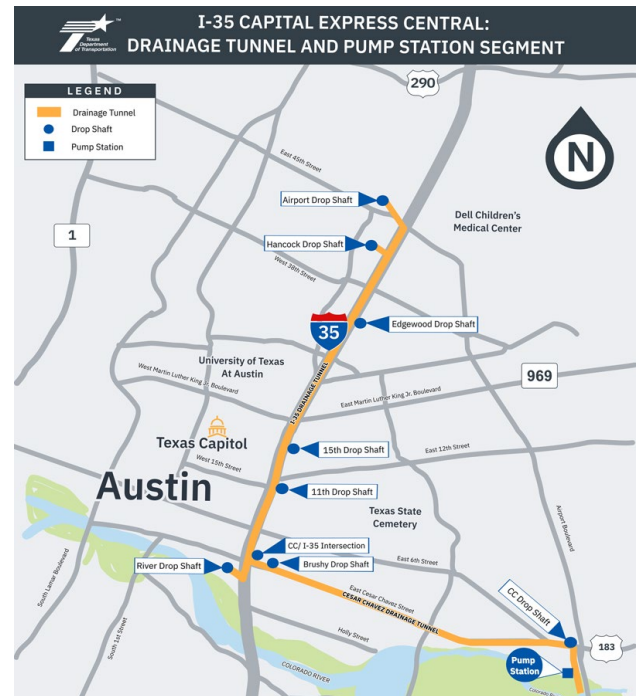
Work on this project will take place in four phases:

- **Phase I:** Utility relocation and site work at Airport Boulevard, 15th Street, Brushy Street and River Street drop shafts and the Cesar Chavez/I-35 junction; excavate at the Airport Boulevard and 11th Street drop shafts and Cesar Chavez/I-35; install geotechnical monitoring equipment.
- **Phase II:** Excavate 15th Street, Cesar Chavez Street and River Street drop shafts.
- **Phase III:** Relocate utilities at Hancock Center, Edgewood Avenue and 11th Street drop shafts; launch tunnel boring machines; excavate the Hancock Center, Edgewood Avenue and Brushy Street drop shafts.
- **Phase IV:** Establish tunnel connections from drop shafts; restore drop shaft sites; install final tunnel lining.

Details

Construction is funded by TxDOT and the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO). Construction start is May 2025.

The contractor for the drainage tunnel is SAK/Shea JV and the contractor for the pump station is Webber Waterworks.



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