

## **APPENDIX 17**

# **Pre-Analysis Consensus Document**

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## PRE-ANALYSIS CONSENSUS PLAN

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**1. Reasons for the Transportation Conformity Regional Emissions Analysis (40 CFR 93.104)**  
<https://www.govinfo.gov/app/details/CFR-2012-title40-vol21/CFR-2012-title40-vol21-sec93-104>

**Table 1: Explanation**

	New Metropolitan Transportation Plan (demographics, horizon year, etc.)
X	Modify Existing Metropolitan Transportation Plan (interim year adjustments)
X	New or Amended Transportation Improvement Program
X	State Implementation Plan (SIP) Requirement
	Newly Designated Nonattainment Area
	Other

Conformity Rule link: <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2012-03-14/pdf/2012-6207.pdf>

This conformity determination is being prepared to support the amendments to the long-range plan called the ‘2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Amendments (RTP Amendments)’ and the amendments to the “2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program” (TIP).

Note: In accordance with 23 CFR 450.324 <https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-23/chapter-I/subchapter-E/part-450/subpart-C/section-450.324>

all projects are constrained by the financial resources estimated to be reasonably available within the RTP timeframe.

A complete listing of the projects in the amended RTP and 2021-2024 TIP that affect this conformity analysis will be included in Appendix 3 of the conformity report. This conformity complies with the 2015 and 2008 8-hr Ozone NAAQS.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Transportation Conformity Guidance for 2015 Ozone NAAQS Nonattainment Areas. EPA June 2018

<https://www.epa.gov/state-and-local-transportation/policy-and-technical-guidance-state-and-local-transportation>

This conformity will demonstrate compliance to the latest emission budgets based on the revision to the air quality State Implementation Plan for the 2008 8-hr Ozone Standard due to the reclassification from moderate to serious with attainment year 2020. The Reasonable Further Progress (RFP) SIP budget was found adequate by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) with an approval and effective date of June 9, 2021.

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/05/10/2021-09626/air-plan-approval-texas-reasonable-further-progress-plan-for-the-houston-galveston-brazoria-ozone>

### Draft Timeline

- Pre-Consensus Conference Call/TAC/TPC announcement to continue Conformity – November 17, 2021
- Model Network review (H-GAC/TxDOT/METRO) – November/December 2021  
Deadline for pre-approval of networks: 2 weeks later (Final Project listing)
- Pre-Analysis Consensus document review– November/December 2021  
Deadline for approval of data: 2 weeks later
  
- TDM Model Runs - February 2022
- MOVES Model Runs - March 2022
- TAC/TPC Conformity Preview for Amendments to the RTP and TIP - April 2022
- Public Comment – May 2022
- Public meeting – May 2022
- Public Comment Responses – May/June 2022
- TAC Recommend approval of RTP and TIP amendments with Conformity - June 2022
- TPC Approve RTP and TIP amendments with Conformity - June 2022
- Request Partner Review/Approval - End of June 2022 – Approval will usually be 3 months after.

### 2. Planning Detail 40 CFR 93.110 <https://www.govinfo.gov/app/details/CFR-1998-title40-vol13/CFR-1998-title40-vol13-sec93-110>

**Table 2: Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Transportation Improvement Program**

Plan or Program names	Years covered	Fiscally Constrained	Website
<b>2045 Regional Transportation Plan</b>	2019-2045	Yes	<a href="http://2045rtp.com/default.aspx">http://2045rtp.com/default.aspx</a>
<b>Transportation Improvement Program</b>	2021-2024	Yes	<a href="https://www.h-gac.com/transportation-improvement-program/2021-2024-amendments">https://www.h-gac.com/transportation-improvement-program/2021-2024-amendments</a>

**Table 3: State Implementation Plan**

SIP Element	Description
<p><b>Title of Applicable SIP</b></p>	<p>Houston-Galveston-Brazoria Reasonable Further Progress State Implementation Plan Revision for the 2008 Eight-Hour Ozone Standard Nonattainment Area  MVEB were found adequate by EPA (effective 6/9/2021)</p> <p>DFW and Houston-Galveston-Brazoria (HGB) Serious Classification Reasonable Further Progress (RFP) SIP Revision for the 2008 Eight-Hour Ozone NAAQS (Non-Rule Project No. 2019-079-SIP-NR).  <a href="https://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/sip/dfw/dfw-latest-ozone#DFWseriousRFP2020">https://www.tceq.texas.gov/airquality/sip/dfw/dfw-latest-ozone#DFWseriousRFP2020</a></p>
<p><b>Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets</b></p>	<p>RFP SIP for 2008 8-hr Ozone Standard:(serious)  2020 NO<sub>x</sub>= 87.69 tpd VOC= 57.70 tpd</p>

<p><b>Transportation Control Measures</b> (The list of TCMs will be included in Appendix 12)</p>	<p>1. 2000 HGB RFP and AD SIP, Approved Nov. 2001 ID#2000-011-SIP-AI  <a href="https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/implementation/air/sip/sipdocs/2000-12-HGB/HGB_AD_ROP_dec2000.pdf">https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/implementation/air/sip/sipdocs/2000-12-HGB/HGB_AD_ROP_dec2000.pdf</a></p> <p>2. 2004 HGB Mid Course Review SIP, Approved Dec. 2004 ID# 2004-42-NR  <a href="https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/implementation/air/sip/sipdocs/2004-05-HGB/HGB_MCR_dec2004.pdf">https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/implementation/air/sip/sipdocs/2004-05-HGB/HGB_MCR_dec2004.pdf</a></p> <p>3. TCM Substitution for HGB 2006  <a href="https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/implementation/air/sip/sipdocs/2007-HGB-SIPs/HGB_SIP_2007_Archive.pdf">https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/implementation/air/sip/sipdocs/2007-HGB-SIPs/HGB_SIP_2007_Archive.pdf</a></p> <p>4. 2010 HGB AD SIP for the 1997 8-hr Ozone Standard (2009-017-SIP-NR)  <a href="https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/implementation/air/sip/sipdocs/2010-HGB-AD-RFP/HGB_AD_2010_archive.pdf">https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/implementation/air/sip/sipdocs/2010-HGB-AD-RFP/HGB_AD_2010_archive.pdf</a></p>
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**Table 4: Conformity Analysis Years<sup>1</sup>**

Requirement	Years
Conformity Base Year (validation year)	2016
Attainment Year	2020 <sup>2</sup>
Motor Vehicle Emissions Budget Years	2020
First Analysis Year	2020
Intermediate Analysis Years	2030, 2040
Last Year of RTP	2045

<sup>1</sup>This table includes all the years analyzed for this conformity. The air quality program will be used on all these years except the validation year.

<sup>2</sup>Attainment year 2020 for the 2015 8-hr Ozone Standard and for the 2008 8-hr Ozone standard.

**Table 5: Demographics Used in Conformity Analysis**

<b>Data Element</b>	<b>Detail and Source of Data</b>
<b>Population and Households</b>	<p>H-GAC uses an in-house population and household micro-simulation model that evolves population and households’ overtime by applying fertility, survival, in-migration, out-migration, marriage and divorce rates. The model forecasts population and household control totals for the region. The base-year data for the model is constructed from the block-level 2010 Census data (SF1 tables). The data sources utilized in the model include- 2010 Decennial Census, 2005 to 2016 American Community Survey (ACS) Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS), Texas State Data Center fertility and survival rates, and ACS 5-years estimates 2013 to 2017.</p> <p>Additional Info- <a href="https://www.h-gac.com/regional-growth-forecast/documents/read-documentation.pdf">https://www.h-gac.com/regional-growth-forecast/documents/read-documentation.pdf</a></p>
<b>Employment</b>	<p>H-GAC applies the historic labor force participation rates (LFPR) and Unemployment Rates (UR) to the forecasted population control totals to forecast employment control totals for the region. H-GAC’s base year employment data is derived from the 2018 Infogroup, 2018 Woods &amp; Poole and Other local sources.</p> <p>Additional Info- <a href="https://www.h-gac.com/regional-growth-forecast/documents/read-documentation.pdf">https://www.h-gac.com/regional-growth-forecast/documents/read-documentation.pdf</a></p>
<b>Land Use</b>	<p>H-GAC uses in-house parcel-level land use micro-simulation model to forecast the location of future residential and non-residential spaces. The model then allocates future households and jobs to the new/vacant residential units and commercial space, respectively. The base year population and jobs are allocated to individual buildings and parcels collected from the County Appraisal Districts.</p> <p>Additional Info- <a href="https://www.h-gac.com/regional-growth-forecast/documents/read-documentation.pdf">https://www.h-gac.com/regional-growth-forecast/documents/read-documentation.pdf</a></p>

### 3. Activity Detail

**Table 6: Travel Demand Model**

<b>Model Factor</b>	<b>Detail and Methodology</b>
<b>Model Validation Year</b>	2016
<b>Software</b>	Cube Voyager
<b>Mode Split/Mode Choice</b>	Updated and simplified model with help from Houston METRO
<b>Vehicle Miles Travel (VMT) Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS) Adjustment</b>	H-GAC will adjust the forecasted VMT to TxDOT's HPMS for all roadway facilities. The HPMS adjustment factor is calculated below and will be discussed in detail in Appendix 4 of the final report.
<b>VMT adjustment - Seasonal Adjustment Factor</b>	Refer to Table 6a below for factors.
<b>Time Periods Designation</b>	Refer to Table 6b below for designations.
<b>Hourly Factors</b>	Refer to Table 6c below
<b>Counties Covered by Model</b>	Harris, Galveston, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Montgomery, Liberty, Chambers and Waller. <sup>1</sup>

The factor used to reconcile model estimated regional VMT to HPMS estimated regional VMT is calculated by dividing the HPMS estimated average non-summer weekday VMT as follows:

2016 HPMS Adjustment Factor Calculation

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (\text{HPMS estimated ANSWT}) / (\text{Model estimated ANSWT}) \\
 &= (172,203,352) / (186,710,076) \\
 &= 0.93837
 \end{aligned}$$

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<sup>1</sup>The counties affected by the 2008 8-hr Ozone Standard are: Harris, Galveston, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Montgomery, Liberty, Chambers and Waller. The counties affected by the 2015 8-hr Ozone Standard are: Harris, Galveston, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Montgomery and Chambers. Consistent with 40 CFR 93.109(c)(2) eight counties will be used to model the conformity determination for both standards: : <https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-40/chapter-I/subchapter-C/part-93>

**Table 6a: Seasonal Adjustment Factors\***

	<b>County</b>	<b>Factors</b>
<b>Weekday summer June to August</b>	Harris, Brazoria, Fort Bend, Galveston, Montgomery, and Waller	1.01341
	Liberty, Chambers	0.98644

\*Data from Texas A&M Transportation Institute

Seasonal adjustment factors are used to adjust the Travel Demand Model (TDM) and estimated intrazonal VMT to summer weekday VMT. The adjustment factors were developed using aggregated Automated Traffic Recorder (ATR) data for the years 2010-2019. These factors, provided in Table 6a, were calculated by dividing the average day-of-week (weekday) count for the June – August episode by the Annual Non-Summer Weekday Traffic (ANSWT) count.

Two seasonal factors are needed because there are two different sources for data. The counties of Liberty and Chambers belong to the Beaumont TxDOT District while the counties of Harris, Brazoria, Fort. Bend, Galveston, Montgomery and Waller belong to the Houston TxDOT District.

**Table 6b: Time Period Designations**

<b>Hours</b>	<b>Designations</b>
12:00 a.m. – 12:59 a.m.	Overnight
1:00 a.m. – 1:59 a.m.	Overnight
2:00 a.m. – 2:59 a.m.	Overnight
3:00 a.m. – 3:59 a.m.	Overnight
4:00 a.m. – 4:59 a.m.	Overnight
5:00 a.m. – 5:59 a.m.	Overnight
6:00 a.m. – 6:59 a.m.	AM Peak
7:00 a.m. – 7:59 a.m.	AM Peak
8:00 a.m. – 8:59 a.m.	AM Peak



<b>Hours</b>	<b>Designations</b>
9:00 a.m. – 9:59 a.m.	Midday
10:00 a.m. – 10:59 a.m.	Midday
11:00 a.m. – 11:59 a.m.	Midday
12:00 p.m. – 12:59 p.m.	Midday
1:00 p.m. – 1:59 p.m.	Midday
2:00 p.m. – 2:59 p.m.	Midday
3:00 p.m. – 3:59 p.m.	PM Peak
4:00 p.m. – 4:59 p.m.	PM Peak
5:00 p.m. – 5:59 p.m.	PM Peak
6:00 p.m. – 6:59 p.m.	PM Peak
7:00 p.m. – 7:59 p.m.	Overnight
8:00 p.m. – 8:59 p.m.	Overnight
9:00 p.m. – 9:59 p.m.	Overnight
10:00 p.m. – 10:59 p.m.	Overnight
11:00 p.m. – 11:59 p.m.	Overnight

**Table 6c: Hourly Factors\***

HGB region average summer weekday hourly travel factors			
Hours Description	Periods	24-hour	4-period
12:00 a.m. – 12:59 a.m.	Overnight	0.009164	0.039330
1:00 a.m. – 1:59 a.m.	Overnight	0.006058	0.026000
2:00 a.m. – 2:59 a.m.	Overnight	0.005639	0.024202
3:00 a.m. – 3:59 a.m.	Overnight	0.006211	0.026656
4:00 a.m. – 4:59 a.m.	Overnight	0.013328	0.057201
5:00 a.m. – 5:59 a.m.	Overnight	0.038017	0.163162
6:00 a.m. – 6:59 a.m.	AM Peak	0.062469	0.334676
7:00 a.m. – 7:59 a.m.	AM Peak	0.066920	0.358523
8:00 a.m. – 8:59 a.m.	AM Peak	0.057266	0.306801
9:00 a.m. – 9:59 a.m.	Midday	0.051661	0.161257
10:00 a.m. – 10:59 a.m.	Midday	0.050387	0.157280
11:00 a.m. – 11:59 a.m.	Midday	0.052108	0.162652
12:00 p.m. – 12:59 p.m.	Midday	0.053986	0.168515
1:00 p.m. – 1:59 p.m.	Midday	0.054713	0.170784
2:00 p.m. – 2:59 p.m.	Midday	0.057509	0.179512
3:00 p.m. – 3:59 p.m.	PM Peak	0.062908	0.241973
4:00 p.m. – 4:59 p.m.	PM Peak	0.067456	0.259467
5:00 p.m. – 5:59 p.m.	PM Peak	0.070399	0.270788
6:00 p.m. – 6:59 p.m.	PM Peak	0.059216	0.227772
7:00 p.m. – 7:59 p.m.	Overnight	0.046370	0.199011
8:00 p.m. – 8:59 p.m.	Overnight	0.036011	0.154552
9:00 p.m. – 9:59 p.m.	Overnight	0.031184	0.133836
10:00 p.m. – 10:59 p.m.	Overnight	0.024436	0.104875
11:00 p.m. – 11:59 p.m.	Overnight	0.016584	0.071175

\*Data from Texas A&M Transportation Institute – Hourly factors calculated using 2010--2019 ATR data.

**Table 7: Projects**

Project Element	Description
<b>Regionally Significant Definition</b>	Please see definition below
<b>Projects that trigger conformity</b>	Please see below

<b>CMAQ projects</b>	H-GAC does not anticipate taking off-model credit for CMAQ projects within this conformity. All RTP projects, including CMAQ projects, will be identified in Appendix 3.
<b>Non-Federal Projects</b>	All RTP projects will be identified in Appendix 3, including regionally significant projects which do not require federal funds or other approvals.
<b>Exempt Projects</b>	All RTP projects will be identified in Appendix 3. A listing of activities eligible for grouping is contained in Appendix J of the 2021-2024 TIP as well as listing of grouped projects.
<b>Other</b>	All RTP projects will be identified in Appendix 3.

**Regionally Significant Definition:**

Regionally Significant Roadway Projects

Non-exempt projects<sup>1</sup> on regionally significant roadways will be treated as regionally significant projects if they:

- provide additional through traffic lanes greater than 1 mile in length;
- construct a bypass to a principal arterial/interstate along on a new alignment;
- add or extend freeway auxiliary/weaving lanes from one interchange to a point beyond the next interchange;
- construct a new interchange that provides access from or allows movement between facilities that was not previously possible; and/or
- remove an existing interchange and result in the elimination of access from or movement between facilities which previously existed.

Regionally significant roadways are limited to:

- all freeways, tollways and other highways classified as principal arterial or higher; and
- select highways currently designated as minor arterials that serve significant interregional and intraregional travel and connect rural population centers not already served by a principal arterial or connect with intermodal transportation terminals not already served by a principal arterial.

Regionally Significant Transit Projects

Any transit facility within an exclusive right-of-way (“fixed guideway”) that offers an alternative to regional highway travel including light rail, commuter rail, bus rapid transit, and barrier separated HOV lanes will be considered regionally significant.

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<sup>1</sup> Non-exempt projects include all projects that are not identified under 40 CFR § 93.126 and 40 CFR § 93.127 as exempt or exempt from regional emissions analysis.

### Other Projects

The regional significance of non-exempt projects not addressed in the above statements will be decided on a case-by-case basis through the interagency consultation process. The consultation will occur before taking the plan to TPC (either plan or TIP revision), and prior to the environmental determination.

#### 4. Emissions Detail (MOVES Air Quality Emission Model Information)

**Table 8: MOVES2014b Modeled Pollutants**

Command	Function/Description	Input Parameter Source/Value
Pollutant	Defines the basic set of pollutants to report.	NO <sub>x</sub> , VOC

**Table 9: Model External Conditions**

Utility used	Spatial Emission Estimator (SEE) developed by ERG*
Emission Model Version	MOVES2014b
Analysis Year Runs	2020, 2030, 2040, 2045
Time Periods	AM, MD, PM, OV
Pollutants Reported	NO <sub>x</sub> , VOC
Evaluation Month	July
Inputs to SEE	Hourly VMT per link and speeds, link definitions, time period designation, road type and speed, and VMT mix and emission factors from MOVES model. Inputs will be provided in Appendix 9 of the final report.

\*Detailed information concerning SEE will be included in Appendix 8 of the final report

**Table 10: MOVES2014b Input Parameters and Source**

Input Parameter Name	Description	Source
Source Type Population	Input the number of vehicles in the geographic area, which will be modeled for each vehicle type. A module is used to convert MOVES2014b based TXDMV registration data for each county into 13 MOVES SUT population.	TXDMV registration data for End of Year 2018 (latest available)

<b>Input Parameter Name</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Source</b>
<b>Source Type Age Distribution</b>	Input that provides the distribution of vehicle counts by age for each calendar year and vehicle type. TXDMV registration data is used to estimate the age distribution of vehicle types up to 30 years. The distribution of Age fractions should sum up to 1.0 for all vehicle types for each analysis year.	TXDMV registration data for End of Year 2018 (latest available); MOVES default used for buses
<b>Vehicle Type VMT</b>	County-specific VMT is distributed to 6 HPMS vehicle types.	NA
<b>Average Speed Distribution</b>	Input average speed data specific to vehicle type, road type, and time of day/type of day into 16 speed bins. The sum of speed distribution to all speed bins for each road type, vehicle type, and time/day type would be 1.0.	Travel Model Output
<b>Road Type Distribution (VMT Fractions)</b>	Input county specific VMT by road type. VMT fraction is distributed between the road types and must sum to 1.0 for each source type.	Travel Model Output
<b>Ramp Fraction</b>	Input county-specific fraction of ramp driving time on rural and urban restricted roadway type.	Travel Model Output
<b>Fuel Supply</b>	Input to assign existing fuels to counties, months, and years, and to assign the associated market share for each fuel.	TCEQ, EPA Fuel Surveys and default MOVES input where local data unavailable. (Refer to Table 11)

<b>Input Parameter Name</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Source</b>
<b>Meteorology</b>	County-specific data on temperature and humidity.	RFP SIP revision for 2008 8-hr Ozone Standard for years 2020, 2030, 2040 and 2045 Appendix 10: Regional data from TCEQ. HGB area weather station data averages for the 2011 June through August period developed originally for the 2011 AERR inventories, TTI, August 2012. <a href="https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/implementation/air/sip/hgb/HGB_2016_AD_RFP/RFP/HGBRFP_Appendix_10.pdf">https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/implementation/air/sip/hgb/HGB_2016_AD_RFP/RFP/HGBRFP_Appendix_10.pdf</a>
<b>Fuel Formulation</b>	Input county-specific fuel properties in the MOVES database.	TCEQ, EPA Fuel Surveys and default MOVES input where local data unavailable. (Refer to Table 12)
<b>I/M Coverage</b>	Input I/M coverage record for each combination of pollutants, process, county, fuel type, regulatory class and model year are specified using this input.	Refer to Tables 13, 14, 15 and 16
<b>Fuel Engine Fraction / Diesel Fraction</b>	Input fuel engine fractions (i.e. gasoline vs. diesel engine types in the vehicle population) for all vehicle types.	TXDMV registration data End of Year 2018 (latest available); MOVES default used for light-duty vehicles and buses; county regional data applied for heavy-duty vehicles.

**Table 11: MOVES2014b Fuel Supply**

<b>Fuel Formulation ID 2020</b>	<b>Fuel Formulation ID 2021+</b>	<b>Market Share</b>
13724 (gasoline)	14724	1
30585 (diesel)	30600	1

**Table 12: MOVES2014b Fuel Properties - Summer Gasoline and Diesel Fuel Formulation Inputs to MOVES for HGB Counties – 2020 and 2021 and Later Years.**

Fuel Formulation Field	Unit	Reformulated Gasoline <sup>1</sup>		Diesel <sup>2</sup>	
		2020	2021+	2020	2021+
<b>Fuel Formulation ID</b>	-	13724	14724	30585	30600
<b>Fuel Subtype ID</b>	-	12	12	21	21
<b>RVP</b>	psi	7.15	7.15	\N	\N
<b>Sulfur Level</b>	ppm	10.01	10.00	5.85	6.00
<b>ETOH Volume</b>	vol.%	9.56	9.56	\N	\N
<b>MTBE Volume</b>	vol.%	0	0	\N	\N
<b>ETBE Volume</b>	vol.%	0	0	\N	\N
<b>TAME Volume</b>	vol.%	0	0	\N	\N
<b>Aromatic Content</b>	vol.%	16.89	16.89	\N	\N
<b>Olefin Content</b>	vol.%	10.29	10.29	\N	\N
<b>Benzene Content</b>	vol.%	0.42	0.42	\N	\N
<b>e200</b>	vap.%	48.26	48.26	\N	\N
<b>e300</b>	vap.%	84.89	84.89	\N	\N
<b>Vol to Wt Percent Oxy</b>	-	0.3653	0.3653	\N	\N
<b>BioDieselEster Volume</b>	vol.%	\N	\N	4.86	4.86
<b>Cetane Index</b>	-	\N	\N	\N	\N
<b>PAH Content</b>	vol.%	\N	\N	\N	\N
<b>T50</b>	deg. F	206.18	206.18	\N	\N
<b>T90</b>	deg. F	326.87	326.87	\N	\N

<sup>1</sup> TTI (February 2021) based the RFG (Re-Formulated Gasoline) formulations on EPA's Houston RFG compliance surveys for summer 2020 (latest available). RFG properties are actual averages calculated as composites of averages by fuel grade (premium, mid-grade, and regular) using sales fractions based on Texas RFG sales volumes by grade data from the EIA. The RFG properties for 2021+ (future years) were also based on the latest available 2020 survey, except for sulfur, which was set to the expected future level (consistent with the Tier 3 standard). Fuel subtype ID 12 is 10% ethanol volume blended in gasoline (E10).

<sup>2</sup> The diesel sulfur level for the 2020 historical year is the statewide average developed from TCEQ's summer 2020 diesel fuel survey. Diesel sulfur for future years (2021+) was set to the expected future year value, consistent with the actual, relatively stable, statewide averages observed in the last four TCEQ fuel surveys (2011, 2014, 2017, 2020) and with EPA's latest analysis for inputs to MOVES. The biodiesel ester volume percent estimates were based on EIA (US Energy Information Administration) transportation sector biodiesel and diesel consumption estimates for Texas, by year, using latest available data (2018) for 2018 and later years. Fuel subtype ID 21 is biodiesel, in Texas, ULSD (Ultra-Low Sulfur Diesel) currently estimated with a blend of about 5% by volume biodiesel ester



Tables 13, 14, 15 and 16 contain the MOVES2014b I/M descriptive inputs, by analysis year, for the area counties subject to I/M. Brazoria, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, and Montgomery Counties are subject to I/M, but Chambers, Liberty, and Waller are not.

**Table 13: MOVES2014b I/M Descriptive Inputs for Analysis Year 2020<sup>1</sup>**

<b>I/M Program ID</b> (Identifies program number with MOVES database)	40	60
<b>Pollutant Process ID</b> (Identifies pollutant process with MOVES database)	101, 102, 201, 202, 301, 302	112
<b>Source Use Type (SUT)<sup>2,3</sup></b> (Identifies vehicle type with MOVES database)	21, 31, 32	21, 31, 32
<b>Begin Model Year</b> (Calculated as YearID-24)	1996	1996
<b>End Model Year</b> (Calculated as YearID-2)	2018	2018
<b>Inspection Frequency</b> (Annual testing per program specifications)	1	1
<b>Test Standards Description</b> (Describes test type)	OBD <sup>4</sup> check	Evaporative gas cap and OBD check
<b>Test Standards ID</b> (Identifies test with MOVES database)	51	45
<b>I/M Compliance</b> (Expected compliance percentage by SUT) <sup>5</sup>	SUT 21 = 95.00% SUT 31 = 93.10% SUT 32 = 87.40%	SUT 21 = 95.00% SUT 31 = 93.10% SUT 32 = 87.40%

<sup>1</sup> Acceleration simulation mode (ASM) is no longer required. It is part of the evaporative checks performed in the I/M program for OBD equipped vehicles (1996 and newer vehicles).

<sup>2</sup> SUTs listed represent the following vehicle types: SUT 21 represents passenger cars; SUT 31 represents passenger trucks; and SUT 32 represents light commercial trucks.

<sup>3</sup> From TCEQ AERR, for heavy-duty gasoline vehicles (i.e., > 8,500 lbs. GVWR), MOVES does not contain any combinations of I/M factors and mean base rates that yield I/M effects, except for the evaporative tank venting process; for light-duty gasoline vehicles, MOVES includes

both exhaust and evaporative I/M factors and mean base rates with I/M effects. Via the I/M compliance factor (note 2), the heavy-duty class I/M effects were not included – only light-duty gasoline vehicles (SUTs 21, 31, and 32) were flagged for use in the user input I/M coverage records. The processes/pollutants affected by I/M are exhaust running and exhaust start THC, CO, NOx, and tank vapor venting THC.

<sup>4</sup> On-board diagnostics

<sup>5</sup> I/M compliance factors have been updated using the latest Houston I/M program statistics (2019 I/M program data) provided by TCEQ, the updated I/M compliance factor calculation method per EPA’s latest technical guidance on emissions inventory development for conformity (Pages 47-49, EPA-420-B-20-052, November 2020), and the MOVES2014b regulatory class coverage adjustments per EPA technical guidance on emissions inventory development for conformity using MOVES2014b (Appendix A, EPA-420-B-18-039, August 2018).

These latest available compliance factors are the expected future year compliance factor values (i.e., for all future years):

Passenger car: 95.00%

Passenger truck: 93.10%

Light commercial truck: 87.40%

**Table 14: MOVES2014b I/M Descriptive Inputs for Analysis Year 2030<sup>1</sup>**

<b>I/M Program ID</b> (Identifies program number with MOVES database)	40	60
<b>Pollutant Process ID</b> (Identifies pollutant process with MOVES database)	101, 102, 201, 202, 301, 302	112
<b>Source Use Type (SUT)<sup>2,3</sup></b> (Identifies vehicle type with MOVES database)	21, 31, 32	21, 31, 32
<b>Begin Model Year</b> (Calculated as YearID-24)	2006	2006
<b>End Model Year</b> (Calculated as YearID-2)	2028	2028
<b>Inspection Frequency</b> (Annual testing per program specifications)	1	1
<b>Test Standards Description</b> (Describes test type)	OBD <sup>4</sup> check	Evaporative gas cap and OBD check

<b>Test Standards ID (Identifies test with MOVES database)</b>	51	45
<b>I/M Compliance (Expected compliance percentage by SUT)<sup>5</sup></b>	SUT 21 = 95.00% SUT 31 = 93.10% SUT 32 = 87.40%	SUT 21 = 95.00% SUT 31 = 93.10% SUT 32 = 87.40%

<sup>1</sup> Acceleration simulation mode (ASM) is no longer required. It is part of the evaporative checks performed in the I/M program for OBD equipped vehicles (1996 and newer vehicles).

<sup>2</sup> SUTs listed represent the following vehicle types: SUT 21 represents passenger cars; SUT 31 represents passenger trucks; and SUT 32 represents light commercial trucks.

<sup>3</sup> From TCEQ AERR, for heavy-duty gasoline vehicles (i.e., > 8,500 lbs. GVWR), MOVES does not contain any combinations of I/M factors and mean base rates that yield I/M effects, except for the evaporative tank venting process; for light-duty gasoline vehicles, MOVES includes both exhaust and evaporative I/M factors and mean base rates with I/M effects. Via the I/M compliance factor (note 2), the heavy-duty class I/M effects were not included – only light-duty gasoline vehicles (SUTs 21, 31, and 32) were flagged for use in the user input I/M coverage records. The processes/pollutants affected by I/M are exhaust running and exhaust start THC, CO, NOx, and tank vapor venting THC.

<sup>4</sup> On-board diagnostics

<sup>5</sup> I/M compliance factors have been updated using the latest Houston I/M program statistics (2019 I/M program data) provided by TCEQ, the updated I/M compliance factor calculation method per EPA’s latest technical guidance on emissions inventory development for conformity (Pages 47-49, EPA-420-B-20-052, November 2020), and the MOVES2014b regulatory class coverage adjustments per EPA technical guidance on emissions inventory development for conformity using MOVES2014b (Appendix A, EPA-420-B-18-039, August 2018).

These latest available compliance factors are the expected future year compliance factor values (i.e., for all future years):

Passenger car: 95.00%  
 Passenger truck: 93.10%  
 Light commercial truck: 87.40%

**Table 15: MOVES2014b I/M Descriptive Inputs for Analysis Year 2040<sup>1</sup>**

<b>I/M Program ID</b> (Identifies program number with MOVES database)	40	60
<b>Pollutant Process ID</b> (Identifies pollutant process with MOVES database)	101, 102, 201, 202, 301, 302	112
<b>Source Use Type (SUT)<sup>2,3</sup></b> (Identifies vehicle type with MOVES database)	21, 31, 32	21, 31, 32
<b>Begin Model Year</b> (Calculated as YearID-24)	2016	2016
<b>End Model Year</b> (Calculated as YearID-2)	2038	2038
<b>Inspection Frequency</b> (Annual testing per program specifications)	1	1
<b>Test Standards Description</b> (Describes test type)	OBD <sup>4</sup> check	Evaporative gas cap and OBD check
<b>Test Standards ID</b> (Identifies test with MOVES database)	51	45
<b>I/M Compliance</b> (Expected compliance percentage by SUT) <sup>5</sup>	SUT 21 = 95.00% SUT 31 = 93.10% SUT 32 = 87.40%	SUT 21 = 95.00% SUT 31 = 93.10% SUT 32 = 87.40%

<sup>1</sup> Acceleration simulation mode (ASM) is no longer required. It is part of the evaporative checks performed in the I/M program for OBD equipped vehicles (1996 and newer vehicles).

<sup>2</sup> SUTs listed represent the following vehicle types: SUT 21 represents passenger cars; SUT 31 represents passenger trucks; and SUT 32 represents light commercial trucks.

<sup>3</sup> From TCEQ AERR, for heavy-duty gasoline vehicles (i.e., > 8,500 lbs. GVWR), MOVES does not contain any combinations of I/M factors and mean base rates that yield I/M effects, except for the evaporative tank venting process; for light-duty gasoline vehicles, MOVES includes both exhaust and evaporative I/M factors and mean base rates with I/M effects. Via the I/M compliance factor (note 2), the heavy-duty class I/M effects were not included – only light-duty gasoline vehicles (SUTs 21, 31, and 32) were flagged for use in the user input I/M coverage records. The processes/pollutants affected by I/M are exhaust running and exhaust start THC, CO, NOx, and tank vapor venting THC.

<sup>4</sup> On-board diagnostics

<sup>5</sup> I/M compliance factors have been updated using the latest Houston I/M program statistics (2019 I/M program data) provided by TCEQ, the updated I/M compliance factor calculation method per EPA’s latest technical guidance on emissions inventory development for conformity (Pages 47-49, EPA-420-B-20-052, November 2020), and the MOVES2014b regulatory class coverage adjustments per EPA technical guidance on emissions inventory development for conformity using MOVES2014b (Appendix A, EPA-420-B-18-039, August 2018).

These latest available compliance factors are the expected future year compliance factor values (i.e., for all future years):

Passenger car: 95.00%  
 Passenger truck: 93.10%  
 Light commercial truck: 87.40%

**Table 16: MOVES2014b I/M Descriptive Inputs for Analysis Year 2045<sup>1</sup>**

<b>I/M Program ID</b> (Identifies program number with MOVES database)	40	60
<b>Pollutant Process ID</b> (Identifies pollutant process with MOVES database)	101, 102, 201, 202, 301, 302	112
<b>Source Use Type (SUT)<sup>2,3</sup></b> (Identifies vehicle type with MOVES database)	21, 31, 32	21, 31, 32
<b>Begin Model Year</b> (Calculated as YearID-24)	2021	2021
<b>End Model Year</b> (Calculated as YearID-2)	2043	2043
<b>Inspection Frequency</b> (Annual testing per program specifications)	1	1
<b>Test Standards Description</b> (Describes test type)	OBD <sup>4</sup> check	Evaporative gas cap and OBD check
<b>Test Standards ID</b> (Identifies test with MOVES database)	51	45
<b>I/M Compliance</b> (Expected compliance percentage by SUT) <sup>5</sup>	SUT 21 = 95.00%	SUT 21 = 95.00%

	SUT 31 =	SUT 31 =
	93.10%	93.10%
	SUT 32 =	SUT 32 =
	87.40%	87.40%

<sup>1</sup> Acceleration simulation mode (ASM) is no longer required. It is part of the evaporative checks performed in the I/M program for OBD equipped vehicles (1996 and newer vehicles).

<sup>2</sup> SUTs listed represent the following vehicle types: SUT 21 represents passenger cars; SUT 31 represents passenger trucks; and SUT 32 represents light commercial trucks.

<sup>3</sup> From TCEQ AERR, for heavy-duty gasoline vehicles (i.e., > 8,500 lbs. GVWR), MOVES does not contain any combinations of I/M factors and mean base rates that yield I/M effects, except for the evaporative tank venting process; for light-duty gasoline vehicles, MOVES includes both exhaust and evaporative I/M factors and mean base rates with I/M effects. Via the I/M compliance factor (note 2), the heavy-duty class I/M effects were not included – only light-duty gasoline vehicles (SUTs 21, 31, and 32) were flagged for use in the user input I/M coverage records. The processes/pollutants affected by I/M are exhaust running and exhaust start THC, CO, NOx, and tank vapor venting THC.

<sup>4</sup> On-board diagnostics

<sup>5</sup> I/M compliance factors have been updated using the latest Houston I/M program statistics (2019 I/M program data) provided by TCEQ, the updated I/M compliance factor calculation method per EPA’s latest technical guidance on emissions inventory development for conformity (Pages 47-49, EPA-420-B-20-052, November 2020), and the MOVES2014b regulatory class coverage adjustments per EPA technical guidance on emissions inventory development for conformity using MOVES2014b (Appendix A, EPA-420-B-18-039, August 2018).

These latest available compliance factors are the expected future year compliance factor values (i.e., for all future years):

Passenger car: 95.00%

Passenger truck: 93.10%

Light commercial truck: 87.40%

**Table 17: MOVES2014bEmissions Factor Post-Processing to Be Performed by County and Year**

<b>Strategy and Post-Processing Result</b>	<b>Analysis Year</b>	<b>Counties</b>
Texas Low Emission Diesel Fuel (TxLED)	2020, 2030, 2040 and 2045	Harris, Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Liberty, Montgomery, Waller

Source: TCEQ, Texas A&M Transportation Institute.

The following table provides the TxLED reduction and the adjustment factors for the years 2020, 2030, 2040 and 2045. These factors were calculated using MOVES2014a and the end of year 2018 TXDMV registration.

**Table 18: TxLED NO<sub>x</sub> Reduction and NO<sub>x</sub> Adjustment Factors by Source Use Type**

Produced by TTI, June 2020, based on MOVES2014a inventory mode output (using Texas statewide age distributions and fuel fractions inputs based on 2018 end-of-year TxDMV vehicle registration data) and TCEQ's spreadsheet TxLED factor calculation procedure available at:

<ftp://amdaftp.tceq.texas.gov/EI/onroad/txled/>

Source Use Type	2020 Reduction	2030 Reduction	2040 Reduction	2045 Reduction	2020 Factor	2030 Factor	2040 Factor	2045 Factor
Passenger Car	4.94%	4.84%	4.80%	4.80%	0.9506	0.9516	0.952	0.952
Passenger Truck	5.08%	4.86%	4.80%	4.80%	0.9492	0.9514	0.952	0.952
Light Commercial Truck	5.33%	4.96%	4.80%	4.80%	0.9467	0.9504	0.952	0.952
Intercity Bus	5.62%	5.08%	4.80%	4.80%	0.9438	0.9492	0.952	0.952
Transit Bus	5.56%	5.03%	4.80%	4.80%	0.9444	0.9497	0.952	0.952
School Bus	5.61%	5.02%	4.80%	4.80%	0.9439	0.9498	0.952	0.952
Refuse Truck	5.31%	4.82%	4.80%	4.80%	0.9469	0.9518	0.952	0.952
Single Unit Short-Haul Truck	4.89%	4.81%	4.80%	4.80%	0.9511	0.9519	0.952	0.952
Single Unit Long-Haul Truck	4.90%	4.81%	4.80%	4.80%	0.9510	0.9519	0.952	0.952
Motor Home	5.28%	4.90%	4.80%	4.80%	0.9472	0.9510	0.952	0.952
Combination Short-Haul Truck	5.09%	4.82%	4.80%	4.80%	0.9491	0.9518	0.952	0.952
Combination Long-Haul Truck	5.10%	4.82%	4.80%	4.80%	0.9490	0.9518	0.952	0.952



## Emissions Controls Used for Conformity Credit

This conformity will not use any credits from voluntary mobile emission reduction programs since they are not anticipated to be needed to show conformity to the emission budgets.

**Table 19: Emissions Controls Used for Conformity Credit**

Emission Reduction Strategy and Years Covered	Modeling or Post-Processing Approach	Analysis Year
NA	NA	NA

### VMT Mix

The VMT mix designates the vehicle types included in the analysis and specifies the fraction of on-road fleet VMT attributable to each vehicle type by MOVES road type.

TTI developed these weekday VMT mixes using new Vehicle Command Count (VCC) data (2009 through 2018) and TxDMV vehicle registration data (2018 end-of-year data) and the same method/procedures as used on Texas A&M Transportation Institute’s VMT mix method (Methodologies for Conversion of Data Sets for MOVES Model Compatibility. Texas A&M Transportation Institute, August 2009). The VMT mix was estimated for each TxDOT district associated with the eight-county HGB area (i.e., Houston and Beaumont districts). The VMT mixes were developed for the years 2020, 2030, 2040 and 2045.

This data will be included in Appendix 9 of final conformity report.

### 5. Interagency Consultation

Interagency consultation is a required element of the transportation conformity process according to 40 CFR 93.105

([https://www.govinfo.gov/app/search/%7B%22offset%22%3A0%2C%22query%22%3A%22collection%3A\(CFR\)%20AND%20publishdate%3Arange\(%2C2018-12-17\)%20AND%20content%3A\(40%20CFR%2093.105\)%22%2C%22historical%22%3Atrue%7D](https://www.govinfo.gov/app/search/%7B%22offset%22%3A0%2C%22query%22%3A%22collection%3A(CFR)%20AND%20publishdate%3Arange(%2C2018-12-17)%20AND%20content%3A(40%20CFR%2093.105)%22%2C%22historical%22%3Atrue%7D)).

Consultation partners include H-GAC, TxDOT, TCEQ, EPA, FHWA, METRO and Texas A&M Transportation Institute. Consultation regarding this Pre-Analysis Consensus Plan and the conformity process will be documented in Appendix 14 of the final conformity report.

### 6. Public Participation

Public consultation is a required element of the transportation conformity process according to 40 CFR 93.105

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The draft transportation conformity report, which will be based on this pre-analysis consensus plan, will undergo a 30-day public comment period. During the public comment period, H-GAC will hold a public meeting. Information concerning the public participation process will be documented in Appendix 15 of the final conformity report.

The following appendices will accompany the final transportation conformity report.

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