

Appendix 16
Public Comment Process

HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL
Public Comment Period and Public Meeting
Proposed Amendments and Transportation Conformity Determination
for the 2013-2016 TIP and the 2035 RTP Update

H-GAC is announcing the opening of a 30-day public comment period to give the public an opportunity to review proposed amendments as well as a new air quality conformity determination for the 2013-2016 TIP and the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Update.

METRO Amendment - Reprogram federal Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) funds to complete the SH 288/Pearland Park and Ride.

Rider 42 Amendment - Program state Proposition 12 bond funds for design, right-of-way and utility work on several interchange projects.

Transportation Conformity Determination and Related Amendments - Reflect the near-term construction of reversible managed lanes in the US 290 and SH 288 corridors, and the widening of FM 521 and FM 2234 in Brazoria County.

More information regarding these proposed actions can be found at www.h-gac.com/tag/public_info.

H-GAC will host public meetings on these proposed actions on **Tuesday, November 13, 2012, from Noon-1:00 p.m. and again from 6:00-7:00 p.m.** at the H-GAC offices, 3555 Timmons Lane, 2nd Floor Conference Room B, Houston, TX 77027. **The public comment period begins on Wednesday, October 31, 2012 and ends on Thursday, November 29, 2012 at 5:00 pm.**

The public is encouraged to attend and provide comments to H-GAC. All written comments should be submitted to Transportation Public Information, Houston-Galveston Area Council, P.O. Box 22777, Houston, TX 77227-2777, emailed to publiccomments@h-gac.com, or faxed to (713) 993-4508.

The TIP contains the program of projects for each of the region's transit providers, and the above revisions relate to or have the potential to affect services provided by the Texas Department of Transportation, the Metropolitan Transit Authority (METRO), Harris County Transit Services Division, Harris County Community & Economic Development Department, Harris County Improvement District #3 (Upper Kirby Management District), Fort Bend County Transit, Connect Transit, Colorado Valley Transit, Galveston Island Transit and The District. This public notice and public comment period will satisfy the federal public notice requirements for each of the transit providers regarding its transit program of projects for fiscal years 2013-2016.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, H-GAC will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending H-GAC functions. Requests from persons needing special accommodations should be received by H-GAC staff 24 hours prior to a function. The public meeting will be conducted in English, and requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs should be made at least two working days prior to a function. Please call 713-993-2471 for assistance.