

13B. STATEMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NEEDS

The H-GAC Metropolitan Planning Organization is developing a list of transportation needs for the eight county Metropolitan Planning Area that align with the goals of the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan. This list will be an unconstrained list of transportation projects and will be seeking input through a Statement of Transportation Needs to be released soon. The list of projects developed through this effort will be utilized for transportation planning purposes and for potential future funding applications and partnerships.

The recently enacted Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) creates new programs (some formula, some discretionary grants and some combination of two) such as the Bridge Investment Program, National EV Charging Program, Carbon Reduction Program and Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient and Cost saving Transportation (PROTECT) grant program. The H-GAC is seeking potential partnering agencies within the TMA to submit their transportation needs of potential priority projects that can qualify to participate in a competitive grant process for above mentioned programs.

Staff will send a short online form to fill and submit the Statement of Transportation Needs. The information that is required to be submitted in statement of needs include:

- Point of Contact for lead sponsor and partnering agency
- Project information (location, limits, description)
- Whether the project is included in 2045 Regional Transportation Plan or any regional/plans or studies
- Known MPOIDs or CSJs
- Estimated Total Project Cost required for all phases included Engineering, Environment, Right of Way, and Construction/Procurement and
- Implementation Schedule - short (5-years), medium (5-10 years) and long term (more than 10 years).

Potential agencies that can submit State of Transportation Needs include local governments, Management Districts, redevelopment authorities, local Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones, public transit agencies, ports, Texas Department of Transportation, and Toll Road Authorities.

Action Required

Information only.