

## **2010-2011 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP)**

### **Background**

The 2010-2011 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) describes the metropolitan transportation planning activities to be conducted during the 2010-2011 Fiscal Years (October 2010 - September 2011) for the Houston-Galveston Transportation Management Area (TMA). Some of the planning highlights for this new UPWP include:

- A 13-County Regional Transit Coordination Framework that would assist elderly and transit-dependent citizens to ride to/from remote areas of the region;
- Update (Phase II) the 18-year old Regional Aviation System Plan and demonstrating the economic benefit of our general aviation system;
- Stimulus funds for rail study to encourage enhanced rail movements along the US 290 corridor and study I-69 freight routing alternatives through the TMA;
- Enhanced Subregional Planning approaches
- Hi-tech data collection techniques to develop web-based arterial roadway traveler information systems.
- Develop a network of priority off-street bikeways that connect major activity nodes (parks, employment centers, schools) to the on-street bikeway network.
- Promote the livable centers concept as a vehicle for sustainable development in the application of various planning tools including development of model subdivision regulations;
- Explore, develop, and formalize alternative population, employment, and land use scenarios of regional growth

### **Current Situation**

The draft 2010- 2011 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) was posted on H-GAC's website for the TAC on May 8, 2009, beginning the 30+ day comment period, ending on June 10, 2009. A public meeting will be held on June 2, 2009 at the offices of the Houston-Galveston Area Council from 5:30pm to 7:00pm. Any comments and corrections will be addressed and documented in Appendix J of the 'revised draft 2010-2011 UPWP' and posted on the TPC web page: [www.h-gac.com/transportation/](http://www.h-gac.com/transportation/) .

### **Requested Action**

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