

10. THE 2023 UNIFIED TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (UTP)

BACKGROUND

The Unified Transportation Program (UTP) is used by the Texas Transportation Commission (TTC) to plan and guide project development over a 10-year period. The UTP is developed annually to comply with the Texas Administrative Code (TAC §16.105) and is approved by the Commission every August. The UTP gives authorization for project construction, development, and planning.

CURRENT SITUATION

On July 8, 2022 The Texas Department of Transportation release the draft FY 2023 Unified Transportation Program for public review and comment. H-GAC staff is in the process of reviewing the UTP projects for consistency between the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program and the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan. Additionally, staff will bring highlights of the draft UTP to the Policy Council during the July meeting and develop comments on behalf of the metropolitan planning organization if necessary. A copy of the draft FY 2023 UTP document is available at [Draft FY 2023 Unified Transportation Program](#).

The Texas Department of Transportation will hold a virtual public hearing on the FY 2023 UTP on July 26, 2022 at 2 p.m. The meeting can be accessed at [TxDOT Unified Transportation Program Public Involvement](#). Public comments must be received by 4 p.m. on August 8, 2022.

ACTION REQUESTED

TPC discussion and potential action to develop and submit comments on the Draft FY 2023 Unified Transportation Program.