AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY
OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN-2004 UPDATE
AND THE 2004-2006 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
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The Clean Air Act requires transportation plans, programs, and projects in the nonattainment areas to conform to State Implementation Plans (SIP) for meeting National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). Conformity is a measure to ensure that federal funding and approval are given to those transportation activities that are consistent with air quality goals identified in the SIP. It also ensures that these transportation activities do not worsen air quality, produce new air quality violations, or delay attainment of the NAAQS.

Mobility 2025: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan-2004 Update (Mobility 2025-2004 Update) and the 2004-2006 Transportation Improvement Program for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area (2004-2006 TIP) meet the transportation conformity-related requirements of the State Implementation Plan, the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 75047506(c) and (d)), and the conformity rule as specified in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) Conformity to State or Federal Implementation Plans of Transportation Plans, Programs, and Projects Developed, Funded, or Approved Under Title 23 U.S.C. or the Federal Transit Laws (40 CFR Parts 51 and 93).

Mobility 2025-2004 Update includes multimodal transportation recommendations and their financial impact through the horizon year 2025. This Plan was adopted on January 8, 2004.

The 2004-2006 TIP was adopted on May 8, 2003, and subsequently revised to incorporate selected Partnership Program projects.

Mobility 2025: The Metropolitan Transportation Plan-2004 Update and the 2004-2006 Transportation Improvement Program for the Dallas-Fort Worth Metropolitan Area, as revised, conform to the air quality State Implementation Plan based on the following requirements:

- Mobility 2025-2004 Update and the 2004-2006 TIP provide for the timely implementation of Transportation Control Measures (TCM). TCM are implemented as the region’s top priority receiving adequate funding for implementation as well as adoption of additional actions in order to proactively reach attainment.

- Mobility 2025-2004 Update and the 2004-2006 TIP meet the volatile organic compound (VOC) and nitrogen oxide (NOx) emission budget test. Emissions for each analysis year (2007, 2015, 2025) are less than the emission budget, identified in the applicable SIP.

- Mobility 2025-2004 Update and the 2004-2006 TIP meet the VOC and NOx emission reduction tests. Emissions for each analysis year are less than 1990 “baseline” levels.

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