



**CENTRAL TEXAS
Regional Mobility Authority**

AGENDA ITEM #9 SUMMARY

Executive Director's Report.

Department: Administrative

Associated Costs: None

Funding Source: None

Board Action Required: No

Description of Matter:

The Executive Director's Report is attached for review and reference.

Attached documentation for reference:

Executive Director's Report

Contact for further information:

Mike Heiligenstein, Executive Director



REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MAY 30, 2012

MIKE HEILIGENSTEIN - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

PRIORITY ISSUES



MoPac Improvement Project
Public Hearing



Manor Expressway Phase I Opening
&
Final Acceptance of 183A Extension

ADMINISTRATION

CAMPO

We continue to work with the CAMPO Board Executive Committee to complete a financial agreement for TxDOT/Federal funds that have been allocated to our region. The approval to allocate those funds will be decided by a CAMPO vote on June 11th.

FINANCE

183A NORTHERN EXTENSION TRAFFIC

SUMMARY

Traffic increased 26.3% on 183A in April following the opening of the Northern Extension. Revenue was up 18.6%. The variation between transaction growth and revenue growth is due to the Pay By Mail program, which creates a delay between when transactions are recorded on the roadway and when toll payments are received. Traffic on the extension has been strong and is on track to meet projections by end of year. The Crystal Falls Parkway Main plaza averaged 16,343 weekday transactions the week ending May 4, 2012. The plaza is projected to have an average of 17,257 transactions by the end of this year and is within 5% of projection. In May, we are averaging a 35% increase over last year. Given current growth trends, we would anticipate that by December, we would see these numbers continue to increase.

OPERATIONS

PAY BY MAIL UPDATE

On May 4th, the Mobility Authority celebrated the 4-year anniversary of our Pay By Mail program. Since beginning in 2008, MSB has mailed over 6 million bills, letters and notices resulting in over \$15 million in revenue.

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

MANOR EXPRESSWAY

US 183 INTERCHANGE PROJECT

A major milestone for the project was accomplished in the last month. The west bound mainlanes, frontage roads and entrance ramp were completed. This work allowed the traffic switch for the final phase of construction to occur on May 13th. Steel erection has begun for the U.S. 290 westbound to U.S. 183 southbound direct connector. The U.S. 183 southbound to U.S. 290 eastbound bridge has been prepared to pour the concrete bridge deck before the end of the month.

Toll plaza construction and system installation also continues. Concrete work and conduit installation was completed for the east bound toll plaza, and with the traffic switch, the contractor is now able to complete the toll plaza construction for the west bound direction. Toll systems integration work is scheduled to be fully underway by the end of May.

MANOR EXPRESSWAY

PHASE II PROJECT

Central Texas Mobility Constructors (CTMC) has nearly completed the design activities for the Project. The few remaining design activities are expected to be completed by the end of June. Completing the bridge structures, pavement and retaining walls for the eastbound frontage road has been the focus of construction activities. Completion of these activities are critical, so that existing US 290 eastbound traffic can be shifted to the new eastbound frontage road in this area and construction of the westbound frontage roads can begin. CTMC expects to complete this first traffic switch early summer.

In anticipation of opening the first 1.4 mile stretch of the Manor Expressway late this year, construction activities are occurring on the weekends and at night. The public involvement team continues to work with neighbors along Walnut Creek to address concerns about water flow during major rain events and is in the process of scheduling a neighborhood event at the Hidden Creek Apartments to thank the residents for their patience. As part of Central Texas Mobility Constructor's outreach efforts, we are also working with the Round Rock Express to establish a marketing partnership.

MO PAC IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

The MoPac Improvement Project Draft Environmental Assessment Public Hearing was held Wednesday May 23rd at O. Henry Middle School in Austin. The purpose of the meeting was to allow the public to comment on the contents of the Draft Environmental Assessment and the Preferred Alternative, which has been identified as Express Lanes. The public is still able to submit comments through June 4th. The project remains on schedule to receive environmental clearance in August 2012.

On April 13th, the Mobility Authority released the MoPac Improvement Project Design/Build Request for Qualifications. We received seven responses for the proposed project. A recommended short list of teams is being presented to the Board at this month's meeting for approval to advance to the next phase of the procurement process.

183A EXTENSION

CONSTRUCTION

Final touches on the 183A Northern Extension continue. Crews are placing bridge traffic rail, barrier rail and metal beam guard fence. They are also working on completing the second phase of the shared use path. The path is expected to open late this summer. Hydroseeding is also occurring across the project. Construction is 94% complete. Final acceptance is anticipated this summer.

183A SOUTH BRUSHY CREEK

PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE PROJECT

CONSTRUCTION

Construction of the bridge over South Brushy Creek that connects the Mobility Authority's Shared Use Path with Williamson County's Brushy Creek Regional Trail has begun. Williamson County is a partner with the Mobility Authority on this project's funding and delivery. The bridge is anticipated to open this fall.

MO PAC SOUTH ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

The Mobility Authority is working with TxDOT to complete the agreements necessary to proceed with development of the MoPac south project. Once the agreements are completed, we will be able to issue an RFP to procure a consultant to complete the environmental study. If things go as planned, the MoPac South project will be the first environmental study led by the Mobility Authority.



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Mr. Mike Heiligenstein, Executive Director
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Dear Mr. Heiligenstein:

We recently conducted a Title VI review of your policies and practices. The Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority (CTRMA) was scheduled for a review as a result of having received federal financial assistance from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). Our review covered your organization's compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act and its implementing regulations at 23 Code of Federal Regulations.

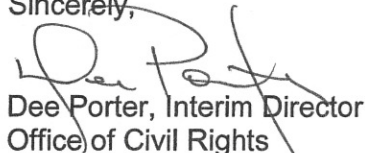
During the review, we evaluated CTRMA's good faith efforts with respect to the 10 Title VI requirements as identified in TxDOT's Title VI Technical Assistance Guide for Local Public Agencies. As a result, we identified practices and policies that are being conducted in support of Title VI. Additionally, we provided recommendations which enhance CTRMA's efforts to prevent discrimination in its programs and activities.

Based on the information provided during the desk audit and correspondence from Mr. Andrew Martin dated April 26, 2012, we have determined that CTRMA is in compliance with the requirements of the guide. This concludes the review of CTRMA's Title VI policies and procedures. Though this letter officially closes this review, we encourage you to continue your efforts to maintain your Title VI program. We also encourage you to self-monitor your efforts and results in order to ensure adherence to the requirements outlined in TxDOT's Title VI Technical Assistance Guide for Local Public Agencies.

If you are in need of further compliance assistance, or if you have any questions about your responsibilities as a federal recipient, please do not hesitate to contact Jessica Mueller at (512) 416-4758 or e-mail at TitleVI@txdot.gov.

The Office of Civil Rights sincerely appreciated the cooperation and courtesies extended by your staff during the conduct of the compliance review.

Sincerely,



Dee Porter, Interim Director
Office of Civil Rights

cc: Andrew Martin, General Counsel, Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority
(Title VI Coordinator)

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