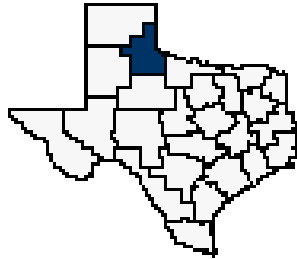


## DISTRICT PROFILE

The Childress District plans, designs, builds, operates and maintains the state transportation system in 13 Texas counties, including more than 5,000 lane miles of roadway. Bordered by the Red River and Oklahoma, and home to Caprock Canyons State Park & Trailway, the Childress District and its employees readily accept the duties of designing and maintaining Texas' transportation assets and assuring the safety of the traveling public.



### Fast Facts (FY2023)

|  |               |
|--|---------------|
| <b>Population</b>                            | 33,951        |
| <b>Area (Sq. Miles)</b>                      | 11,193        |
| <b>Lane Miles</b>                            | 5,527         |
| <b>Daily Vehicle Miles</b>                   | 3,114,196     |
| <b>Registered Vehicles</b>                   | 39,995        |
| <b>TxDOT Employees</b>                       | 212           |
| <b>Construction/Maintenance Expenditures</b> | \$137,544,549 |



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**State Senators:**  
Sen. Kevin Sparks  
Sen. Charles Perry

**State Representatives:**  
Rep. Ken King  
Rep. James Frank  
Rep. Dustin Burrows

**U.S. Senators:**  
Sen. John Cornyn  
Sen. Ted Cruz

**U.S. Representative:**  
Rep. Ronny L. Jackson

### KEY PROJECTS UNDERWAY:

- SH 70 at Mulberry Creek in Hall County - This project will replace the bridge structure and approach roadway at an awarded contract amount of \$9.3 million. The project began Oct. 2023 and is expected to be complete by May 2025.
- US 83 at Sweetwater Creek and FM 2473 in Wheeler County - This project will replace both bridges at an awarded amount of \$14.2 million. The project began in March 2024 and is expected to be complete by Aug. 2025.
- US 287 at BNSF RR and LP 285 in Hardeman County - This project will replace both the NB and SB bridge structures at an awarded contract amount of \$28.9 million. The project will begin in Sept. 2024 and is expected to be complete in 2026.
- US 82 from Dickens east city limits to King County line - The project will overlay the existing pavement surface with new hot mix asphalt pavement at an awarded contract amount of \$11.3 million. The project began in July 2024 and is expected to be complete in early 2025.
- US 287 from FM 164 to Childress west city limits - This project consists of the rehabilitation of existing NB lanes and the overlay of NB and SB lanes with new hotmix asphalt pavement at an awarded contract amount of \$15.3 million. The project began in February 2024 and is expected to be complete in February 2025.

### PLANNED KEY PROJECTS:

- SH 152 from Gray County line to US 83 in Wheeler County - This project will convert approximately 17 miles of existing roadway from 2-lane highways to a Super-2 highway. The estimated project cost is \$14.3 million and is expected to let for bid in March 2025.
- SH 256 through the city of Memphis in Hall County - This project will rehabilitate and reconstruct SH 256 from FM 2361 to US 287. The project consists of hot mix asphaltic pavement, concrete pavement and the rehabilitation and reconstruction of brick paver sections near the town square to preserve the historic value of the highway. The estimated project cost is \$10.3 million and is expected to let for bid in January 2026.
- SH 222 at Brazos River in Knox County - This project will replace the bridge structure and re-align the approach roadway on both ends of the bridge. The estimated cost of the project is \$10.8 million and is expected to let for bid in July 2026.

**MAINTENANCE:** Over 530 lane miles of seal coat work was completed through the Childress District in FY 2024 with contract and TxDOT forces at a cost of more than \$11.1 million. The district prioritizes annual seal coat improvements to waterproof roadway surfaces, restore surface friction for traction and prolong the overall lifespan of flexible pavements.

**CORRIDORS:** I-40, US 287, US 82 and US 83 are central to the Childress District in providing reliable transportation facilities for the region's industrial and agricultural commerce, as well as, for Texans and visitors passing through.

**SAFETY:** In order to maintain and improve upon the safety of the highway system, the district has recently completed safety improvement projects including the addition of auxiliary lanes on US 287, widening projects on key farm-to-market highway corridors, median cable barrier installation on IH 40, the addition of centerline and edgeline rumble strips, and many flexible and rigid barrier upgrades throughout the district. Further planned improvements include additional illumination, curve delineation improvements, additional rumble strip and striping improvements, and LED signing improvements. Dedicated safety improvement projects are programmed to let in FY 2025, 2026, and 2027.