



## Media Release

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### **MPO Conducts Public Meetings for Transportation**

By 2040, the San Antonio metro area will have nearly 1.5 million new residents raising the region's population to over 3.4 million people. Imagine driving with another million or so cars and trucks on our roads. To meet this challenge, the MPO must plan carefully to keep people and freight moving safely and efficiently.

Major transportation projects take many years to complete so the MPO must plan far into the future. Our 25-year metropolitan transportation plan (MTP) is the blueprint for our future transportation system. The current plan programs approximately \$12 billion in transportation funding through year 2035. The MPO is now working on "Mobility 2040" which must be approved by December 2014.

Public participation is crucial to good planning so we are holding eight public meetings at which area residents will be asked to review and provide input on Mobility 2040's vision and goals. The meetings are scheduled as shown below:

- **Northeast Meeting – 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> at Woodlake Hills Middle School, 6625 Woodlake Parkway, San Antonio, Texas.**
- **Northwest Meeting – 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at Leon Valley Community Center, 6421 Evers Road, Leon Valley, Texas**
- **Southwest Meeting – 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at Indian Creek Elementary School, 5830 Pearsall Road, San Antonio, Texas**
- **Southeast Meeting – 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at Highland Hills Elementary School, 734 Glamis Ave, San Antonio, Texas**
- **Central Meeting – 9:00 to 11:00 a.m., Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at VIA Community Room, 1021 San Pedro Ave, San Antonio, Texas**
- **Seguin Meeting – 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at Seguin – Guadalupe County Coliseum, 950 S. Austin St., Seguin, Texas.**
- **New Braunfels Meeting – 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at New Braunfels Civic Center, 375 S Castell Ave, New Braunfels, Texas**
- **Boerne Meeting – 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at Boerne Civic Center, 820 Adler Road, Boerne, Texas**

In addition to the public meetings, MPO staff is creating an online opportunity for public comments at [www.mobility2040.org](http://www.mobility2040.org). Please visit this website and stay tuned for future information and meetings as they occur.

MPO meetings are accessible to persons with disabilities. To request special assistance or an interpreter, please call 210-227-8651 or TDD 1-800-735-2989 (Relay Texas) at least five working days in advance. For more information, please call 210-227-8651.

About MPOs: Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) are created by federal law to conduct a cooperative transportation planning process that brings our region over \$200 million annually in state and federal transportation funding for roadway, transit, rideshare, bicycle and pedestrian projects. For more information on the MPO, please visit our website at [www.sametroplan.org](http://www.sametroplan.org).

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