

10. ADULT BIKE SAFETY PROGRAM UPDATE

BACKGROUND

Both the 2020-2021 UPWP, and the 2022-2023 UPWP include support for promoting traffic safety in the region through public outreach and providing information and outreach about best practices for bicycle safety. To achieve these tasks, H-GAC, in partnership with a consultant, is offering an adult bicycle safety education program that includes three components:

- **Bicycle Friendly Driver** – A course for motorists to learn the rules of the road and best practices when sharing the road with bicyclists
- **CyclingSavvy** - An online bike safety course for bicyclists to learn the rules and best practices for riding a bicycle
- **Train Your Bike** - An in-person bike handling course for bicyclists to receive in-depth instruction for riding a bike on and off street

These courses are supported through an Advanced Funding Agreement with TXDOT to support:

- two in-person classes in each county
- online class access throughout the region
- and one motorist course in each county.

Motorist and in-person courses were held in Harris County early in the project. The courses in Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Liberty, Montgomery and Waller Counties were postponed due to COVID and are currently being restarted.

CURRENT SITUATION

In Person Bike Handling Classes and Motorists classes for 2022-2023 are currently being scheduled and will launch this fall. The course calendar is available online - [Bike Safety | Houston-Galveston Area Council \(H-GAC\)](#)

We are working with various local government facilities to conduct these classes, and welcome TAC and TPC support in encouraging participation. Classes are offered free of charge to participants.

ACTION REQUESTED

For Information and Discussion.