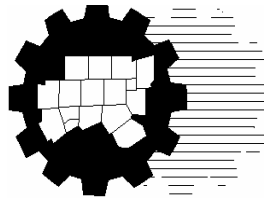


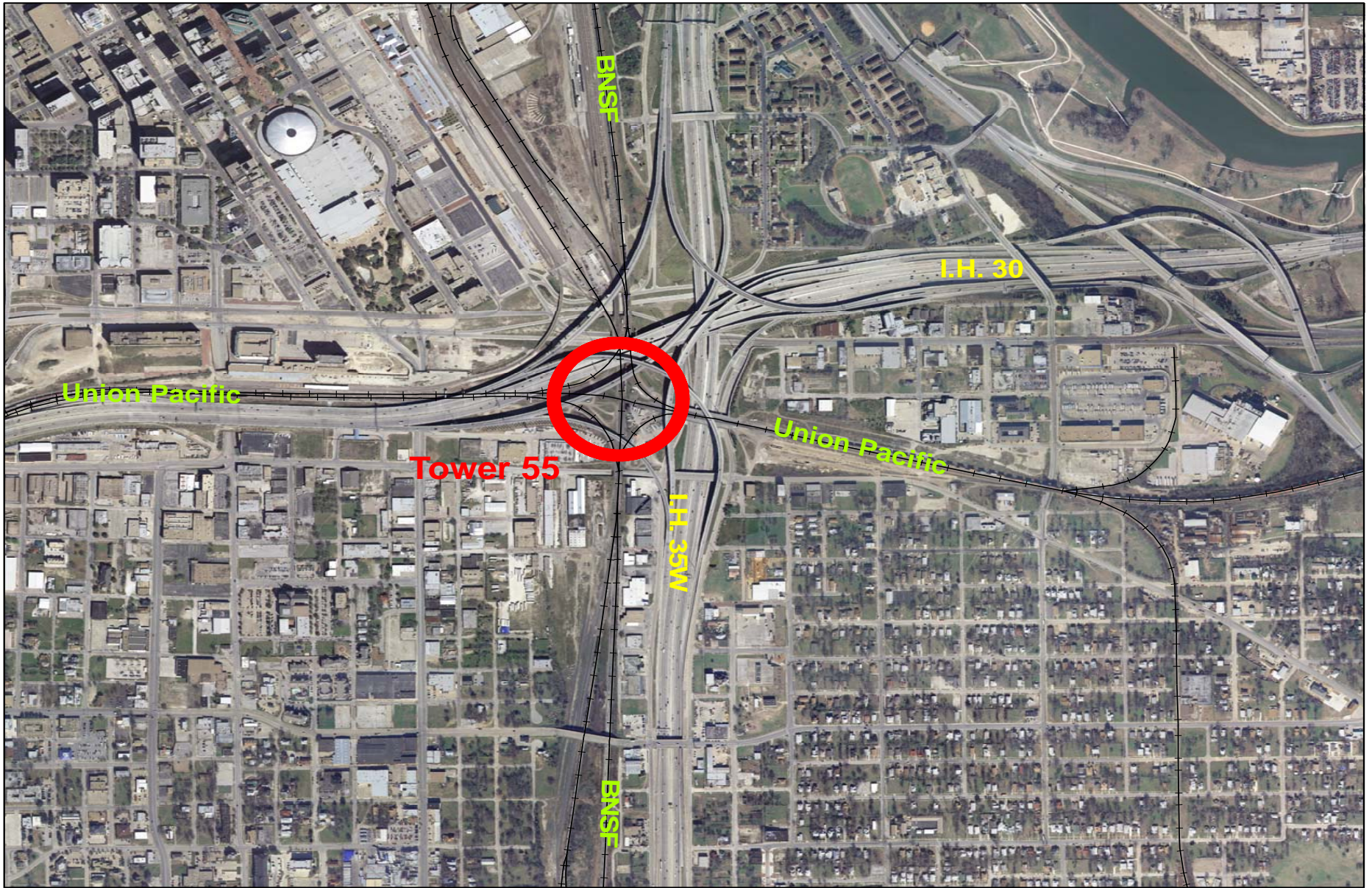
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**Public Meetings  
June 12 & 13, 2006**



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Transportation Department**

# Tower 55

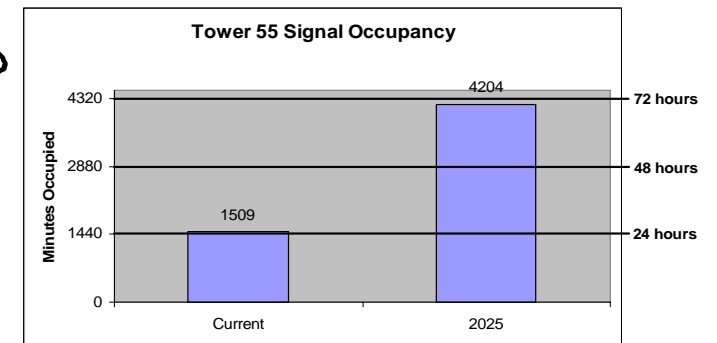
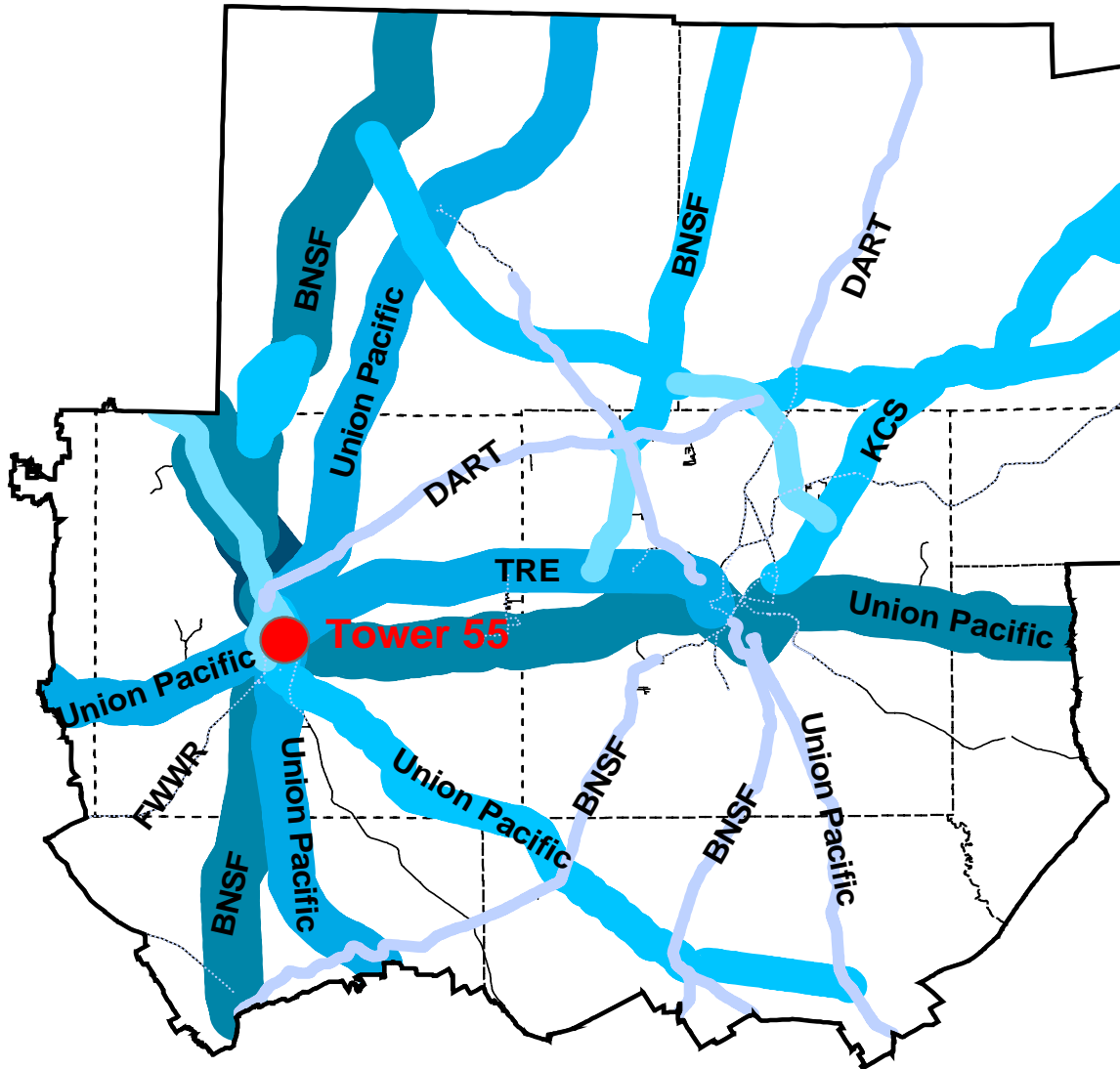
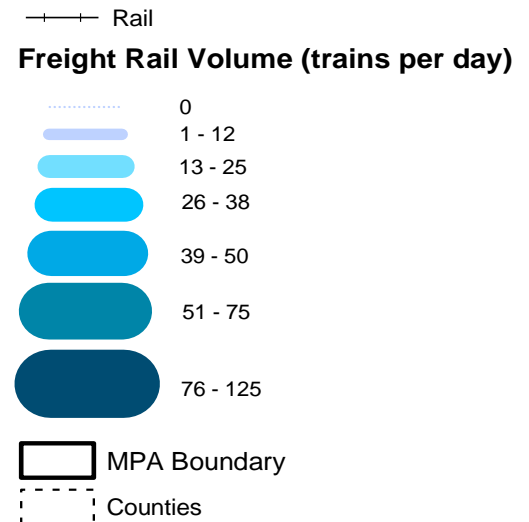


0 385 770 1,540 2,310 3,080 Feet

# Tower 55 Rail Reliever Study

## Rail Volumes - 2025

### Legend



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# **Tower 55 Rail Reliever Study**

## **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**

# Tower 55 Rail Reliever Study

## 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

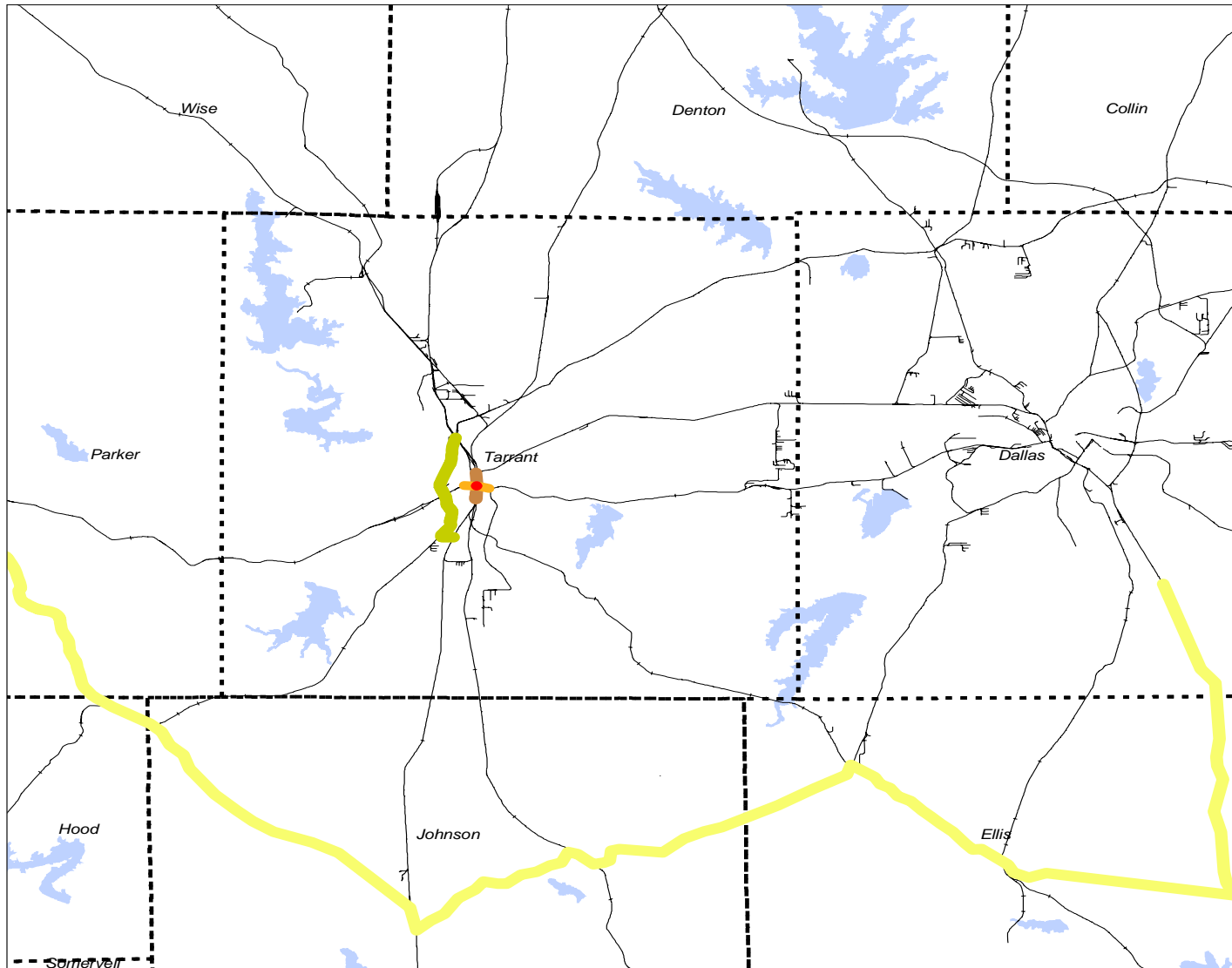
Perform detailed analysis of off-site bypass options.

# Tower 55 Rail Reliever Study

<b><u>Technical Group:</u></b>	<b>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</b>
<b><u>Steering Committee:</u></b>	<b>Intermodal, Freight, and Safety Subcommittee</b>
<b><u>Policy/Capital Improvements:</u></b>	<b>Regional Transportation Council Texas Transportation Commission</b>

# Tower 55 Rail Reliever Study

## Near-Term Options



### Area Map

#### Legend

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



# Tower 55 Rail Reliever Study

## 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

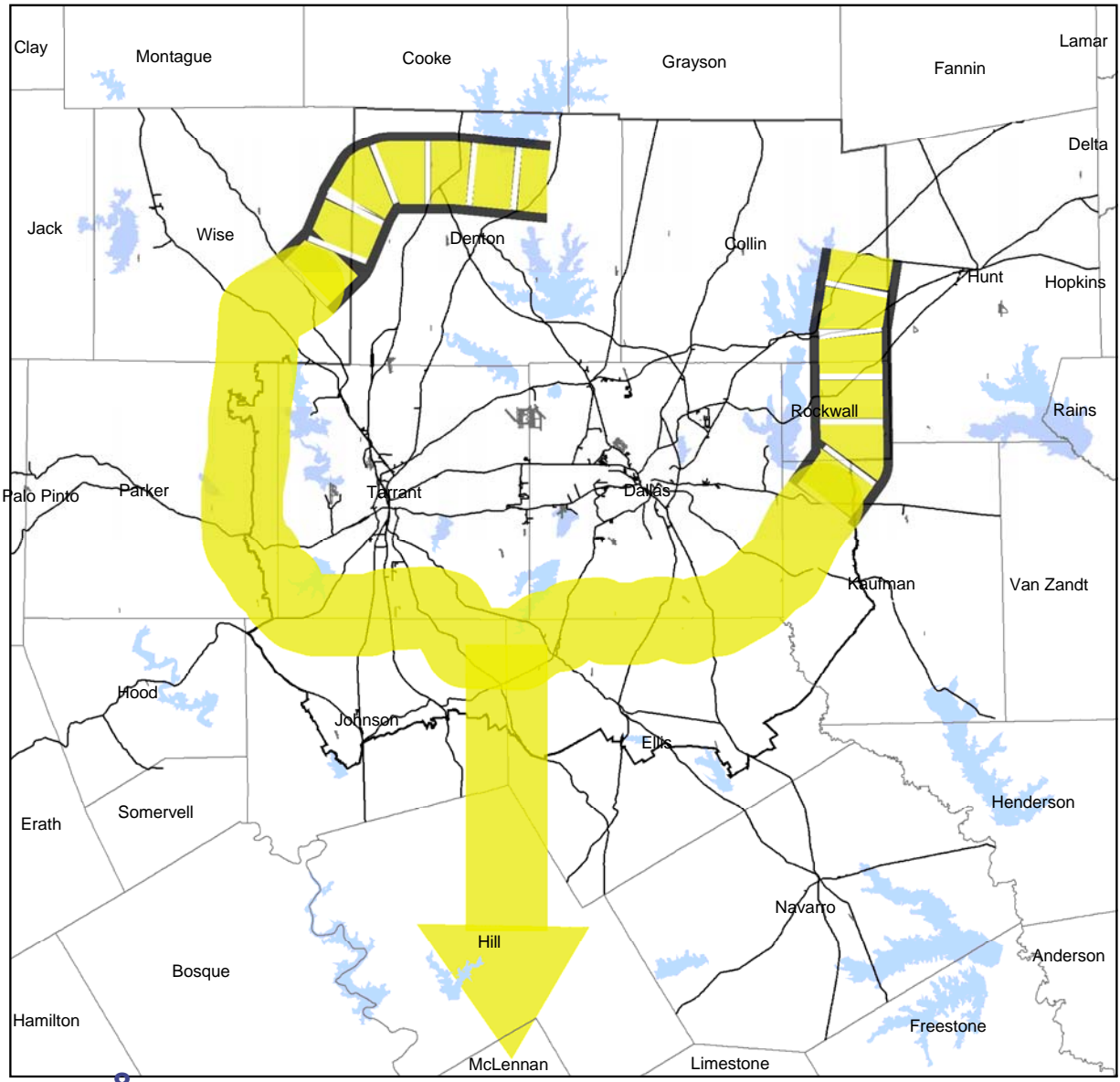
\$850 million + right-of-way

TBD

\$250 million

# Tower 55 Rail Reliever Study

## Bypass Option



### Legend

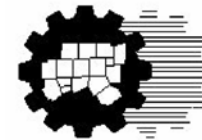
#### TTC-35 Features

- 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.



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## Bypass Options

### Tower 55 Options

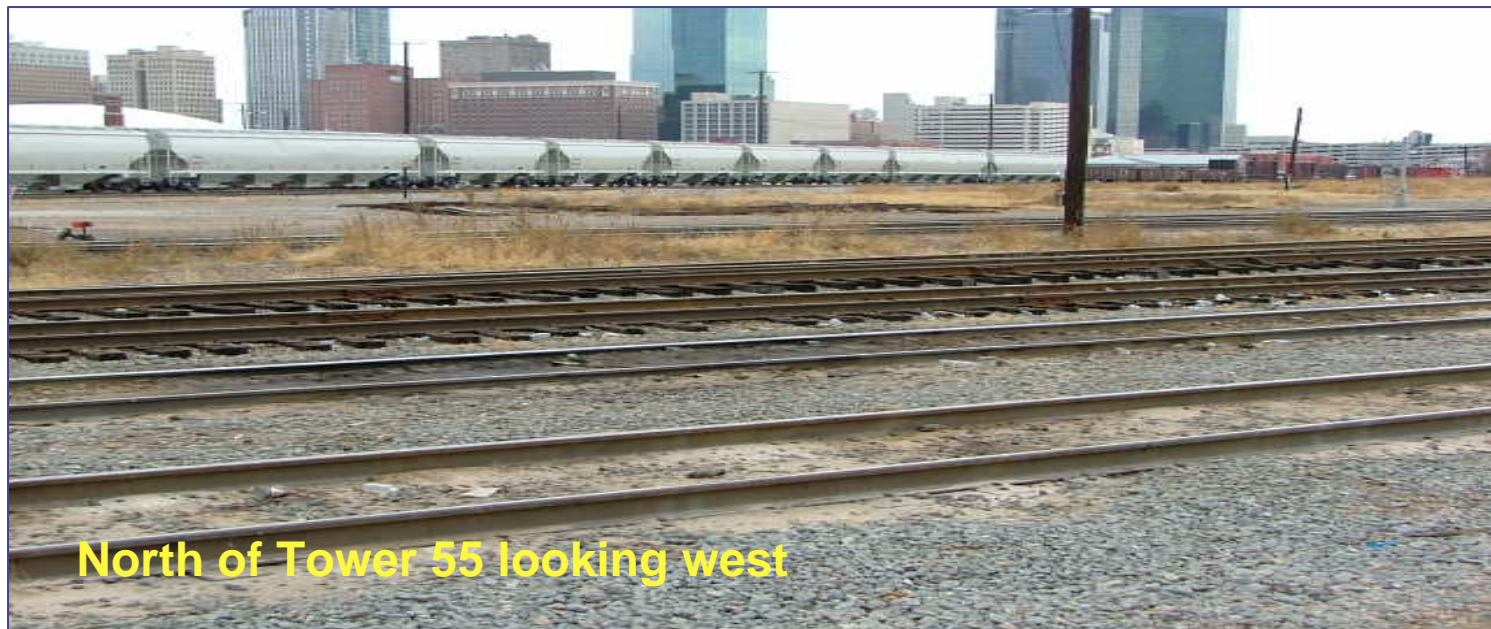
New bypass-west side

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

# Tower 55 Rail Reliever Study

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