

Laredo Urban Transportation Study

Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee

Notice of Public Meeting

City of Laredo City Hall
City Council Chambers
1110 Houston Street
Laredo, Texas
April 17, 2017
1:30 p.m.

MEETING AGENDA

- I. CHAIRPERSON TO CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- II. CHAIRPERSON TO CALL ROLL
- III. COMMITTEE AND DIRECTOR'S REPORTS
- IV. CITIZEN COMMENT

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V. ITEMS REQUIRING POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION

- A. Approval of the minutes for the meeting held on March 20, 2017.
- B. Receive public testimony, initiate an additional 10 day public review and comment period, and approve Resolution No. MPO 2017-02, adopting the proposed amendment(s) of the 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), conditional to receipt of no significant comment:
 - 1. **Addition** of project CSJ 0018-06-183 intended to provide for the construction a direct connector interchange (DC#5), from 0.50 miles south of US59-SL20 to 0.50 miles east of IH35/US59-SL20, with an estimated total project cost of \$35,121,000. Proposed project letting date is FY 2019 (August, 2019).

2. **Addition** of project CSJ 0922-33-900, also identified as the River Vega Multi-Use Hike and Bike Trail, intended to provide for the construction of a hike and bike trail from Anna Park to the LCC Campus, with an estimated total project cost of \$815,798. Proposed project letting date is October 2018 (FY 19).
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 5. **Administrative Revision** of project CSJ 0922-33-093 intended to construct a grade separation at the Calton Road/Santa Maria intersection. **Purpose** of the amendment is to move letting date from August 2017 (FY 17) to October 2017 (FY 18).
- C. Receive public testimony, initiate an additional 10 day public review and comment period and approve Resolution No. MPO 2017-03, adopting the following proposed amendment(s) of the 2015-2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), conditional to receipt of no significant comment:
1. Amending Table 12-10, entitled Roadway and Bicycle/Pedestrian Project Summary,
Figure 12-1, entitled Roadway and Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects,
Table 12-11, entitled Category 2 Roadway Projects,
Figure 13-1, entitled Natural Resources and Federally Funded Projects,
Figure 13-2, entitled Cultural Resources and Federally Funded Projects,
Figure 13-3, entitled Low Income Areas and Federally Funded Projects,
Table 13-1, entitled Federally Funded Projects Environmental Assessment Results,
Table 13-3, entitled Federally Funded Projects and Environmental Justice Populations; and,
Figure 13-4 entitled Colonias and Federally Funded Projects by:
 - a) **Adding** project CSJ 0086-14-077 for the construction of the Airport Overpass at the International Airport. The estimated project construction cost is \$14,785,990. Estimated letting date is August of 2018 (FY 2018).
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- 2. Amending Table 12-11 such that it will be identified as Roadway Project and will include all roadway project summaries previously listed in Tables 12-11, 12-12, 12-13, 12-14, 12-15, entitled Category 2, 7,8,9, and 10 Roadway Projects, respectively.
 - 3. Remove Tables 12-11, 12-12, 12-13, 12-14, 12-15, entitled Category 2, 7,8,9, and 10 Roadway Projects respectively Table 12-12 , entitled Category 7 Roadway Projects,
- D. Receive public testimony and approve Resolution No. MPO 2017-04, adopting the proposed re-approval of the Public Participation Plan (PPP).
 - E. Discussion with possible action regarding the remaining 8 million dollars in Category 2 funds.
 - F. Discussion with possible action on Hachar Road.
 - G. Discussion with possible action on Mines Road.

VI. REPORT(S) AND PRESENTATIONS (No action required)

- A. Status report on the Regional Mobility Authority (RMA).

VII. ADJOURNMENT

THIS NOTICE WAS POSTED AT THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 1110 HOUSTON STREET, LAREDO, TEXAS, AT A PLACE CONVENIENT AND READILY ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC AT ALL TIMES. SAID NOTICE WAS POSTED ON APRIL 12TH, BY 1:30 P.M.

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Disability Access Statement - This meeting is wheelchair accessible. The accessible entrances are located at 1110 Victoria and 900 Flores. Accessible parking spaces are located at City Hall, 1110 Victoria.

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CITY OF LAREDO REPRESENTATIVES:

Honorable Pete Saenz, Mayor and LUTS Chairperson
Honorable Charlie San Miguel, City Councilmember, District VI
Honorable George Altgelt, City Councilmember, District VII

LAREDO MASS TRANSIT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE:

Honorable Roberto Balli, City Councilmember, District VIII

COUNTY OF WEBB REPRESENTATIVES:

Honorable Tano E. Tijerina, Webb County Judge
Honorable John Galo, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 3
Honorable Jaime Canales, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 4

STATE REPRESENTATIVES:


Mr. Pete Alvarez, P.E., District Engineer
Ms. Melisa Montemayor, District Administrator

**** EX-OFFICIO ****

Honorable Judith Zaffirini, State Senator, District 21
Honorable Richard Raymond, State Representative, District 42
Honorable Tracy O. King, State Representative, District 80



Nathan R. Bratton
MPO Director



Heberto L. "Beto" Ramirez
Acting City Secretary

The first part of the paper discusses the importance of understanding the local context in which a project is implemented. This includes a thorough analysis of the social, economic, and cultural factors that may influence the success or failure of the intervention. It is essential to engage with the community from the outset, ensuring that their voices are heard and their needs are addressed. This participatory approach not only fosters a sense of ownership and commitment among the community members but also allows for the identification of potential challenges and the development of strategies to mitigate them.

The second part of the paper focuses on the design and implementation of the project. It outlines the key principles that should guide the development of the intervention, such as transparency, accountability, and sustainability. The importance of monitoring and evaluation is emphasized, as it provides a means to assess the progress of the project and to make adjustments as needed. The paper also discusses the role of the project manager, who is responsible for ensuring that the project is implemented in accordance with the agreed-upon plan and that the resources are used effectively.

The third part of the paper discusses the challenges that may be encountered during the implementation of the project. These challenges may include limited resources, lack of community support, or resistance to change. The paper provides a range of strategies to address these challenges, such as building strong relationships with the community, seeking external support, and being flexible in the face of unexpected circumstances. It also emphasizes the importance of maintaining a positive attitude and a commitment to the project's goals.

The final part of the paper discusses the importance of sustainability and the need to ensure that the benefits of the project are maintained over the long term. This involves developing a plan for the continuation of the project after the initial implementation phase, which may include training local staff, establishing a community-based organization, or seeking ongoing support from external partners. The paper concludes by emphasizing the importance of reflection and learning from the experience, as this can help to improve the effectiveness of future projects.

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MINUTES OF THE MARCH 20, 2017 MEETING

Prior to establishment of quorum, Melisa Montemayor, TxDOT, gave a brief presentation on the 280 million Category 2 funds to be allocated in the Unified Transportation Plan (UTP).

Ms. Montemayor stated the 280 million would be allocated over the next ten years. She stated the funds were to be divided into different types of projects which included: bridge, mobility, and safety projects. The projects to be considered for said funds included: replacing 4 county bridges, the overpass on IH35/Milo, the overpass on airport/Loop 20 for 2018, the direct connector #5 on Milo Interchange for 2019, the overpass on Jacaman/US 59 for 2020, the grade separation on Shiloh/IH 35 for 2021, and replacing the overpass on Uniroyal.

I. CHAIRPERSON TO CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Saenz called the meeting to order at 1: 55 p.m.

II. CHAIRPERSON TO CALL ROLL

Nathan Bratton, MPO Director called roll to verify that a quorum existed.

Regular members present:

Honorable Pete Saenz, Mayor and LUTS Chairperson
Honorable George Altgelt, City Councilmember, District VII
Honorable Charlie San Miguel, City Councilmember, District VI (joined the meeting at 1: 52 p.m.)
Pete Alvarez, TxDOT
Melisa Montemayor, TxDOT

Regular members absent:

Honorable Jaime Canales, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 4
Honorable John Galo, Webb County Commissioner, Pct. 3
Honorable Tano E. Tijerina, Webb County Judge
Honorable Roberto Balli, City Councilmember, District VIII

Ex-Officio Members Not Present:

Honorable Richard Raymond, State Representative, District 42
Honorable Judith Zaffirini, State Senator, District 21
Honorable Tracy O. King, State Representative, District 80

Staff (Of Participating LUTS Agencies) Present:

City: Nathan R. Bratton, City Planning/LUTS Staff
Vanessa Guerra, City Planning/LUTS Staff
Angie Quijano, City Planning/LUTS Staff
Eduardo Bernal, Transit, El Metro
Claudia San Miguel, Transit, El Metro

State: Alberto Ramirez, TxDOT
Sara Garza, TxDOT
Mike Graham, TxDOT

County: Guillermo Cuellar, Webb County Engineering

Others: John Porter, Environmental Services
Kirk Fauver, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
Anthony Garza, Dannenbaum Engineering

III. COMMITTEE AND DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Discussion on possible meeting dates and times for the MPO 101 workshop.

The item was discussed after agenda item E.

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V. ITEMS REQUIRING POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION

A. Approval of the minutes for the meeting held on February 21, 2017.

C.M. San Miguel made a motion to approve the minutes of February 21, 2017.

Second: C.M. Altgelt
For: 5
Against: 0
Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously

B. Discussion with possible action to award or reject the River Vega Multi-Use Hike and Bike Trail Project, Phase I, to be located along the river vega in west Laredo, for funding through the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP). The requested amount is \$717,903.

Mr. Bratton gave a brief presentation on the proposed item. He stated the program provided funding for programs and projects defined as transportation alternatives. He stated general types of projects eligible under TAP for Laredo MPO planning area included: on-and-off road pedestrian and bicycle facilities, infrastructure projects for improving non-driver access to public transportation and enhanced mobility, improved safety and access to schools, and boulevards and similar multi-modal roadways.

Mr. John Porter, Environmental Services, gave a brief presentation on the proposed hike and bike trail project.

C.M. San Miguel made a motion to **award** the River Vega Multi-Use Hike and Bike Trail Project submitted by the City of Laredo Environmental Services \$717, 903 in TAP program funds.

Second: C.M. Altgelt
For: 5
Against: 0
Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously

C. Receive public testimony and approve a motion initiating a ten-day public review and comment period for the proposed 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP).

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C.M. San Miguel made a motion to **open** a public hearing.

Second: C.M. Altgelt
For: 5
Against: 0
Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously

Cm. San Miguel made a motion to **close** the public hearing and **initiate** a 10 day public review and comment period for the proposed 2017-2020 TIP revisions.

Second: C.M. Altgelt
For: 5
Against: 0
Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously

- D. **Receive public testimony and approve a motion initiating a ten-day public review and comment period for the proposed 2015-2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).**

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Pete Alvarez, TxDOT, stated there would be an 8 million surplus in Category 2 monies that would be available for programming by the Policy Committee.

C.M. Altgelt requested next month's agenda include a discussion item pertaining to the 8 million dollar surplus in Category 2 monies.

C.M. San Miguel made a motion to open a public hearing.

Second: C.M. Altgelt
For: 5

Against: 0
Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously

Cm. San Miguel made a motion to **close** the public hearing and **initiate** a 10 day public review and comment period for the proposed 2015-2040 MTP revisions.

Second: C.M. Altgelt
For: 5
Against: 0
Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously

E. Discussion with possible action to require all agenda items go thru the Technical Committee before they are presented to the Policy Committee.

Mr. Bratton stated the Technical Committee reviews and/or provides recommendations on the following:

- Work programs such as the UPWP, the TIP, MTP, etc.
- Policy related items such as the Limited English Proficiency Plan, Public Participation Plan, the By Laws etc., and ,
- Planning activities such as the Travel Demand Model, the congestion management process and planning studies developed through the MPO.

Policy Committee agenda items typically not reviewed by the Technical Committee are:

- Discussion items
- Staff reports and/or project status updates requested by the Committee or a member, and,
- Action items, often time sensitive, requested by the Committee or a member such as resolutions.

C.M. Algelt made a motion to provide timely action items pursuant to the By-Laws to the Technical Committee so that the Policy Committee can be adequately counseled on policy decisions.

Second: C.M. San Miguel
For: 5
Against: 0
Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously

As the item was not discussed earlier in the meeting, Mr. Bratton requested the Committee return to agenda item III.

C.M. San Miguel made a motion to **bring back** agenda item III.

Second: C.M. Altgelt

For: 5

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously

III. COMMITTEE AND DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Discussion on possible meeting dates and times for the MPO 101 workshop.

Mr. Bratton advised the members present the MPO 101 workshop would be held on April 27th, 2017 from 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. at the City of Laredo Council Chambers.

Kirk Fauver, FHWA, informed the members present FHWA Staff would give the MPO 101 presentation.

(Committee returned to original agenda order).

F. Discussion with possible action on Hachar Road.

Anthony Garza, Dannenbaum Engineering, stated the Advance Funding Agreement for Hachar Road for the first phase of the section from Mines Road to Beltway Parkway would be on the City Council Agenda that evening for approval.

G. Discussion with possible action on Mines Road.

No discussion was had, nor was action taken on the item.

VI. REPORT(S) AND PRESENTATIONS (No action required)

A. Status report on the Regional Mobility Authority (RMA).

The RMA was unavailable to give the regularly scheduled status report, and requested said report be deferred till the next Policy Committee meeting.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

C.M. San Miguel made a motion to **adjourn** the meeting at 3:21 p.m.

Second: C.M. Algelt

For: 5

Against: 0

Abstained: 0

Motion carried unanimously

Reviewed by: _____
Nathan R. Bratton,
MPO Director

Pete Saenz,
Mayor and LUTS Chairperson

The first part of the paper discusses the importance of understanding the cultural context of the research. It highlights the need for researchers to be sensitive to the values and beliefs of the communities they are studying. This is particularly important in the field of education, where cultural differences can significantly impact learning outcomes. The paper then moves on to discuss the challenges of conducting research in diverse cultural settings. It notes that researchers often face difficulties in establishing rapport with participants and in interpreting their responses. To address these challenges, the paper suggests several strategies, including the use of local researchers and the development of culturally appropriate research instruments. The final part of the paper discusses the importance of ethical considerations in cross-cultural research. It emphasizes the need for researchers to obtain informed consent from participants and to ensure that their research does not cause harm or exploitation. The paper concludes by noting that while cross-cultural research presents many challenges, it is also a valuable way to gain a deeper understanding of the world and to promote cultural understanding and respect.

**LAREDO URBAN TRANSPORTATION STUDY
ACTION ITEM**

DATE: 04-17-17	SUBJECT: RESOLUTION Receive public testimony, initiate an additional 10 day public review and comment period, and approve Resolution No. MPO 2017-02, adopting the proposed amendment(s) of the 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), conditional to receipt of no significant comment: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Addition of project CSJ 0018-06-183 intended to provide for the construction a direct connector interchange (DC#5), from 0.50 miles south of US59-SL20 to 0.50 miles east of IH35/US59-SL20, with an estimated total project cost of \$35,121,000. Proposed project letting date is FY 2019 (August, 2019). 2. Addition of project CSJ 0922-33-900, also identified as the River Vega Multi-Use Hike and Bike Trail, intended to provide for the construction of a hike and bike trail from Anna Park to the LCC Campus, with an estimated total project cost of \$815,798. Proposed project letting date is October 2018 (FY 19) 3. Revision of project CSJ 0086-14-077 intended to provide for construction of an interchange at the international airport. Purpose of amendment is to revise funding amounts from \$14,785,990 in State funds to \$4,901,198 in State funds, and \$9,884,792 in federal funds. Proposed letting date will remain in fiscal year (FY) 2018, however the letting month is being moved from September of 2017 to August of 2018. 4. Revision of project CSJ 0086-14-078 intended to provide for construction of an interchange from 0.50 miles south of Jacaman Road to 0.50 miles north of Jacaman Road. Purpose of amendment is to revise funding amounts from \$19,691,424 in State funds to \$3,938,285 in State funds, and \$15,753,139 in federal funds. Proposed letting date will remain in fiscal year (FY) 2020, however the letting month is being moved from September of 2019 to August of 2020. 5. Administrative Revision of project CSJ 0922-33-093 intended to construct a grade separation at the Calton Road/Santa Maria intersection. Purpose of the amendment is to move letting date from August 2017 (FY 17) to October 2017 (FY 18).
TIP 17-20/REV 02	
INITIATED BY: TxDOT/MPO	STAFF SOURCE: Nathan Bratton, MPO Director
PREVIOUS ACTION: On 07/18/16, The Policy Committee approved revision #1. On 09/19/16, the Policy Committee approved revision #1-B.	
BACKGROUND: See attachments for full revision details.	
COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Approval	STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval.

RESOLUTION NO. MPO 2017-02

**BY THE LAREDO URBAN TRANSPORTATION STUDY
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION POLICY COMMITTEE**

ADOPTING THE 2017-2020 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

WHEREAS, the Laredo Urban Transportation Study (LUTS), the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Laredo Urban Area, has reviewed the proposed revision(s) of the 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and,

WHEREAS, the Laredo Urban Transportation Study finds that the proposed revision(s) of the 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) meets the high priority improvements necessary for the LUTS area;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Laredo Urban Transportation Study, as the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Laredo Urban Area, adopted the proposed 2017-2020 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which are attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purpose:

We certify that the above resolution was adopted on April 17th, 2017, at a public meeting of the Policy Committee of the Laredo Urban Transportation Study.

Honorable Pete Saenz
Mayor of Laredo and Chairperson of the
MPO Policy Committee

Nathan Bratton
MPO Director

Pedro R. Alvarez,
TxDOT, District Engineer

2017-2020 TIP LOCATIONS OF PROJECTS

TIP 2017-2020 PROJECTS

ORIGINAL PROJECTS

CSJ: 0922-33-170
ROADWAY: ZACATE CREEK
FROM: .18 MI N of Jacaman Rd
TO: E Del Mar Blvd
WORK: Design & construction of 10,250 linear feet of trail along Zacate Creek
TOTAL COST: \$1,317,011
FY 2017

CSJ: 0922-33-076
ROADWAY: FLECHA LN
FROM: Intersection of Flecha Ln/ FM1472
TO: .174 MI east of FM1472
WORK: The realignment of Flecha Ln/Las Cruces along FM1472.
TOTAL COST: \$3,457,520
FY 2017

CSJ: 0922-33-093
ROADWAY: CALTON RD
FROM: .25 MI E of Calton/ Santa Maria Intersection
TO: .25 MI W of Calton/ Santa Maria Intersection
WORK: Construction of a grade separation at Calton/ Santa Maria Intersection
TOTAL COST: \$23,349,576
FY 2018

CSJ: 0922-33-165
ROADWAY: HACHAR PARKWAY
FROM: FM 1472
TO: .1 MI E of Beltway Parkway
WORK: Preliminary engineering of 5 lane rural highway
TOTAL COST: \$24,041,180
FY 2019

REVISION I

UPDATED FUNDING & TOTAL COST & LET YEAR
CSJ: 0922-33-076 FY2018
ROADWAY: FLECHA LN
TOTAL COST: \$2,047,199

UPDATED FUNDING & TOTAL COST & LET YEAR
CSJ: 0922-33-093 FY2018
ROADWAY: CALTON RD
TOTAL COST: \$23,014,142

UPDATED FUNDING & TOTAL COST
CSJ: 0922-33-165
ROADWAY: HACHAR PARKWAY
TOTAL COST: \$26,796,902
FY 2017

ADDED PROJECT
CSJ: 0086-14-065
ROADWAY: LOOP 20
FROM: 0.330 MI W of IH35
TO: 0.160 MI W of McPherson Rd
WORK: Construction of Interchange facility of IH35
TOTAL COST: \$26,564,945
FY 2017

ADDED PROJECT
CSJ: 0086-14-081
ROADWAY: LOOP 20
FROM: 1.400 MI W of IH35
TO: 0.600 MI W of McPherson Rd
WORK: ITS Portion of Interchange facility over IH35
TOTAL COST: \$1,500,000
FY 2017

ADDED PROJECT
CSJ: 0922-33-175
ROADWAY: HACHAR PARKWAY
FROM: FM 1472
TO: IH35 West Frontage Rd
WORK: PS&E Including ROW mapping only
TOTAL COST: \$1,634,277
FY 2018

ADDED PROJECT
CSJ: 0086-14-077
ROADWAY: LOOP 20
AT: LAREDO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
WORK: CONSTRUCTION OF OVERPASS
TOTAL COST: \$14,785,990
FY 2018

REVISION I (CONTINUED)

ADDED PROJECT
CSJ: 0086-14-078
ROADWAY: LOOP 20
AT: JACAMAN RD
WORK: CONSTRUCTION OF OVERPASS
TOTAL COST: \$19,691,424
FY 2020

ADDED PROJECT
CSJ: 0086-14-082
ROADWAY: LOOP 20
FROM: JACAMAN RD
TO: US 59 (SAUNDERS ST)
WORK: PS&E FOR CONSTRUCTION OF LOOP 20 AT JACAMAN RD & AIRPORT
TOTAL COST: \$4,641,030
FY 20XX

ADDED PROJECT
CSJ: 0086-14-20 (Grouped Project)
ROADWAY: LOOP 20
FROM: US 59 (SAUNDER ST)
TO: PROPOSED AIRPORT OVERPASS
WORK: RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION
TOTAL COST: \$4,806,663
FY 2017

REVISION II

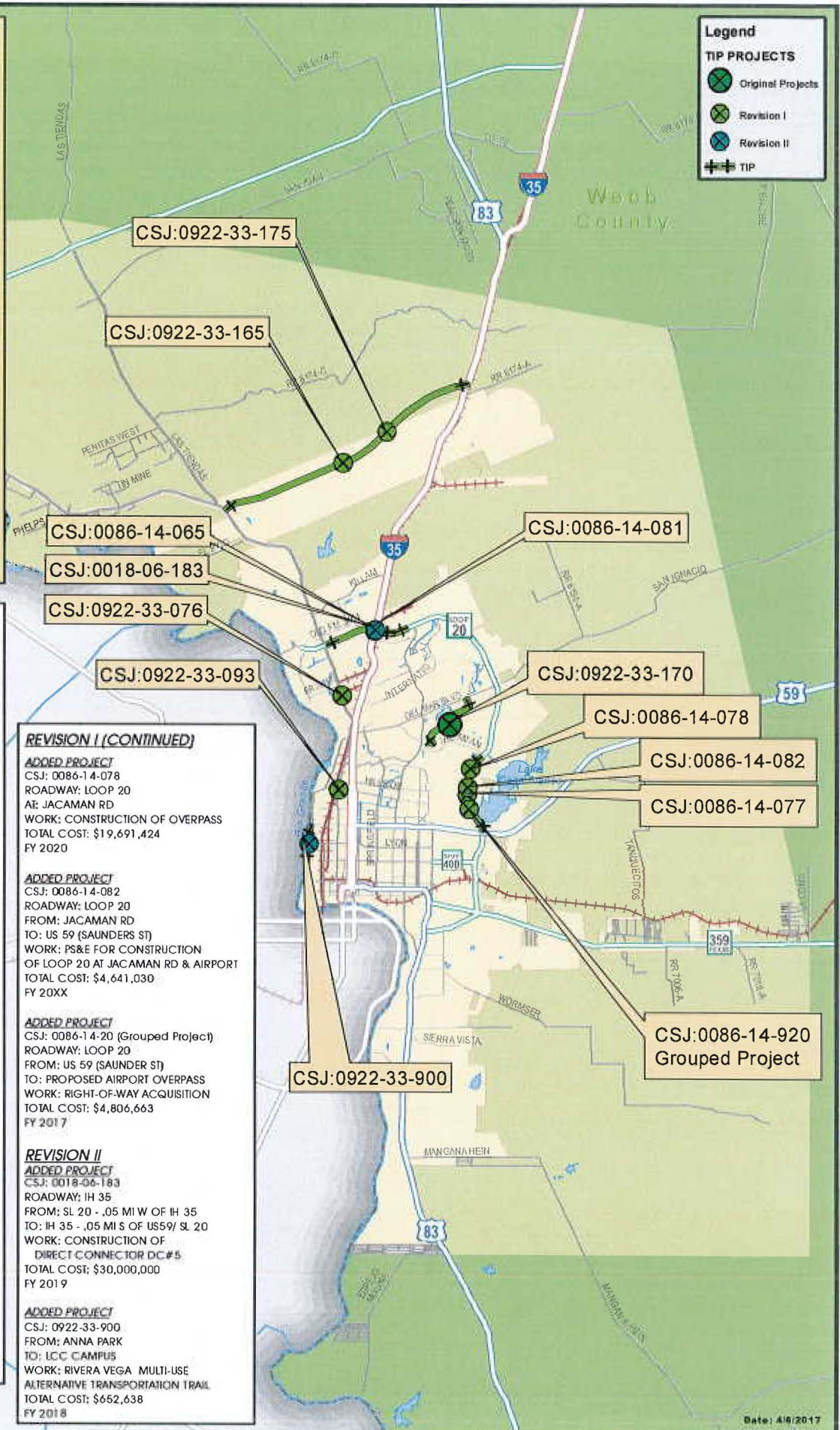
ADDED PROJECT
CSJ: 0018-06-183
ROADWAY: IH 35
FROM: SL 20 - .05 MI W of IH 35
TO: IH 35 - .05 MI S of US59/ SL 20
WORK: CONSTRUCTION OF DIRECT CONNECTOR DC#5
TOTAL COST: \$30,000,000
FY 2019

ADDED PROJECT
CSJ: 0922-33-900
FROM: ANNA PARK
TO: LCC CAMPUS
WORK: RIVERA VEGA MULTI-USE ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION TRAIL
TOTAL COST: \$652,638
FY 2018

Legend

TIP PROJECTS

-  Original Projects
-  Revision I
-  Revision II
-  TIP



ADD								
0018-06-183	IH 35		Phase C, E		Let 8/19 (FY 19)		YOE	32,877,000
From:	0.50 MI South of US59-SL20							
To:	0.50 MI East of IH35 / US59-SL20							
Construction of Direct Connector Interchange (DC#5)								
PE	1,470,000		FUNDS	Federal	State	Local	LC	TOTAL
Construction	30,000,000		CAT 4	29,589,300	3,287,700			32,877,000
Const Eng	1,407,000							
Conting	897,000							
CO	1,347,000		TOTAL:					32,877,000
Total	35,121,000							
0922-33-900	MSC		Phase C, E		Let 10/18 (FY 19)		YOE	815,798
From:	ANNA PARK							
To:	LCC CAMPUS							
HIKE & BIKE TRAIL RIVERA VEGA MULTI-USE ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION TRAIL								
PE	19,082		FUNDS	Federal	State	Local	LC	TOTAL
Construction	777,634		CAT 9	652,638		163,160		815,798
Const Eng	19,082		CAT 3				0	
Admin Fees	81,580							
CO	0		TOTAL:	652,638		163,160		815,798
Total	897,378							
REVISE								
0086-14-077	US 59		Phase C		Let 8/18 (FY 18)		YOE	14,785,990
From:	At International Airport							
To:	.							
Construction of Interchange								
PE	724,514		FUNDS	Federal	State	Local	LC	TOTAL
Construction	14,785,990		CAT 2/Prop.1		2,430,000			2,430,000
Const Eng	693,463		CAT 2/Prop.1	9,884,792	2,471,198			12,355,990
Conting	442,101		TOTAL:	9,884,792	4,901,198			14,785,990
CO	663,891							
Total	17,309,959							

0086-14-078	US 59		Phase C		Let 8/20 (FY 20)		YOE	19,691,424
From:	0.50 MI S of Jacaman Rd							
To:	0.50 MI N of Jacaman Rd							
Construction of Interchange								
PE	964,880		FUNDS	Federal	State	Local	LC	TOTAL
Construction	19,691,424		CAT 2	2,153,139	538,285			2,691,424
Const Eng	923,528		CAT 12	13,600,000	3,400,000			17,000,000
Conting	588,774		TOTAL:	15,753,139	3,938,285			19,691,424
CO	884,145							
Total	23,052,751							
ADMINISTRATIVE REVISION								
0922-33-093	CS		Phase C, E, R		Let 10/17 (FY 18)			
From:	0.25 M East of Calton/ San Maria Interchange							
To:	0.25 M West of Calton/ San Maria Interchange							
Construction of a Grade separation at Calton/San Maria Intersection								
PE	830,293		FUNDS	Federal	State	Local	LC	TOTAL
ROW	3,450,000		10-Misc	12,926,124	0	1,893,585	0	14,819,709
Construction	16,944,765		Local	0	0	0	8,194,433	8,194,433
Const Eng	794,709		TOTAL:					23,014,142
Conting	506,648							



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FY 2017 - 2020 Transportation Improvement Program

Funding by Category

Category	Description	FY 2017		FY 2018		FY 2019		FY 2020		Total FY 2017 - 2020	
		Programmed	Authorized	Programmed	Authorized	Programmed	Authorized	Programmed	Authorized	Programmed	Authorized
1	Preventive Maintenance and Rehabilitation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2M or 2U	Urban Area (Non-TMA) Corridor Projects	\$0	\$0	\$14,785,990	\$14,785,990	\$0	\$0	\$2,691,424	\$2,691,424	\$17,477,414	\$17,477,414
3	Non-Traditionally Funded Transportation Project	\$0	\$0	\$8,441,118	\$8,441,118	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,441,118	\$8,441,118
4	Statewide Connectivity Corridor Projects	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$32,877,000	\$32,877,000	\$0	\$0	\$32,877,000	\$32,877,000
5	CMAQ	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5 Flex	Map21 Flex	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
6	Structures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
7	Metro Mobility & Rehab	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$26,796,902	\$26,796,902	\$0	\$0	\$26,796,902	\$26,796,902
8	Safety	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
9	Enhancements	\$1,056,250	\$1,056,250	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,056,250	\$1,056,250
9 Flex	TAP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$815,798	\$815,798	\$0	\$0	\$815,798	\$815,798
10	Supplemental Transportation	\$0	\$0	\$16,620,223	\$16,620,223	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$16,620,223	\$16,620,223
10 CBI	Corridor Border	\$31,929,549	\$31,929,549	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$31,929,549	\$31,929,549
11	District Discretionary	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
12	Strategic Priority	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$17,000,000	\$17,000,000	\$17,000,000	\$17,000,000
12C	Strategic Priority RECON	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
12S	Strategic Priority RECON	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SBPE	Strategy Budget PE	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SB 102	Strategy 102	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total		\$32,985,799	\$32,985,799	\$39,847,331	\$39,847,331	\$60,489,700	\$60,489,700	\$19,691,424	\$19,691,424	\$153,014,254	\$153,014,254

Funding Participation Source

Source	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	Total
Federal	\$26,388,639	\$26,195,327	\$51,679,460	\$15,753,139	\$120,016,565
State	\$6,385,910	\$2,957,198	\$3,287,700	\$3,938,285	\$16,569,093
Local Match	\$211,250	\$2,253,688	\$5,522,540	\$0	\$7,987,478
CAT 3 - Local Contributions (LC)	\$0	\$8,441,118	\$0	\$0	\$8,441,118
CAT 3 - Prop 1	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CAT 3 - Prop 7	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CAT 3 - Prop 12	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CAT 3 - Prop 14 Bonds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CAT 3 - Texas Mobility Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CAT 3 - Vehical Registration Fees - VTR	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CAT 3 - RTR	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CAT 3 - SH 121 Toll Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CAT 3 - SH 161 Toll Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CAT 3 - SH 130 Concession Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CAT 3 - PTF	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CAT 3 - Unique Federal Program - Tiger II	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CAT 3 - TDC	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other - Section 5306	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other - Strategy PE Budget	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other - Strategy 102 Budget	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$32,985,799	\$39,847,331	\$60,489,700	\$19,691,424	\$153,014,254

Texas Department of Transportation-Laredo District was allocated Project Specific Funds

Category 4- Connectivity Corridor- Rural- \$ 98.40 Mill

Category 4- Congestion Connectivity Corridor (3c)- \$ 27.00 Mill

Category 12- Strategic Priority- \$ 35.00 Mill

Projects:

CSJ: 0086-14-078 (Overpass US 59/ Jacaman Rd) Cost \$ 19.69 Millions

Allocated Construction Funds: \$ 19.69 Mill from Category 2 MPO (FY 2020)

Proposed Construction Funds: \$ 17.00 Mill from Category 12- Strategic Priority (FY 2020)

Proposed Construction Funds: \$ 2.69 Mill from Category 2 MPO (FY 2020)

CSJ: 0018-06-136 (Overpass IH 35/ UPRR- North of Shiloh). Cost \$ 54.00 Millions

Allocated Construction Funds \$ 0.00

Proposed Construction Funds \$ 18.00 Mill from Category 12-Strategic Priority (FY 2021)

Proposed Construction Funds \$ 9.00 Mill from Category 2 MPO (FY 2021)

Proposed Construction Funds \$ 27.00 Mill from Category 4- Congestion Connectivity Corridor (3c) (FY 2021)

CSJ: 0018-06-183 (Direct Connector # 5, West on US 59 to South on IH-35)

Allocated Construction Funds \$ 0.00

Proposed Construction Funds \$ 30.00 Mill from Category 4- Connectivity Corridor (FY 2019)

CSJ: 0018-05-089 (IH-35/ Uniroyal Interchange)

Allocated Construction Funds \$ 0.00

Proposed Construction Funds \$ 65.00 Mill from Category 4- Connectivity Corridor (FY 2022)



CITY OF LAREDO

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

April 4, 2017

Ana A. Duncan, P.E.
Transportation Engineer
Laredo District TP&D
Texas Department of Transportation
1817 Bob Bullock Loop/Laredo, Texas 78043

RE: CSJ: 0922-33-093
Calton Road Grade Separation Project

Dear Ms. Duncan:

Following our meeting yesterday with our consultant, Arcadis, Inc., the City of Laredo is requesting an extension on the project schedule due to various uncertainties including:

- pending railroad agreement for construction and maintenance,
- further utility coordination and utility relocations,
- clearing of right-of-way encroachments, and
- changing of design from 2004 specifications to current 2014

For the reasons above, the let date of August 2017 is to be changed to November 2017. Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please call.

Sincerely,

Gabriel Martinez, PE
Assistant City Engineer

The first part of the paper discusses the importance of understanding the local context in which a project is implemented. This includes a thorough analysis of the social, economic, and cultural factors that may influence the success or failure of the intervention. It is essential to engage with local stakeholders from the outset to ensure that the project is relevant and sustainable.

The second part of the paper explores the challenges faced by project managers in the field. These challenges often arise from a lack of resources, limited access to information, and a complex regulatory environment. Effective project management requires the ability to anticipate these challenges and develop strategies to overcome them.

The third part of the paper focuses on the role of the project manager as a facilitator and leader. This involves building trust, fostering collaboration, and ensuring that the team is motivated and equipped to handle the demands of the project. The project manager must also be able to communicate effectively with stakeholders and report on progress.

The fourth part of the paper discusses the importance of monitoring and evaluation. This process allows project managers to track progress, identify areas for improvement, and ensure that the project is achieving its intended goals. It is a continuous process that requires regular communication and data collection.

The fifth part of the paper concludes by emphasizing the need for a holistic approach to project management. This means considering all aspects of the project, from the initial planning stage to the final evaluation, and ensuring that each step is informed by a deep understanding of the local context.

**LAREDO URBAN TRANSPORTATION STUDY
ACTION ITEM**

DATE: 04-17-17	SUBJECT: RESOLUTION Receive public testimony, initiate an additional 10 day public review and comment period and approve Resolution No. MPO 2017-03, adopting the following proposed amendment(s) of the 2015-2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), conditional to receipt of no significant comment: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Amending Table 12-10, entitled Roadway and Bicycle/Pedestrian Project Summary, Figure 12-1, entitled Roadway and Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects, Table 12-11, entitle Category 2 Roadway Projects, Figure 13-1, entitled Natural Resources and Federally Funded Projects, Figure 13-2, entitled Cultural Resources and Federally Funded Projects, Figure 13-3, entitled Low Income Areas and Federally Funded Projects, Table 13-1, entitled Federally Funded Projects Environmental Assessment Results, Table 13-3, entitled Federally Funded Projects and Environmental Justice Populations; and, Figure 13-4 entitled Colonias and Federally Funded Projects by:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a) Adding project CSJ 0086-14-077 for the construction of the Airport Overpass at the International Airport. The estimated project construction cost is \$14,785,990. Estimated letting date is August of 2018 (FY 2018).b) Adding project CSJ 0086-14-078 for the construction of the Jacaman Overpass, 0.50 miles south of Jacaman Road to 0.50 miles north of Jacaman Road. The estimated project construction cost is \$19,691,424. Estimated letting date is August of 2020 (FY 2020).c) Adding project CSJ 0018-06-136 for the construction of a railroad grade separation and widening of the main-lanes from Shiloh Dr. to 0.25 miles north of US 59/ IH 69W. The estimated construction cost is \$54,000,000. Estimated letting date August 2021 (FY 2021)d) Adding project CSJ 0018-06-183 for the construction of direct connector interchange (DC#5), from 0.50 miles south of US 59-SL20 to 0.50 miles east of IH35/US59-SL20. The estimated construction cost is \$30,000,000. Estimated letting date is August 2019 (FY 2019)e) Adding project CSJ 0018-05-089 for the replacement of an existing bridge, from 0.50 miles south of Uniroyal Interchange to 1.0 miles north of the Uniroyal Interchange. The estimated construction cost is \$65,000,000. Estimated letting date is September of 2021, (FY 2021)f) Adding of project CSJ 0922-33-900, also identified as the River Vega Multi-Use Hike and Bike Trail, intended to provide for the construction of a hike and bike trail from Anna Park to the LCC Campus, with an estimated total project cost of \$815,798. Proposed project letting date is October 2018 (FY 19).g) Revising project #4/0086-14-058 by adding identifier CSJ 0086-14-072 and removing the Airport and Jacaman Road overpasses. Said projects will be identified separately as projects CSJ 0086-14-077 and CSJ 0086-14-078 respectively. CAPTION CONTINUED ON PAGE 2.....
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**LAREDO URBAN TRANSPORTATION STUDY
ACTION ITEM**

DATE: 04-17-17	SUBJECT: RESOLUTION 2. Amending Table 12-11 such that it will be identified as Roadway Project and will include all roadway project summaries previously listed in Tables 12-11, 12-12, 12-13, 12-14, 12-15, entitled Category 2, 7,8,9, and 10 Roadway Projects, respectively. 3. Remove Tables 12-11, 12-12, 12-13, 12-14, 12-15, entitled Category 2, 7,8,9, and 10 Roadway Projects respectively Table 12-12 , entitled Category 7 Roadway Projects, <div style="text-align: right;">MTP 15-40/REV 07</div>	
INITIATED BY: TXDOT		STAFF SOURCE: Nathan Bratton, MPO Director
PREVIOUS ACTION: On December 15, 2014 the Policy Committee adopted the 2015-2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). The Policy Committee approved revision #1of the MTP on April 20, 2015. On October 19, 2015 the Policy Committee approved revision #2. On March 21, 2016, the Policy Committee approved revision #3 and also approved a ten day public review and comment period for revision #4. On December 21, 2015, the Policy Committee approve the allocation of 4.482 million dollars in Proposition 1, Category 2 (MPO) funds to the project identified as CSJ 2150-04-067 for the widening of pavement to provide additional travel lanes on FM 1472 (Mines Road) from Killam Industrial Boulevard to 0.3 miles north of Mueller Boulevard with an estimated letting date of August 2016. On June 20 th , 2016, the Policy Committee approved the initiation of a 10 day public review and comment period for the proposed MTP revisions. On July 18 th , 2016, the Policy Committee approved revision #5 of the MTP. Revision #6 was approved on October 17, 2016. On March 20 th , 2017, the Policy Committee initiated a 10 day public review and comment period.		
BACKGROUND: The development of the MTP is federally required in to assure the continuation of federal transportation funds. The plan must address, at a minimum, a continuous twenty-year planning horizon. See attachments for full details of all proposed revisions.		
COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Approval		STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval.

RESOLUTION NO. MPO 2017-03

**BY THE LAREDO URBAN TRANSPORTATION STUDY
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION POLICY COMMITTEE**

ADOPTING THE 2015-2040 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN (MTP)

WHEREAS, the Laredo Urban Transportation Study (LUTS), the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Laredo Urban Area, has reviewed the proposed revision(s) of the 2015-2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP); and,

WHEREAS, the Laredo Urban Transportation Study finds that the proposed revision(s) of the 2015-2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) meets the high priority improvements necessary for the LUTS area;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Laredo Urban Transportation Study, as the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Laredo Urban Area, adopted the proposed revisions of the 2015-2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), which are attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purpose:

We certify that the above resolution was adopted on April 17th, 2017, at a public meeting of the Policy Committee of the Laredo Urban Transportation Study.

Honorable Pete Saenz
Mayor of Laredo and Chairperson of the
MPO Policy Committee

Nathan Bratton
MPO Director

Pedro R. Alvarez,
TxDOT, District Engineer

Figure 12-1: Roadway and Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects

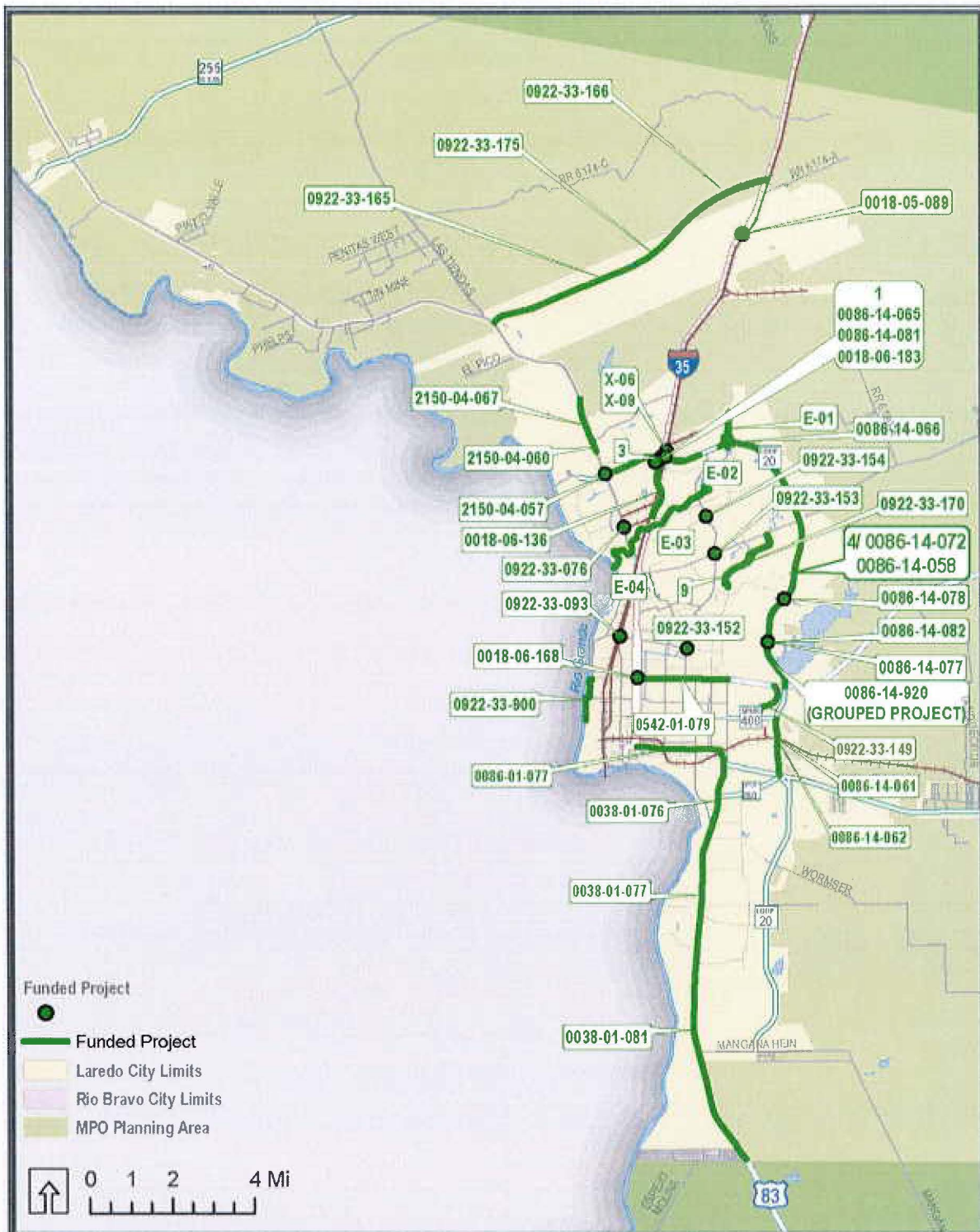


Table 12-10: Roadway and Bicycle/Pedestrian Projects Summary

Cat	CSJ No./ID	Roadway	Limits	Description	Letting Year	Project Cost		Projected Revenue	
						Total Project Cost (in 2014 dollars)	Year of Expenditure Cost	Federal Revenue	Other Revenue (RMA and Local Sources)
7, 11	0086-14-061	Loop 20	SH 359 to Spur 400	Widen existing bridge	2015	\$10,245,646	\$10,655,472	\$8,524,378	\$2,131,094
1, 2, 4	0086-14-062	Loop 20	1.09 S. of Spur 400 to Spur 400	New Nonfreeway frontage road	2015	\$16,936,138	\$17,613,584	\$1,506,867	\$16,106,717
8	0018-06-168	IH 35	At US 59 intersection	Improve traffic signal on frontage road	2015	\$96,146	\$99,992	\$81,702	\$18,290
8	0038-01-076	US 83	Palo Blanco to SH 359	Improve traffic signals - interconnect signals	2015	\$124,873	\$129,868	\$109,625	\$20,243
8	0038-01-077	US 83	Cielito Lindo to Palo Blanco	Improve traffic signals - interconnect signals	2015	\$171,131	\$177,976	\$131,375	\$46,601
8	0086-01-077	US 83	IH 35 to SH 359	Improve traffic signals - interconnect signals	2015	\$174,922	\$181,919	\$153,625	\$28,294
8	0542-01-079	US 59	IH 35 to Arkansas	Improve traffic signals - interconnect signals	2015	\$140,963	\$146,602	\$123,750	\$22,852
8	2150-04-057	FM 1472	At Loop 20	Improve traffic signal, interconnect signals, and install overhead guide signs	2015	\$90,700	\$94,328	\$77,074	\$17,254
8	2150-04-060	FM 1472	Killam Industrial Blvd to Pellegrino	Install raised median	2015	\$149,669	\$155,656	\$128,438	\$27,218
9	9	Alexander Hike and Bike Trail	Zacate Dam to Del Mar Blvd	Construct hike and bike trail	2015	\$986,078	\$1,025,521	\$1,025,521	\$0
10	0086-14-051	Loop 20	0.50 mi west of Milo interchange to 3000 feet east of Havana	Schematic, environmental, ROW-survey/mapping & PSE	2015	\$4,256,385	\$4,426,640	\$4,000,845	\$425,795
10	0922-33-076	At the intersection of FM 1472 and Flecha Ln/Las Cruces Dr		Re-align intersection	2015	\$3,377,269	\$3,512,360	\$1,440,411	\$2,071,949
11	0922-00-060	VA	Districtwide	Upgrade bridge rail and MBGF	2015	\$3,059,036	\$3,181,397	\$2,500,000	\$681,397
12	0038-01-081	US 83	Cielito-Lindo Blvd (NB) to Espejo Molina Rd	Resurface of existing highway	2015	\$253,823	\$263,976	\$6,593,622	\$0
1,2M, 11	0086-14-066	Loop 20	0.45 m. east of Internation Blvd to 0.25 m. west of Mcpherson	Construction of interchange	2016	\$21,059,119	\$22,777,543	\$583,634	\$22,193,909
9	E-01	Manadas Creek Hike and Bike Trail, Phase III	United High School to Loop 20	Construct hike and bike trail	2016	\$886,846	\$959,213	\$959,213	\$0
10	0922-33-093	Calton Rd	Santa Maria Ave East of International Blvd to US 59/Loop 20 Interchange	Construct overpass	2016	\$23,309,669	\$25,211,738	\$12,926,124	\$12,285,614
10	0086-14-058	Loop 20		Schematic, environmental, ROW-survey/mapping & PSE	2016	\$3,880,224	\$4,196,850	\$3,500,000	\$696,850
11	0922-00-056	VA	Districtwide	Upgrade bridge rail and MBGF	2016	\$3,089,177	\$3,341,254	\$2,500,000	\$841,254
Local	0922-33-165	Hachar Parkway	FM 1472 to 0.1 m. E. of Beltway Parkway	Schematic, environmental for 5.07 miles of 5 lane rural roadway	2016	\$1,016,063	\$1,016,063	\$0	\$1,016,562
10 (CBI)	0922-33-166	Hachar Parkway	0.1 m. E. of Beltway Parkway to IH 35	Schematic, environmental, and preliminary engineering for a 5 lane rural roadway. Construct one additional northbound travel lane, and the design and partial reconstruction of the existing outside lane.	2016	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$60,000
Prop 1 (Cat 2) and 7	2150-04-067	FM 1472 (Mlines Rd.)	Killam Industrial Blvd to 0.3 miles north of Mueller Blvd.		2016	\$5,782,000	\$5,782,000	\$1,300,000	\$0
2, 7, 12	1/0086-14-065	Loop 20	At IH 35	Construct overpass and approach roadways	2017	\$22,727,143	\$25,564,945	\$25,564,945	\$0
8	0922-33-152	McPherson Rd	At Calton Rd	Install raised median	2017	\$231,362	\$260,251	\$203,829	\$56,422

8	0922-33-153	McPherson Rd	At Del Mar Blvd	Install raised median and add right turn lane	2017	\$573,721	\$645,358	\$505,445	\$139,913
8	0922-33-154	McPherson Rd	At International Blvd	Install raised median	2017	\$347,446	\$390,830	\$306,098	\$84,732
9	E-02	Manadas Creek Hike and Bike Trail, Phase IV	McPherson Rd to North Central Park	Construct hike and bike trail	2017	\$335,305	\$377,172	\$377,172	\$0
11	0922-33-149	Chacon Creek	Eastwoods Park to US 59	Construction of a pedestrian trail at Chacon Creek in Laredo (Phase 3)	2017	\$1,786,746	\$2,009,846	\$1,410,000	\$599,846
9, local	0922-33-170	Zacated Creek Hike and Bike Trail	Zacate Creek	Design and construction of hike and bike trail.	2017	1,250,000*	\$1,416,278	\$1,000,000	\$250,000
7	0922-33-175	Hachar Parkway	FM 1472 to IH 35	PS&E and Row mapping for 5 lane rural road	2017	\$1,452,866	\$1,634,277	\$1,307,421	\$326,855
10-CBI	0922-14-081	IH 35	IH 35 and Loop 20	ITS for interchange facility over IH35	2017	\$924,556	\$1,040,000	\$800,000	\$240,000
2, 7	3	Loop 20	At IH 35	Construct ramps from IH 35 southbound to Loop 20 eastbound, and from Loop 20 westbound to IH 35 southbound	2018	\$44,200,000	\$51,707,748	\$9,276,602	\$42,431,146
2/Prop 1	0086-14-077	US 59	International Airport	Construct interchange	2018	\$15,388,491	\$18,002,357	\$9,884,792	\$8,117,565
9	E-03	Manadas Creek Hike and Bike Trail, Phase V	IH 35 to McPherson Rd	Construct hike and bike trail	2018	\$654,910	\$766,152	\$766,152	\$0
7	0922-33-165	Hachar Parkway	FM 1472 to 0.1 m. E. of Beltway Parkway	Construction of 5.07 miles of 5 lane rural roadway	2018	\$33,060,222	\$41,831,728	\$21,437,521	\$20,394,207
9	E-04	Manadas Creek Hike and Bike Trail, Phase VI	Rio Grande River NW of water treatment plant	Construct hike and bike trail	2019	\$746,471	\$908,196	\$908,196	\$0
11	0922-00-951	VA	Districtwide	Upgrade bridge rail and MBGF	2019	\$3,089,178	\$3,758,457	\$2,500,000	\$1,258,457
4	0018-06-183	IH 35	.5 miles S. of US59-SL20 to .5 miles east of IH35/US59-SL20	Construct direct connector Interchange (DC#5)	2019	\$34,438,973	\$41,900,277	\$27,000,000	\$14,900,277
9	0922-33-900	MSC	Anna Park to LCC campus	River Vega Hike and Bike Trail	2019	\$797,766	\$970,604	\$652,638	\$317,966
7, 10	4/0086-14-058	Loop 20	International Blvd to US 59	Upgrade to interstate standards, including overpasses at Shiloh Dr, Del Mar Blvd, University Blvd, Jacaman Rd, and Airport	2020	\$391,400,000	\$495,245,864	\$116,608,517	\$378,637,347
7, 10	4/0086-14-058/0086-14-072	Loop 20	International Blvd to US 59	Upgrade to interstate standards, including overpasses at Shiloh Dr, Del Mar Blvd, University Blvd	2020	\$355,517,697	\$449,843,303	\$90,970,586	\$358,872,717
11	0922-00-953	VA	Districtwide	Upgrade bridge rail and MBGF	2020	\$3,089,177	\$3,908,795	\$2,500,000	\$1,408,795
2, 12	0086-14-078	US 59	.5 miles N of Jacaman to .5 miles S of Jacaman	Construct interchange	2020	\$20,493,812	\$25,931,210	\$15,753,139	\$10,178,071
11	0922-00-955	VA	Districtwide	Upgrade bridge rail and MBGF	2021	\$3,089,178	\$4,065,147	\$2,500,000	\$1,565,147
2, 4, 12	0086-06-136	IH 35	Shiloh Dr. to .25 m N. of US 59/IH 69W	Widen mainlanes and construct overpass	2021	\$67,048,549	\$88,231,316	\$43,200,000	\$45,031,316
4	0018-05-089	IH 35	0.5 miles S. of Uniroyal Interchange to 1.0 N. of Uniroyal Interchange	Replacement of existing bridge	2021	\$79,348,894	\$104,417,731	\$58,500,000	\$45,917,731
11	0922-00-960	VA	Districtwide	Upgrade bridge rail and MBGF	2022	\$3,089,178	\$4,227,753	\$2,500,000	\$1,727,753

11	0922-00-970	VA	Districtwide	Upgrade bridge rail and MBGF	2023	\$3,089,178	\$4,396,863	\$2,500,000	\$1,896,863
7	0922-33-166	Hachar Parkway	0.1 m. E. of Beltway Parkway to IH 35	Construction of 5 lane rural road	2023	\$24,190,742	\$34,430,969	\$17,152,535	\$17,278,434
7	X-06	IH 35	At Loop 20	Construct ramp from Loop 20 Westbound to IH 35 Northbound	2037	\$35,520,000	\$87,546,696	\$7,454,863	\$80,091,833
7	X-09	IH 35	At Loop 20	Construct ramp from Loop 20 Eastbound to IH 35 Southbound	2039	\$35,520,000	\$94,690,506	\$7,454,863	\$87,235,643
Total						\$96,083,765	\$1,695,370,581	\$519,461,518	\$1,177,650,929

Description: Construction of interchange at International Airport.

Letting Year: 2018

Total Project Cost (2014 Dollars): \$15,388,491

YOE Cost: \$18,002,357

Programmed Amount:

Category 2: \$2,430,000

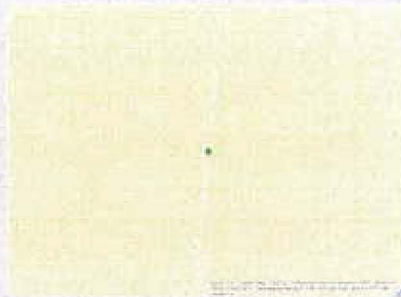
Category 2, Prop 1: 12,355,990

Other Amount: \$3,216,367

Funding: Federally funded

Environmental Impacts and Environmental Justice:

The project is close to 100-year flood plains, but it is not near low income areas or cultural resources.



Description:Construction of interchange at Jacaman Road.

Letting Year: 2020

Total Project Cost (2014 Dollars): \$20,493,812

YOE Cost: \$25,931,210

Programmed Amount:

Category 2: \$2,691,424

Category 12: \$17,000,000

Other Amount: \$6,239,786

Funding: Federally funded

Environmental Impacts and Environmental Justice:

The project is close to 100-year flood plains, but it is not near low income areas or cultural resources.



Description: Replacement of an existing bridge, from 0.50 miles south of Uniroyal interchange to 1.0 miles north of the Uniroyal Interchange.

Letting Year: 2021

Total Project Cost (2014 Dollars): \$79,348,894

YOE Cost: \$104,417,731

Programmed Amount:

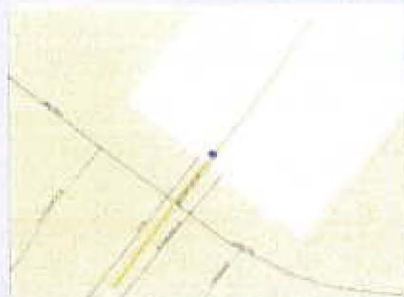
Category 4: \$65,000,000

Other Amount: \$54,558,227

Funding: Federally funded

Environmental Impacts and Environmental Justice:

The project is close to 100-year flood plains, but it is not near low income areas or cultural resources.



Description: Construction of a railroad grade separation and widening of the mainlanes from Shiloh Dr. to 0.25 miles north of US 59/IH69W.

Letting Year: 2021

Total Project Cost (2014 Dollars): \$67,048,549

YOE Cost: \$88,231,316

Programmed Amount:

Category 2: \$9,000,000

Category 4: \$27,000,000

Category 12: \$18,000,000

Other Amount: \$34,231,316

Funding: Federally funded

Environmental Impacts and Environmental Justice:

The project is close to 100-year flood plains, but it is not near low income areas or cultural resources.



Description: Construction of direct connector interchange (DC#5), from 0.50 miles south of US 59-SL20 to 0.50 miles east of IH35/US59-SL20

Letting Year: 2019

Total Project Cost (2014 Dollars): \$34,438,973

YOE Cost: \$41,900,277

Programmed Amount:

Category 4: \$30,000,000

Other Amount: \$11,900,277

Funding: Federally funded

Environmental Impacts and Environmental Justice:

The project is close to 100-year flood plains, but it is not near low income areas or cultural resources.



Description: Construction of a hike and bike trail.

Letting Year: 2019

Total Project Cost (2014 Dollars): \$897,378

YOE Cost: \$815,798

Programmed Amount:

Category 9: \$815,798

Other Amount: \$81,580

Funding: Federally funded

Environmental Impacts and Environmental Justice:

The project is close to 100-year flood plains, but it is not near low income areas or cultural resources.



Figure 13-1: Natural Resources and Federally Funded Projects

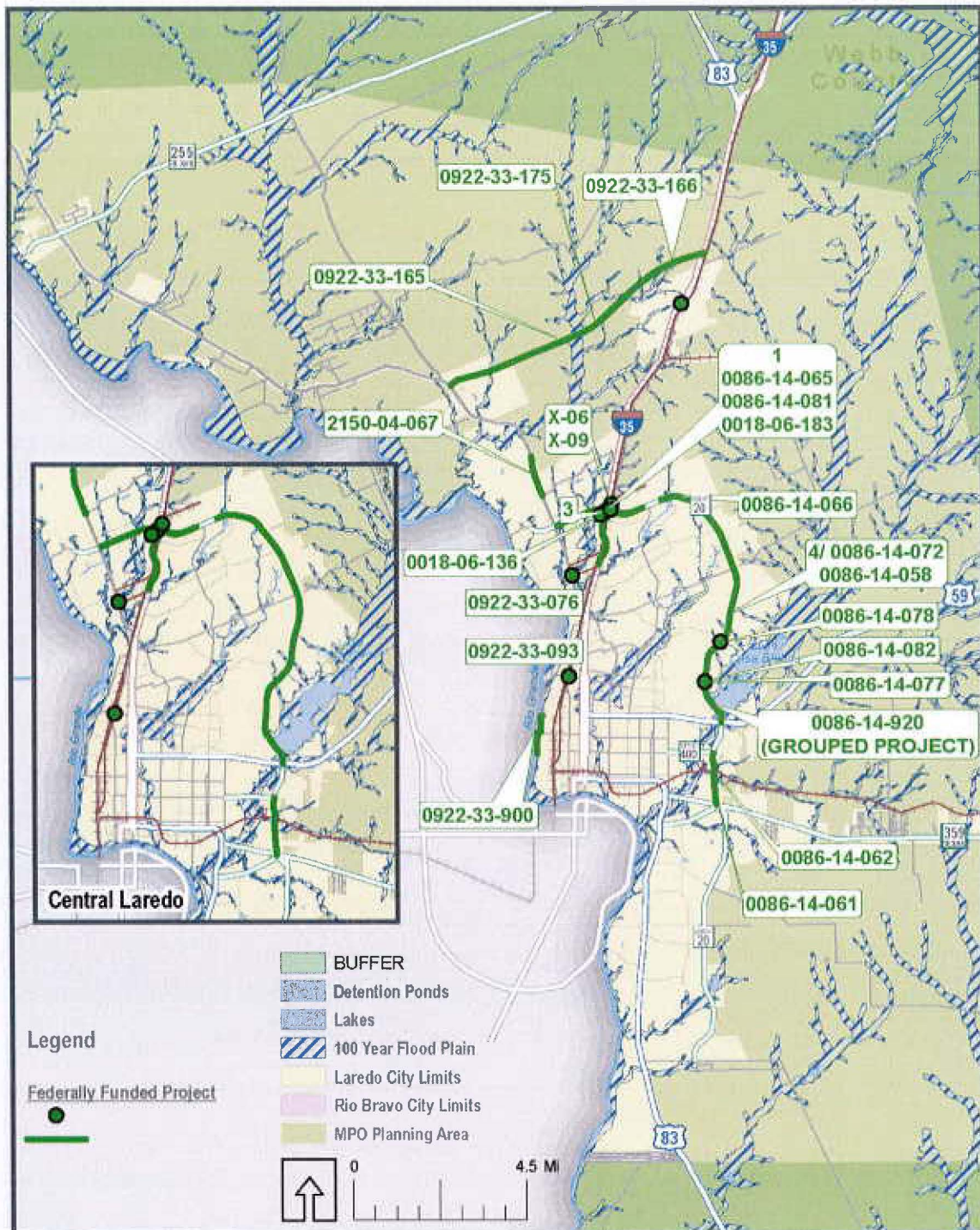


Figure 13-2: Cultural Resources and Federally Funded Projects

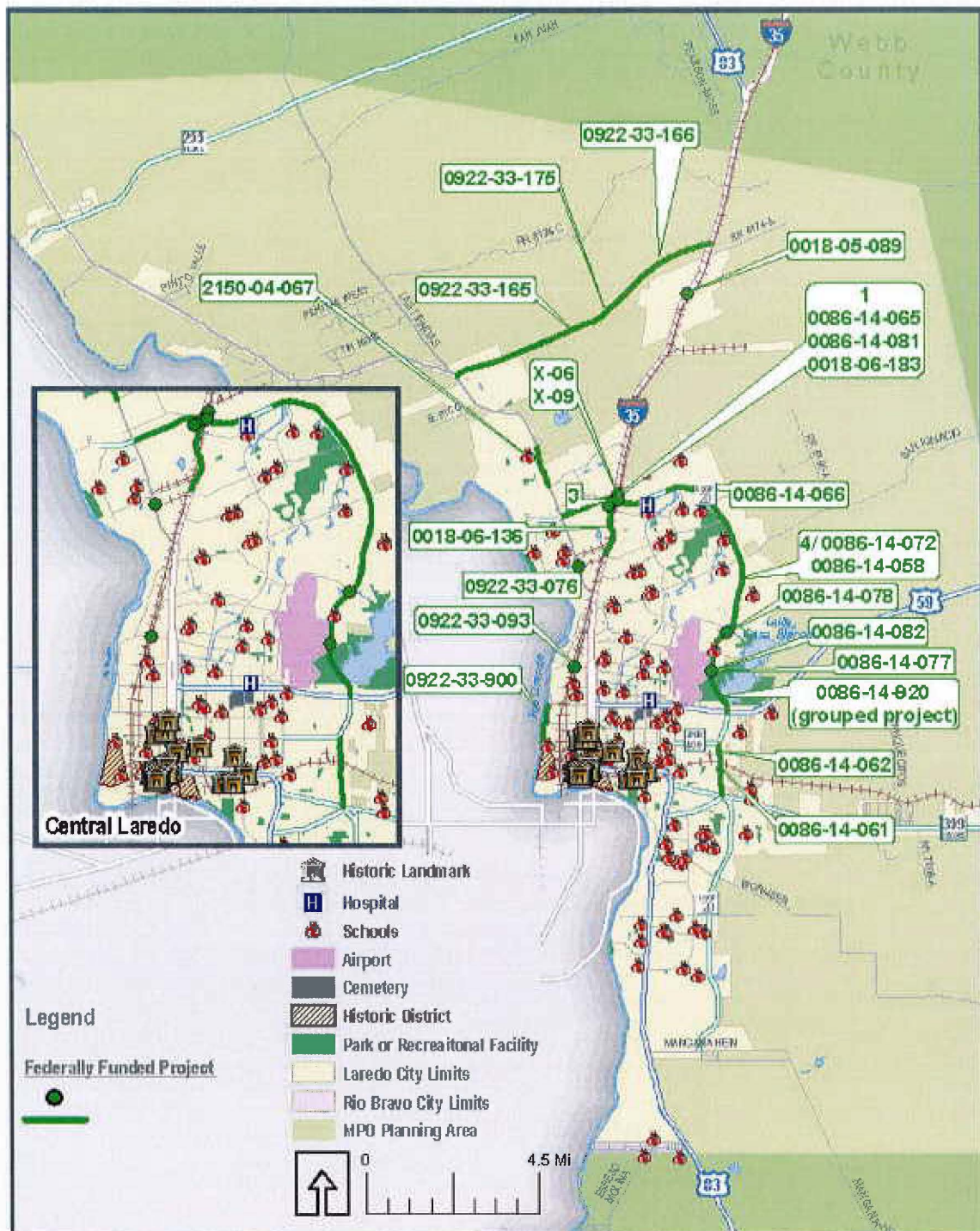


Figure 13-3: Low Income Areas and Federally Funded Projects

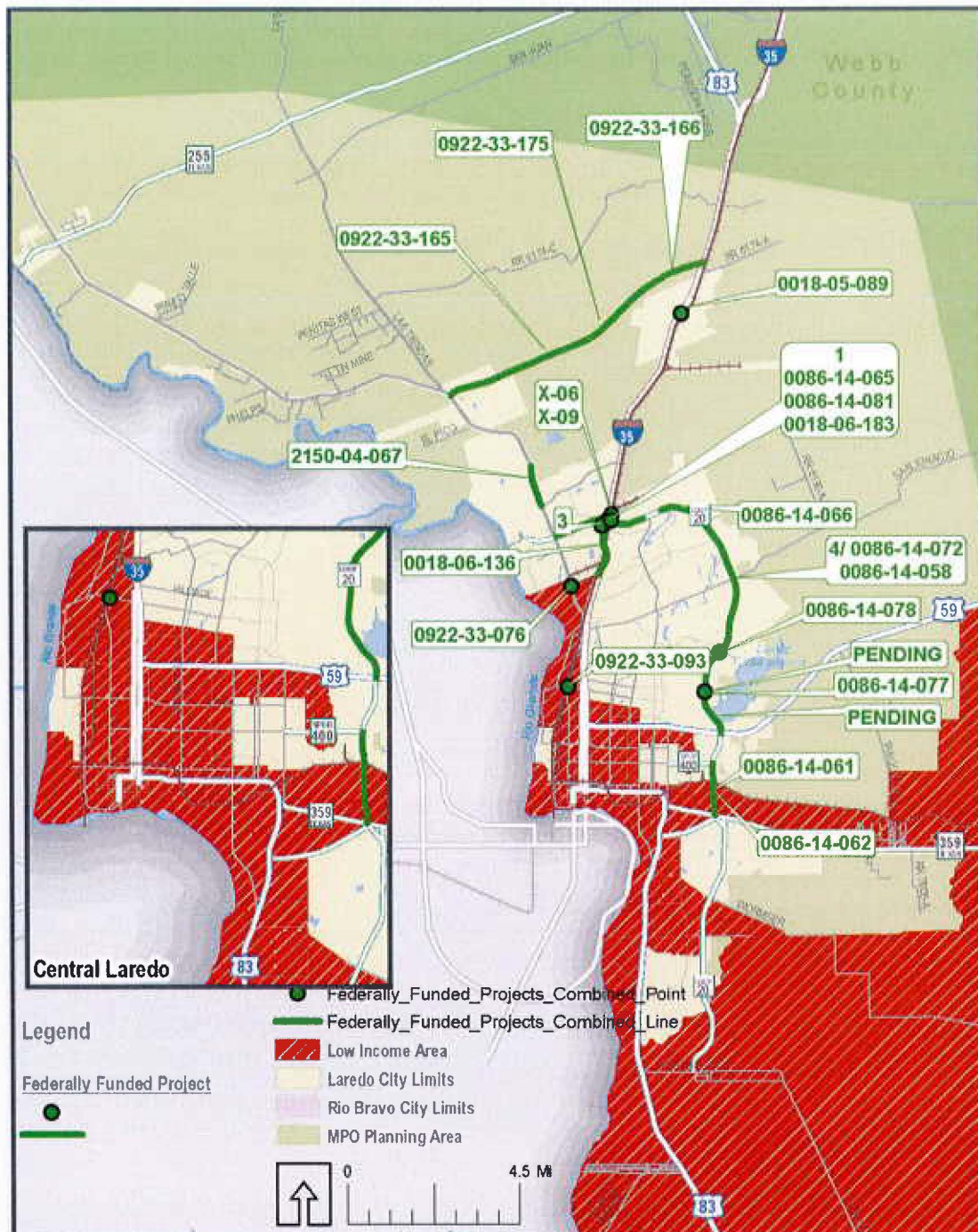


Figure 13-4: Colonias and Federally Funded Projects

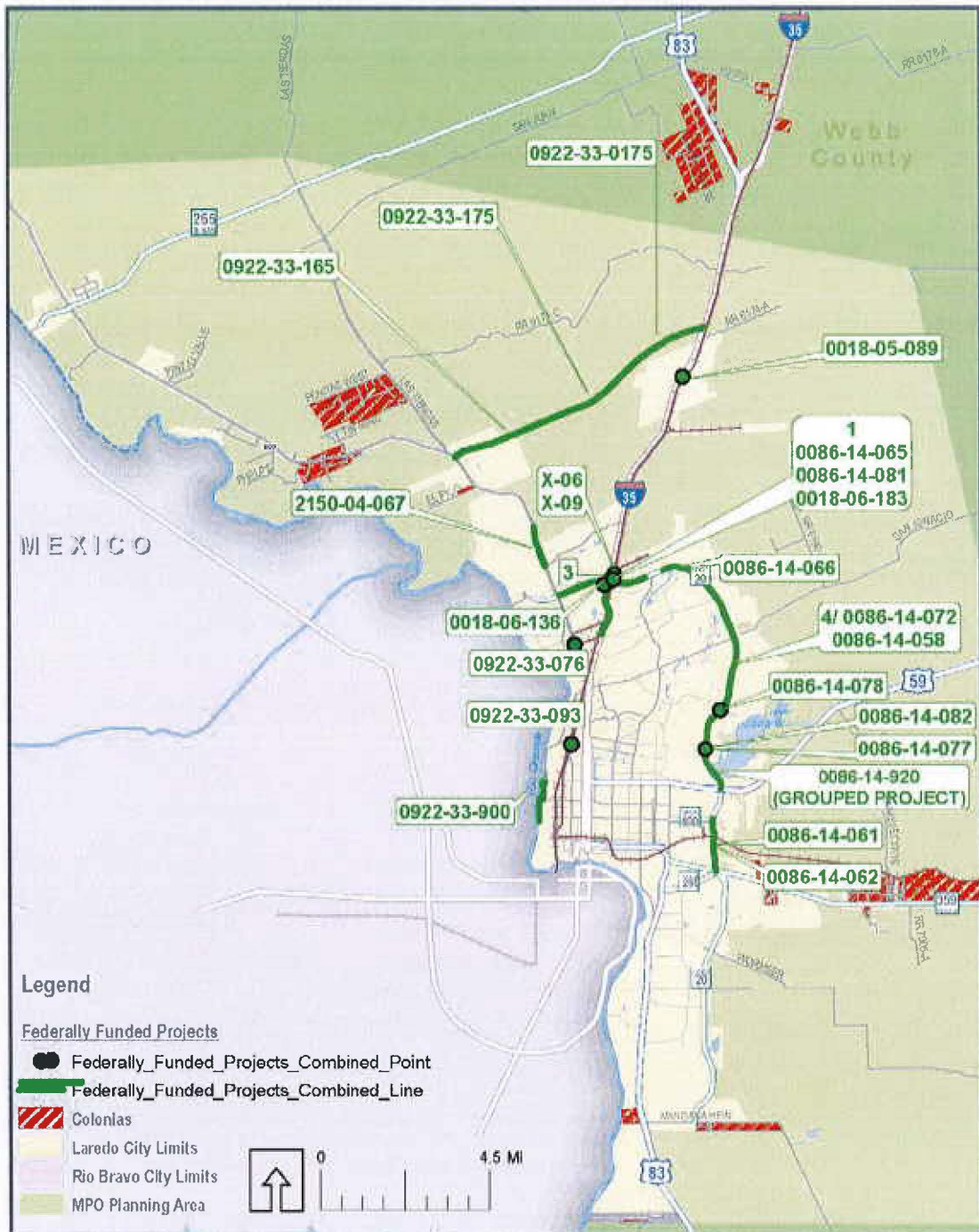


Table 13-1: Federally Funded Projects Environmental Assessment Results

ID	Roadway	Buffer Distance (Ft)	100-YR Flood Plain	Water Bodies	Airport	Cemetery	Historic Site	Medical Facility	Park and Rec. Facility	School
0086-14-061	Loop 20	400	☑							
1, 0086-14-065	Loop 20	500	☑							
0086-14-066	Loop 20	500	☑	☑						
3	Loop 20	500	☑							
4, 0086-14-072, 0086-14-058	Loop 20	400	☑	☑	☑				☑	☑
X-06	IH 35 at Loop 20	500	☑							
X-09	IH 35 at Loop 20	500	☑							
0922-33-076	City Street	500	☑							
0922-33-093	City Street	500								
0086-14-062	Loop 20	400	☑							
2150-04-067	FM 1472	400								
0922-33-165	Hachar Parkway	400	☑							
0922-33-166	Hachar Parkway	400	☑							
0922-33-175	Hachar Parkway	400	☑							
0086-14-077	Loop 20	500			☑					
0086-14-078	Loop 20	500								
Pending	Loop 20	400	☑		☑					
Pending	Loop 20	400	☑	☑	☑					
0018-05-089	IH 35	400								
0018-06-136	IH 35	400	☑							
0018-06-183	IH 35 at Loop 20	400	☑							

Environmental Mitigation Activities

It is stated in the laws governing the federal transportation planning process that “long-range transportation plans should include a discussion of types of potential environmental mitigation activities and potential areas to carry out these activities, including activities that may have the greatest potential to restore and maintain the environmental functions affected by the plan”. In addition, MAP-21 requires that potential environmental mitigation activities be developed in consultation with federal, state, and tribal wildlife, land

economically distressed residential areas located in unincorporated land along the US-Mexico border, often lacking basic public infrastructure, including potable water, sewer systems, electricity, paved roads, and safe and sanitary housing. Residents of colonias are mostly low-income individuals seeking access to affordable living accommodations.

In order to determine which Census tracts are considered low income in the Laredo region, the U.S. Census data that shows the number of households in poverty and total households in Census tracts in 2012 were used. A Census tract is considered to be a low income area if its percentage of households in poverty is higher than regional average.

Table 13-3 identifies which projects are located in Environmental Justice areas, while **Figure 13-3** and **Figure 13-4** present the locations of Environmental Justice populations and the priority projects within this MTP.

Table 13-3: Federally Funded Projects and Environmental Justice Population

ID	Roadway	Limits	Buffer Distance (Ft)	Low Income Census Tract	Colonia
0086-14-061	Loop 20	Clark Blvd to SH 359	400	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
0086-14-062	Loop 20	Clark Blvd to SH 359	400	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
1, 0086-14-065, 0086-14-081	Loop 20	At IH 35	500		
0086-14-066	Loop 20	At International Blvd	500		
3	Loop 20	At IH 35	500		
4, 0086-14-950, 0086-14-058	Loop 20	International Blvd to US 59	400		
X-06	IH 35	At Loop 20	500		
X-09	IH 35	At Loop 20	500		
0922-33-076	City Street	At the intersection of FM 1472 and Flecha Ln/Las Cruces Dr	500	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
0922-33-093	City Street	At the intersection of Calton Rd and Santa Maria Ave	500	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
0086-14-062	Loop 20	1.06 mi south of Spur 400 to Spur 400	400	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2150-04-067	FM 1472	Killam Industrial Blvd to .3 Mi North of Muller Memorial Blvd	400		
0922-33-175	Hachar Parkway	FM 1472 to IH35 West Frontage Road	400		
0922-33-165	Hachar Parkway	FM 1472 to .1 Mi East of Beltway Parkway	400		
0922-33-166	Hachar Parkway	.1 Mi East of Beltway Parkway to IH35 Frontage Rd	400		
0086-14-077	Loop 20	At Laredo International Airport	500		
0086-14-078	Loop 20	At Jacaman Rd	500		
Pending	Loop 20	Jacaman Rd to US 59 (Saunders St)	400		

Table 13-4: Federally Funded Projects and Environmental Justice Population (Continued)

<i>ID</i>	<i>Roadway</i>	<i>Limits</i>	<i>Buffer Distance (Ft)</i>	<i>Low Income Census Tract</i>	<i>Colonia</i>
Pending	Loop 20	Proposed Airport Overpass to US 59 (Saunders St)	400		
0018-05-089	IH 35	Upgrade of Overpass over Uniroyal	400		
0018-06-136	IH 35	Shiloh Dr to .25 Mi N of US 59/ I69W	400		
0018-06-183	IH 35 to Loop 20	.5 Mi E of IH 35 to .5 Mi S of US 59-SL 20	400		

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0086-14-078	US 59		Phase C		Let 8/20 (FY 20)		YOE	19,691,424
From:	0.50 MI S of Jacaman Rd							
To:	0.50 MI N of Jacaman Rd							
Construction of Interchange								
PE	964,880		FUNDS	Federal	State	Local	LC	TOTAL
Construction	19,691,424		CAT 2	2,153,139	538,285			2,691,424
Const Eng	923,528		CAT 12	13,600,000	3,400,000			17,000,000
Conting	588,774		TOTAL:	15,753,139	3,938,285			19,691,424
CO	884,145							
Total	23,052,751							
ADMINISTRATIVE REVISION								
0922-33-093	CS		Phase C, E, R		Let 10/17 (FY 18)			
From:	0.25 M East of Calton/ San Maria Interchange							
To:	0.25 M West of Calton/ San Maria Interchange							
Construction of a Grade separation at Calton/San Maria Intersection								
PE	830,293		FUNDS	Federal	State	Local	LC	TOTAL
ROW	3,450,000		10-Misc	12,926,124	0	1,893,585	0	14,819,709
Construction	16,944,765		Local	0	0	0	8,194,433	8,194,433
Const Eng	794,709		TOTAL:					23,014,142
Conting	506,648							

Texas Department of Transportation-Laredo District was allocated Project Specific Funds

Category 4- Connectivity Corridor- Rural- \$ 98.40 Mill

Category 4- Congestion Connectivity Corridor (3c)- \$ 27.00 Mill

Category 12- Strategic Priority- \$ 35.00 Mill

Projects:

CSJ: 0086-14-078 (Overpass US 59/ Jacaman Rd) Cost \$ 19.69 Millions

Allocated Construction Funds: \$ 19.69 Mill from Category 2 MPO (FY 2020)

Proposed Construction Funds: \$ 17.00 Mill from Category 12- Strategic Priority (FY 2020)

Proposed Construction Funds: \$ 2.69 Mill from Category 2 MPO (FY 2020)

CSJ: 0018-06-136 (Overpass IH 35/ UPRR- North of Shiloh). Cost \$ 54.00 Millions

Allocated Construction Funds \$ 0.00

Proposed Construction Funds \$ 18.00 Mill from Category 12-Strategic Priority (FY 2021)

Proposed Construction Funds \$ 9.00 Mill from Category 2 MPO (FY 2021)

Proposed Construction Funds \$ 27.00 Mill from Category 4- Congestion Connectivity Corridor (3c) (FY 2021)

CSJ: 0018-06-183 (Direct Connector # 5, West on US 59 to South on IH-35)

Allocated Construction Funds \$ 0.00

Proposed Construction Funds \$ 30.00 Mill from Category 4- Connectivity Corridor (FY 2019)

CSJ: 0018-05-089 (IH-35/ Uniroyal Interchange)

Allocated Construction Funds \$ 0.00

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P10 - Total Project Cost
(BY CSJ)

TOTALS SHOWN ON THIS PAGE ARE INFORMATIONAL ONLY AND REFLECT AN ESTIMATION OF THE POTENTIAL TOTAL PROJECT COST BASED ON THE CURRENT ENGINEER'S ESTIMATES AND APPLIED PERCENTAGES. AS SUCH, THE TOTALS DO NOT REPRESENT A GUARANTEED AMOUNT OF FUNDING NOR A RELATIONSHIP TO CASH AVAILABLE ON THE PROJECT.

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CE	4.69	1,551,949.00	0.00
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P10 - Total Project Cost
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Construction		64,423,421.55	26,996,736.00
PE	4.90	3,156,747.66	1,322,840.06
ROW		0.00	0.00
Bond Finance		0.00	0.00
CE	4.69	3,021,458.47	1,079,869.44
Contingencies	2.99	1,926,260.30	1,619,804.16
Potential Change Ord	4.49	2,892,611.63	0.00
Indirect	0.00	0.00	1,360,635.49

Current Total Project Cost For CSJ 001806136

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	% of Est	Current Estimate (includes inflation)	Auth. Cost (includes inflation)
Construction		77,790,408.23	0.00
PE	4.90	3,811,730.00	0.00
ROW		0.00	0.00
Bond Finance		0.00	0.00
CE	7.45	5,795,385.41	0.00
Contingencies	0.00	0.00	0.00
Potential Change Ord	2.39	1,859,190.76	0.00
Indirect	0.00	0.00	0.00

Current Total Project Cost For CSJ 001805089
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LAREDO URBAN TRANSPORTATION STUDY ACTION ITEM

DATE: 4-17-17	SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION(S) Receive public testimony and approve Resolution No. MPO 2017-4, adopting the updated Public Participation Plan.	
INITIATED BY: Staff		STAFF SOURCE: Nathan Bratton MPO Director
PREVIOUS ACTION: The current Public Involvement Process was adopted on June 14, 2012 following a 45 day public review and comment period. A forty-five (45) public review and comment period was initiated on January 17, 2017.		
BACKGROUND: <p>The Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act of 2015 continues the legacy started with the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) of 2005, which emphasized the need for public participation in all stages of the transportation planning process. The Act requires that MPO's conduct a proactive public involvement process that provides complete information, timely public notice, full public access to key decisions, and supports early, and on-going public involvement in developing plans, programs, policies and procedures.</p> <p>It is the policy of the MPO to provide every opportunity for the involvement of citizens in the transportation planning process in conformance with the requirements of 23 CFR 450.316(a) thru its adopted Public Participation Plan (PPP).</p> <p>The PPP is required to be reapproved every five years and updated on an "as needed" basis.</p> <p>Comments received during the comment period and MPO response to the comments may be found on page two of this communication.</p> <div style="text-align: right;"><i>Comments continued....</i></div>		
COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The LUTS Technical Committee recommended approval.		STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approval.

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	From	Public Comment	Action Taken
1	K. Fauver- FHWA	The current draft does not cite the new FAST Act Metropolitan and Statewide Planning Regulations (final rule issued May 27, 2016 in the Federal Register- please see attached document). This should be cited in the section entitled "General" on page 1 of the draft public (PPP participation plan);	The language was inserted as requested.
2	K. Fauver- FHWA	The policy section should have individuals (vs. citizens) shown in terms of providing opportunity for input as shown in the first bullet, page 1;	All instances of the word "citizen" in the document were replaced with the word "individual"
3	K. Fauver- FHWA	The policy section should include: intercity bus operators, employer-based commuting programs, such as carpool-vanpool programs, transit benefit programs, parking cash-out program, shuttle or telework program after the term "private providers of transportation in the first bullet on page 1 per 23 CFR 450.316(a);	The language was inserted as requested.
4	K. Fauver- FHWA	The PPP should also address visualization techniques to describe MPO plans and TIPs per 23 CFR 450.316(a)(1)(iii);	The language cited in per 23 CFR 450.316(a)(1)(iii) was inserted as an additional bullet in the Policy section.
5	K. Fauver- FHWA	Copies of the approved PPP should be provided to the FHWA and FTA Region 6 offices for informational purposes and should be posted on the internet once adopted by the MPO policy board per 23 CFR 450.316(a)(3)- see page 4 under 'Initial Adoption and Revisions';	The language cited in 23 CFR 450.316(a)(3) was inserted as requested.
6	K. Fauver- FHWA	page 5, under 'Outreach Activities' should include interagency consultation requirements for TIPs and MTPs as shown in 23 CFR 450.316(b) for purposes of TIP/plan development (as shown below). This would include federal, state, and local agencies responsible for: 1) State and local planned growth; 2) economic development; 3) tourism; 4) natural disaster risk reduction; 5) environmental protection; 6) airport operations; 7) freight movements).	Inserted requested language on page 7 (previously page 5)
7	K. Fauver- FHWA	Will any reference to the MPO live-streaming of policy board meetings be added in as well?	Language identifying that meeting of the MPO Policy Committee would be taped for streaming on the web was added to page 4.
8	K. Fauver- FHWA	Please include any Facebook or Twitter accounts if you use them for social media applications.	City/MPO Staff are not authorized to access any social media sites via any City supported equipment.

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9	K. Fauver- FHWA	<p>I offer one additional modification to the paragraph as shown below: The most recent highway legislation “Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) of 2015” continues the legacy of greater public involvement that began with the passage of the “Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA)”, the “Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) of 1998”, the “Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) of 2005”, and the “Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) of 2012”, which all emphasized the need for public participation throughout the metropolitan and statewide transportation planning process.</p>	<p>The document language was edited to reflect the requested language verbatim.</p>
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RESOLUTION NO. MPO 2017-04

**BY THE LAREDO URBAN TRANSPORTATION STUDY
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION POLICY COMMITTEE**

AMENDING THE LUTS PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the Laredo Urban Transportation Study (LUTS), the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), for the Laredo Urbanized Area has reviewed the updated Public Participation Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the Laredo Urban Transportation Study finds that the updated Public Participation Plan meets federal and state requirements, and meet the transportation planning needs of the Laredo Metropolitan Area;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Laredo Urban Transportation Study, as the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Laredo Urban Area, has approved the updated Public Participation Plan, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purpose on this the 17th day of April 2017.

Honorable Pete Saenz
Mayor of Laredo and Chairperson of the
MPO Policy Committee

We certify that the above resolution was adopted on April 17, 2017, at a public meeting of the Policy Committee of the Laredo Urban Transportation Study.

Nathan Bratton
MPO Director

Pedro R. Alvarez,
TxDOT District Engineer

A photograph of a public meeting. Several people are gathered around a table, looking at documents. A presentation board with diagrams is visible on the left. The scene is indoors with overhead lighting.

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LAREDO URBAN TRANSPORTATION STUDY

METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

UPDATED: APRIL 2017

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GENERAL

The Laredo Urban Transportation Study serves as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Laredo urban area. The purpose of the MPO is to provide continuous, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning for the area. The most recent highway legislation "Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) of 2015" continues the legacy of greater public involvement that began with the passage of the "Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA)", the "Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) of 1998", the "Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) of 2005", and the "Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) of 2012", which all emphasized the need for public participation throughout the metropolitan and statewide transportation planning process. ~~which emphasized the need for public participation in all stages of the transportation planning process.~~ The Final Rule issued by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration reflecting the passage of MAP 21 and the FAST Act was approved on May 27, 2016. MPO's are required to conduct a proactive public involvement process that provides complete information, timely public notice, full public access to key decisions, and supports early, and on-going public involvement in developing plans, programs, policies and procedures.

POLICY

It is the policy of the MPO to provide every opportunity for the involvement of individuals in the transportation planning process in conformance with the requirements of 23 CFR 450.316 (a) for the purposes of:

- Providing opportunity for input from: individuals, affected public agencies, representatives of public transportation employees, public ports, freight shippers, providers of freight transportation services, private providers of transportation (including intercity bus operators, employer-based commuting programs, such as carpool program, vanpool program, transit benefit program, parking cash-out program, shuttle program, or telework program), representatives of users of public transportation, representatives of users of pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities, representatives of the disabled, and other interested parties, hereafter referred to as segments of the community affected by transportation plans, programs, and projects.
- Providing early and continuing public involvement opportunities throughout the transportation planning and programming process;
- Providing timely notice and reasonable access to information concerning transportation issues and processes to area residents, affected public agencies, representatives of transportation agency employees, private providers of transportation, other interested parties and segments of the community affected by transportation plans, programs, and projects;
- Seeking out and considering the needs of those traditionally underserved by existing transportation systems, such as low-income and minority households;

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- Providing adequate public notice of public involvement activities and time for public review and comment at key decision points, including the approval of plans and programs;
- Demonstrating explicit consideration and response to public input received during the planning and program development process.
- Providing for the employment of visualization techniques to describe metropolitan transportation plans and TIPs.

SUMMARY OF COMMENT PERIOD AND NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

Table 1 – Summary of public comment periods and notice requirements for policy, procedure, and program documents

Document	Comment Period	Notices
By Laws – revisions	10 days	72 hours advance notice postings* Policy packet - 7 days (mail) or 5 days (hand delivered)
Public Participation Plan – initial adoption	45 days	72 hours advance notice postings* Policy packet - 7 days (mail) or 5 days (hand delivered)
Public Participation Plan – revisions	45 day	72 hours advance notice postings* Policy packet - 7 days (mail) or 5 days (hand delivered)
Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) – initial adoption	20 days	5 days - Summary published in newspaper 72 hours advance notice postings* Policy packet - 7 days (mail) or 5 days (hand delivered)
UPWP - revisions	0	72 hours advance notice postings* Policy packet - 7 days (mail) or 5 days (hand delivered)
Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) – initial adoption	20 days**	72 hours advance notice postings* Policy packet - 7 days (mail) or 5 days (hand delivered)
TIP – revisions	10 days**	72 hours advance notice postings* Policy packet - 7 days (mail) or 5 days (hand delivered)
Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) – initial adoption	20 days**	90 days - Nomination form in newspaper and on website 72 hours advance notice postings* Policy packet - 7 days (mail) or 5 days (hand delivered)
MTP - revisions	10 days**	72 hours advance notice postings* Policy packet - 7 days (mail) or 5 days (hand delivered)

* 72 hour advance notice postings will include: Posting at the Laredo City Hall and the Webb County Commissioners Court Building, emailing to the MPO interested party contact list, and publishing in the local English and Spanish language newspapers (the Laredo Morning Times and El Manana) in summary form in both English and Spanish prior to meeting in which final action will be taken.

** If comments are received during the comment period, which raise material issues that could not have reasonably been foreseen prior to the comment period; a second comment period of 10 days shall be added.

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REQUIREMENTS

Posting

Notice of meetings held by MPO staff for the purpose of securing public comment and all meetings of the Policy Committee shall be posted not less than 72 hours in advance of the meeting in the form and manner prescribed by the Texas Open Meetings Act at the Laredo City Hall and the Webb County Commissioners Court Building. Additionally, the notice may be posted at the Texas Department of Transportation Laredo District Office, El Metro Operations Facility, and on the MPO and Webb County website. Notice placed at the El Metro Operations Facility shall be located in a place and manner readily accessible to transit employees for the purpose of giving notice to employee union members.

Newspaper Publication

Notice of the proposed adoption or revision to any policy, procedure, plan or program requiring Policy Committee action shall be published in summary form in English and Spanish in one or more newspapers of general circulation in Laredo, Texas not less than 72 hours in advance of the meeting in which final action will be taken. Notice shall also be emailed 72 hours in advance to those listed on the interested party contact list maintained by the MPO. The notice shall include the name, address, and telephone number of the person who may be contacted regarding the proposed item. The notice shall include the location at which technical information and reports are available for review.

Meeting

All public meetings of the MPO Policy Committee shall be held in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and recorded on audio or video tape for broadcast on the public access channel, and streaming on the web. Minutes of public meetings shall be prepared by MPO staff and shall constitute the official record of the proceedings. MPO staff shall prepare a meeting packet that includes the meeting agenda and action items for consideration by the Policy Committee. The meeting packet will be mailed to Policy Committee members 7 days prior to the meeting date or hand delivered 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Meetings held for the purpose of securing public comment shall be held at convenient and accessible times and locations. The meetings will be held within a reasonable distance of an El Metro route. Persons attending public meetings conducted by the MPO will be asked to register on a sign-in sheet.

It is the intent of LUTS to provide access to all individuals interested in attending MPO meetings. Groups or people with special needs who wish to attend a meeting should give MPO staff 5 working days in advance of the meeting in order that MPO staff may reasonably accommodate their special needs.

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Retention of Documents

All official meeting materials, including but not limited to notices, newspaper publications, minutes, sign-in sheets, audio/video tapes, documents proposed for adoption or revision, and written comments received during public review and comment periods shall be retained by the MPO for a minimum of three years, or longer if required by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission.

Public Review and Comment

The adoption or revision of certain documents may require a 10, 20 or 45 day public review and comment period prior to final action by the Policy Committee. The public review and comment period shall be initiated through action of the Policy Committee following a presentation on the proposed plan, program, policy or procedure. When a public review and comment period is required, the MPO shall make available at its offices and on its website a copy of the document. The public may review the document at the MPO offices during normal working hours and, when possible, staff will be available to answer questions. Written comments received during the public review and comment period will be presented to the Policy Committee prior to final action on the plan, program, policy or procedure being considered.

When significant written and oral comments are received during the MTP or TIP public participation process they will be summarized, analyzed, and accompanied with a description of how they were addressed in the applicable document.

ADOPTION AND REVISION OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING DOCUMENTS

Initial Adoption

The adoption of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) shall require a public review and comment period of not less than 20 days prior to final action by the Policy Committee. A project nomination form will be published in a newspaper of general circulation and be made available through the Internet at least 90 days prior to final action by the Policy Committee. Presentations on the proposed MTP shall be made to the Laredo City Council and the Laredo MPO prior to the public review and comment period. Written comments and project nomination forms received during the public review and comment period regarding the draft MTP will be incorporated into the final document.

The MTP and TIP shall include at least one map designating the conceptual limits of project locations. The initial adoption of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) shall require a public review and comment period of not less than 20 days prior to final action by the Policy Committee. A summary of the proposed UPWP will be published in a newspaper of general circulation at least 5 days prior to final action by the Policy Committee.

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Revisions

Substantive revisions to the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) shall require a public review and comment period of not less than 10 days prior to final action by the Policy Committee. Substantive revisions to all other planning and programming documents, including but not limited to the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) do not require a public review and comment period, but must be approved by the Policy Committee.

Substantive revisions include any changes to a plan or program that consist of the addition, deletion or substitution of projects, changes to a project's scope and reprogramming of projects outside of the plan or program's scope. MPO staff may request action by the Policy Committee for non-substantive revisions to any plan or program. Any revisions shall be set out in full and indicate any portion to be deleted by strike-out type and indicate proposed new language by underscoring or the use of italics.

ADOPTION AND REVISION OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

The initial adoption or revision of the Public Participation Plan shall require a public review and comment period of not less than 45 days prior to final action by the Policy Committee.

Continuous improvement of the public participation process is a goal of LUTS. In striving towards that goal, this public participation plan shall be updated as needed and re-approved every five years. The purpose of this action shall be to ensure that the plan effectively allows for a full and open public participation process.

Copies of the approved participation plan shall be provided to the FHWA and the FTA for informational purposes and shall be posted on the World Wide Web, to the maximum extent practicable.

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

Contact List

The MPO shall maintain an interested parties contact list (email) of groups and individuals which have expressed interest in transportation planning activities, including state, county and local government officials, news media, special interest groups, and transportation providers who will be provided periodic updates concerning planning activities as well as meeting notices.

In the development of the metropolitan plan and TIPs, the MPO shall seek to consult with agencies and officials responsible for other planning activities within the MPA that are affected by transportation including State and local planned growth, economic development, tourism, natural disaster risk reduction, environmental protection, airport operations, or freight movements. 23 CFR 450.316(b)

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Public Appearances

The MPO shall make every effort to comply with requests from local civic or professional groups, organizations or committees to present or discuss information related to the responsibilities of the MPO. The organization should contact the MPO and allow ample time for the MPO to make arrangements and attend.

The MPO may schedule appearances at meetings of groups such as neighborhood organizations to gather input from residents. Such meetings shall serve as an avenue through which the MPO seeks out and consider the needs of those traditionally underserved segments of the population, including low-income and minority households. The focus of these presentations should be tailored to the interests and concerns of the audience. All significant comments received will be recorded and presented to the Policy Committee.

Vanessa Guerra

From: Fauver, Kirk (FHWA) <Kirk.Fauver@dot.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 5:14 PM
To: Vanessa Guerra
Cc: Nathan R. Bratton
Subject: RE: PPP

I offer one additional modification to the paragraph as shown below:

The most recent highway legislation "Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) of 2015" continues the legacy of greater public involvement that began with the passage of the "Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA)", the "Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) of 1998", the "Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) of 2005", and the "Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) of 2012", which all emphasized the need for public participation throughout the metropolitan and statewide transportation planning process.

Regards,

Kirk F>

From: Vanessa Guerra [<mailto:vguerra@ci.laredo.tx.us>]
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 4:58 PM
To: Adrian Dominguez; Alberto Ramirez (Alberto.Ramirez@txdot.gov); Andres Castaneda; Arturo Dominguez; Carlos Garcia; csanmiguel ci.laredo.tx.us; Eduardo Alvarez; Eloy Sanchez; Esteban Rangel; Guillermo B. Cuellar; Juan E. Rodriguez; Fauver, Kirk (FHWA); Luis Perez Garcia; Mario Maldonado; Marissa Montoya; Martha Palacios; Nathan R. Bratton; Randy Aguilar; Rhonda Tiffin (rhonda@webbcountytx.gov); Robert F. Peña; Robert Martinez; Roberto Murillo; Roberto Rodriguez; Rogelio Rivera; sara garza; Thomas C. Blevins; Yvette Limon
Cc: Angelica Quijano
Subject: FW: PPP

Good afternoon Technical Committee Members,

Attached is the latest draft of the Public Participation Plan, which includes the edits resultant from the comments received during the comment period. Said edits are underlined in the document. Also attached is a small spreadsheet identifying the comments received and how they were addressed.

Should you have any questions please contact our offices. Thank you.

Vanessa Guerra

Planner III : City of Laredo Planning Department : Laredo Metropolitan Planning Organization : 1120 San Bernardo Ave. :
P.O. Box 579 : Laredo Texas 78042-579 : Main: 956-794-1613 : Dir.: 956-794-1604 : Fax: 956-794-1624 :
vguerra@ci.laredo.tx.us

From: Vanessa Guerra

Sent: Tuesday, December 20, 2016 3:39 PM

To: Adrian Dominguez; Alberto Ramirez (Alberto.Ramirez@txdot.gov); Andres Castaneda; Arturo Dominguez; Carlos Garcia; Claudia San Miguel; Eduardo Alvarez; Eloy Sanchez; Esteban Rangel; Guillermo B. Cuellar; Juan E. Rodriguez; Kirk Fauver (E-mail); Luis Perez Garcia; Mario Maldonado; Marissa Montoya; Martha Palacios; Nathan R. Bratton; Rafael Vidaurri (rvidaurri@webbcountytx.gov); Randy Aguilar; Rhonda Tiffin (rhonda@webbcountytx.gov); Robert F. Peña; Robert Martinez; Roberto Murillo; Roberto Rodriguez; Rogelio Rivera; Rosie C. Silva; sara garza; Thomas C. Blevins; Yvette Limon

Subject: FW: PPP

Good afternoon Technical Committee members,

The MPO's Public Participation Plan (PPP) is the document which identifies the procedures by which the MPO will ensure that citizens are provided with every opportunity to participate in the transportation planning process. As required by the MPO's Bylaws, the PPP will be considered for re-approval in the upcoming year. The PPP may be found at the following link:

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From: Fauver, Kirk (FHWA) <Kirk.Fauver@dot.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 4:37 PM
To: Vanessa Guerra
Cc: Nathan R. Bratton
Subject: RE: FHWA Comments on the Draft LUTS Public Participation Plan (01-25-17)

Looks good! Will any reference to the MPO live-streaming of policy board meetings be added in as well? The number of days for the public comment period for the UPWP is not prescribed in the regulations, you are OK with the 20 days shown in the current PPP.

Thanks,

Kirk F>

From: Vanessa Guerra [<mailto:vguerra@ci.laredo.tx.us>]
Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2017 4:26 PM
To: Fauver, Kirk (FHWA)
Cc: Nathan R. Bratton
Subject: FW: FHWA Comments on the Draft LUTS Public Participation Plan (01-25-17)

Good afternoon Kirk,

I've attached the latest draft of the PPP which includes the revisions pursuant to your comments. New language is underlined. Please review.

Also, quick question, during our meeting of January 30th, you mentioned something to the effect that a comment period was not required for the UPWP? Did I get that correctly?

Thanks. V.

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Sent: Wednesday, January 25, 2017 3:30 PM
To: Vanessa Guerra; Nathan R. Bratton
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Subject: FHWA Comments on the Draft LUTS Public Participation Plan (01-25-17)

Vanessa- upon review of the draft Public Participation Plan (see attached), the FHWA would like to provide some comments for your use and consideration in the final document.

1. The current draft does not cite the new FAST Act Metropolitan and Statewide Planning Regulations (final rule issued May 27, 2016 in the Federal Register- please see attached document). This should be cited in the section entitled "General" on page 1 of the draft public participation plan (PPP);

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3. The policy section should include: intercity bus operators, employer-based commuting programs, such as carpool-vanpool programs, transit benefit programs, parking cash-out program, shuttle or telework program after the term "private providers of transportation in the first bullet on page 1 per 23 CFR 450.316(a);
4. The PPP should also address visualization techniques to describe MPO plans and TIPs per 23 CFR 450.316(a)(1)(iii);
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6. On page 5, under 'Outreach Activities' should include interagency consultation requirements for TIPs and MTPs as shown in 23 CFR 450.316(b) for purposes of TIP/plan development (as shown below). This would include federal, state, and local agencies responsible for: 1) State and local planned growth; 2) economic development; 3) tourism; 4) natural disaster risk reduction; 5) environmental protection; 6) airport operations; 7) freight movements).

Let's discuss further as part of the January 30th on-site meeting, please call me at 512-536-5952 if you would like to discuss prior to the meeting at your MPO offices.

Thanks,

Kirk F>

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Cc: Angelica Quijano
Subject: FW: PPP
Attachments: PPP - DRAFT - with comments - 3-30-17.pdf; public comments.xlsx

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Attached is the latest draft of the Public Participation Plan, which includes the edits resultant from the comments received during the comment period. Said edits are underlined in the document. Also attached is a small spreadsheet identifying the comments received and how they were addressed.

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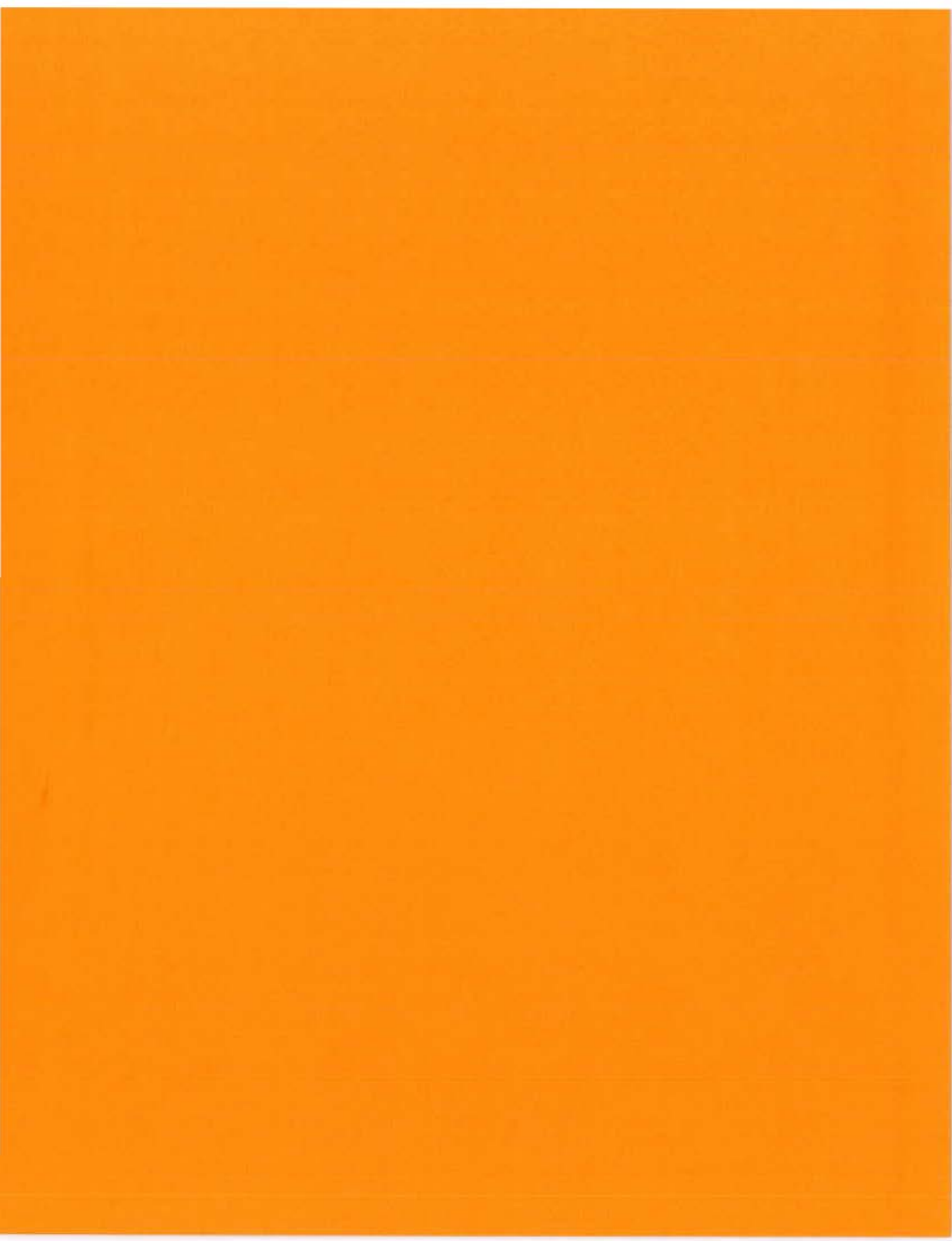
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V. ITEMS REQUIRING POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION

E. Discussion with possible action regarding the remaining 8 million dollars in Category 2 funds.

F. Discussion with possible action on Hachar Road.

G. Discussion with possible action on Mines Road.

VI. REPORT(S) AND PRESENTATIONS (No action required)

A. Status report on the Regional Mobility Authority (RMA).

VII. ADJOURNMENT