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H-GAC ITS Architecture and Website Update

H-GAC TSMO Committee Briefing



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Project Goals

H-GAC ITS ARCHITECTURE AND WEBSITE UPDATE

- 1. Update the **existing H-GAC Regional ITS Architecture** to the current National ITS Architecture (Version 9.2)
- 2. Develop an ITS inventory software analysis tool that will **assist in transportation project prioritization**, benefit cost analysis, and economic impact analysis
- 3. Update and advance the existing Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO) website
- 4. Create a Geographic Information System (GIS) database of all ITS and signal fiber in the eight-county MPO
- 5. Develop a standard method for collecting inventories and implementation plans from each stakeholder agency

- 6. Meet with all **eight counties and in the region (and cities)** to verify existing inventory and obtain plans for new ITS, signals, TMCs, and other deployments to be implemented over the next seven years
- 7. Meet with the **TxDOT Houston and Beaumont Districts** to inventory all existing ITS, signal, and tolling facilities and document their implementation plans for the next seven to 10 years
- 8. Determine which **cities will potentially surpass 50,000 residents** in the 2030 Census **and meet with them** to document their existing ITS and signal inventories and implementation plans leading up to 2030
- 9. Meet with all **Toll Authorities** in the MPO to inventory all existing ITS, signal, and tolling facilities and document the implementation plans for each for the next seven to 10 years



Key Tasks and Timeline



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Stakeholder Agencies

H-GAC Counties	H-GAC Cities	Regional Agencies
Brazoria	Baytown	Brazos Transit District
(Includes Toll Road Authority)	Conroe	Harris County Regional Transit Authority
Chambers	Galveston	Houston Metro
Fort Bend	Houston	Port of Freeport
(Includes Toll Road Authority and Transit)	League City	Port of Houston
Galveston	Missouri City	TxDOT Beaumont District
Harris	Pasadena	TxDOT Houston District
(Includes Toll Road Authority)	Pearland	Uptown TIRZ
Liberty	Sugar Land	The Woodlands Regional Transit Authority
Montgomery	Texas City	
(Includes Toll Road Authority)		
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Stakeholder Agencies Interviewed Thus Far

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Interview Complete Interview Being Scheduled Formal Interview Declined



Stakeholder Input Inventory Needs

Inventory

Traffic Management

Closed Circuit Television Cameras

Dynamic Message Signs (Standard and Color)

Emergency Vehicle Preemption (GPS Based)

Freeway Safety Service Patrol

Ramp Metering

Smart Work Zones

Toll Lanes

Traffic Management Centers

Traffic Signal Operations

Truck Parking Availability Systems

Wrong-Way Driving Detection and Warning

Transit

AVL Systems

CCTV Security Cameras

Mobile Ticketing Application

Transit Signal Priority

Data/Information Mgmt

ConnectSmart

WAZE Integration

Claris Video Sharing



Regional Needs

COMMON REGIONAL NEEDS

Data and Information Management

Develop data sharing agreements and expand data sharing capabilities Improve utilization of data through dashboards, notification, and automation Develop CCTV camera sharing network to share live video feeds Expand fiber communications network Share fiber network where appropriate

Traffic Management

Improve traffic signal timing and coordination between jurisdictions

Expand the CCTV camera network

Expand the DMS network (Including color and arterial DMS)

Deploy railroad monitoring system that provides notification of blockages

Weather

Deploy road weather information systems (RWIS) for flood monitoring



Potential ITS Focus Areas within the Region



Potential ITS Focus Areas

Project Deployments

Expand CCTV Camera and DMS Coverage on Freeways and Arterials Develop Regional CCTV Camera Video Sharing System Deploy Railroad Crossing Detection and Notification Systems Develop Regional Transit Rider Application Expand Fiber Optic Communication Network

Operations and Staffing

Improve Signal Timing on Arterials and Across Jurisdictional Boundaries Automate Operational Capabilities (Includes Data Sharing) Increase Staffing for ITS



CCTV Camera and DMS Coverage on Freeways and Arterials

Expand CCTV camera and DMS coverage on freeways and arterials. Provide advanced information on traffic conditions prior to freeways. Use full color DMS.

> Chambers County TxDOT Beaumont



Project Deployment

CCTV Camera Video Sharing System

Develop regional system to share full-motion high resolution video between all transportation agencies in the region.

Project Deployment

League City Brazoria County | Chambers County TxDOT Beaumont | TxDOT Houston

Railroad Crossing Detection and Notification System

Improve rail detection systems and provide capability to notify drivers and emergency personnel of blockages cause by rail.

Missouri City | Pearland | Sugarland Fort Bend County



Project Deployment



Regional Transit Rider Application

Regional transit application that hosts all transit information and fare payment within the H-GAC Region.

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The Woodlands Regional Transit Authority

How to Ride **Project Deployment**

SacRT BusTracker

Schedules

Accessible Services

SacRT Go Paratransit Services

Fiber Optic Communications Network

Expand fiber optic network in the region to support highbandwidth data needs of existing and future ITS deployments. Consider fiber sharing where feasible.

League City | Missouri City | Pearland | Sugarland TxDOT Beaumont





Project Deployment

Signal Timing and Coordination

Improve signal timing on arterials and coordination across jurisdictional boundaries.

League City | Missouri City | Pearland Port of Freeport | Port of Houston

Automate Operational Capabilities

Expand use of data dashboards, automation, data sharing, and AI to more actively manage transportation network.

Missouri City | Sugarland Chambers County Port of Freeport TxDOT Beaumont



Operations and Staffing

Increase Staffing for ITS

Increase funding to add additional staffing for operations and maintenance of ITS.

> Pearland | League City TxDOT Houston



Operations and Staffing

Next Steps

- Complete Stakeholder Interviews
 and Communications Scan
- Begin Update to the Regional ITS Architecture
- Conduct Stakeholder Workshop
- Develop Training Classes for the Regional ITS Architecture

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Thank You

