





Building Tomorrow

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Construction officially starts on Northwest Anthony Henday Drive

Edmonton... Construction has officially begun on the 21-kilometre northwest section of the Edmonton Ring Road. The roadway will be free-flow with no signal lights when it opens to traffic in the fall of 2011.

"Construction of the Northwest Anthony Henday Drive will reshape transportation in Edmonton's north end and provide a vital link for continued growth in the Capital Region," said Premier Ed Stelmach. "This project is an important step in meeting our provincial goal of completing the ring roads to a freeway status by 2015."

Premier Stelmach was joined by Minister of Transportation Luke Ouellette, City of St. Albert Mayor Nolan Crouse, Sturgeon County Mayor Donald Rigney, City of Edmonton Councillor Ron Hayter on behalf of Mayor Mandel, President of Bilfinger Berger Projects Investments Inc. John McArthur, Capital Region MLAs and municipal councillors to celebrate the official start of construction with a sod turning ceremony.

The Alberta government signed a 30-year contract with the NORTHWESTCONNECT General Partnership to design, build, operate and partially finance the Northwest Anthony Henday Drive at a cost of \$1.42 billion net present value (NPV), or today's dollars.

"Bilfinger Berger Project Investments are excited to partner with Alberta Transportation for the Northwest Anthony Henday Drive Project," said John McArthur, President of Bilfinger Berger Projects Investments Inc. "This project, the single largest P3 transaction for Alberta Transportation, valued at \$1.42 billion NPV, shows the commitment and tenacity of a strong partnership developed with the province and the private sector to deliver true value for the citizens of Edmonton to enhance this crucial transportation link."

The 21-kilometre Northwest Anthony Henday Drive will stretch from Yellowhead Trail on the west side of Edmonton to Manning Drive. When completed, the roadway will include eight interchanges, five flyovers, and two rail crossings, for a total of 29 bridge structures.

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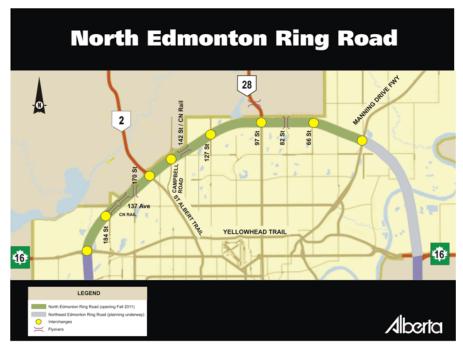
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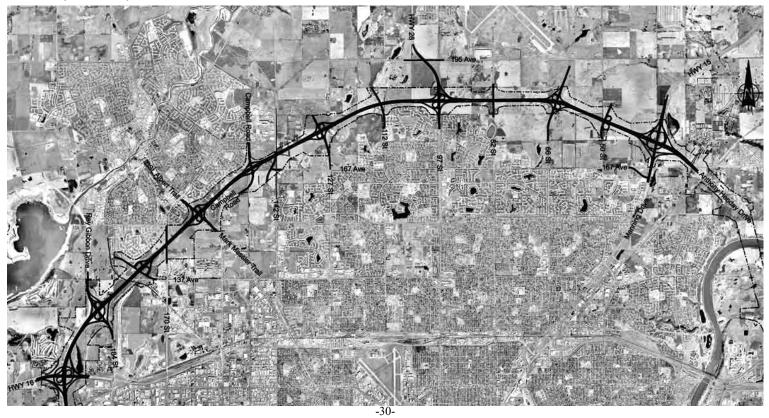
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