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1. Maximum weekday peak period toll rate in 2010 is 17 cents/mile. The weekday peak period is currently defined as 6:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The Regional Transportation Council (RTC) would need to approve any changes to this definition.

2. The maximum off-peak toll rate is 12.5 cents/mile in 2010. The off-peak period is defined as the period outside of the weekday peak period.

3. These peak and off-peak rates will average approximately 14.5 cents/mile.

4. Transit vehicles are exempt from toll charges.

¹This policy does not apply to North Texas Tollway Authority toll roads.
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5. Toll rates will be adjusted sooner and later in time using the “all items” Consumer Price Index and “average household income.” For Consumer Price Index values of 3 percent and under, the Index will be used and calculated applying annual compounded rates. For values over 3 percent, the “average household income” growth rate will be used. Toll rates will be adjusted every two years. If the Consumer Price Index or the “average household income” growth rates are negative for a two-year period, the growth rate will be set at zero and no adjustments to toll rates will be permitted.

6. Widening of S.H. 121 and S.H. 161 will need to meet the adopted Mobility Plan lane specifications and the managed lane policies.

7. Excess revenue will be paid 75 percent up front and 25 percent over time.
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8. The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has requested that local governments participate in and monitor the Comprehensive Development Agreement (CDA) procurement process. RTC requests that local governments assign representatives to this procurement process.

9. RTC requests that the Texas Transportation Commission reiterate that this Comprehensive Development Agreement will not contain a "no compete" clause. This will permit additional mobility improvement over time without conflict with this agreement.

10. Duration of CDA should be less than 51 years.

11. Tolls remain on project after CDA duration.
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12. Specific improvements are contained in the existing Mobility Plan, with the exception of a toll rather than gas tax facility in Collin County.

13. Competitive proposals from the private and public sector will be evaluated against the same objective evaluation criteria to be determined by the Regional Transportation Council.

14. The peak and off-peak toll rates will be set at 14.5 cents/mile for an initial interim period. The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) will conduct a pilot “before” and “after” study in a corridor within the region with the approved “time of day” pricing schedule. Results will be presented to the RTC before regionwide implementation of time-of-day pricing. The pilot study and subsequent action will be completed by 2012.

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