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## Public Meeting on Regional Transportation Challenges Set

New Braunfels, TX –By 2040, the central Texas/San Antonio metro area will have nearly 1.5 million new residents raising the area's population to over 3.4 million people. This will mean an additional million or so cars and trucks potentially traveling on our major roadways.

A public input meeting addressing this issue will be held on Wednesday, October 2nd from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. at the New Braunfels Civic/Convention Center, 375 S. Castell Ave. This meeting is an important component in the first stages of updating the region's long range multi-modal transportation plan.

The plan, named "Mobility 2040," will be the regional transportation blueprint for the future. It will address the effects of population and employment growth on roadway and transit travel, congestion and funding issues. The plan will examine environmental concerns as well as bicycle and pedestrian needs while incorporating an extensive public involvement process.

"The City of New Braunfels recognizes that a good transportation system is vital to our community's economy, environment, health, and quality of life," said Shannon Mattingly, the City's Director of Planning and Community Development. "Public input is critical to good planning so we encourage citizens to attend this meeting, hosted by the San Antonio-Bexar County Metropolitan Planning Organization, and provide their feedback."

For additional information on this process, visit the Mobility 2040 information link at www.mobility2040.org.

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