

AGENDA

**Regional Transportation Council
Thursday, July 9, 2015
North Central Texas Council of Governments**

- 11:30 am Mobility Plan Workshop**
- 1:00 pm Full RTC Business Agenda
(NCTCOG Guest Secured Wireless Connection Password: rangers!)**
- 1:00 – 1:05 1. Approval of June 11, 2015, Minutes**
 Action Possible Action Information Minutes: 5
Presenter: Mark Riley, RTC Chair
Item Summary: Approval of the June 11, 2015, minutes contained in [Reference Item 1](#) will be requested.
Background: N/A
- 1:05 – 1:05 2. Consent Agenda**
 Action Possible Action Information Minutes: 0
- 2.1. 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program Modifications**
Presenter: Christie Gotti, NCTCOG
Item Summary: Regional Transportation Council (RTC) approval of August 2015 revisions to the 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) will be requested.
Background: August 2015 revisions to the 2015-2018 TIP are provided as [Reference Item 2.1](#) for RTC consideration. These modifications have been reviewed for consistency with the Metropolitan Transportation Plan, air quality conformity determination, and financial constraint of the TIP.
- 1:05 – 1:20 3. Orientation to Agenda/Director of Transportation Report**
 Action Possible Action Information Minutes: 15
Presenter: Michael Morris, NCTCOG
1. Recognition of Sheffie Kadane for Service on the Regional Transportation Council (RTC)
 2. SmartWay Affiliate Award Recognition ([Electronic Item 3.1](#))
 3. Award Received for 2014 Progress North Texas ([Electronic Item 3.2](#))
 4. New Member Orientation
 5. Livestreaming of Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Board Meetings, September 1, 2015
 6. Stadler Location Decision: Passenger Rail Vehicle Manufacturer
 7. East/West Equity ([Electronic Item 3.3.1](#) and [Electronic Item 3.3.2](#))
 8. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Update ([Electronic Item 3.4.1](#) and [Electronic Item 3.4.2](#))
 9. Air Quality Funding Opportunities for Vehicles ([Electronic Item 3.5](#))
 10. Workplace Charging Challenge Roadshow Event, July 30 ([Electronic Item 3.6](#))

- 11. 2015 Ozone Season Update ([Electronic Item 3.7](#))
- 12. Clean Air Action Day Results ([Electronic Item 3.8](#))
- 13. June Public Meeting Minutes ([Electronic Item 3.9](#))
- 14. July Public Meeting Notice ([Electronic Item 3.10](#))
- 15. Clean Fleet Policy Fact Sheet ([Electronic Item 3.11](#))
- 16. Transportation and Air Quality Approved Legislation – 84th Texas Legislature ([Electronic Item 3.12](#))
- 17. Federal Transportation Legislation
- 18. Recent Correspondence ([Electronic Item 3.13](#))
- 19. Recent News Articles ([Electronic Item 3.14](#))
- 20. Recent Press Releases ([Electronic Item 3.15](#))
- 21. Transportation Partners Progress Reports

1:20 – 1:30

4. FY2016 and FY2017 Unified Planning Work Program

Action Possible Action Information Minutes: 10

Presenter: Dan Kessler, NCTCOG

Item Summary: Regional Transportation Council (RTC) approval of the FY2016 and FY2017 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) will be requested.

Background: North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) staff, in cooperation with local governments and transportation agencies, has developed the FY2016 and FY2017 UPWP. This document identifies NCTCOG staff work activities to be performed between October 1, 2015, and September 30, 2017. The draft document was submitted to the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for review and comment on June 5, and information was also presented at a public meeting on June 8, 2015, with a copy of the document available on NCTCOG's Web site. The Surface Transportation Technical Committee took action at its June 26, 2015, meeting to recommend approval of the document. The latest draft of the document containing updated funding information is available for your review as [Electronic Item 4.1](#). Copies of the document will also be available at the meeting or by contacting NCTCOG staff. [Electronic Item 4.2](#) contains additional summary information. A draft RTC resolution for action is provided in [Reference Item 4.3](#).

1:30 – 1:40

5. SH 360 Interchange Partnership

Action Possible Action Information Minutes: 10

Presenter: Michael Morris, NCTCOG

Item Summary: SH 360 south of Green Oaks is being constructed as a toll road by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), operated by the North Texas Tollway Authority, and back-stopped by the Regional Transportation Council (RTC). Eight thoroughfare interchanges are being built as part of the project, and staff is requesting the RTC participate as a funding partner. Staff will request a recommendation for approval of an RTC contribution of \$7 million in Regional Toll Revenue funds.

Background: TxDOT received bid options to construct different configurations of the interchanges. The partnership included in [Reference](#)

[Item 5](#) contains revenues from the cities, Tarrant County, and the RTC to build the ultimate intersection cross sections. The partnership will reduce financial risk to the project over time. The RTC share is approximately 25 percent.

1:40 – 1:50 6. Texas Department of Transportation-Related \$30 Million Loan Repayment and Accounting of SH 360 Interchange Partnership

Action Possible Action Information Minutes: 10

Presenter: Christie Gotti, NCTCOG

Item Summary: Staff will seek Regional Transportation Council (RTC) approval of the repayment of the \$30 million contingency loan from the Eastern Subregion to the Western Subregion for improvements on IH 35W. An accounting of the SH 360 Interchange Partnership will also be discussed.

Background: In June 2012, the Council approved a \$30 million contingency loan for the construction of IH 35W in Tarrant County. These funds were taken temporarily from the SH 183/Midtown Express (\$20 million) and Loop 9 (\$10 million) projects. Since that time, the Texas Transportation Commission has awarded \$600 million to the SH 183/Midtown project, which more than repays the \$20 million loan from that corridor. Staff proposes to complete the repayment on the Loop 9 project by funding \$10 million in Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) from the west for eligible projects along the Loop 9 corridor in Dallas County. Staff is proposing that these funding decisions and the proposed CMAQ funding will serve as the repayment of the \$30 million loan to the east. Ramifications of other partnerships, such as the SH 360 Interchange Partnership, will also be discussed. Additional details are provided in [Reference Item 6](#).

1:50 – 2:00 7. Proposed Air Quality and Management/Operations Programs and Projects: Response to New Air Quality Conformity Initiatives

Action Possible Action Information Minutes: 10

Presenter: Christie Gotti, NCTCOG

Item Summary: Staff will brief the Council on the latest efforts to extend existing and develop new Regional Transportation Council (RTC) Air Quality and Management/Operations projects and programs.

Background: As development of the 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) begins, staff is reviewing the RTC's ongoing Air Quality and Management/Operations programs and projects. A determination is needed regarding which projects should be continued, which ones can be discontinued, and any new programs/projects of this nature that should be considered for inclusion in the new TIP. To this end, North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) staff has evaluated the list of existing management and operations, NCTCOG-implemented, and regional/air quality programs, and is recommending the extension of many of these programs into the FY2016-FY2018 timeframe. [Reference Item 7.1](#) contains a recommended project list for consideration. At the meeting, staff

will brief the Council on a proposed partnership involving Denton County Regional Toll Revenue and Proposition 1 funds that will provide an additional funding source for these projects. Opportunities for the county will be discussed. Additionally, early RTC action will be requested for the continuation of the Air Quality Marketing and Education Program through FY2016 as current funding will be expended before the end of the current year. Details regarding this effort are available in [Electronic Item 7.2](#). All other projects are slated for approval next month.

2:00 – 2:10

8. **Mobility 2040**

Action Possible Action Information Minutes: 10

Presenter: Dan Lamers, NCTCOG

Item Summary: Work continues on the region's next long-range transportation plan. Staff will provide a briefing on the outcomes of the Mobility Plan Workshop which will be held prior to the RTC meeting.

Background: One of the primary responsibilities of the Metropolitan Planning Organization is the development and maintenance of a metropolitan transportation plan (MTP). The last comprehensive update of the MTP occurred in 2011 with the adoption of Mobility 2035. Since then, Mobility 2035 has gone through two revisions, an update in 2013, and an amendment in 2014. Staff has initiated the development of a new MTP, Mobility 2040. This plan will reassess existing recommendations and include new demographics, financial forecasts, and planning initiatives. Development is ongoing and draft recommendations are expected later this year. The Regional Transportation Council is expected to take action on Mobility 2040 in March 2016.

2:10 – 2:20

9. **2015 Federal Transit Administration Programs Call for Projects: Project Recommendations**

Action Possible Action Information Minutes: 10

Presenter: Jamie Patel, NCTCOG

Item Summary: Staff will present a summary of draft recommendations for projects submitted through the 2015 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Programs Call for Projects.

Background: On February 27, 2015, the North Central Texas Council of Governments issued a Call for Projects to competitively award Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funding for two programs: The Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program (§5310) and Job Access/Reverse Commute (JA/RC) projects through the Urbanized Area Formula Program (§5307). Approximately \$4.9 million was available for award in the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington and Denton-Lewisville urbanized areas for projects addressing the transportation needs of low-income persons, seniors, and individuals with disabilities. Staff evaluated eight projects requesting federal funding of approximately \$6.2 million. [Electronic Item 9](#) provides a summary of projects evaluated and draft funding recommendations.

10. **Progress Reports**

Action Possible Action Information

Item Summary: Progress Reports are provided in the items below.

- RTC Attendance ([Reference Item 10.1](#))
- STTC Attendance and Minutes ([Electronic Item 10.2](#))
- Local Motion ([Electronic Item 10.3](#))

11. **Other Business (Old or New):** This item provides an opportunity for members to bring items of interest before the group.

12. **Future Agenda Items:** This item provides an opportunity for members to bring items of future interest before the Council.

13. **Next Meeting:** The next meeting of the Regional Transportation Council is scheduled for ***1:00 pm, Thursday, August 13, 2015, at the North Central Texas Council of Governments.***