

# **American Recovery & Reinvestment Act of 2009**



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# Transportation Infrastructure

- \$27.5 billion - Highway & bridge construction
- \$8.4 billion – Transit
- \$9.3 billion - Rail
- \$1.3 billion - Aviation



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# Texas Highway Distribution

- \$2.25 billion statewide
  - \$485 million Houston region
  - Includes maintenance, rehabilitation & mobility
- State – 120 days to obligate 50% funds; 1 yr remaining funds
- MPOs – 1yr to obligate 100%

FUNDING IS IN ADDITION TO PLANNED TxDOT  
CONTRACT LETTINGS FOR 2009



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# Texas Transit Distribution

- \$301 million – statewide
  - \$ 105 million for region
- 50% of funds obligated in 120 days; remaining in 1 year



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# Funding Provisions

- Funds flow through federal process
  - Federal environmental clearance needed
  - Right of Way acquisition complete or soon to be complete
  - State/federal design review
- Use it or lose it
- Must show “Maintenance of Effort”



# Recommended TPC Selection Criteria for “Ready” Projects

- Implement the TIP
- Oldest unfunded, ready projects first
- Ready projects not in TIP, but consistent with Conformity
- Retain local funding commitment leveraging project (in excess of match)

# **For More Information**

**<http://www.h-gac.com/taq/stimulus>**

