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## **CTRMA Seeks Public Input at Open House Meeting in Williamson County**

AUSTIN, Texas, November 19, 2004 – The Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority (CTRMA) will hold an open house meeting in Williamson County on November 30, 2004. The purpose of the meeting is to receive public comments on CTRMA's customer-friendly draft toll policies.

**WHEN:** November 30, 2004, 6:00-8:00pm

**WHERE:** Cedar Park Library, 550 Discovery Blvd., Cedar Park, TX

**WHAT:** Open House meeting to provide information and receive public comment regarding draft toll policies.

Since draft toll policies were issued in late September, CTRMA has conducted more than 15 stakeholder meetings, a public hearing and open house and has received numerous public comments over the website and hotline. Citizens may submit comments during the 30-day public comment and review period from November 1<sup>st</sup>- December 1<sup>st</sup>.

The draft toll policies include:

- A 10% discount for customers who use an electronic toll tag.
- Providing free toll tags, and \$10 in free tolls, to customers who open an account. An individual's toll tags would be activated by opening an account with a \$20 minimum.

- A 10% discount for public transit vehicles and school buses that use a toll tags. These vehicles would also be charged the passenger vehicle toll rate, which is approximately three times less than the commercial rate.
- A six-month introductory period that provides:
  - One month of free use to everyone who drives on the toll road
  - An additional month free for drivers who open a toll tag account
  - And an additional 50% off the cost of tolls for toll tag users over the next four months.
- A customer-friendly violations policy that gives customers a chance to pay their tolls prior to the assessment of a \$25 administrative fee and fines up to \$250.
- Options for payment methods for tolls include cash, credit and debit cards and the availability of account set-up at convenient locations including grocery stores, online and convenience stores.

For more information or to submit comments, visit our website at [www.ctrma.org](http://www.ctrma.org) or call the CTRMA hotline at (512) 314.5711.

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