¡La vida del transporte público llega a Irving en 2012!

Vea algunos de los beneficios de los que gozará:

- Viajes más rápidos
- Menos gastos de automóvil
- Menos desgaste para su automóvil
- Menos estrés
- Más tiempo para leer y relajarse
- Libertad para realizar múltiples actividades al mismo tiempo
- Menos contaminación y congestión
- Aire más puro para todos

Actualización sobre la construcción

La mayoría de las actividades de construcción de la Línea Naranja (Orange Line) están por concluir. Los trabajos en los kicked a nivel en las calles ya están completados. A continuación, un informe del progreso.

Estructuras

Se completaron los trabajos de subestructura y superestructura del puente en Cistercian Road. El personal encargado de los sistemas trabajará durante otoño y seguirá hasta fines de 2011. El personal está dando los últimos retoques para Irving II hacia fines de 2011. La vía con balasto para Irving I se completará a principios de 2012.

Estaciones

El personal está dando los últimos toques a las estaciones, como parabrisas, aceras y revestimiento de columnas. Esta tarea se completará hacia fines de 2011. Se espera que las aceras en North Lake College se completen hasta fines de 2011. Los estacionamientos de las estaciones se completarán a principios de 2012. El personal se ocupará de las plantas y flores de las estaciones en la primavera de 2012.

Sistemas


¡Comuníquese con nosotros!

Carlos Huerta
Ofticina de Asuntos Comunitarios
(DART Community Affairs)
972.721.3727
churta@dart.org

KSWRP (contratista principal)
Jessica Sanders
972.374.4433

Departamento de Obras Públicas de la Ciudad de Irving
Dan Vedral
972.721.8446
Melissa Baker
972.721.4846

Sitio en internet y redes sociales

Proyecto de la Línea Naranja (Orange Line)
www.DART.org/about/expansion/orangeline.asp
_Registros para recibir las alertas de la Línea Naranja (Orange Line) por correo electrónico /

Redes sociales

Facebook.com/darttransit
Twitter.com/dartmedia
YouTube.com/dartransit

¡Irvine can’t wait to see the light!

Light rail, that is. Fortunately, residents won’t have to wait long. Work on the 14-mile, $1.3-billion Orange Line is approaching the finish line, and the first test trains will begin zooming up and down the corridor next spring. With the project nearing completion, DART has announced the official opening dates.

Irving I – which includes the University of Dallas Station, Las Colinas Urban Center Station and Irving Convention Center Station – is scheduled to open for revenue service on Monday, July 30, 2012. Irving II, which is made up of North Lake College Station and Belt Line Station, will make its debut on Monday, December 3, 2012.

The Irving III extension to Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport will open for revenue service on December 15, 2014. This contract has just been awarded to KSWRP and will not be under construction until early 2012.

In coordination with the Irving I opening, DART will have a systemwide service change to make bus service as efficient and direct as possible. DART will also add bus shelters and bus stops as needed at key employers in anticipation of the new riders coming on board. Watch DART.org for community meeting and public hearing notices related to the July 2012 service change.

The Orange Line is expected to change life in Irving and Las Colinas. The line promises to boost the economy with transit-oriented development and also make the going easier for visitors staying at Irving-area hotels.

The higher education community looks forward to the coming changes as well. Noting that The University of Dallas (UD) has been working with DART and other civic leaders since 1996, UD Executive Vice President Bob Galecke said he’s excited to see the project completed.

“It’s really been an honor and a treat to work with great city leaders on a project that means so much to the community,” Galecke said.

(Continued on Page 2)
Businesses on the Line

Spotlighting some of the companies along the Orange Line.

Research in Motion
In 2008, Research in Motion moved its U.S. headquarters to Las Colinas. Founded in 1984, RIM is best known for the BlackBerry product line, which includes tablets, smartphones, software for businesses and accessores. RIM’s U.S. headquarters include a building along John Carpenter Freeway, plus office space in the Riverside Commons complex.

Riverside Commons
Located at the gateway of Las Colinas’ Urban Center, Riverside Commons is a six-building complex that covers more than 450,000 square feet of space. Featuring a façade of Austin stone, the development is situated just minutes from DFW International Airport.

Sprint Nextel
Like RIM, Sprint Nextel has offices at Riverside Commons. The company offers a comprehensive range of wireless and wireline communication services. Sprint Nextel recently ranked 16th in NewswEEK’s 2011 Green Rankings – which ranks the top 500 companies based on their actual environmental footprint, as well as their environmental policies and reputation among their peers and environmental experts.

Four Seasons Resort and Club Dallas at Las Colinas
The Four Seasons is best known as the home of the HP Byron Nelson Championship, an event that captures America’s attention for four days each May. The property features a TPC golf course, sports club, spa and hotel. As one of the only AAA Five Diamond lodgings in the state, the hotel is considered one of Texas’ top-rated accommodations.

Project Milestones
It’s a short story – but a long bridge. Over six nights in June 2010, workers erected the bridge section that stretches over the Trinity River Levee along the Orange Line. At 950 feet in length, it represents the longest section of the 7,559-foot bridge that stretches from just east of Harry Hines Boulevard, over Interstate 35, across the Trinity River and finally lands along the Spur 482 frontage road.

Despite being completed in short order, the bridge presented the construction team with major challenges. Crews had to maintain the minimum required clearance between the 345-kilovolt transmission lines and the overhead catenary system (OCS). In addition, workers had to maintain a distance of at least 50 feet between the drilled shafts and the toe on either side of the levee.

Four Seasons Resort and Club Dallas at Las Colinas

Verizon
Verizon has a corporate campus in Irving along Hidden Ridge. A global leader in delivering communications, information and entertainment, Verizon offers voice, data and video products and services over intelligent wireless, broadband and global IP networks that meet customer demand for speed, mobility, security and control.

ExxonMobil
ExxonMobil – the world’s largest publicly traded petroleum and petrochemical company – calls Irving, Texas home. In 1990, the company moved its world headquarters from New York City to the Las Colinas area. As the world’s largest refiner and marketer of petroleum products, ExxonMobil explores for oil and natural gas on six continents.

Omni Mandalay Hotel at Las Colinas
Located along the Mandalay Canal in the Las Colinas Urban Center, the Omni offers spacious guest rooms, state-of-the-art meeting facilities and a full-service day spa and salon. Providing views of downtown Dallas and Lake Carolyn, the hotel is convenient to area businesses and cultural attractions and, soon, Las Colinas Urban Center Station!

In October, the DART Board elected Irving’s own John Carter Denmark as chair.

Danish has a long record of civic involvement in his hometown. He’s been a three-term Irving City Councilman, deputy mayor pro tem and chair of the Irving Planning and Zoning Commission. As a DART Board member since 2005, he has served on and chaired numerous committees, and he represents an 11-state region of the American Public Transportation Association.

An attorney in private practice, Danish holds an undergraduate degree from Wheaton College in Illinois and a law degree from Southern Methodist University.

Meet the man with the plan!
Introducing Chris Masters, Assistant Vice President of Rail Program Support at DART, the person tasked with the awesome responsibility of leading the Orange Line’s construction.

You might say building things is in Masters’ blood. The son of a construction contractor, Masters grew up in East Texas and studied at West Point, earning a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the United States Military Academy. Upon his graduation and appointment, Masters served as a U.S. Army Engineer before leading heavy construction projects in the states as well as abroad.

The construction and design team came up with an effective solution: A 260-foot span of spliced girders. Three girders represent the longest pre-stressed concrete girders ever set in the state of Texas – a new record!

Among the many accomplishments along the Orange Line, the Trinity River bridge represents a true team victory.

DART’s newly elected chair hails from Irving!

He began a relationship with DART in 2000, while working as a consultant on the construction management team for the Red Line expansion and, later, on the Victory Station project. Fortunately for DART, Masters decided to make his relationship more permanent. In 2008, he became a DART employee and currently serves as the design-build program manager for light rail expansion projects.

2012 promises to be a special year for Masters, with the completion of the Irving I and II projects, in addition to another bullet point for his resume – the Blue Line extension from downtown Garland to historic downtown Rowlett. Thanks to the hard work of Masters and his team, residents in Irving and Rowlett are about to get an easier commute!
Businesses on the Line

Spotlighting some of the companies along the Orange Line.

Research in Motion
In 2008, Research in Motion moved its U.S. headquarters to Las Colinas. Founded in 1984, RIM is best known for the BlackBerry product line, which includes tablets, smartphones, software for businesses and accessaries. RIM's U.S. headquarters include a building along John Carpenter Freeway, plus office space in the Riverside Commons complex.

Riverside Commons
Located at the gateway of Las Colinas’ Urban Center, Riverside Commons is a six-building campus that covers more than 450,000 square feet of space. Featuring a façade of Austin stone, the development is situated just minutes from DFW International Airport.

Sprint Nextel
Like RIM, Sprint Nextel has offices at Riverside Commons. The company offers a comprehensive range of wireless and wireline communication services. Sprint Nextel recently ranked 16th in Newsworld’s 2011 Green Rankings – which ranks the top 500 companies based on their actual environmental footprint, as well as their environmental policies and reputation among their peers and environmental experts.

ExxonMobil
ExxonMobil – the world’s largest publicly traded petroleum and petrochemical company – calls Irving, Texas home. In 1990, the company moved its world headquarters from New York City to the Las Colinas area. As the world’s largest refiner and marketer of petroleum products, ExxonMobil explores for oil and natural gas on six continents.

Four Seasons Resort and Club Dallas at Las Colinas
The Four Seasons is best known as the home of the HP Byron Nelson Championship, an event that captures America’s attention for four days each May. The property features a TPC golf course, sports club, spa and hotel. As one of the only AAA Five Diamond lodgings in the state, the hotel is considered one of Texas’ top-rated accommodations.

Project Milestones
It’s a short story – but a long bridge. Over six nights in June 2010, workers erected the bridge section that stretches over the Trinity River Levee along the Orange Line. At 950 feet in length, it represents the longest section of the 5,558-foot bridge that stretches from just east of Harry Hines Boulevard, over Interstate 35, across the Trinity River and finally lands along the Spur 482 frontage road.

Despite being completed in short order, the bridge presented the construction team with major challenges. Crews had to maintain the minimum required clearance between the 345-kilovolt transmission lines and the overhead catenary system (OCS). In addition, workers had to maintain a distance of at least 50 feet between the drilled shafts and the toe on either side of the levee.

Four Seasons Resort and Club Dallas at Las Colinas

The construction and design team came up with an effective solution: A 260-foot span of spliced girders. Engineers installed precast girders in the air and post-tensioned the girders together to create the 550-foot main section.

It took five days and 67 truckloads to build the 750-ton VersaCane used to erect the drop-in girders. Each girder weighed approximately 110 tons and spanned 160 feet. These girders represent the longest pre-stressed concrete girders ever set in the state of Texas – a new record!

Among the many accomplishments along the Orange Line, the Trinity River bridge represents a true team victory.

John Carter Danish
DART Board Chair

In October, the DART Board elected Irving’s own John Carter Danish as chair.

Danish has a long record of civic involvement in his hometown. He’s been a three-term Irving City Councilman, deputy mayor pro tem and chair of the Irving Planning and Zoning Commission. As a DART Board member since 2005, he has served on and chaired numerous committees, and he represents an 11-state region of the American Public Transportation Association.

An attorney in private practice, Danish holds an undergraduate degree from Wheaton College in Illinois and a law degree from Southern Methodist University.

The construction and design team came up with an effective solution: A 260-foot span of spliced girders. Engineers installed precast girders in the air and post-tensioned the girders together to create the 550-foot main section.

It took five days and 67 truckloads to build the 750-ton VersaCane used to erect the drop-in girders. Each girder weighed approximately 110 tons and spanned 160 feet. These girders represent the longest pre-stressed concrete girders ever set in the state of Texas – a new record!

Among the many accomplishments along the Orange Line, the Trinity River bridge represents a true team victory.

Meet the man with the plan!
Introducing Chris Masters, Assistant Vice President of Rail Program Support at DART, the person tasked with the awesome responsibility of leading the Orange Line's construction.

You might say building things is in Masters’ blood. The son of a construction contractor, Masters grew up in East Texas and studied at West Point, earning a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the United States Military Academy. Upon his graduation and appointment, Masters served as a U.S. Army Engineer in leading heavy construction projects in the states as well as abroad.

He began a relationship with DART in 2000, while working as a consultant on the construction management team for the Red Line expansion and, later, on the Victory Station project. Fortunately for DART, Masters decided to make his relationship more permanent. In 2008, he became a DART employee and currently serves as the design-build program manager for light rail expansion projects.

2012 promises to be a special year for Masters, with the completion of the Irving I and II projects, in addition to another bullet point for his resume – the Blue Line extension from downtown Garland to historic downtown Rowlett. Thanks to the hard work of Masters and his team, residents in Irving and Rowlett are about to get an easier commute!

Four Seasons Resort and Club Dallas at Las Colinas

Chris Masters, Assistant Vice President of Rail Program Support

(Continued on Page 3)
The transit lifestyle is coming to Irving in 2012!

Here are some of the benefits you can look forward to:

- Faster commutes
- Fewer auto expenses
- Less wear and tear on your car
- Reduced stress
- More personal time to read and relax
- Freedom to multitask – check email, surf the web, make calls, etc.
- More personal time to read
- Fewer auto expenses
- Faster commutes

Contact us!

Carlos Huerta
DART Community Affairs
214.749.2721
c.huerta@dart.org

KSWRP (Prime Contractor)

Jessica Sanders
972.374.4453

City of Irving Public Works

Darin V溘us
972.371.8044
Melissa Baker
972.371.4646

Website & Social Media

Orange Line Project

www.dart.org/about/expansion/orangeline.asp
Be sure to sign up for Orange Line email alerts!

Social Media
facebook.com/dartdotlx
twitter.com/dartmedia
youtube.com/dartdallas

Construction Update

Most Orange Line construction activities have neared the finish line. Work on at-grade street crossings has officially been completed. Here is a progress report.

Structures

The substructure and superstructure work for the final bridge structure – the Coitran Road bridge – has been completed. Track crews will begin working on the bridge this fall and continue through the end of 2011, with systems crews doing their part in early 2012.

Track

All embedded track, including crossovers, has been completed. All of the direct-fixation track on bridges has also been completed. Workers will complete the ballasted track for Irving II by the end of 2011, while the ballasted track for Irving I will be finished in early 2012.

Stations

Crews continue to put the finishing touches on stations, including windscreens, pavers, column cladding and the like. This work will be completed by early 2012. Expect sidewalks around North Lake College to be completed by the end of 2011, while station parking lots will be finished in early 2012. Crews will install station landscaping in spring 2012.

Systems

Rail systems work will continue through May 2012, including overhead catenary system installation, such as poles and wires. Workers will install traffic signals at the end of 2011, while work on traffic arms will continue into early 2012. Crews will also continue installing station infrastructure into early next year. This includes lighting, speakers, cameras and other equipment core to the station’s operation.

Irving no ve la hora de electrificarse!

¡Irving no ve la hora de electrificarse!

C en el Tren Eléctrico, por supuesto. Por fortuna, los residentes no tendrán que esperar mucho. La construcción de las 14 millas de la Línea Naranja (Orange Line), proyecto de $1.3 mil millones, está llegando a su fin. Los primeros trenes de prueba comenzarán a pasar el 3 de diciembre de 2011, con el cumpleaños de la Universidad de Dallas. En el Tren de la Línea Naranja, el tren de prueba comenzará a pasar el 3 de diciembre de 2011, con el cumpleaños de la Universidad de Dallas. En el Tren de la Línea Naranja, el tren de prueba comenzará a pasar. Luego de 2012, la Línea Naranja comenzará a funcionar como un nuevo servicio de transporte público.

La inauguración del segmento Irving I, que incluye la Universidad de Dallas Station, Las Colinas Urban Center Station y la Irving Convention Center Station, está programada para el 3 de diciembre de 2011. El segmento Irving II, que comienza en la North Lake College Station y la Red Line Station, se inaugurará el 3 de diciembre de 2012.

El segmento Irving III de la extensión hacia el Aeropuerto Internacional Dallas/Fort Worth se inaugurará el 31 de diciembre de 2014. Recientemente, la construcción comenzó a principios de 2012.

Junto con la inauguración del segmento Irving I, DART hará un cambio en todos los servicios de autobuses para que sea más eficiente y directo posible. Además, DART agregará paraderos y paradas de autobús según sea necesario en lugares de trabajo clave, a fin de prestar servicio a los nuevos usuarios que viajarán en esta línea. Vente transporteDART.org para ver los avances de juntas comunitarias y audiencias públicas relacionadas con el cambio en el servicio de julio de 2012.

Se espera que la Línea Naranja (Orange Line) cambie la vida en Irving y Las Colinas. La línea promete mejorar la economía con el desarrollo orientado al transporte público y, además, facilitar el viaje a quienes se quedan en los hoteles del área de Irving.

La comunidad universitaria también espera con ansias esos cambios. El Vicepresidente Ejecutivo de la Universidad de Dallas (UD), Bob Galecke, resaltó que la UD ha trabajado con DART y otros líderes civicos desde 1996 y dijo estar ansioso por ver el proyecto terminado. "El Dr. Wright L. Lassiter, Jr., Rector del Distrito de Colegios Comunitarios del Condado de Dallas (DCCCD), ha experimentado el potencial del Tren de DART en El Centro y cuenta con que la Línea Naranja (Orange Line) reducirá igual el efectivo en North Lake College.

"Ha sido un verdadero honor y un gusto trabajar con grandes líderes de la ciudad en este proyecto que promete mejorar la economía con el desarrollo orientado al transporte público y, además, facilitar el viaje a quienes se quedan en los hoteles del área de Irving." – Bob Galecke.

La comunidad universitaria también espera con ansias esos cambios. El Vicepresidente Ejecutivo de la Universidad de Dallas (UD), Bob Galecke, resaltó que la UD ha trabajado con DART y otros líderes civicos desde 1996 y dijo estar ansioso por ver el proyecto terminado. "El Dr. Wright L. Lassiter, Jr., Rector del Distrito de Colegios Comunitarios del Condado de Dallas (DCCCD), ha experimentado el potencial del Tren de DART en El Centro y cuenta con que la Línea Naranja (Orange Line) reducirá igual el efectivo en North Lake College.

"Ha sido un verdadero honor y un gusto trabajar con grandes líderes de la ciudad en este proyecto que promete mejorar la economía con el desarrollo orientado al transporte público y, además, facilitar el viaje a quienes se quedan en los hoteles del área de Irving." – Bob Galecke.