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## **Northbound Interstate 35E (I-35E) Mainlane Closures at Illinois Avenue – March 19-20, 2021**

DALLAS – The northbound I-35E mainlanes at Illinois Avenue will be closed intermittently overnight for beam setting operations.

Northbound I-35E mainlane overnight closures at Illinois Avenue will take place as follows, drivers should seek alternate routes to avoid the area:

- **All lanes of northbound I-35E at Illinois Avenue** will be closed overnight from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. Friday, March 19 and Saturday, March 20 each night.

Northbound I-35E will have intermittent closures lasting approximately 15 minutes during this closure timeframe. Please seek alternate routes to avoid the area.

- **The northbound I-35E Illinois Avenue entrance ramp** will be closed overnight from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. Friday, March 19 and Saturday, March 20 each night.



Drivers should expect significant delays and plan their commutes in advance during the scheduled closures. Construction activities and lane closures are subject to change due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances.

The public can stay up-to-date on construction progress, lane closures and traffic changes by signing up for text alerts and sending the message “The Southern Gateway” to 31996.

Other methods to learn more about the project include:

- **The project website:** [www.thesoutherngateway.org](http://www.thesoutherngateway.org)
- **Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/TheSouthernGateway](https://www.facebook.com/TheSouthernGateway)
- **Twitter:** [www.twitter.com/DriveTSG](https://www.twitter.com/DriveTSG)
- **Sign up for E-Blasts:** <https://thesoutherngateway.org/signup-for-e-updates/>

**Project Storefront:** 160 Continental Ave. Dallas, TX 75207

### About the Southern Gateway Project

The Southern Gateway Project is a \$666 million design-build construction project by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) aimed to rebuild and widen I-35E south of downtown Dallas, as well as widen U.S. 67 between I-35E and I-20 and the I-35E/U.S. 67 split. Construction will also include building two reversible, non-tolled express lanes. The goal of the 11-mile project is to improve safety, provide congestion relief, address roadway deficiencies and improve system linkage. Construction began in early 2018 with an anticipated completion of late 2021. The SouthernGateway Project is part of the Texas Clear Lanes initiative ([www.texasclearlanes.com](http://www.texasclearlanes.com)) by TxDOT to address growing traffic congestion in the state.

### About the Texas Department of Transportation

The Texas Department of Transportation is responsible for maintaining 80,000 miles of road and for supporting aviation, rail, and public transportation across the state. TxDOT and its

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