Laredo Urban Transportation Study

Memorandum of Understanding

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Feliciano Garcia, Jr., General Manger, El Metro Transit

The purpose of this document is to formalize and clarify the working relationship between Laredo Urban Transportation Study and El Metro regarding their responsibilities in the development of federally required transportation planning documents. This documentation of coordinated efforts between the MPO and El Metro is required by the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) of 2005 as promulgated in the regulations released February 14, 2007.

Responsibilities of the MPO

- Work in consultation with El Metro in developing the financial plan for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)
- Work in consultation with El Metro and TxDOT in developing the financial plan for the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
- Conduct Technical and Policy Committee meetings as required and necessary
- In consultation with El Metro and TxDOT, update the Plan and TIP in accordance with State and Federal laws
- Invite El Metro to participate in all public participation processes
- Conduct comprehensive, cooperative, and continuous transportation planning for the Laredo area

Responsibilities of El Metro

- Work in consultation with the MPO in developing short-range and long-range plans for transit for inclusion in the MTP
- Validate data used as input to the transportation plan
- Work in consultation with the MPO in developing the financial plan for the MTP
- Work with the MPO and TxDOT developing the financial plan for the TIP
- Provide the MPO with the annual list of transit obligated projects
- Serve on the MPO Technical Committee
- Notify the MPO of changes to projects that would affect the MTP or TIP

Invite the MPO to participate in all public participation processes

Feliciano Garcia, Jr., General Manager, El Metro

Date