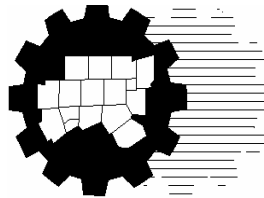


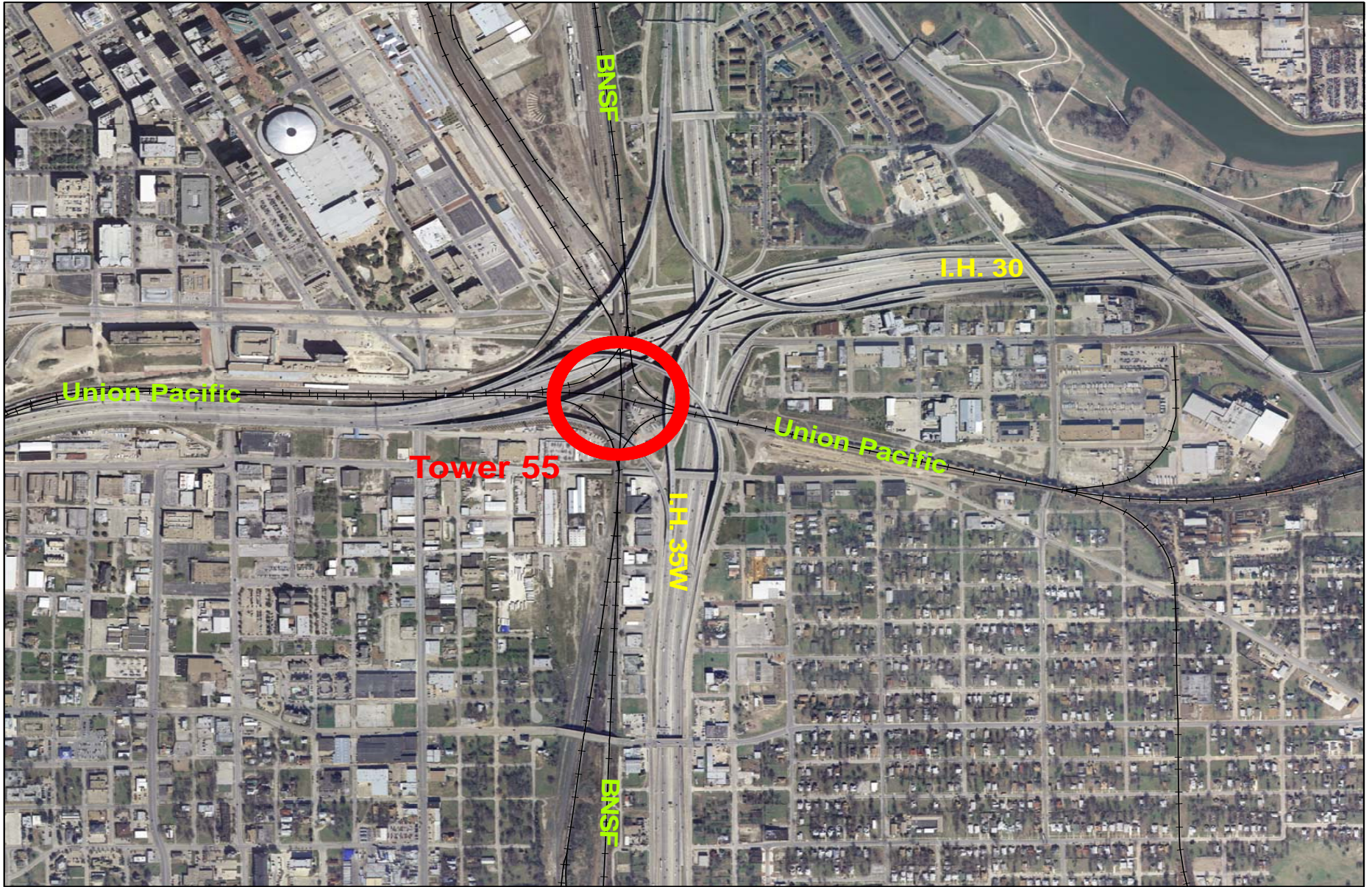
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**Public Meetings
June 12 & 13, 2006**



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Tower 55



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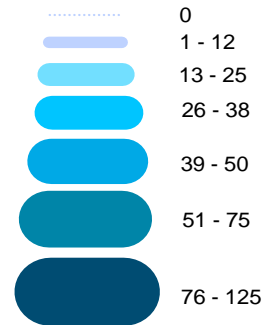
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Rail Volumes - 2025

Legend

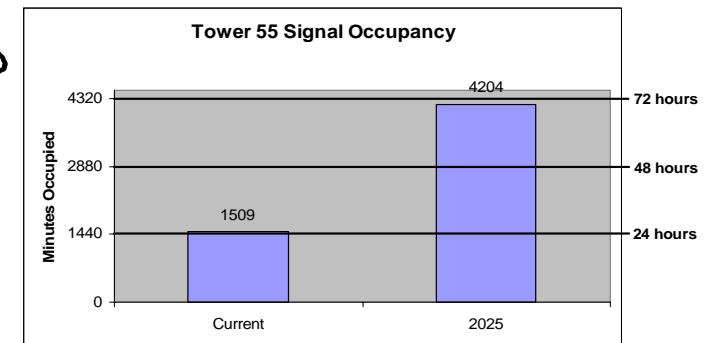
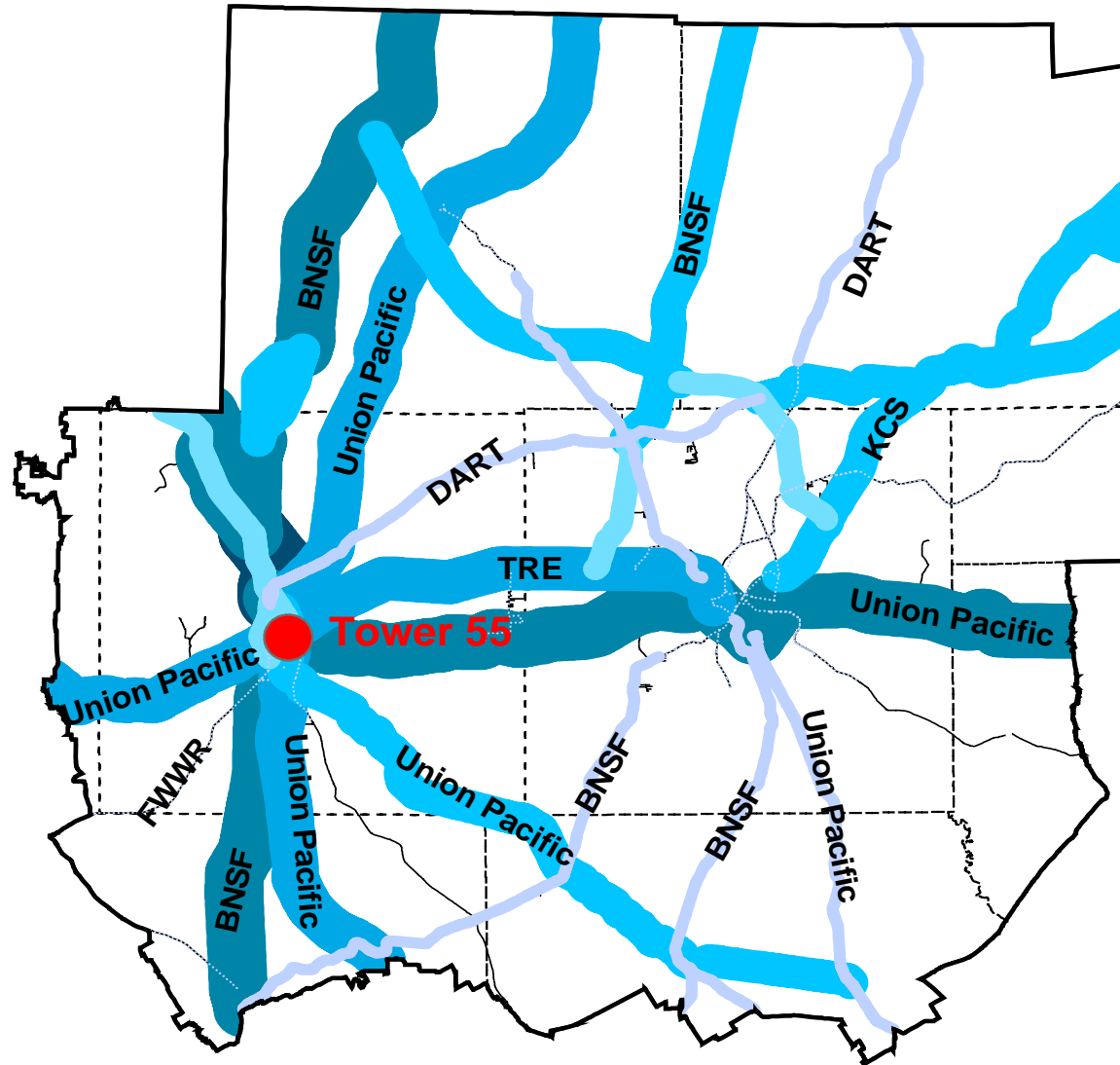
—+— Rail

Freight Rail Volume (trains per day)



▭ MPA Boundary

- - - Counties



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Why is Tower 55 Important?

- 1. Current Freight Movements**
- 2. Projected Growth**
- 3. Passenger Rail Access**
- 4. The North American Free Trade Agreement**
- 5. The Panama Canal**
- 6. Military Shipments**
- 7. Hazardous Materials Shipments**

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Strategy/Schedule

June 1 - November 31, 2006

Determine short-term solution with cost estimate.

Review roadway conflicts, railroad operations, public and private benefits, and environmental requirements.

Generate financial options.

Select consultant for detailed analysis.

November 1 - April 31, 2008

Perform detailed analysis of on-site structural options.

June 1, 2006 - June 1, 2009

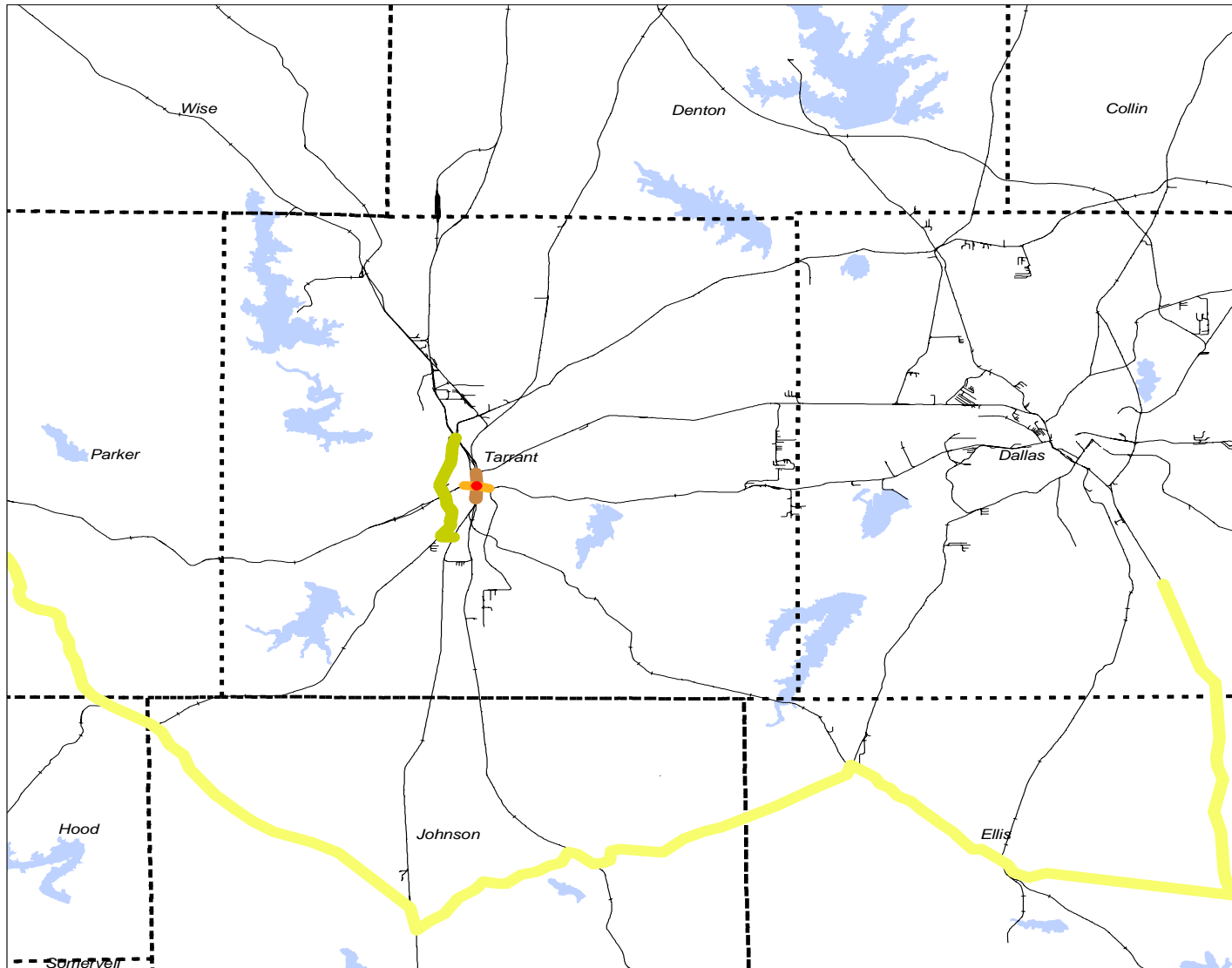
Perform detailed analysis of off-site bypass options.

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<u>Technical Group:</u>	TxDOT Fort Worth District TxDOT Dallas District Union Pacific Railroad Burlington Northern Santa-Fe Railroad Fort Worth and Western Railroad Fort Worth Transportation Authority City of Fort Worth Tarrant County Fort Worth Transportation Authority North Central Texas Council of Governments
<u>Steering Committee:</u>	Intermodal, Freight, and Safety Subcommittee
<u>Policy/Capital Improvements:</u>	Regional Transportation Council Texas Transportation Commission

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Near-Term Options



Area Map

Legend

- +— Rail
- Tower 55
- Restored Bypass - Southside
- Trench
- FWWR Bypass
- flyover
- - - Counties



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Near-Term Options

Tower 55 Options

On-site, at grade
improvements

FWWR bypass

North-south trench

East-west flyover

Restored bypass-south side

Preliminary Cost Estimate

\$ 25 million

\$ 50 million + right-of-way

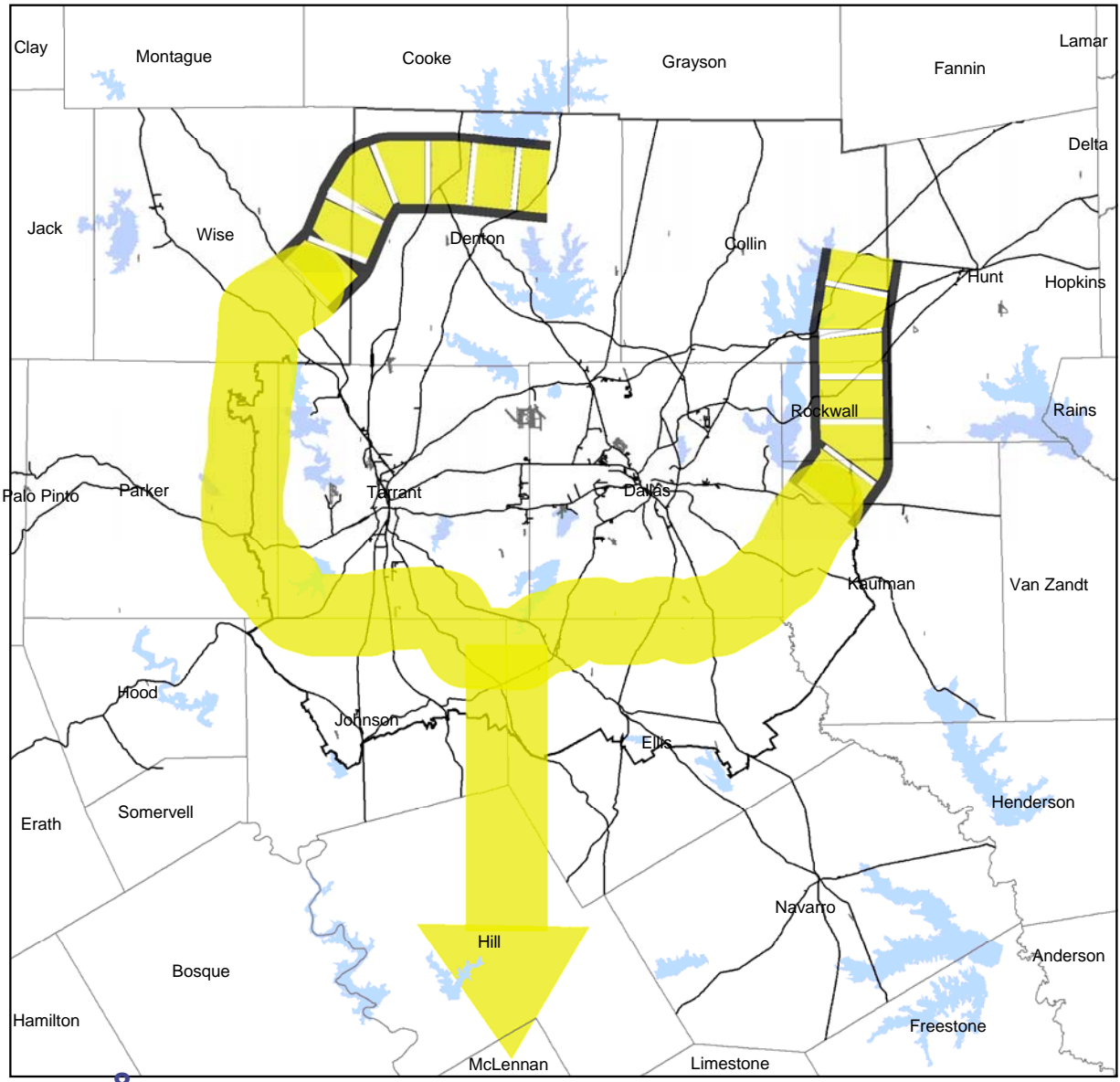
\$850 million + right-of-way

TBD

\$250 million





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Bypass Option



Legend

TTC-35 Features

-  Near-Term TTC-35 Freight Rail
-  Corridor Study Zone for Bypass Trains
-  Long-Term TTC-35 Freight Rail
-  Corridor Study Zone for Bypass Trains

Other Features

-  Rail
-  Airports
-  Lakes

Current freight rail lines continue to serve local freight rail needs in the future.



Tower 55 Rail Reliever Study

Bypass Options

Tower 55 Options

New bypass-west side

New bypass-south side

Preliminary Cost Estimate

\$2.3 billion + right-of-way

\$4.2 billion + right-of-way



North of Tower 55 looking west

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