



TEMPO Workshop
9:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
Thursday August 28th 2008
9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Friday August 29th 2008

North Central Texas Council of Governments
616 Six Flags Drive
Transportation Board Room
Arlington, Texas

MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, 9:00 a.m. Welcome/Introductions - Dan Kessler, TEMPO Executive Director

Focus Topic (1) the Role of MPOs in Goods Movement and Intermodal Freight Planning

Nate Asplund Director, Public Private Partnerships BNSF Railway Company

Bill Fraaney, Assistant Vice President DFW International Airport

Kirk Fauver, Statewide Planning Engineer FHWA Texas Division

Rich Macias Director of Transportation Southern California Council of Governments

Darryl Fields, Transportation Planner Mid-America Regional Council

TEMPO Roundtable Discussion on Activities of Texas MPOs Related to Freight Planning

Lunch Break 12:00 noon – 1:30 p.m. (Lunch on your own)

1:30 P.M. Discussion on Ongoing Statewide Transportation Issues and Initiatives

TxDOT Data Transparency of Use for Stakeholders, Mary Meyland, TxDOT

Report on the TxDOT Stakeholders Committee on Rescissions – Jose Campos
Federal Highway Administration, Ashby Johnson, HGAC, MPO Directors
Serving on the Committee

Report from the TEMPO Executive Committee on Meeting with FHWA, TxDOT
TP&P and PTN on MPO Funding Formula and FY09 TPF Funding – TEMPO
Executive Committee/TxDOT TP&P/FHWA

Two Year UPWPs
Additional Non-Attainment Areas in Texas
GTPF Program
Transportation Development Credits as TPF Match

Report on Financial Constraint in the TIP/STIP Process, Jose Campos Federal
Highway Administration, TxDOT TP&P

Report on the Development of a Revised Format for the Transit Section of the
TIP, Karen Dunlap TxDOT PTN

Report from the TxDOT/TEMPO Work Group on Estimating State and Federal
Revenues – Dan Kessler, NCTCOG, Brian Barth, TxDOT Dallas District

Results of TEMPO Executive Director Survey on MPO Structures in Texas – Dan
Kessler, TEMPO Executive Director

Status Report on Statewide EJ Task Force, Brandy Houston TxDOT, Jose
Campos Federal Highway Administration

Discussion Regarding Transportation Issues for the 81st Legislative Session

Discussion Regarding SAFETEA-LU Reauthorization

Other Issues of item of Interest for TEMPO

MPOs
TxDOT
FHWA

Adjourn - 5:00 p.m.

Happy Hour 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. – Humperdinks (within walking distance of
NCTCOG and area hotels)

Friday Meeting Agenda

Friday 8:00 a.m. MPO Directors Breakfast Meeting

Friday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon Focus Topic (2) **The MTP Process**, Bill Frawley & Montie Wade, Texas Transportation Institute

TTI and TxDOT have used Corpus Christi as a case study to document the 5-year (4-year in non-attainment) MTP process and are creating a website that will be available to all MPO's. It is a detailed documentation of each step in the MTP process with explanations or "drill-downs" of critical steps. This session will focus on application of all requirements of Surface Transportation Legislation as it relates to Metropolitan Transportation Planning. The objective is to familiarize participants with requirements of Federal and State legislation and existing rules to enable compliance. TTI will unveil the case study and ask for input on the content as a final step before making the website live for use by MPOs.

*TxDOT has secured three hours of AICP continuing education credits in planning best practices for this session

Friday 1:30 to 3:30 Focus Topic (3) **NEPA and Transportation Planning**, Jack Gilbert, FHWA

The session will focus on National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements that impact transportation planning activities, including SAFETEA-LU Section 6002 – New Developments and Recent Issues, Indirect and Cumulative Impact Analysis in the Transportation Planning and NEPA process, Update on Environmental Litigation involving NEPA. The presenter is FHWA attorney **Jack F. Gilbert** who has been involved in environmental law and litigation for more than 20 years.

*TxDOT has secured two hours of AICP continuing education credits in planning law for this session.