



AGENDA

**North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG)
SMARTER Webinar Series: Right-Sizing for Procurement/Deployment Needs
Wednesday, March 18, 2026
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM (Central Time)**

Join Zoom Meeting

Please register using the following link.

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- 1. 1:00 – 1:05 PM** **Welcome, Introduction**
Presenter: Trey Pope, Transportation Air Quality Planner, NCTCOG

- 2. 1:05 – 1:25 PM** **Vehicle and Infrastructure Learnings**
Presenter: Rick Mihelic, Director of Emerging Technologies, North American Council on Freight Efficiency (NACFE)

Rick will cover the vehicle and infrastructure findings from various fuel types included in the 2025 Run on Less Demonstration, including: hydrogen fuel cells, battery-electric, renewable natural gas, biodiesel, renewable diesel and regular diesel.

- 3. 1:25 – 1:45 PM** **Optimizing Heavy-Duty Fleets: UPS Insights on Cost, Infrastructure, and Sustainability**
Presenter: Ryan Bankerd, Global Director of Sustainability, UPS

Ryan will highlight the critical pillars of right-sizing for fleet deployments to reduce costs and curb emissions. Ryan is aware that the truck to be acquired and deployed is only half of the equation and will navigate participants through operational demands, infrastructure availability, vehicle specifications vs. relevant job requirements, and leveraging Texas grant funding tie-ins.

- 4. 1:45 – 1:58 PM** **Discussion**
Presenter: Trey Pope, Transportation Air Quality Planner, NCTCOG

An opportunity for anyone to ask our presenters any questions they may have about fuel considerations.

- 5. 1:58 PM – 2:00 PM** **Local Updates and Close**

Next Webinar

Topic: Dollars and Cents: Costs and Funding

Date: Wednesday, May 20, 2026

Time: 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM (US Central Time)

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