

## Construction to begin on SH 178 (Artcraft Road) project

Project will enhance safety and improve mobility

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**EL PASO** – The Artcraft Road project is scheduled to begin construction in April 2025. The \$243.7 million project, from the Texas/New Mexico state line to I-10, is designed to improve mobility in the fast-developing corridor with the following features:

- Direct Connectors at the I-10 interchange providing drivers with direct access to I-10 east and west and to Artcraft Road.
- U-Turn Bridges at the Artcraft Road /I-10 interchange.
- Frontage Road Improvements between I-10 and SH 20 (Doniphan Drive) will include rebuilding sections of the road and extending the frontage roads in both directions.
- Bridges at the intersections of Artcraft Road at Upper Valley Road and Westside Drive will be added, along with new entrance and exit ramps.
- Shared-Use Path improvements creating a more accessible, safe, and enjoyable experience for all users.

These changes will streamline traffic at the Artcraft Road/I-10 interchange, enhance east-west travel between NM 136 and I-10, and improve access from cargo facilities to the Santa Teresa Border Crossing.

The project will be constructed in five phases, some of which may be undertaken concurrently. The first work will begin at the Texas/New Mexico state line and the project is expected to be complete in 2030.

Here is a link to a project video: <u>https://txdot.box.com/s/cyjqixkeryxh8ndpga8d413nctzkvncg</u>

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