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Houston-Galveston Metropolitan Planning Organization
Transportation Conformity Determination
Amended 2045 Regional Transportation Plan Update (2045 RTP Update) and
FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (FY 2025-2028 TIP)

Mr. Marc D. Williams
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Texas Department of Transportation
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Dear Mr. Williams:

We have reviewed the documentation supporting the transportation conformity determination for the amended 2045 Regional Transportation Plan Update (2045 RTP Update) and FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (FY 2025-2028 TIP) adopted by the Houston-Galveston Metropolitan Planning Organization's Transportation Policy Council (TPC) on October 24, 2025. Based upon our review and consultation with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), we hereby find:

- The amended 2045 RTP Update and FY 2025-2028 TIP meet all the requirements for making a joint conformity determination under the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990.

Additionally, we find:

- The amended 2045 RTP Update satisfactorily complies with the requirements of 23 CFR §450.324 regarding the revision of metropolitan transportation plans in air quality non-attainment areas; and
- The FY 2025-2028 TIP satisfactorily complies with the requirements of 23 CFR §450.326 regarding the revision of TIPs in air quality non-attainment areas.

The interagency consultative partners have indicated that they have no unresolved issues concerning this conformity determination in their letters dated: June 25, 2026, for TCEQ, June 25, 2026, for TxDOT, and June 30, 2026, for EPA. The conformity determination and procedures used to make this determination are in accordance with the provisions of the transportation conformity rule (40 CFR Parts 51 and 93), dated August 15, 1997, as amended.

Please note that this action does not restart the four-year time clock associated with the update of the transportation plan. Accordingly, an updated transportation plan and corresponding transportation conformity determination will be required by November 1, 2027.

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) acts as executive agent for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) on metropolitan transportation plan and transportation improvement program air quality conformity determinations. Accordingly, this letter will serve as a joint FHWA/FTA conformity determination.

Should you have any questions concerning this action, please contact Jose Campos at Jose.Campos@dot.gov or (512) 536-5932, or Genevieve Bales at Genevieve.Bales@dot.gov or (512) 536-5941.

Respectfully,

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