

PUBLIC COMMENTS REPORT
WRITTEN COMMENTS SUBMITTED BY WEBSITE, EMAIL & SOCIAL MEDIA

Purpose

The public comments report is in accordance with the NCTCOG Transportation Department Public Participation Plan, which became effective June 1, 1994, as approved by the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), the transportation policy board for the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and amended on Nov. 10, 2022.

This document is a compilation of general public comments submitted from Tuesday, May 20 through Thursday, June 19, 2025, via website, email, social media and in person at NCTCOG's monthly Regional Transportation Council (RTC) meeting. This month, comments related to air quality, safety and sustainable development were in the majority.

Additionally, comments can be submitted through Map Your Experience, the Transportation Department's online mapping tool. This tool allows users to drop a pin on a location in the region and leave a detailed comment. The tool received 50 new comments related to bicycle and pedestrian, roadway and transit conditions. You can view these new comments as well as past comments by visiting

<http://nctcoggis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/CrowdsourceReporter/index.html?appid=b014e6d39b604b3ca329d9094ed1e9e2>.

Bicycle/Pedestrian/Sustainable Development

Facebook –

1. Take a short survey to share your experience bicycling on North Texas roadways. Enter to win a \$100 gift card. publicinput.com/bikesafety – NCTCOG Transportation Department



What if from every 6-lane street we took 2 lanes off and create separate bike lanes on each side? Also, it is less stressful for pedestrians to cross the street. 6-lane wide streets only invite drivers to drive too fast. — John Zonneveld

Wow. You guys complain about Texas not doing enough for bicyclists and when they do you complain about the questions and the picture of somebody riding a bike. They want

feedback and all you're doing is complaining. You're the same people who own 10,000 carbon bikes but feel they own Trinity Trail. And for the guy who says we need to get off the road, if they extend the sidewalks, they will probably close a lane down for bikes and you will complain about that. Bicyclists do pay their fair share of taxes because they own cars themselves. — Buentello Garcia

Bicycling in auto traffic is very dangerous and should be avoided whenever possible. — David O'Neill

Bicycle riders intentionally aggravating motorists by running stop signs and traffic signals, grouping up to block multiple lanes of traffic and inhibiting traffic flow by swinging wide to make a turn, all the while whining "share the road, share the road" simply demonstrates the kind of [REDACTED] these people are. — Tom Horn

Doug Werhane Alan Bryant Scott Cross — Dian Jordan

It was a borrowed bike, huh huh! — Travis Tramps Cdt

It's crazy when transportation departments won't make fat tire e-bikes accessible on trains, planes and busses. Those are for disabled veterans and civilians who pay taxes. — David Martinez

Thank you. — Kristie Lowe

Remember, bicycle riders are considered the same as other vehicles on the highway and are supposed to follow the same traffic laws as cars. — Ronda James

EVs along with ICE vehicles needlessly destroy the environment through resource mining, manufacturing processes & going to landfill in mass droves. So much urban space is squandered on parking & other paved over autocentric wastes. They perpetuate urban sprawl & cities that aren't navigable as a pedestrian or bicyclist & are inhospitable to humanity. EVs add to traffic congestion. EVs still cause avoidable deaths & permanent injuries to humans by the thousands and thousands, not to mention animals. Putting the financial burden of transportation inefficiently on the back of the individual is regressive & hasn't been the norm for even 80 years. We need to invest in rail that's properly implemented as it is overseas. We're suffering from decades of trickle-down economic austerity disenfranchisement & a lot of marginalization (e.g. Robert Moses's racist redlining urban renewal) is through divestment of public works/infrastructure, utilities & programs to help the American people. Commodification of societal needs & normalization of rampant consumerism for privatized profits is what put us in this mess. National Transcontinental High Speed Rail should integrate seamlessly w/commuter rail networks so it can function as one cohesive system & this will convert flyover country back into a thriving heartland which will reduce clustering on the coasts. Similarly, wholly integrated circuits of interurban commuter rail routes blended with light rail lines, streetcar grids & trolleys prevent people from having to live on top of each other in city centers in order to have quick access to work & local economies downtown. Our roadways are overcrowded & no amount of added lanes helps since it causes induced demand that inevitably grinds traffic to a halt at snags & bottlenecks down the road. We can rebuild cherished structural heirlooms of civic pride destroyed by financial & environmental disaster on space

reclaimed from cars to serve social capital & green initiatives. We can resurrect lost local landmarks with green technologies such as hempcrete. — Cory Pinckard

Cory Pinckard Dad, you're off your meds again... — Bushwood Smithie

Bushwood Smithie Go get your degree in transportation/urban planning and tell me I'm wrong. In the meantime, you can update your attempts at being snide while having nothing if substance to offer. — Cory Pinckard

Additional comments can be viewed here:

<https://www.facebook.com/NCTCOGtrans/posts/pfbid02GwoLQVHwpD9prXGBtJ824uv36okzefE5WYs5rxmf4mnqx9djXmNaqpYxTHQWWb42l>.

Public Involvement

Facebook –

1. Work Program, certification review and more for review/comment. — NCTCOG Transportation Department



Stop shoving toll roads down our throat. — Mark Liberto

Why do we need another government layer? Dissolve yourself. — Beeper Goode

I go to the meetings, but you all never listen. You are just there to raise our taxes and keep your jobs. — David Martinez

Freight

Facebook –

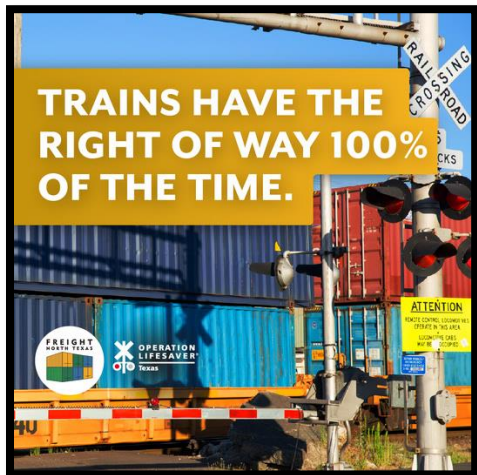
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MLWICKS.COM — El Rosario Bahia Pelicano

[Safety for Sarah](#) — Kevin Morris

2. Did you know that trains have the right of way 100% of the time? It is a fact! freightntx.org — NCTCOG Transportation Department



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3. Remember, trucks can't stop on a dime, big rigs need more time. freightntx.org — NCTCOG Transportation Department



— Brandy Bennett Parsons

4. Recuerda que las vías del tren no son para caminar, puedes esperar que el tren pase por cualquier riel a cualquier hora. **Translation:** Remember train tracks are not for walking, you can expect the train to pass through any rail at any time. freightntx.org — NCTCOG Transportation Department



¡A cabrón! ¿Monorriel, o qué? **Translation:** Oh crap! Monorail, or what? — Jonas Leon

5. Remember, if you can't see their mirrors, they can't see you. freightntx.org — NCTCOG Transportation Department



BE SAFE!!! — Lorenzo Garcia

OJO OJO OJO!!!! **Translation:** Pay attention! — Lorenzo Garcia

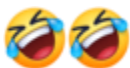
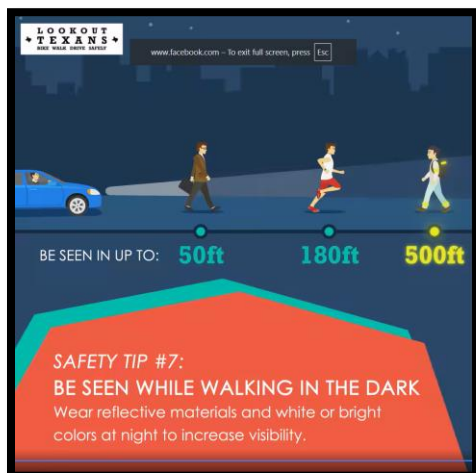
True. — Chachi Wexler

Safety

Facebook –

1. **Look Out Texans** Learn your rights and responsibilities when walking, biking or driving. Together, we can make our streets safer for everyone! — NCTCOG Transportation Department
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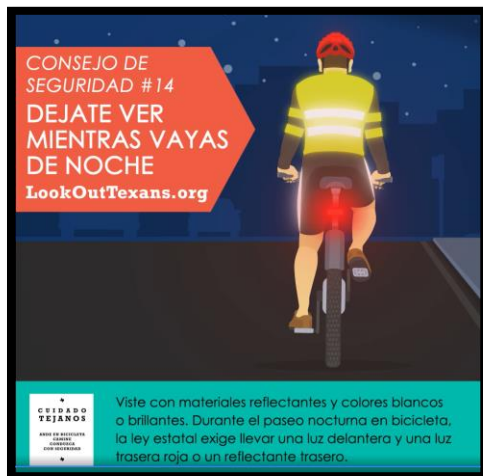
— Sambo Black Shep

Doing away with the vehicle safety inspections is really helping to make the streets and highways safer! — Jere Tucker

2. **Look Out Texans** Conoce tus derechos y responsabilidades al caminar, andar en bicicleta o conducir. ¡Juntos podemos hacer nuestras calles más seguras para todos! **Translation:** Know your rights and responsibilities when walking, biking, or driving. Together we can make our streets safer for everyone! — NCTCOG Transportation Department

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Q raro q Trump si sabe lo q significa eso, pero no sabe lo dice la constitución. **Translation:** It's strange that Trump knows what that means but doesn't know what's in the Constitution. — Ray Alcocer

El problema ahí es el combustible ahí es donde hay fuego y acaba con las personas.

Translation: The problem there is fuel; it's the actual cause of fires, and it devastates people. — Dario Sibrian

Si. No manejar de noche. Hay muchos Ciegos manejando de noche los de los carros y los de las bicicletas también. Mejor no salgas de noche. Ese es el derecho. **Translation:** Yes. You shouldn't drive at night. There are many people with low vision when driving and riding bicycles at night. It's safer to avoid going out at night. It's your right. — Salvador Contreras

Usar reflejantes te salva la vida. **Translation:** Using reflectors saves your life. — Armando Granados

Air Quality

Facebook –

1. We invite you to join us for Clean Air Action Day by doing at least one thing to help improve air quality. airnorthtexas.org — NCTCOG Transportation Department



Doing my share for cleaner air. 🌱 — Travis Tee



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Hit the laugh emoji button all you want Cylena, you have no argument. The carcentric wasteland we've been forced into kills thousands and thousands of Americans as it cripples even more permanently and it's completely avoidable. — Cory Pinckard

Cory Pinckard Say what you will but you're just making me want to joyride. — Travis Tee



Travis Tee then you're a slow learner. It's also not an all or nothing proposition, in fact, adequate commuter rail is the most effective method for decongesting roads. No one's trying to take away cars, just the forced need for them. — Cory Pinckard

2. Te invitamos a participar en el Día de Acción por un Aire Limpio haciendo una acción que contribuya a mejorar el aire. **Translation:** We invite you to participate in the Day of Action for Clean Air by doing an action that contributes to improving the air. airnorthtexas.org — NCTCOG Transportation Department



— Cristina Ramirez

Si, amén. **Translation:** Yes, amen. — Ma Isabel Yañez

Promueven la plantación de árboles es lo mejor debería ser una se adquiere casa propia o solar o un terreno dos o tres árboles por lo menos es lo mejor que puede purificar el aire.

Translation: Promoting tree planting is the best thing for you to do. When purchasing a home or lot of land, planting at least two or three trees is the best way to purify the air. — Guadalupe Pizana

¡K Dios bendiga este día de acción del aire no simplemente este día sino todos los días! En el precioso nombre de cristo Jesús Señor nuestro. **Translation:** May God bless this air action day not just this day but every day! In the precious name of Christ Jesus our Lord. — Anita Miranda

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Okay, Queremos respirar juntos un aire limpio y libre de humo, de gases tóxicos, pero como si las personas con mucho dinero 🙌🏻 son los que cambian Nuestro Oxígeno, y lo contaminan con gases tóxicos, aquí en Texas, esas Refinerías que sacan aceite de debajo de la tierra 🌍, Nuestro Aire, huele mal a gas, hay muchos gases tóxicos en el aire, deberían de hacer algo con estas plantas petroleras que contaminan el aire y contaminan la tierra, y son muchas, no solo es una. **Translation:** Okay, all of us here want to breathe clean air that is free of smoke and toxic gases, but it seems like the wealthy people are the ones changing our oxygen and polluting it with toxic gases here in Texas, with those refineries that extract oil from deep underground. Our air smells bad, like gas. There are many toxic gases in the air. They should do something about these petroleum plants that pollute the air and contaminate the land. There are many of them, not just one. — Rosie Hernandez

5. Ozone Action Day – Ozone in the DFW area Saturday, May 31, is predicted to be at Level Orange, unhealthy for sensitive groups. Children, older adults and people with a lung disease, such as asthma, emphysema, or chronic bronchitis, should limit outdoor activity. Current ozone information: <https://bit.ly/3nnYsoh>. Consider a clean air choice: <https://bit.ly/3LO3UKs> — NCTCOG Transportation Department



"Unhealthy for sensitive groups" = unhealthy for everybody. — Mark Metcalf

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1. It's Clean Air Action Day in DFW today! Share what you'll be doing whether it's working remotely, carpooling, riding your bike or using energy efficient items at home:

<https://airnorthtexas.org/take-action/cleanairactionday...> and be sure to tag @NCTCOGtrans or use #CAAD2025 to share your participation! — Clay Lewis Jenkins



Clean Air Day? Teach your interns to learn history. They didn't even tweet about D-Day. You continue to show that you really don't care about residents or history. #DoBetter — DallasCountyTx. (@Mookiegarza)

Mowing my lawn multiple times. Cranking the AC down to 64. Driving everywhere. — Cynic1234 (@cdsheetr)

I'm definitely teaching an armadillo to skateboard, that'll help. — optigrabsales (@optigrabsales)

Republicans don't care about clean air or clean drinking water etc. They don't care about children or their future.... — TJ Hill (@TJHILLnD)



It's now up to states to decide how to handle clean water and air... Not the federal govt. That puts it more in the citizens' hands than bureaucrats. But I know you're totally dependent on govt agencies taking care of you. — DallasCountyTx. (@Mookiegarza)

High-Speed Transportation

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1. I think there's more ballgame to play out before we call the Heartland Flyer doomed. Glad to see @NCTCOGtrans taking an active role on this. <https://t.co/BryERHNAd2> – RAIL Magazine



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1. We're excited to welcome Ellis County Judge Todd Little as he steps into his role as NCTCOG's new executive director. Appointed by the Executive Board, Judge Little succeeds Mike Eastland, who is retiring after over 30 years of service. Judge Little brings years of experience in public service and has held positions on our Executive and Workforce Development boards. We look forward to this new chapter under his leadership! Read more: <https://lnkd.in/g/pE7TY3> – NCTCOG Transportation



Congrats! 🎉 – Roger Jeffries

Congrats! – David Dryden