Appendix B

RTC Resolution Approving 2021-2024 TIP

The 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program project listings received Regional Transportation Council approval on June 11, 2020. A copy of the resolution confirming consistency with Mobility 2045: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas and 2018 Transportation Conformity is included in this section and was transmitted to the federal/State review partners.
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RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE
2021-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
FOR NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS
(R20-03)

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, Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) 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, the FAST Act 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 (Trinity Metro), North Texas Tollway Authority, and other transportation agencies; and,

WHEREAS, all projects in the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for North Central Texas were developed in conjunction with Mobility 2045: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas in a manner consistent with the federal regulations found in 23 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 450 and 49 CFR 613; and,

WHEREAS, the planning process used in development of the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for North Central Texas was conducted in accordance with NCTCOG’s approved public involvement procedures and is consistent with the FAST Act 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 2021-2024 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 2021-2024 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 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for North Central Texas has been developed and found to be in compliance with the FAST Act and Clean Air Act requirements.

Section 2. The Regional Transportation Council affirms that the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for North Central Texas is consistent with the recommendations of Mobility 2045: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan for North Central Texas and the air quality conformity results.

Section 3. The Regional Transportation Council adopts the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for North Central Texas.

Section 4. The 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for North Central Texas will be submitted for inclusion in the 2021-2024 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

Section 5. The Regional Transportation Council hereby amends the FY 2020 and FY 2021 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), and any other planning/administrative documents, to the extent necessary to incorporate changes associated with the adoption of the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program.

Section 6. 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/Trinity Metro, Denton County Transportation Authority, North Texas Tollway Authority, and all impacted local governments.

Section 7. This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon its adoption.

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 June 11, 2020.

Theresa Daniel, Ph.D., Secretary
Regional Transportation Council
Commissioner, Dallas County