

Transportation Enhancement Program Project Selection

Description

This minute order awards previously apportioned Transportation Enhancement (TE) funds to eligible projects selected from the September 14, 2012 program call for projects.

Background

The Transportation Enhancement (TE) Program is a federally-funded program derived from a 10 percent set-aside from the Surface Transportation Program apportionment.

Candidate projects must meet two main criteria: they must relate to surface transportation and must be determined eligible by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

Starting with this program call, half of any future federally eligible projects will be selected by the MPOs located in transportation management areas. All remaining federally eligible projects will be evaluated by a committee made up of six state agencies known as the Transportation Enhancement Project Evaluating Committee.

Criteria

None.

Problem/Condition

The sponsor nominated projects, listed in Exhibit A, have requested funding under the Transportation Enhancement Program. The estimated cost of these improvements is \$70,000,000.

Other Comments

None.

Alternate Solutions/Actions

None.

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Title 23, United States Code, §133(d)(2) and §160(e)(2), require that 10 percent of certain funds apportioned to a state pursuant to 23 U.S.C § 104(b)(3) be used for transportation enhancement activities. The Texas Transportation Commission (commission) allocated one-half of those funds to metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) operating in transportation management areas as provided by Title 43, Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 16, Subchapter D. The commission has adopted administrative rules located in Title 43, Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 11, Subchapter E, governing the Transportation Enhancement Program (the rules).

Pursuant to the rules, a call for nominations of candidate projects was published in the *Texas Register* on September 14, 2012. Nominations were received by the Texas Department of Transportation (department) and evaluated for eligibility and technical standards. All eligible projects located within the metropolitan planning area of an MPO operating in a transportation management area were submitted to the respective MPO for evaluation and selection. Eligible projects were also submitted to the Transportation Enhancement Project Evaluation Committee (TEPEC) for review.

Exhibit A contains a program of candidate projects recommended by the department, as well as a list of projects previously selected by MPOs. In accordance with the rules, in selecting an eligible candidate project for funding, the commission considered:

- A) the list of all eligible candidate projects and any comments and recommendations from any governmental entity with jurisdiction over the activities included in the projects and the TEPEC;
- B) any other comments relevant to consideration of any candidate project for funding, including:
 - (1) evidence of support and opposition for the candidate project,
 - (2) evidence of the commitment from the nominating entity to provide more than the minimum required non-federal share of allowable project costs and its ability to do so,
 - (3) an evaluation of proposed projects indicating the extent to which each project will meet accepted standards as established by applicable law and by accepted professional practice,
 - (4) the views, comments, and certifications of an MPO or a governing body of a city or county, and
 - (5) all other project specific information as appropriate;
- C) the potential benefit to the state of the candidate project; and
- D) whether the candidate project enhances the surface transportation system.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the commission that the projects shown in Exhibit A, including those projects previously selected by MPOs, are hereby selected and designated for funding under the Transportation Enhancement Program and the executive director is authorized to proceed in the most feasible and economical manner with the execution of local agreements, as required by the rules.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, for each project shown in Exhibit A and subsequently verified as eligible for development, the total amount of federal funds must be locally matched by a minimum of 20 percent.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that should additional funding become available, the commission may select additional eligible projects for funding from among those projects submitted in the September 2012 program call.

Submitted and reviewed by:

Recommended by:

Director, Design Division

Executive Director

Minute Number	Date Passed
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**EXHIBIT A
PROJECTS SELECTED FOR TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM CALL**

Project Number		Project Name	Nominating Entity	Funding		
				TxDOT	MPO	Total
1	STP 2014(087)TE	Terrell Pedestrian Improvements	City of Terrell	\$618,389		\$618,389
2	STP 2014(088)TE	Yellowjacket Multi-Use Trail	City of Ferris	408,425		408,425
3	STP 2014(089)TE	Cranfills Gap Downtown Streetscape	City of Cransfills Gap	376,654		376,654
4	STP 2014(090)TE	Killeen-Fort Hood Regional Trail, Segment 3	City of Killeen	1,455,498		1,455,498
5	STP 2014(091)TE	San Angelo Bike and Pedestrian Improvements	City of San Angelo	1,040,283		1,040,283
6	STP 2014(092)TE	El Camino Real de los Tejas National Historic Trail	Texas Parks and Wildlife	1,546,520		1,546,520
7	STP 2014(093)TE	City of Pharr Bicycle Accessible Improvement Project	City of Pharr	644,138		644,138
8	STP 2014(094)TE	Rock Island Bike and Pedestrian Facility	City of Irving	2,070,000		2,070,000
9	STP 2014(095)TE	West Paris Multi-use Trail	City of Paris	515,193		515,193
10	STP 2014(096)TE	Port Neches Downtown Sidewalks and Redevelopment	City of Port Neches	627,201		627,201
11	STP 2014(097)TE	Wharton Sidewalk Accessibility and Historic Streetscape	City of Wharton	961,400		961,400
12	STP 2014(098)TE	Mason Comprehensive Pedestrian Walkway Connectivity Plan	City of Mason	673,804		673,804
13	STP 2014(099)TE	College Street/Cedar Street Sidewalk Network Expansion	City of Seguin	427,938		427,938
14	STP 2014(100)TE	Riverwalk Extension (Phase 2a) & Bike Lane Improvement	City of Waco	2,704,800		2,704,800
15	STP 2014(101)TE	Brownsville Historic Battlefield Trail Fort Brown Connection	City of Brownsville	746,403		746,403
16	STP 2014(102)TE	Bentsen Road Hike and Bike Trail	City of McAllen	1,020,265		1,020,265
17	STP 2014(103)TE	Downtown Amarillo Streetscape	City of Amarillo	1,540,753		1,540,753
18	STP 2014(104)TE	Old Katy Bikeway	TxDOT	1,326,400		1,326,400
19	STP 2014(105)TE	Evers Park Bridge and Trail Project	City of Denton	1,341,617		1,341,617
20	STP 2014(106)TE	Jefferson Street Sidewalk Network Expansion Project	City of Seguin	408,704		408,704
21	STP 2014(107)TE	Canyon U.S. 60 Tex Randall Information Center and Rest Area	City of Canyon	275,182		275,182
22	STP 2014(108)TE	City of Lufkin 2012 Transportation Enhancement	City of Lufkin	883,200		883,200
23	STP 2014(109)TE	Downtown Troy Streetscape-Historic Commercial District	City of Troy	374,541		374,541
24	STP 2014(110)TE	Kaufman Downtown Transportation Improvement Project	City of Kaufman	390,900		390,900
25	STP 2014(111)TE	Conroe Sidewalk, Streetscape and Landscape Beautification	City of Conroe	781,321		781,321
26	STP 2014(112)TE	Landa Street Pedestrian and Bicyclists Facility Enhancements	City of New Braunfels	1,016,249		1,016,249
27	STP 2014(113)TE	Nolan River Road School Access Corridor	City of Cleburne	768,056		768,056
28	STP 2014(114)TE	Light Up Downtown	City of Eagle Pass	292,371		292,371
29	STP 2014(115)TE	Aransas Pathways Trail System	Aransas County	706,980		706,980
30	STP 2014(116)TE	Decker Lane (FM 3177) Sidewalk	Travis County	1,529,977		1,529,977
31	STP 2014(117)TE	South 11th Street Transportation Alternatives Project	City of Abilene	946,220		946,220
32	STP 2014(118)TE	FM 1660 North Hike and Bike Trail	City of Hutto	1,001,880		1,001,880
33	STP 2014(119)TE	Bosque River Trail Extension	City of Stephenville	1,401,652		1,401,652
34	STP 2014(120)TE	Falcon Ridge Boulevard Bikeway	City of Friendswood	50,324		50,324
35	STP 2014(121)TE	RM 1431 Pedestrian Bridge and Sidewalk	City of Cedar Park	249,186		249,186
36	STP 2014(122)TE	Fort Worth Bike Sharing System Expansion	Fort Worth Trans Authority	415,958		415,958
37	STP 2014(123)TE	Summercrest Blvd to McAlister Ped and Bike Improvements	City of Burleson	1,022,634		1,022,634
38	STP 2014(124)TE	Town of Little Elm: Town Center/Beard Park to Witt Road Trail	City of Little Elm	1,166,882		1,166,882
39	STP 2014(125)TE	City of Tyler Sidewalk Extension Project	City of Tyler	1,648,322		1,648,322

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Project Number	Project Name	Nominating Entity	Funding		
40	STP 2014(126)TE	Statewide Heritage Tourism/Historic Texas Highways & Trails	Texas Historic Commission	1,000,000	1,000,000
41	STP 2014(127)TE	I-10/US 54 Renovation Project	TxDOT El Paso District	6,841,224	6,841,224
42	STP 2014(128)TE	US 59 Bridge Lighting	Montrose Management Dist.	1,428,495	1,428,495
43	STP 2014(129)TE	Chisholm Trail Corridor Hike and Bike Facility	City of Belton	1,255,800	1,255,800
44	STP 2014(130)TE	Bicycle Traffic Signal and Detection	City of Austin	\$200,000	200,000
45	STP 2014(131)TE	Cross-Town Pathway	City of San Marcos	1,923,174	1,923,174
46	STP 2014(132)TE	Holly Road Landscaping Improvement Project	City of Corpus Christi	149,443	149,443
47	STP 2014(133)TE	Railroad Right-of-Way Hike and Bike Trail	Corpus Christi MPO	145,986	145,986
48	STP 2014(134)TE	Wildcat Dr. Community Lighting and Sidewalk Improvements	Town of Anthony	192,516	192,516
49	STP 2014(135)TE	City of Socorro Pedestrian Safety Program	City of Socorro	73,600	73,600
50	STP 2014(136)TE	Dyer Street Pedestrian Enhancements	TxDOT El Paso District	237,346	237,346
51	STP 2014(137)TE	Santa Fe Street Pedestrian Improvements	City of El Paso	235,452	235,452
52	STP 2014(138)TE	FM 270 Bikeway	City of Webster	739,205	739,205
53	STP 2014(139)TE	Energy Corridor IH 10 Intersections Enhancements	Energy Corridor Mgmt. Dist.	2,087,526	2,087,526
54	STP 2014(140)TE	NASA Road 1 Bikeway	City of Webster	1,160,356	1,160,356
55	STP 2014(141)TE	Hermann Park/Brays Bayou Trail Connectors	City of Houston	597,742	597,742
56	STP 2014(142)TE	Hunting Bayou Gaps –Sayers Rd to Hutcheson Parks	City of Houston	607,430	607,430
57	STP 2014(143)TE	Mason Park Ped/Bike Bridge	City of Houston	3,544,579	3,544,579
58	STP 2014(144)TE	University Connection	City of Houston	1,844,655	1,844,655
59	STP 2014(145)TE	City of Edinburg Train Depot Renovation Project	City of Edinburg	108,146	108,146
60	STP 2014(146)TE	City of Edinburg Jackson Rd. Hike and Bike Trail Project	City of Edinburg	961,282	961,282
61	STP 2014(147)TE	Mercedes Landscaped Entryway	City of Mercedes	304,672	304,672
62	STP 2014(148)TE	North University Enhancement Project, (Phase 2)	City of Lubbock	478,278	478,278
63	STP 2014(149)TE	On-Street Bicycle Treatments - McKinney	City of McKinney	200,000	200,000
64	STP 2014(150)TE	VeloWay/SoPac Phase 4A	Dallas CO & City of Dallas	3,009,217	3,009,217
65	STP 2014(151)TE	North Main Street Bridge	City of Fort Worth	2,000,000	2,000,000
66	STP 2014(152)TE	Shady Grove Bike/Pedestrian Trail Connection	City of Keller	401,606	401,606
67	STP 2014 (153)TE	Bike/Walk North Texas Safety and Education Campaign	NCTCOG	552,000	552,000
68	STP 2014(154)TE	Downtown Colleyville Bike and Ped Trail	City of Colleyville	1,273,004	1,273,004
69	STP 2014(155)TE	Coombs Creek Trail Extension	City of Dallas	2,000,000	2,000,000
70	STP 2014(156)TE	FM 1382 Hike and Bike Trail	City of Cedar Hill	950,522	950,000
71	STP 2014(157)TE	Three Cities Trail	City of Frisco	516,852	516,852
72	STP 2014(158)TE	Phase Three A-train Rail Trail	Denton CO Transit Authority	1,984,900	1,984,900
73	STP 2014(159)TE	Low Impact Landscaping Around Downtown San Antonio	City of San Antonio	1,001,428	1,001,428
74	STP 2014(160)TE	Bicycle Safe Resources for 8 to 80-year-olds	City of San Antonio	114,080	114,080
75	STP 2014(161)TE	San Antonio Bike Share B-Cycle Urban Core Expansion	City of San Antonio	999,996	999,996
76	STP 2014(162)TE	Trinity Trails Clear Fork - East Bank Extension	City of Fort Worth	\$2,000,000	156,000
77	STP 2014(163)TE	UTEP Walkable Pedestrian Enhancements	UTEP	7,296,809	703,191
78	STP 2014(164)TE	Hwy 95 Bicycle/Pedestrian Corridor	City of Taylor	223,174	1,156,826
79	STP 2014(165)TE	Schanen Hike and Bike Trail	City of Corpus Christi	330,427	498,931
					829,358

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80	STP 2014(166)TE	Clear Lake Shores Ped and Bike connections	City of Clear Lake Shores	334,281	665,197	999,478
81	STP 2014(167)TE	Improving Old Town Helotes	City of Helotes	11,455	1,239,101	1,250,556
			Totals	\$56,097,885	\$35,014,240	\$91,111,603