

Appendix 16
Public Comment Process

HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL

Public Comment Period and Public Meetings

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 comment period to give the public an opportunity to review proposed amendments as well as a new transportation conformity determination for the 2013-2016 TIP and the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Update.

H-GAC will host two public meetings on proposed actions for Transportation Conformity Determination, Category 2 Metro Mobility, and the 2013-2016 Air Quality Work Programs on **Tuesday, April 9, 2013, 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, March 27, 2013 and ends on Thursday, April 25, 2013 at 5:00 pm.**

More information regarding these proposed actions can be found on the H-GAC website at www.h-gac.com/tag/public_info.

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), Fort Bend County Transit, Connect Transit, and Galveston Island Transit. 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.

On April 9, 2013, H-GAC had 2 public meeting. On the first one, from noon to 1pm, no members of the public were present. On the second one, from 6 to 7pm, four members of the public were present (please see attachments). For the second meeting, H-GAC presented the air quality conformity results as well as explained the relation between the State Implementation Plan for air quality and the transportation plan. The public did not have any comments regarding the air quality conformity determination.

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Extension of Public Comment Period

Proposed Amendments and Transportation Conformity Determination

for the 2013-2016 TIP and the 2035 RTP Update

H-GAC is announcing the extension of a 30-day comment period to give the public an opportunity to review changes to the transportation conformity determination for the 2013-2016 TIP and the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Update. **The public comment period began on Wednesday, March 27, 2013 and will end on Thursday, May 23, 2013 at 5:00 pm.**

More information regarding these proposed actions can be found on the H-GAC website at www.h-gac.com/tag/public_info.

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There were no public comments.