

**PUBLIC INPUT
for the
Houston-Galveston Area
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROCESS
CERTIFICATION REVIEW**

Federal Certification Review, June 29 - July 1, 2021

Federal regulations require that the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) conduct a joint planning certification review at least once every four years for large metropolitan areas.

For the Houston-Galveston Area, the metropolitan transportation planning process is conducted by the Transportation Policy Council of the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC), as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Houston-Galveston Area. This process is done in cooperation with the region's transportation providers (e.g., Houston METRO, Texas Department of Transportation, etc.) as well as other local governments throughout the region.

The Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration are seeking Public input concerning the metropolitan transportation planning process within the Houston-Galveston metropolitan planning area in conjunction with the joint planning certification review of the MPO. Below are three example questions for providing input concerning the metropolitan transportation planning process:

- 1) Do you have any comments regarding the H-GAC Transportation Policy Council's performance in carrying out the responsibility of the region's Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)?
- 2) Is H-GAC doing an overall good job of providing the public with a reasonable opportunity to provide input and participate as part of the metropolitan transportation planning process? Yes/No – explain.
- 3) Are there specific areas you feel H-GAC could improve? If so, explain.

You may e-mail, mail or phone your comments to one of the Federal contact persons listed below:

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Please provide your comments to FHWA or FTA no later than **August 2, 2021**.

On behalf of the U.S. Department of Transportation and the FHWA/FTA planning partners, we welcome your timely input and thank you in advance for your assistance in this effort!