

8. TITLE VI AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE PLANNING

Background

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act is intended to prevent discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance. The Houston-Galveston Area Council is and continues to be compliant with Title VI requirements. In order for H-GAC to administer federal transit funding as a direct recipient, the Federal Transit Administration requires H-GAC to adopt a Title VI program which fully documents compliance with the U.S. Department of Transportation's Title VI regulations.

In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, H-GAC assures that no person, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, sex, age, or disability be excluded from participation in, or denied benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any agency sponsored program or activity.

Current Situation

H-GAC is in the process of updating the Title VI program document in preparation for the October 2021 submittal deadline. Over the next month a public comment period will be opened to solicit public feedback on the H-GAC Title VI program. On July 22, 2021 a public meeting will be held to present the highlights of the Title VI program.

Information on the H-GAC's Title VI program is available at the website below:

<https://www.h-gac.com/title-vi-program>

Action Requested

For information only.