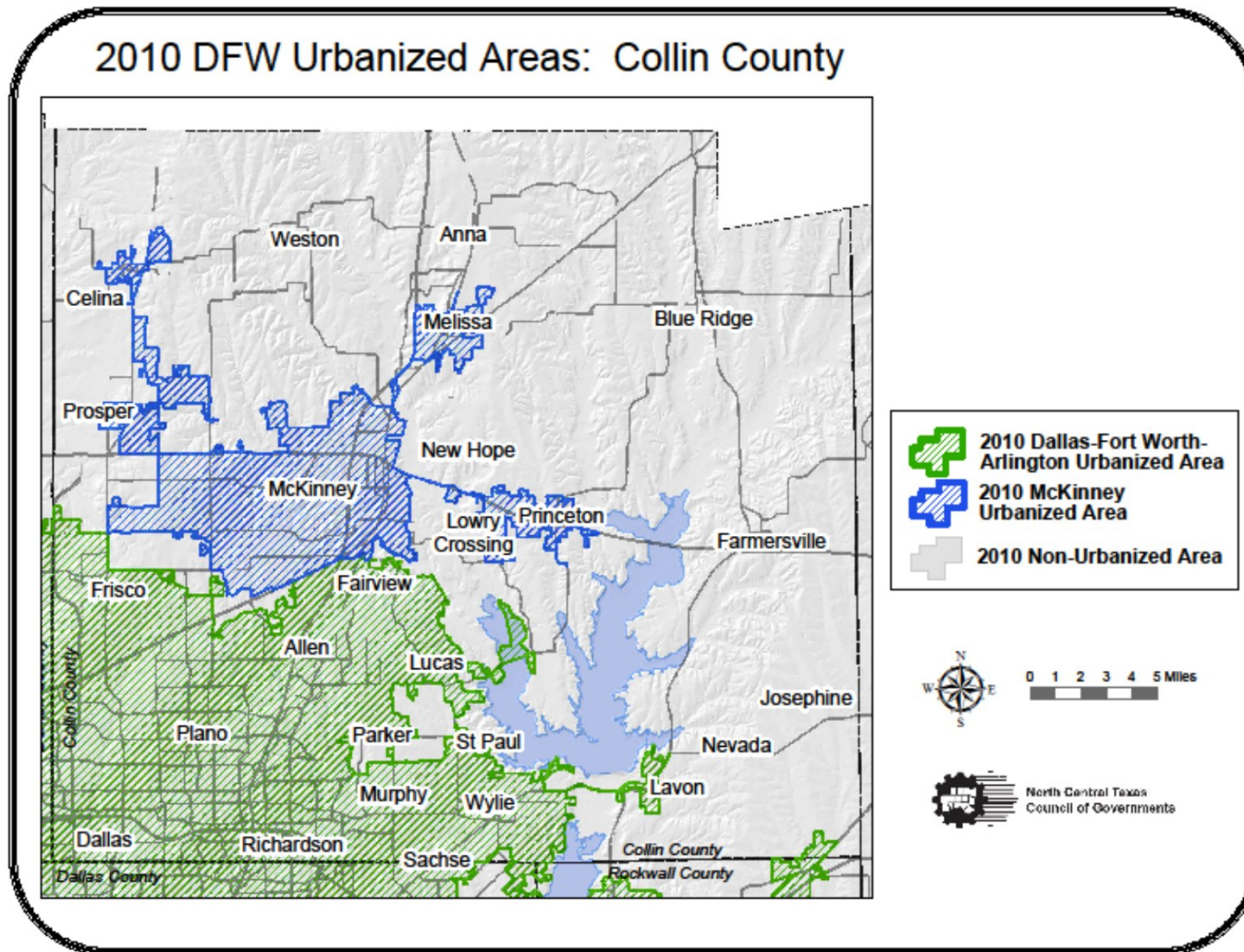


UPCOMING CHANGES TO PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICES IN COLLIN COUNTY

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Urbanized Areas in Collin County



Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Programs

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Services

General public transportation

Service for the elderly and persons with disabilities

Access to jobs

Funding

Apportioned to rural areas, small urban and large urbanized areas (UZAs)

Small UZAs = population between 50,000 - 200,000

(e.g., McKinney)

Large UZAs = population 200,000+

(e.g., Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington and Denton-Lewisville)

Program Details

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Eligible Costs

Capital (e.g., buses and maintenance)

Planning

Operations* (e.g., salaries and fuel)

Local Matching Requirements

Capital (80% federal and 20% local)

Planning (80% federal and 20% local)

Operations* (50% federal and 50% local)

*Funding for operations is limited and currently only available for services to assist the elderly, people with disabilities and for job access trips in the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington UZA

Program Responsibilities

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	Selects Transit Operator	Requests State/Federal Funds	Contributes Local Matching Funds	Responsible for Compliance and Oversight
Rural Portions of Collin County	TxDOT (via Commissioners' Court)	Transit Provider	TxDOT	TxDOT
McKinney UZA	TxDOT and Cities	Transit Provider	TxDOT and Cities	Transit Provider
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington UZA (beyond DART service area)	NCTCOG and Cities	Transit Provider	Cities	NCTCOG

Collin County Area Regional Transit (CCART) Current Services

	General Public Demand Response (Dial-a-ride)	General Public Fixed-Route	Elderly and Persons with Disabilities	Job Access/Reverse Commute
Rural Portions of Collin County	✓		✓	
McKinney UZA	✓	✓	✓	
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington UZA (beyond DART service areas)	✓		✓	(pending service in Allen)

CCART Service Statistics

May 2012 – April 2013

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City	Registered Riders	Annual Trips*
Allen	435	7,182
Fairview	45	485
Frisco	247	3,553
Lavon	5	13
Lucas	12	152
Murphy	24	307
Parker	4	3
Plano	977	7,620
Sachse	8	32
St Paul	1	4
Wylie	120	1,082

*Excludes Medicaid trips

Source: CCART

Recent Actions

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- 1) On April 22, 2013 the Collin County Commissioners' Court requested TxDOT change the rural transit provider from CCART to Texoma Area Paratransit System (TAPS)
- 2) On May 7, 2013, the McKinney City Council requested TxDOT change the service provider for the McKinney UZA from CCART to TAPS

Result

CCART is no longer a viable transportation provider for the cities in the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington UZA and will discontinue providing service on July 1, 2013

Next Steps

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Cities in the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington UZA meet to discuss the impacts of CCART discontinuing service

Cities determine what type of services might be needed

Identify other providers and revenue streams
(if needed)

Implement action by July 1, 2013

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