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 updated on Oct. 9, 2025.

This document is a compilation of general public comments submitted from Saturday, Sept. 20 through Sunday, Oct. 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 were in the majority.

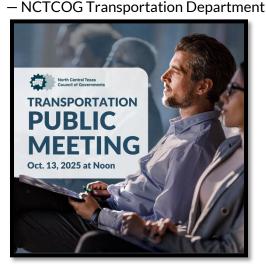
Additionally, comments can be submitted through Map Your Experience, the Transportation Department's online mapping tool. This tool allows users to drop a pin on a location in the region and leave a detailed comment. The tool received 0 new comments related to bicycle and pedestrian, roadways and transit 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.

Public Involvement

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1. Rail crossing improvements & more for review/comment. www.publicinput.com/nctcogOct25



Yes, let's do hear more about the conflicts of interest with DCTA and Lewisville since DCTA's board chairman is also the Mayor of Lewisville, a city which is providing them funds. — Bonni Crisfulli

No more public transportation! Ever again! Get with technology and wake up! Uber share is doing it right now and every individual whether they're in the lower income or in need of assistance should be able to use Uber share. Uber share needs to allow each individual to give the rating to the driver as well as the opportunity to give the driver a tip otherwise Uber share will not work! — Stephen Chacko

Doesn't seem like uber share could handle mass transportation. I guess at this point, even low income have debit cards, maybe? Is the tipping to make up for lower driver pay by having those who can afford to tip, tip more to make up for those who can't? — Japheth Pace

Would be more open if public transportation was accessible in Arlington and Mesquite. But then I have a DART Yearly Pass for places I like to go. Even if raising the rates is planned, it is still a bargain. — Charles George

Those cities chose not to be a DART member city. — C.J. Mashburn

They also do not have Public Transportation. I use DART but also the TRE to go places. Arlington could have supported TRE. — C.J. Mashburn

So, another consideration should be that all EVs can use toll roads free of charge. — Jim Duncan

INSTALL THESE, EVERYWHERE. Get on bicycles and ride! — Brian Spencer



No. Bicycles belong on sidewalks, not on the road. — C.J. Mashburn

That's no less than ignorant. Bicycles are legal vehicles on the road according to the Texas Vehicle Code, have been since the 1980's. Last century. — Brian Spencer

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Air Quality

Facebook -

1. Don't get scammed. Online vehicle inspections are illegal. There is no "All Pass!" www.NTxCarCare.org— NCTCOG Transportation Department



Inspections should all be illegal. — Jim Hamilton

We no longer need an inspection in Texas. — Kerry McCaughey

Unless you live in the big cities. — Tracy Conine

And that's just for emissions system, not tires, wiper blades, lights etc. — Kerry McCaughey

Tail pipe counties still have to. — Jim Hamilton

Yeah, it's a Federal mandate because of EPA, not a state requirement. Plus, there's a way of monitoring emissions from the side of the highway so actual testing using the OBD-II really isn't needed. — Bob Nester

Inspections aren't required in Texas anymore. — Eddie Akin

Just emission test in major counties. — Noah Hill

Yeah, but they still take your money out anyway for it so to me that's theft it was a big old gimmick in the first place. — Jimmy Jones

It depends where you live. — Judy Scott

I just got one on my car. — Johnny Coronado

Vehicle inspections at all should be illegal, I will never live in a state that has them. — Ray Dull

2. Que no te estafen. La inspección vehicular en línea es ilegal. ¡No existen las de "TODO PASA!" **Translation**: Don't get scammed. Online vehicle inspection is illegal. There are no "ALL PASS!" — NCTCOG Transportation Department



Por eso carro viejito bien afinado sin tanto sensor para pasar la inspección y sin la preocupación de pagos y aseguranza full cover para un carro salvage bien cara para nomas estar comiendo tacos del jack y maruchan como el batman. **Translation**: That's why a well-tuned old car without so many sensors to pass the inspection and without the worry of payments and full cover insurance for a very expensive salvage car to just be eating tacos from the jack and maruchan like the batman. — Eduardo Lopez

Eso es ilegal y no te valen, al menos en Weatherford no la valen. **Translation**: That's illegal and they're not worth it, at least in Weatherford they're not. — Pedro Rodriguez

Puras estafas. **Translation**: Pure scams. — Sergio Hernandez

Información por favor. **Translation**: Information please. — Marco Antonio Rocha

Tu mama también pasa. **Translation**: Your mom passes, too. — Jorge Ortiz

Jorge Ortiz hahahaah y su abuela también **Translation**: Hahahaah and her grandmother, too. — Juan F Portillo

Muy cierto, es ilegal pero esta gente pendeja hasta se anuncia en Facebook. **Translation**: Very true, it is illegal, but these stupid people even advertise on Facebook. — Joaquin Carreno

Instagram -

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Since the first of the year most vehicles in the state of Texas don't have the safety inspection. The emissions test is different because it is required in certain counties on all gasoline powered vehicles. — David Ray Shelton (@sheltondavidray)

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It's not illegal unless you get caught. — Don juan (@4don7juan)

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1. Big Day For Our Team! We officially launched the beta version of the HAQ app at the City of Dallas + NCTCOG Transportation Air Quality Summit—and the response was overwhelmingly positive. Special team-spirit award goes to Keith Thode, our amazing app builder, who even showed up in HAQ colors for the debut! HAQ is designed to be a game changer at the intersection of Climate + Health + Equity. It uniquely integrates real-time heat and air quality data with community resources, municipal services, and tailored health messaging—all in one smart platform. Explore the app here on Apple Store https://lnkd.in/ewp-vHMU. We're ready to grow and expand HAQ for greater impact. Our interdisciplinary team—Anusha Govind, Sheila

Modi, Marsha Prior, Ph.D. and Keith Thode—would love to connect with partners and sponsors to help strengthen and scale this work. \rightarrow Have a great idea? Want to collaborate? Let's connect. We're just getting started. — Rose Jones, Ph.D.

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BlueSky -

1. October is the season for gathering with friends and family, exploring the outdoors, and soaking up all the autumn traditions. Read how you can embrace fall traditions while being mindful of the environment in our latest post on Clean Air Corner: www.airnorthtexas.org/aq-resources...
Suburbanista shared our post, adding: Some amazing, festive options for North Texans from all over to drive to! Carpooling is a great idea. A family of four shouldn't need more than two cars. You can also help the environment by turning down the music on your 100 mile trip to the pumpkin patch, saving a few watt-hours for our Earth! — Suburbanista (@suburbanista@bsky.social)



Alternative Fuel Vehicles

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1. We're still buzzing from our Ride & Drive event in Denton, Texas, part of the annual Arts & Autos Festival! With over 100 EV test drives, the day was filled with community, culture, and clean transportation. Set against the historic Denton Town Square, about 40 miles outside of Dallas, the event highlighted Denton's vibrant mix of families, businesses, and its role as a college town with two local universities, all within a thriving arts scene. We were proud to team up with the **Texas EV** and **NCTCOG Transportation** to showcase the latest electric vehicles and give residents a chance to get behind the wheel of the future!

— Charge Across Town

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Safety

1. Speeding is the #1 factor in serious injury and fatality crashes in DFW. Life has no reset buttons. Drive safe, not fast. www.DriveAwareNTX.org



How to track untuned CB radio knocking. How long do I gotta knock for? Is my 5-channel able to be located? Snapshots went in. Beeps. Has power indicated braking orientation(s). — Jo Limo

Apparently, the LEFT doesn't have a reset button either. — Rick Robbins

Transit

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1. Smart City Mobility Company is pleased to share our #Vision34Corridor White Paper and outline, focusing on the restoration of #Masstransit in the Arlington Entertainment District. Our goal is to reconnect the 9th and 11th largest American cities with the heart of the Metroplex and The University of Texas at Arlington, paving the way for innovation and a brighter future. The discussion surrounding High-Speed Rail serves as a productive avenue for engaging our neighbors about the return of transit to Arlington. We propose shifting the focus less than 1 mile south along a 6-lane, 140 ft wide existing right of way, which was developed alongside and on top of the Interurban Electric Railway that operated from July 2, 1902, until December 24, 1934. It is known locally as #Texas180. #Lancaster #Division and #Jeffersonblvd. This initiative is informed by the

blueprint of DART (Dallas Area Rapid Transit) #TrinityMetro, which is supported by \$70 billion in NCTCOG Transportation dollars outlined in the 2050 plan released in June. Transit is returning to McKinney and expanding to Midlothian, Mansfield Waxahachie, and City of Frisco and Dallas Cowboys. However, the city with the most to gain is hesitant to engage in a conversation about moving away from a car-centric focus. A staggering 65% of Visitors polled over the last 15 years cite parking and time as the primary reasons for their reluctance to return to this entertainment district. Students at UTA face an average of 15-20 minutes each day competing for 16,500 parking spaces among 45,000 students and 5,000 faculty. This results in millions of hours annually that could be spent studying or engaging with the community. The costs associated with parking, including tickets, accidents, and overall stress, are significant and entirely fixable. The VISION 34 CORRIDOR is a patent-pending project that offers an innovative solution to the transit challenges facing this Metroplex. I encourage everyone to read and comment. This is about having a conversation about real solutions. As the Founder of Smart City Texas, and the Smart City Mobility Company I believe the Vision 34 Corridor is that solution. Have a blessed day! #Smartcitymobilitytx #Smartcitytexas #Vision34Corridor #Mobility #Masstransit #Connection #future #intelligent #Infrastructure #autonomy — James Gyurkovic Jr. To view attachments on this post, visit:

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High-Speed Rail

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RTC

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1. The October Regional Transportation Council Meeting will be held tomorrow at 1 pm. Find this month's agenda at the link in our comments below. Find the agenda here: https://nctcog.org/.../regional-transportation-council — NCTCOG Transportation Department



For goodness's sake, don't let that DCTA Chairman/ Lewisville Mayor take over the entire discussion, as he has caused enough damage in Denton County transportation already with his conflicts of interest. — Bonni Crisfulli

2. NCTCOG Transportation Department shared Fort Worth Report's post: "In June, a long-range regional transportation plan outlining \$217.3 billion in needs for North Texas road, rail and air quality improvements through 2050 was approved by the Regional Transportation Council, an independent policy group of the council of governments that has local leaders on its board." Read more: — NCTCOG Transportation Department

Original post: Drive time: Billions in road projects aim to ease Fort Worth's traffic congestion <a href="https://fortworthreport.org/2025/09/28/drive-time-billions-in-road-projects-aim-to-ease-fort-worths-traffic-congestion/?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=organic-social_prot Worth Report

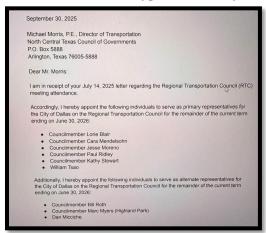


Adding more and more concrete is the literal definition of insanity. Doing the same thing over and over expecting a different result. It's great to see plans for alternatives, but skeptical that it really gets done. The politically charged, anti-transit sentiment being led by elected leaders in Collin County, specifically, is cause for concern with a plan like this. — Dan Phillips

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1. Appointments to Regional Transportation Council (RTC) & Dallas Regional Mobility Coalition (DRMC). The Mayor isn't playing games - he attached the 12 month attendance sheet to his RTC memo. Congrats to my colleagues - let's continue to show up and help @CityOfDallas advance. @NCTCOGtrans @Johnson4Dallas — Cara Mendelsohn (@caraathome)





Has there been pretty good attendance for this important council from previous @CityOfDallas appointments? — JohnyBot (@Johnyalamo)

I'm surprised that your crony, Mr. Ice Cream, from Lewisville wasn't on that nomination list, especially since he has weaseled his way onto every other transportation board in town without being qualified in an attempt to hoard all the power. — Bonni M. Crisfulli (@BonniCrisfulli)

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1. Hook 'Em, Y'all! **NCTCOG Transportation** had a great time last week connecting with students at **The University of Texas at Austin - College of Liberal Arts** career fair! If you're interested in learning more about our internship opportunities or full-time positions, visit nctcog.org/careers. — Carli K. Baylor, MJ



2. Lumberjacks make great transportation planners! ▲ If you're a student at **Stephen F. Austin State University**, swing by the All Majors Career Fair today from 1-4 PM at the student center. Come chat with **NCTCOG Transportation** staff — we can't wait to meet you and talk about career opportunities in regional planning! **#CareerFair #Transportation #SFA #Lumberjacks #NCTCOG** — Carli K. Baylor, MJ

