Appendix B

RTC Resolution Approving 2015-2018 TIP

The 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program project listings received Regional Transportation Council approval on April 10, 2014. A copy of the resolution confirming consistency with Mobility 2035: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas – 2013 Update and 2013 Transportation Conformity is included in this section and was transmitted to the federal/State review partners.
RESOLUTION ADOPTING
2015-2018 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
FOR NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS
(R14-01)

WHEREAS, the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area by the Governor of Texas in accordance with federal law; and,

WHEREAS, the Regional Transportation Council (RTC), comprised primarily of local elected officials, is the regional transportation policy body associated with the North Central Texas Council of Governments, and has been and continues to be the regional forum for cooperative decisions on transportation; and,

WHEREAS, the federal law, Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) assigns the MPO the responsibility for carrying out the metropolitan transportation planning process, in cooperation with the State and operators of publicly owned transit services; and,

WHEREAS, MAP-21 assigns the MPO the responsibility for developing and approving the metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and its periodic updates; and,

WHEREAS, the Dallas-Fort Worth area is a federally designated nonattainment area for the pollutant ozone, and air quality conformity of the TIP shall be determined by the MPO; and,

WHEREAS, all regionally significant ground transportation improvements, regardless of funding source, within the Dallas-Fort Worth ozone nonattainment area must be inventoried and included in the TIP and Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for the conformity analysis requirements of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990; and,

WHEREAS, the TIP was developed in cooperation with the local governments, Texas Department of Transportation, Dallas Area Rapid Transit, Denton County Transportation Authority, Fort Worth Transportation Authority, North Texas Tollway Authority, and other transportation agencies; and,

WHEREAS, all projects in the 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program for North Central Texas were developed in conjunction with Mobility 2035: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas - 2013 Update in a manner consistent with the federal guidelines in Chapter 1, Subchapter E, Part 450 of Title 23 of the Code of Federal Regulations and Chapter VI, Subtitle B, Part 613 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations; and,

WHEREAS, the planning process used in development of the 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program for North Central Texas was conducted in accordance with NCTCOG's approved public involvement procedures and is consistent with MAP-21 Public Participation Plan requirements, including presentation at public meetings and the allowance of a 30-day comment period prior to Regional Transportation Council approval of the TIP; and,

WHEREAS, the air quality conformity review has indicated that the 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program for North Central Texas meets the transportation conformity-related requirements of the State Implementation Plan, the Clean Air Act as amended on November 15, 1990, and the conformity rule as specified in the US Environmental Protection Agency's Transportation Conformity Rule Amendments; and,
WHEREAS, NCTCOG’s Surface Transportation Technical Committee has recommended Regional Transportation Council approval of the 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program for North Central Texas project listings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The Regional Transportation Council affirms that the 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program for North Central Texas has been developed and found to be in compliance with MAP-21 and Clean Air Act requirements.

Section 2. The Regional Transportation Council affirms that the 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program for North Central Texas is consistent with the recommendations of Mobility 2035: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas - 2013 Update and the air quality conformity results.

Section 3. The Regional Transportation Council adopts the 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program for North Central Texas.

Section 4. The 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program for North Central Texas will be submitted for inclusion in the 2015-2018 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

Section 5. This resolution will be transmitted to the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, Texas Department of Transportation, Dallas Area Rapid Transit, Fort Worth Transportation Authority, Denton County Transportation Authority, North Texas Tollway Authority, and all impacted local governments.

Section 6. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

Kathryn Wilemon, Chair
Regional Transportation Council
Mayor Pro Tem, City of Arlington

I hereby certify that this resolution was adopted by the Regional Transportation Council of the North Central Texas Council of Governments for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area on April 10, 2014.

Mark Riley, Secretary
Regional Transportation Council
County Judge, Parker County