

9. REGIONALLY COORDINATED TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Background

As the MPO for the Houston-Galveston region, H-GAC is required to develop and update its Regionally Coordinated Transportation Plan (RCTP) every five years. This plan, covering a 13-county region, provides an inventory of transportation assets in public and human service transportation. It also assesses needs, gaps and opportunities for increased efficiencies and provides recommendations for improvements. H-GAC's current RCTP was last updated in 2016/2017 for the period 2017-2021. Several recommendations from the 2017 update have already been implemented or are in the process of being implemented, including Mobility Links, which provides a searchable database of all transportation options in the region, as well as the Regional Fare Initiative. The 2022 update builds on this work, finding cost-effective ways to further expand access to transportation in the 13-county region and help existing transportation options better meet the region's needs.

Current Situation

The RCTP Update is nearing completion. A draft document has been made available for public comment on the project engagement website, engage.h-gac.com/rctp. Through Friday, February 4, members of the public are able to comment on the document through this website, or at any of three virtual open houses being held Regionally Coordinated Transportation Plan on January 20, 2022, 6:30 p.m., January 25, 2022, 2:30 p.m., and January 25, 2022, 2:30 p.m.

The update offers many recommendations for improving mobility in the region. These are organized around four key themes, which grew out of the analyses done for the RCTP update and the project's public outreach process. The presentation will discuss these four themes and the recommendations associated with each one, with a particular focus on those recommendations that are new to the 2022 plan update.

Action Required

Information only.