September 7, 2016

Refer to: HPP-TX

North Central Texas Council of Governments
Transportation Conformity Determination –
Mobility 2040: The Metropolitan Transportation
Plan for North Central Texas and 2015-2018
Transportation Improvement Program

Mr. James M. Bass
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Dear Mr. Bass:

We have reviewed the documentation supporting the transportation conformity determination for Mobility 2040: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas (Mobility 2040 MTP) and the 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), approved by the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, Lewisville-Denton and McKinney Metropolitan Planning Organization’s Regional Transportation Council (RTC) on March 10 and reconfirmed by the RTC on June 16. Reconfirmation was completed to address revisions to the transportation conformity determination stemming from the substitution of transportation control measures (TCMs) associated with the proposed removal of high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes on US 67/IH-35E in Dallas County as reflected in the Mobility 2040 MTP. Based upon our review and consultation with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), we hereby find

- that the Mobility 2040 MTP and 2015-2018 TIP meet all the requirements for making a joint conformity determination under the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990.

Additionally, we find

- that the Mobility 2040 MTP complies with the requirements of 23 CFR §450.324 and 23 CFR §450.340 regarding the review and update of metropolitan transportation plans in air quality nonattainment areas; and

- that the 2015-2018 TIP satisfactorily complies with the requirements of 23 CFR §450.326 and 23 CFR §450.340 regarding the update, public involvement, project inclusion, consistency with the plan, and fiscal constraint of TIPs in air quality nonattainment areas.
The interagency consultative partners have indicated that they have no unresolved issues concerning this conformity determination in their letters dated September 2 for EPA, August 30 for TxDOT and September 2 for TCEQ. The conformity determination and procedures used to make this determination are in accordance with the provisions of the transportation conformity rule (40 CFR Parts 51 and 93), dated August 15, 1997, as amended.

Please note that this action restarts the four-year timeframe associated with the update of transportation plans in areas designated nonattainment. Accordingly, a transportation plan update and corresponding transportation conformity determination must be completed by September 7, 2020.

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) acts as executive agent for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) on MTP and TIP air quality conformity determinations. Accordingly, this letter serves as a joint FHWA/FTA conformity determination.

Should you have any questions concerning this action, please contact Barbara Maley at (214) 224-2175 and Barbara.Maley@dot.gov or Jose Campos at (512) 536-5932 and Jose.Campos@dot.gov.

Sincerely yours,

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Contact NCTCOG with the details below and staff will identify the appropriate program(s) and provide an estimate of possible grand awards:

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- Current GVWR/Horsepower
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- Percent Operation of Vehicle in the DFW Area

OR

- Send the entire fleet inventory and staff can identify possible projects.

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DALLAS — The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is undertaking design plans and environmental studies for improvements to US 175 / S.M. Wright Freeway. The project includes improvements to I-45 from S.M. Wright Freeway (US 175) to south of Lamar Street (1.7 miles); S. M. Wright Freeway from I-45 to SH 310 near Budd Street (2.5 miles); and providing direct connecting (DC) ramps between C. F. Hawn Freeway (US 175) and I-45 (1.5 miles). It will increase mobility and improve safety by eliminating the accident prone C. F. Hawn Freeway to S. M. Wright Freeway curve.

In 2015, TxDOT re-let the project because of right of way and utility issues. While maintaining its focus on the traditional disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) program, TxDOT used that time to work with the community to develop a pilot federal program that promotes the use of locally based employees, and established goals for small, minority- and women-owned businesses. The project has a 13.3% DBE goal and a 16.7% S/M/WBE, as well as a HUB Aspirational Participation goal.

The project will add new, direct-connect ramps from C. F. Hawn Freeway to I-45 and widen I-45 to the inside from Lamar Street to the US 175 ramps. In addition, US 175 from I-45 to Budd Street will be reconstructed as a low speed, six-lane arterial boulevard with landscaping. There will be frontage road bypass lanes similar to those on LBJ Freeway, which will extend C. F. Hawn west to connect directly to nearby I-45 for the first time. The design includes pedestrian and bicycle improvements along US 175 to create a continuous network. At approximately $200 million, this is the largest public infrastructure project in the South Dallas area in a generation. The construction began in June with Webber Construction and will be completed within five years.

While the actual construction of the project is a national model for reconstruction, local leaders have gone above and beyond by partnering with the Regional Transportation Council to leverage the potential economic impact. In addition, the S.M. Wright Community Economic Opportunity Program (SM-WCEOP), Texas Workforce Commission, Cedar Valley Community College and CitySquare, have teamed up to assist.

For more info: www.smwrightproject.org
AUGUST 2016 LET PROJECTS

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<td>2374-02-149</td>
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<td>At Elm Road and at Lake June Road</td>
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**Type of Work**
- Convert frontage roads to one way
- Landscape median areas in bridge areas (in city of Dallas)
- Landscape treatment of right of way and medians
- Landscaping and irrigation
- Landscape treatment of right of way and medians

**Estimated Costs**
- Est. (M)
- Bid (M)
- Total Costs (M)

- $2.30
- $2.15
- $2.44
- $0.73
- $0.83
- $0.99
- $0.51
- $0.47
- $0.57
- $0.02
- $0.008
- $0.01
- $1.04
- $0.82
- $0.98

**Contractor**
- Austin Bridge & Road Services, LP
- DBI Services, LLC
- AALC, Inc.
- AALC, Inc.
- AALC, Inc.

**AUGUST 2016 TOTAL**
- $4.80
- $4.28
- $4.99

**DISTRICT FY ACCUMULATIVE LETTINGS**
- $878.11
- $848.28
- $3.40

**DALLAS DISTRICT LETTING CAP**
- $826.54

SEPTEMBER 2016 PROJECTED LETTING PROJECTS (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

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<td>State School Rd./Mayhill Rd. (FM 2499) to SL 288</td>
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<td>0918-18-126</td>
<td>CR</td>
<td>NW CR 2310 at Rush Creek</td>
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<td>0918-00-263*</td>
<td>VA</td>
<td>Various locations in district at diamond interchanges</td>
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**Type of Work**
- Installation of wireless its
- Install guide signs
- Construct grade separation along I-35E at brinkner and intersection improvements at mayhill and SL 288
- Replace bridge and approaches
- Wrong way driving implementation to prevent wrong way driving occurrences in the Dallas district

**Estimated Costs**
- Est. (M)
- $1.62
- $0.84
- $31.89
- $1.16
- $1.72

**Total**
- $37.23

COMPLETED CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (FROM SEPTEMBER 1 – 30, 2016)

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<td>2250-02-016</td>
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<td>I-35 to US 377 / US 380</td>
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**Type of Work**
- Rehabilitation of traffic signals
- Widen bridge to two lanes
- Construct continuous two-way left turn lane
- Full depth pavement repair

**Estimated Costs**
- Date Completed
- Cost (M)
- $0.84
- 8/15/16
- $5.70
- 8/18/16
- $7.50
- 8/9/16
- $3.65
- 8/9/16

**Total**
- $17.69

SOURCE: Texas Department of Transportation.
DALLAS DISTRICT PROJECTS MAP

Colored and numbered boxes correspond with the charts on page 2 and show projects that have let in August, are projected to let in September or have recently been completed.

LEGEND

- LET
- PROJECTED
- COMPLETED
- PLANNED
- TOLL ROAD
- TOLL ROAD UNDER CONSTRUCTION
- INTERSTATE HWY
- U.S. HWY
- STATE HWY

SOURCE: TxDOT research.
*POPULATION ESTIMATE: NCTCOG