MEETING OF THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD FOR THE EL PASO METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (EPMPO)

Friday August 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Blue Flame Building 304 Texas Avenue El Paso, TX 79901 17th Floor (Center for Community Empowerment)

NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA

Public Participation and Public Comment

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- Speakers are allowed up to three (3) minutes each, but may be limited further at the discretion of the Presiding Officer.
- Members of the public wishing to provide comment must sign up no later than 8:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting by emailing menriquez@elpasompo.org or by calling (915) 212-0258.
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- CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- ROLL CALL
- OPEN COMMENT PERIOD

(The agenda and backup materials for the meeting packet are posted and available on the MPO website: https://www.elpasompo.org/TPBMinutesandAgendas)

DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

1. Consider approval of the minutes of the July 18, 2025 TPB meeting.

Presenter: TPB Chair

2. Consider approval of a resolution supporting TxDOT El Paso District's request for dual designation of I-10 and Loop
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Presenter: TxDOT - El Paso District staff

3. Consider approval of the 2025 update to the El Paso MPO Congestion Management Process.

Presenter: Robert Guthart (WSP)

4. <u>Consider approval of a proposed strategy to achieve fiscal constraint with the anticipated 2026 TxDOT Unified</u>
Transportation Program (UTP) funding totals by amending certain projects in the Regional Mobility Strategy (RMS) 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Presenter: Anne Guayante (EPMPO)

- 5. <u>Consider approval of amendments to documents related to the receipt of additional funding through the Texas</u> Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Rider 7 State and Local Air Quality Planning program.
 - a. Amend the contract between EPMPO and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to add additional Rider 7 funding; \$25,213.85 (Ozone program) and \$13,323.00 (PM2.5 program), and to update the scopes of work.

- b. Authorize the Executive Director to execute an amendment to Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI) Task Order #2 (Cameras for Vehicle counting in Ciudad Juarez/monitoring thru Machine Learning Technology) to increase the maximum budget to \$114,000.00.
- c. Authorize the Executive Director to execute an amendment to TTI Task Order #3 (*Improving Regional Emission Estimation Tools*) to increase the maximum budget to \$141,000.00.
- d. Authorize the Executive Director to execute an amendment to UTEP Task Order #4 (Monitoring of PM2.5 Exposure from Traffic Congestion at International Border Crossings) to increase the maximum budget to \$ 155.771.00

Presenter: Claudia Valles (EPMPO)

- Consider authorizing the Executive Director to execute Task Order #7 with the University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP) for Phase Four Continued Support of the TIP and PRF for an amount not to exceed \$48,000.
 Presenter: Anne Guayante (EPMPO)
- 7. Consider naming the Border Highway East project as an EPMPO priority project.

Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (EPMPO Executive Director)

REPORTS AND DISCUSSION:

8. Update on the RMS 2052 MTP project call and project prioritization process.

Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (EPMPO Executive Director)

- 9. Executive Director's Report
 - a. IBC Strategic Plan Update
 - b. Border Trade Advisory Committee (BTAC) meetings held July 31 and August 12, 2025
 - c. Texas Transportation Commission (TTC) meeting held August 21, 2025
 - d. Upcoming public comment period for the EPMPO Borderplex Safe Mobility Plan

Presenter: Eduardo Calvo (EPMPO Executive Director)

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- 10. The Board may go into closed session under the authority of the Government Code, Chapter 551, Texas Open Meetings Act, as follows: Consultation with Attorney Attorney/Client Privileged Consultations, on Pending or Contemplated Litigation or Settlement Offers (§ 551.071), Deliberations Regarding Real Property (§ 551.072), Deliberations Regarding Personnel Matters (§ 551.074), or Deliberations Regarding Security Devices or a Security Audit (§§ 551.076, 551.0894)
- 11. Consider and take action on matters discussed in closed session.
- 12. Adjournment

The **next regular meeting** of the TPB is scheduled for <u>9:00 a.m.</u> on <u>September 19, 2025.</u> The due date for submittal of agenda items, names of speakers, attachments, items for presentations, and Project Request Forms (PRFs) is <u>September 3, 2025, by 3:00 p.m.</u>

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*These projects met the seven-day public comment requirement of the El Paso MPO's Public Participation Plan

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Posted this <u>15th day of August 2025</u> at the El Paso County Courthouse, First Floor, 500 San Antonio Street, El Paso, Texas; and digitally on the website of the New Mexico Department of Transportation-District 1 and the El Paso MPO.

Marisol Enriquez, Recording Secretary for the

Transportation Policy Board