

A 21st-Century Vision for Better Infrastructure

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Our troubled major highways

- Chronic congestion on the freeways
- Ongoing problem of deferred maintenance
- Large backlog of unfunded major projects
- Project costs exceeding benefits
- Declining and unpopular fuel taxes



What are the underlying causes?

Symptom Cause Congestion Lack of pricing Deferred maint. Cheap design, low political priority Backlog Little long-term financing Boondoggles Politics vs. economics Funding battles Fuel tax seen as just a *tax*



A better system would:

- 1. Use pricing to manage traffic.
- 2. Charge customers for what they use.
- 3. Select projects with B>C, positive ROI.
- 4. Minimize *life-cycle* costs, not initial cost.
- 5. Finance major projects via revenue bonds.



What has just been described?

Public utilities such as: Electricity Telephones Natural gas Cable/satellite Water supply



How are highways different from the other utilities?

All the others are *businesses*.

- Customers pay the business *directly*, based on how much they use.
- Pricing depends on services chosen.
- Major projects financed, based on customer revenue streams.
- Projects show positive ROI, or won't get financed.
- Proper maintenance essential, or customers complain, go elsewhere, etc.



Major highways as businesses?

- Could be companies, toll agencies, or nonprofit user co-ops.
- Charge per mile driven.
- Add capacity when/where needed.
- Decide projects based on ROI, not politics.
- Treat people as customers, not "users".



This is not a pipedream:

- Private turnpikes were common in 18th century Britain and 19th century USA.
- Investor-owned toll highways common today in France, Italy, Spain, Portugal.
- Investor-owned expressways in Brisbane, Melbourne, & Sydney—and Santiago, Sao Paulo, Mexico City
- Investor-owned toll bridges in Canada, U.K.



U.S. is a late-mover, but has begun using long-term toll concessions

- Beltway and I-95 express lanes near DC
 LBJ (I-635) express lanes in Dallas
 Indiana Toll Road & Chicago Skyway
 PR 22 in San Juan
- I-595 express lanes in Ft. Lauderdale and I-4 under way in Orlando
- \$36 billion worth of projects financed thus far.

These are public-private partnerships (P3s), not "privatization"

- Single team to design, build, finance, operate, and maintain: 35 to 70 years.
- Similar to electric utility franchises.
- Financed by debt and equity.
- Long-term agreement details performance requirements, penalties.
- Guaranteed long-term maintenance.
- Good fit for mega-projects.





Economic vs. political incentives

- Weeds out projects with B<C, poor ROI.</p>
- As long-term "owner," company designs project to minimize *life-cycle* cost.
- Customer/provider relationship makes design customerfriendly.
- Tolling/charging policy negotiated in advance.
- Termination and handback provisions protect the state and customers.



P3 megaprojects shield taxpayers from significant risks

- Cost overruns & change orders
- Late completion
- Inadequate traffic & revenue
- Deferred maintenance
- No bailouts in event of bankruptcy



Where does the money come from for highway P3 mega-projects?

- U.S. and global infrastructure investment funds
- U.S. and overseas pension funds (incl. Texas ERS)
- U.S. and global debt markets
- Tolls as the revenue stream

The problem is not enough good projects, *not* a shortage of funds!



How to begin the transition

- Build on need to change from per-gallon to per-mile funding.
- Make the new MBUFs true user fees, paid to the highway provider.
- Start per-mile charging with Interstates, as easiest to transition.
- Introduce charging based on need to finance Interstate reconstruction.



Trump infrastructure proposal could help

- Incentives for states to use long-term P3s.
- Remove federal ban on Interstate tolling.
- End federal ban on commercial rest areas on Interstates.
- Expanded tax-exempt financing for P3s.
- Environmental streamlining for major projects.



Why highway utilities may happen (1)

Three major problems:

- Looming insolvency of federal government
- Dire fiscal problems of state governments, especially unfunded pension systems
- Fading of per-gallon fuel taxes as main highway funding source.
- Stein's Law: "If something cannot go on forever, it will stop."



Why highway utilities may happen (2)

Three new factors:

- The growing worldwide and US track of long-term P3 highway projects
- The growth of global infrastructure equity investment funds
- The need and desire of US pension funds to add infrastructure to their portfolios.



But maybe not in Texas

- Moratorium on new P3 highway projects
- Ban on state funds in new tolled projects
- Planned express toll lane networks may not be possible.
- Billions in private capital would go elsewhere.



Texas populists' self-contradiction

- Claim to speak for the grass roots.
- But push for top-down ban on local decision-making.
- Ideally: repeal bans on tolling and P3s.
- ¹ 2nd best: let MPOs use tolls and P3s if demonstrated local support.



Conclusions

- Major highways are failing, due to constraints of politicized decision-making.
- Major highways should be reconfigured as network utilities, paid directly by customers.
- Key ingredients are there:
 - Per-mile, all-electronic tolling
 - The long-term P3 model
 - Companies with impressive track records
 - **Willing investors**
- What's needed is to put the ingredients together and gain political support.



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Appendix

Coming technology challenges:

- Electric vehicles
- Connected vehicles
- Autonomous vehicles
- Shared mobility (MaaS)

How will these affect highways?



Electric vehicles

Large numbers are far off, unless continued subsidies.

- Will further decrease fuel-tax revenues.
- Will hasten the transition from pergallon taxes to per-mile charges.
- Zero-emissions may reduce environmental opposition to highway investment.



Connected vehicles

- CACC increases vehicle throughput if large numbers equipped.
- This could reduce widening need for urban expressways, ceteris paribus.
- Does not reduce need for express toll lanes, if congestion remains.
- Increases case for dedicated truck lanes on long-distance Interstates (platooning).



Autonomous vehicles

- Level 5 unlikely until 2035; majority of fleet by 2050.
- Total VMT projected at 5 trillion by 2050 (from 3T today) due to elderly, youth, disabled becoming mobile. (KPMG)
- Growing AV consensus is more VMT due to AVs, not less.



Shared mobility (MaaS)

- OECD Lisbon studies assume ban on personal vehicles and "equivalent personal mobility" in shared, on-demand vehicles.
- Americans likely unwilling to give up personal vehicles.
- Numerous trip purposes difficult with shared rides, e.g.:
 - Trip chaining during commute
 - Taking sick child to doctor
 - Shopping trips

Auto Occupancy Detection Technology and HOV Rewards Program

Regional Transportation Council October 11, 2018

Natalie Bettger



Project History

2012 – NCTCOG: Regional Transportation Council instructed staff to replace manual enforcement with more advanced technology verification equipment

2012 – NCTCOG: Technology Approaches to HOV Occupancy Declaration and Verification, Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI) Request for Information (RFI) for IH 30 Managed Lane Technology Occupancy detection and verification - Dynamic tracking of vehicles

2013 – NCTCOG: Reissue RFI with demonstration component

2014 – NCTCOG: TTI Update to White Paper and Proof of Concept Testing of In-Vehicle Technology

2014 – TxDOT/P3: Drive on TEXPRESS application

2015 – TxDOT Lead/NCTCOG Partner: Request for Offer - Automated Vehicle Occupancy Detection Solution

2016 – NCTCOG Lead/TxDOT Partner: TxDOT Requested NCTCOG to Take the Lead Request for Proposals - Auto Occupancy Detection and Verification Technology

Activities Implementing New Technology

July 2017

Issued Notice to Proceed with Carma Technology Corporation

August – December 2017

Pilot Test on DFW Connector Corridor

- 98.4% exact match in reported occupancy
- 1.6% indicates an "over count"

January – March 2018

Shared pilot results and worked with partners on back office integration

March – June 2018

Developed draft violation process and continued to work with partners on back office integration

July 2018

Met with TxDOT management on statewide interest

August 2018

Discussed rewards approach with partners

September 2018

RTC Workshop: Approach endorsed by Bill Hale, TxDOT Chief Engineer and several RTC members

HOV Rewards Program



Direct Cost Comparison

Estimated Direct Costs with Existing System (10 Years)	
Manual Enforcement	\$15,245,452
Enhancement to TEXPress Application	\$5,927,285
Marketing and Education	\$2,000,000
Total	\$23,172,737
Expected Total Cost for New System (10 years)	
New Technology Operating and Marketing Cost	\$20,000,000

*Does not include indirect benefits such as safety, traffic flow, and legal savings.

Indirect Benefits

Automated Vehicle Occupancy Verification









Privacy Protection



Expandability



Easy to Use



Return on Investment



Air Quality/Congestion Benefits



Continue Monitoring through Implementation Process



CARMA Agreement – Data Provisions

Three Documents Govern Data Collection, Use, Storage, and Security

Software as a Service Agreement (NCTCOG/CARMA)

Turnkey System provided by CARMA (includes maintenance and support) NCTCOG has non-exclusive license CARMA owns End-User Data (with NCTCOG restrictions) CARMA may not provide data to third party without express NCTCOG approval

App Terms of Service (CARMA)

Details collection, use, storage, security, and disclosure of information

Data Protection and Access Policy (CARMA)

Details data security procedures

Action Requested

- 1. RTC approval to pursue occupancy verification technology and pilot testing.
- RTC approval of \$5,000,000 to fill the funding gap for three (3) years of implementation cost (FY19, 20, and 21). Bring back future year requests for FY22 and beyond.
- 3. Evaluate feasibility and cost savings of another incentive-based program that considers:
 - Data Security
 - US 75 Implementation
 - Rewards Program/Accounting System
 - Communications Plan
 - Institutional/Legislative Items
 - Existing Enforcement
 - Technology Pilot
 - TxDOT Funding in Non-Concession Corridors

There are no completion schedules for these activities.

4. Direct staff to administratively amend the TIP and other funding, planning, and administrative documents to reflect this action.
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IMPLEMENTATION OF REGIONAL VELOWEB TRAIL CORRIDORS

Last-Mile Connections to Transit















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Highlighted Regional Trail Corridors



Background

Fort Worth to Dallas Regional Trail

- Five Mayors meet in 2013 and commit to implement the 64-mile Regional Veloweb alignment (24.5 miles need funding)
- 18.5 miles of trail with funding commitments (variety of sources have been identified)
- Funding request today of RTC for final 3.1 miles to complete a continuous 53-mile southern alignment connecting the five cities
 - 1.4 miles from CentrePort TRE Station to Grand Prairie city limits
 - 1.7 miles from Fort Worth city limits to Mike Lewis Trail

Cotton Belt Regional Trail

- Cotton Belt rail corridor will environmentally clear the trail
- Funding requested of RTC for trail:
 - Design (26-mile corridor) and
 - Construction (8.5 miles of "critical" trail sections)



Mayors (from left) Mike Rawlings, Dallas; Robert Cluck, Arlington; Betsy Price, Fort Worth; Ron Jensen, Grand Prairie; and Beth Van Duyne, Irving, met recently to discuss connecting their cities with a regional bicycle-pedestrian trail corridor.

Fort Worth To Dallas Regional Veloweb Trail



Cotton Belt Regional Veloweb Trail Sections



Summary of Proposed Funding for Regional Trail Implementation

Regional Trail Corridor	Total	Federal	Local	TDCs
Fort Worth To Dallas Regional Trail (Fort Worth and Grand Prairie Sections)	\$10.0M	\$9.08M	0.92M	1.08M
Cotton Belt Regional Trail (design for entire 26 mi. corridor)	\$8.20M	\$8.20M	-	1.64M
Cotton Belt Regional Trail (construction of "critical" sections)	\$21.27M	\$19.46M	\$1.81M	2.44M
Cotton Belt Trail Total	\$29.47M	\$27.66M	\$1.81M	4.08M
Combined Total Both Corridors	\$39.47M	\$36.74M	\$2.73M	5.16M

Schedule for Funding Request

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	Date
BPAC Briefing	8/15/18
STTC Information Item	8/24/18
Public Meetings	Early September
RTC Information Item	9/13/18
STTC Action	9/28/18
RTC Action	10/11/18
All Local and State Funding Commitments in Place	December 2018

Requested Action

Action Requested:

- RTC Approval of the \$36.74M and the use of 5.16M TDCs as outlined in slide 6 and Electronic Item 5.1.
- Direct staff to administratively amend the TIP and other funding, planning, administrative documents to reflect this action

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Regional Trail Web Pages

Cotton Belt Regional Trail:nctcog.org/CottonBeltTrailFort Worth to Dallas Regional Trail:nctcog.org/FWtoDALtrail

Automated Vehicle Program 2.0

Regional Transportation Council



Thomas Bamonte October 11, 2018

Program Rationale: Preparing for Change





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5th Avenue, New York City

Project #1: AV Planning

NCTCOG procures planner(s) to assist public entities attracting or facing AV deployments

Planner(s) on retainer

Grant size tied to metric(s)—e.g., population/deployment scale

Total: **<u>Up to</u> \$1.5M**, plus NCTCOG administration (\$200K approx.)

Funding source: Anticipate federal

Project #2: AV Deployment Cost Coverage

Cover costs associated with public entity hosting an AV deployment

Grants payable upon actual AV deployment

Total: **<u>Up to</u> \$10M**, plus NCTCOG administration (\$600K approx.)

Funding source: TBD

Project #3: Regional Priority AV Planning Deployments

Fund AV deployments for use cases not served by AV developers

Competitive project selection

Total: **<u>Up to</u> \$20M**, plus NCTCOG administration (\$900K approx.)

Funding source: Anticipate federal

Voluntary Program: Process

- 1. Public entities express interest in hosting AV deployments.
- 2. Respondents eligible for grants.
- 3. Advance paperwork done to help ensure greatest possible cost coverage.
- 4. Public entities can join AV 2.0 Program at any time.

Associated Policies: P18-01

- 1. North Texas will build on its history of transportation innovation to be a leader in the deployment of automated vehicles (AVs) to help achieve the region's mobility goals.
- 2. All North Texas communities should have the resources necessary to plan for AV deployments and to build effective partnerships with AV developers when they deploy AVs in a community.
- 3. The region will make strategic investments in AV services to explore use cases and AV deployments in communities overlooked by AV developers.
- 4. The AV 2.0 Program will be administered to advance these policies.

Schedule				
STTC Briefing	August 2018			
Public Meetings	September 2018			
RTC Briefing	September 2018			
STTC Action	September 2018			
RTC Action	October 2018			
TIP Process Complete	April 2019			
Funding Available	Late 2019			

Requested Actions

1. Approve Automated Vehicle Program 2.0 and associated policies (P18-10).

2. Authorize staff to administratively amend the TIP and other funding, planning, and administrative documents to reflect this action.

Thomas J. Bamonte @TomBamonte tbamonte@nctcog.org 469-600-0524 Status Report on Positive Train Control Implementation in North Central Texas

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Background

- Positive Train Control (PTC): complex communications technology designed to make rail safer by preventing collisions and other incidents by automatically detecting and controlling the movement of trains.
- October 16, 2008: Congress passed the Rail Safety Improvement Act of 2008 requiring the installation of PTC technology on a majority of the US Railroad network, including all commuter rail, by December 31, 2018, or apply for an Alternative Schedule by that date.
- Fiscal Year 2014: Regional Transportation Council Provided \$25 Million for PTC
 - \$12.5 Million to Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) for the Trinity Railway Express (TRE)
 - \$12.5 to Denton County Transportation Authority (DCTA) for the A-Train
- Limited Contractors: Delays in installation resulting from a limited number of contractors with the expertise to install PTC.

Implementation Status of Commuter Rail in North Central Texas*

Commuter Line	Total Hardware Installed	Onboard (Trains) Hardware Installed	Wayside (Signals) Hardware Installed	All Spectrum Acquired?	Sufficient RSD Initiated?	Employees Trained	On Track to Meet Deadline**?	Status
DCTA's A-train	100%	11/11	121/121	N/A	No	20/50	RSD Request Submitted	\checkmark
TRE ¹	52%-100%	6/3 4-17/17	30/35 38/38	Yes	No	0/80 6/80 ²	No request Submitted Yet Substitute Criteria Request Submitted	? √
Coming Soo	n							
TEXRail Expected to be Operational 2019 Will Meet Criteria for Alternative Schedule							\checkmark	
Cotton Belt Expected to be Operational 2022 All Required Technology to be included in RFP						\checkmark		
*Source: Federal Railroad Administration as of June 30, 2018 **Deadline to Meet Criteria for Alternative Schedule ¹ TRE data is current as of October 5, 2018 ² Adequate staff will be trained to support RSD by October 30, 2018								

RSD - Revenue Service Demonstration

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Implementation Status of Commuter Rail in North Central Texas (TRE Update)

- ► FRA Deadline December 31, 2018
- Alternate Schedule
 - Installation of All Hardware Components (100% Completed)
 - Installation of All Communication (October 31, 2018)
 - Installation of Back Office System (October 31, 2018)
 - Adequate staff trained to support Revenue Service Demonstration (RSD) (October 31, 2018)
 - In RSD on at least one segment <u>OR</u> met any other criteria established by the FRA, "<u>Substitute Criteria</u>"

Implementation Status of Commuter Rail in North Central Texas (TRE Update)

- Activities to be Completed to Comply with Substitute Criteria
 - Critical Feature Validation & Verification
 - Brake Testing
 - Lab Integration Nearest Neighbor
 - WIU Validation & Verification
 - Lab Integration End to End (Cycle 1)
 - Commencement of Field Integration Testing

Aug 30, 2018 - Sep 2, 2018 Sep 03, 2018 - Sep 30, 2018 Oct 01, 2018 - Oct 30, 2018 Sep 14, 2018 - Nov 13, 2018 Oct 11, 2018 - Nov 15, 2018 Nov 15, 2018

Implementation Status of Commuter Rail in North Central Texas (TRE Update)

- Obtain Alternate Schedule
 - ► Meeting with FRA
 - Develop Alternate Schedule Application
 - Formal Submission of Alternate Schedule
 - FRA Review of Alternate Schedule
 - ► FRA Approval of Alternate Schedule

Oct 15, 2018 - Oct 19, 2018 Oct 22, 2018 - Oct 29, 2018 Nov 15, 2018 Nov 16, 2018 - Dec 21, 2018 Dec 26, 2018 - Dec 28, 2018

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Performance Measures Target Setting

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Regional Performance Planning

- Incorporate Required Federal Performance Measures
- Support TxDOT Targets as Appropriate
- Identify Additional Performance Measures to Support Mobility 2045 and 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Plan



Federal Measures Target Status

Complete	Rulemaking	Number of Measures	MPO Target Setting Deadline	Reporting Period	Reporting Schedule
	Transit Asset Management	4	12/27/2017	Annually	Annually
	Safety Performance	5	2/27/2018	Annually	Annually
	Pavement and Bridge	6	11/15/2018	Four-Year Performance Periods	Biennially
	System Performance	6	11/15/2018	Four-Year Performance Periods	Biennially

Federal Performance Measures

Pavement and Bridge

Interstate Pavement – Good

Interstate Pavement – Poor

Non-Interstate Pavement – Good

Non-Interstate Pavement – Poor

Bridge Condition – Good

Bridge Condition – Poor

System Performance

Interstate Reliability

Non-Interstate NHS Reliability

Truck Travel Time Reliability Index

Peak Hour Excessive Delay

Percent Non-SOV Mode Share

On-Road Mobile Source Emissions Reduction

Nitrogen Oxide (NOx)

Volatile Organic Compound (VOC)



National Highway System Within MPA





Proposed RTC Position on Pavement Condition Targets

NCTCOG Supports TxDOT Statewide 2022 "Good Pavement
Condition" Targets for National Highway System Facilities

 NCTCOG Supports TxDOT Statewide 2022 "Poor Pavement Condition" Targets for National Highway System Facilities
Collaboration with TxDOT to Plan and Program Projects Contributing Toward Accomplishment of Pavement Goals will also Include the Following Action: NCTCOG will Work with Local Governments to Focus on Improvement of National Highway System Off-System Arterials in Poor Condition



Roadway Pavement Condition Targets

Roadway Categories	Total Network	2018 Baseline	2022 Target				
STATE of TEXAS							
Good Pavement Condit	ion						
Interstate National Highway System (NHS)	19.19%	66.80%	66.40%				
Non-Interstate National Highway System (NHS)	80.81%	54.40%	52.30%				
Poor Pavement Condition							
Interstate National Highway System (NHS)	19.19%	0.30%	0.30%				
Non-Interstate National Highway System (NHS)	80.81%	13.80%	14.30%				
North Central Texas Region							
Interstates (on-system) ¹	25.90% ²	5.81% ³	7.99% ³				
Non-Interstate Freeway (on-system) ¹	13.40% ²	6.76% ³	8.93% ³				
Toll Roads (off-system)	6.70% ²	8.43% ³	9.32% ³				
Arterials (on-system) ¹	30.30% ²	18.52% ³	18.39% ³				
Arterials (off-system)	23.80% ²	73.66% ³	69.82% ³				

¹ On-system refers to the TxDOT System

² Mobility 2045 Plan – 2018 Baseline Network Lane-Miles

³ Based on 5-year moving average

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Proposed RTC Bridge Condition Targets

NCTCOG Supports TxDOT Statewide 2022 "Good/Poor Condition" Targets for National Highway System Bridges

Collaboration with TxDOT to Plan and Program Projects Contributing Toward Accomplishment of Bridge Goals will also Include the Following Action: NCTCOG will Focus on Expedited Programming to Improve National Highway System Bridges in Poor Condition

State of Texas					
Bridges*	2018 Baseline	2022 Target			
Good Bridge Condition					
All National Highway System Facilities	50.63%	50.42%			
Poor Bridge Condition					
All National Highway System Facilities	0.88%	0.80%			



*Based on total deck area

Proposed RTC System Performance Targets

Performance Measure		Historical Trend	Baseline (2016/2017)	2020 Target	2022 Target	Target Strategy
Interstate Reliability (% Person Miles Travelled)		Improving	77.3%	78.6%	79.5%	
Non-Interstate NHS Reliability (% Person M	Worsening	71.1%	N/A	71.1%	Targets Set to Improve	
Truck Travel Time Reliability Index		Improving	1.74	1.71		1.66
Peak Hour Excessive Delay (Hours per Capita) *		Worsening	15.5	N/A		16.0
Percent Non-SOV Mode Share (% Commuter Trips) *		Improving	19.5%	19.9%	20.2%	Över
On-Road Mobile Source Emissions	NOx (kg/day)	Improving	2,410.80	2,892.96	5,062.68	Trend
Reductions (Cumulative)	VOC (kg/day)	Improving	499.72	599.67	1,079.40	

*Regional Transportation Council and TxDOT Must Agree on a Single Regional Target



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Proposed Regional Transportation Council Future Action

- Agree to Support TxDOT Statewide Targets for National Highway System Pavement and Bridge Conditions with Focus on:
 - The Improvement of Regional National Highway System Off-System Arterial Pavements
 - National Highway System Bridges in Poor Condition
- Adopt Regional Targets For:
 - Interstate Reliability
 - Non-Interstate Reliability
 - Truck Travel Time Reliability Index
 - Peak Hour Excessive Delay
 - Percent Non-SOV Mode Share
 - **Emissions Reductions**



Schedule

July 27	STTC Information Item – Performance Measures and Targets
August 9	RTC Information Item – Performance Measures and Targets
August 24	STTC Workshop – Performance Measures and Targets
September 13	RTC Information Item
September 28	STTC Information Item – Draft Targets
October 8, 15, 18	Public Meetings
October 11	RTC Information Item – Draft Targets
October 26	STTC Action Item - Recommend Approval of Final Targets
November 8	RTC Action Item – Approval of Final Targets
November 15	Target Adoption Deadline



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On-Road Mobile Source Emissions Reductions (NO_x)



	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Observed Annual New Reductions	4,230.22	3,720.74	1,998.06	2,420.93					
Predicted Annual New Reductions					2,410.8	1,446.48	1,446.48	1,084.86	1,084.86

On-Road Mobile Source Emissions Reductions (VOC)



Observed Annual New Reductions

Predicted Annual New Reductions

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Observed Annual New Reductions	883.10	687.64	455.44	642.22					
Predicted Annual New Reductions					499.72	299.83	299.83	239.87	239.87



2018 Public Participation Plan Update

Regional Transportation Council October 11, 2018 Amanda Wilson, AICP



North Central Texas Council of Governments

Public Participation Plan

- Fulfills basic public involvement requirements established by federal law
- Defines public involvement procedures and comment periods
- Outlines communications and outreach strategies for informing the public
- **Describes measures for diversity and inclusiveness**
- **Provides basis for evaluating outreach efforts**

Ways We Involve People

Public meetings, online comment opportunities

Website, email and social media

Publications, newsletters

Community events

Speaking opportunities

Media relations

Advertising





Proposed Revisions

Revised stakeholder list to reflect new federal requirements More efficient public input opportunities Increased emphasis on livestreaming **Updated Language Assistance Plan** Increased weight given to local comments **Refined evaluation measures and reporting** More appealing design and formatting

Schedule

August 9, 2018	RTC Information
August 24, 2018	STTC Information
September 10, 11, 19, 2018	Public meetings
September 10, 2018	Public comment period begins
October 11, 2018	RTC Information
October 24, 2018	Public comment period ends
October 26, 2018	STTC Action
November 8, 2018	RTC Action

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