

## **10. DEVELOPMENT OF THE 2045 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN UPDATE**

### **Background**

The 2045 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) is a strategy that targets federal, state, and local funding resources to use towards transportation investments for the region and must be updated every four (4) years per federal statute. The current RTP was last updated on May 14, 2019 with the next update scheduled to be approved on April 28, 2023. This programming document contains the latest framework of existing and forecasted conditions along with regional goals and objectives that guide the prioritization of federally funded projects and programs included a fiscally constrained action plan for at least the next 20 years. The development of the document must be done in coordination with federally prescribed stakeholders and the general public.

### **Current Situation**

H-GAC staff will be conducting three phases of public outreach from May 2022 until the updated RTP is approved by the Transportation Policy Council (TPC) in April 2023. The first phase of outreach will be for establishing the plan's Vision. This Visioning phase is on-going until the end of June. This phase utilizes the [engage.h-gac.com](http://engage.h-gac.com) website to share a public survey, a map tool to collect comments, and "Story Map" with interactive maps of current and forecasted population and transportation conditions. H-GAC staff has also scheduled an in-person event in each of the eight MPO counties to solicit input from the public. The priority of this phase is to maximize participation in the Visioning Survey so that all counties in the MPO are well-represented in the results. The in-person public meetings are listed below:

- Fort Bend County: Thursday, May 5 – Sugar Land City Hall
- Brazoria County: Tuesday, May 10 – Pearland City Hall
- Liberty County: Thursday, May 12 – Liberty City Hall
- Galveston County: Tuesday, May 17 – Historic Galveston 30<sup>th</sup> Street Pump Station
- Waller County: Thursday, May 19 – City of Hempstead Recreation Room
- Montgomery County: Tuesday, May 24 – Shenandoah City Hall
- Harris County: Thursday, May 26 – Houston-Galveston Area Council Office
- Chambers County: Tuesday, May 31 – Eagle Pointe Recreation Center
- Virtual Meeting: Thursday June 2 – Virtual

Once the Visioning Phase is complete, staff will begin developing the Prioritization Phase of the outreach using input received from the Visioning Survey.

### **Action Requested**

Information and discussion only.