



2022 PM2.5 Path Forward Subcommittee Initiation



Andrew J. DeCandis
January 27, 2022

Regional Collaboration • Transportation Planning • Multimodal Mobility



Background



- Voluntary EPA and Local Government Collaboration
- Program Goals:
 - Reduce emissions for public health protection
 - Position areas to remain in attainment
 - Direct available resources toward actions that address developing issues
- Participants must submit an annual progress report

Requirements



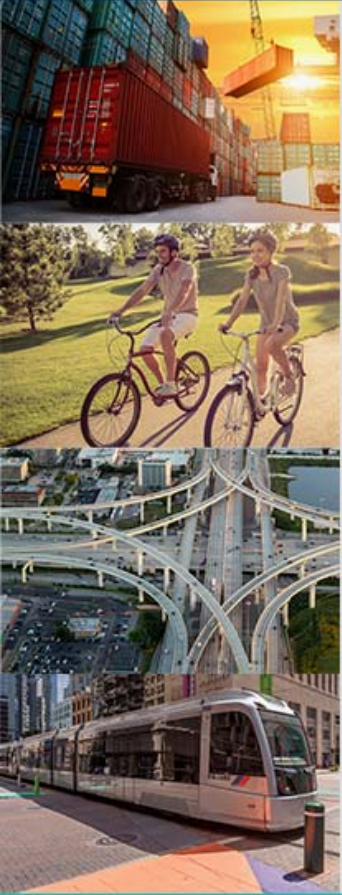
- Must develop and submit annual Path Forward report which includes:
 - Background and status of PM2.5 within the region
 - Overview of voluntary actions undertaken by stakeholders
 - Qualitatively describes these measures
 - Discusses the implementation of each measure
 - Provides quantitative results if possible

Participation Timeline



- June 2013: H-GAC requests to join the program
- 2014: An initial Path Forward report was drafted and approved by RAQPAC and stakeholders
- 2015 through 2021: Follow-on Path Forward reports drafted and approved by RAQPAC
- 2022: Ninth Path Forward report drafted

Report Overview



- Overview of HGB region air quality
- Current PM2.5 status in the region
- Ongoing initiatives by H-GAC
- Ongoing initiatives by regional stakeholders
- Future and upcoming initiatives by regional stakeholders

2022 Goals



- Reconvene PM2.5 Subcommittee
- Standard Updates:
 - Work with RAQPAC members and other stakeholders to update all existing projects in the report
 - Recruit additional participating stakeholders
 - Focus on multipollutant and climate information
- Additional 2022 Efforts:
 - Work to identify PM2.5 hotspots within the region
 - Liaise with local industry and government to develop control strategies to mitigate hot spots

First Subcommittee Meeting



Monday, February 7
2:00 pm
Microsoft Teams



Questions?