

# TxDOT Highway Lighting Agreement

City Council

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# TxDOT & 35 Express

Nearing completion of portion of 35Express project in Denton

- Highway lighting will be installed in August 2017
- TxDOT needs a decision on type of lighting
- City staff has calculated estimated costs for lighting
- Legal staff has prepared draft agreements



# Safety vs. Continuous

#### **Safety Lighting**

- Required to be installed
- 114 lamps
- 56 wallpacks
- Paid by TxDOT
- Estimated \$10,500 per year to operate

#### **Continuous Lighting**

- Not required
- 278 lamps
- 56 wallpacks
- Paid by City of Denton
- Estimated \$20,600 per year to operate



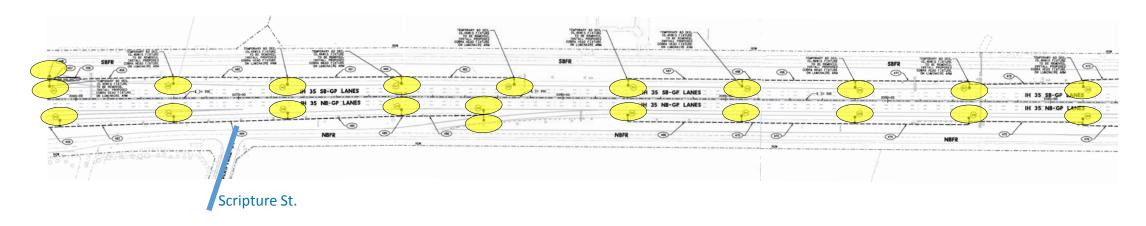
# TxDOT Highway Illumination Manual

### Safety Lighting

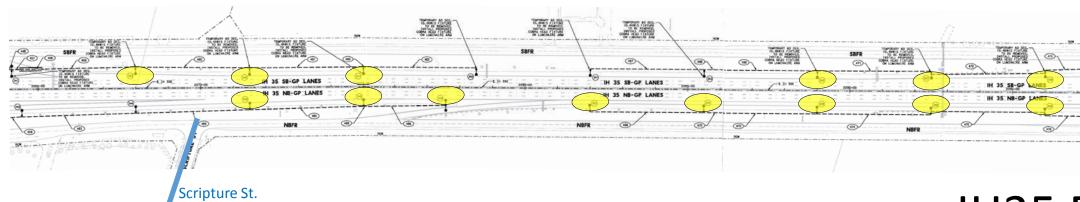
- Requires lighting to be installed at:
  - Interchanges
  - Intersections
  - Other points of nighttime hazard

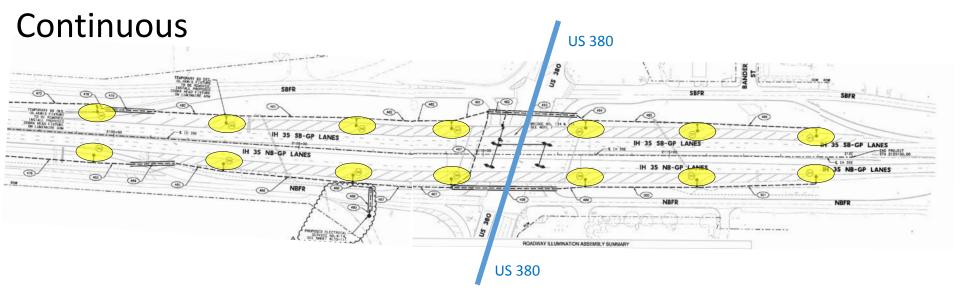
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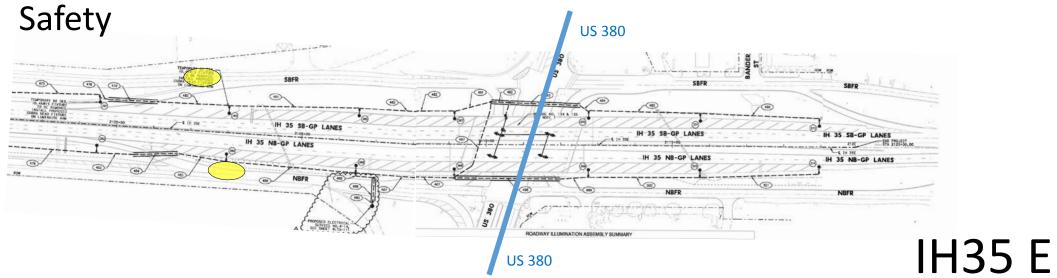
- Provides uniform illumination on:
  - All main lanes
  - All direct connections
- Complete lighting for all interchanges

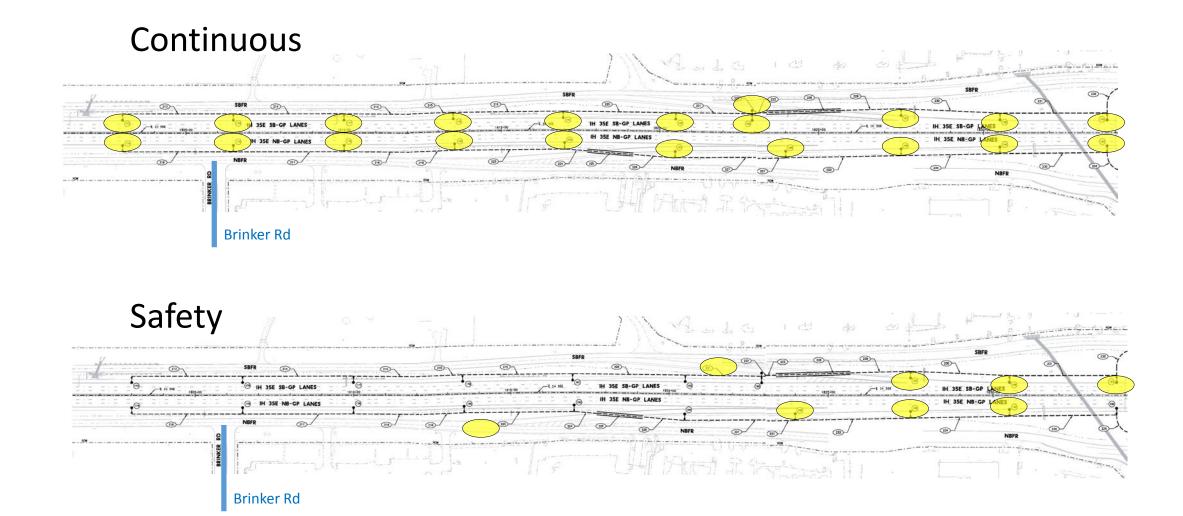


### Safety











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### Safety Lighting

Estimated savings of \$20,600 per year as compared to continuous lighting

### **Continuous Lighting**

- Safer driving conditions
  - Increase nighttime visibility
  - Lower night-to-day accident ratio
- Cities South of Denton have chosen continuous lighting
- Additional visibility for law enforcement personnel and highway work

### Recommendation

#### Option 1:

Approve the continuous lighting agreement as recommended by the Public Utilities Board (7/10).

#### Option 2:

Approve the safety lighting agreement.

