

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

VARIOUS Counties

MINUTE ORDER

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ALL Districts

On February 17, 2009, President Obama signed into law the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). The ARRA created an economic stimulus package that provides \$64.1 billion nationwide for infrastructure projects, including \$27.5 billion for highway and bridge construction, and \$1.5 billion for surface transportation grants to be administered by the Secretary of Transportation. Texas' share for highway and bridge construction is approximately \$2.25 billion.

Due to national economic conditions and the accompanying effects on construction contracting and material supplies, previously approved mobility and preventive maintenance and rehabilitation projects that have gone to letting have experienced a significant underrun of the originally obligated ARRA funds. In Minute Order 111920, dated August 27, 2009, the Texas Transportation Commission (commission) approved a list of additional mobility projects to be funded to the extent funds became available as a result of letting underruns. Many of these projects have been funded. The Texas Department of Transportation (department) expects this trend to continue for September lettings which may allow additional projects to be brought forward for ARRA funding.

Unless the federal deadline is extended, the department must obligate all remaining ARRA funds by September 24, 2010. In order to utilize all available funding, the department has developed a revised list of additional mobility projects as well as a list of additional preventive maintenance and rehabilitation projects, which are set forth in Exhibits A and B. Due to uncertainty as to the total amount of funds that may ultimately be available, the projects are not listed in priority order. The department recommends that the commission authorize the executive director, or his designee, to select one or more projects from those lists in the event that additional funding becomes available, and obligate funds for those projects, without the need for further commission action.

All projects are subject to federal and state laws, including the provisions of the ARRA. No matching funds are required.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the commission that the transportation projects set forth in Exhibits A and B are hereby approved for funding under the provisions of the ARRA to the extent that additional funds become available as a result of letting underruns.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Exhibit A in Minute Order 111920 is rescinded.

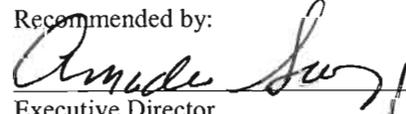
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the executive director or the director's designee is authorized to select one or more projects from the lists set forth in Exhibits A and B (providing that funding is available), proceed with project development and contract awards for the selected projects, and enter into any necessary agreements associated with those projects and activities.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the department shall track the progress of the selected projects separately from other ongoing projects and place information regarding the status of these projects on the department's web site.

Submitted and reviewed by:


Assistant Executive Director for
Engineering Operations

Recommended by:


Executive Director

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EXHIBIT A
AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT
POTENTIAL MOBILITY PROJECTS

	CSJ	DIST	County Name	Maximum ARRA Funds	Const. Value	Highway	Limits	Region
	0364-01-072, etc.	FTW	Tarrant	\$5,409,409	\$5,409,409	SH 121	DART/Cottonbelt to FM 2499 (Deferred Work Component No. 17)	NORTH
	1069-01-028	CRP	Nueces	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	SH 357	FM 665 to Cuernavaca Street	SOUTH
	0006-06-093	ABL	Taylor	\$10,549,804	\$10,549,804	IH 20	Pine Street to Loop 322 (FR only)	WEST
	0132-03-033	CHS	King	\$5,067,845	\$5,067,845	US 82	Dickens County Line, E to 11 miles	WEST

EXHIBIT B
AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT
POTENTIAL PRESERVATION AND REHABILITATION PROJECTS

	CSJ	DIST	County Name	Maximum ARRA Funds	Const. Value	Highway	Limits	Region
	1217-01-014	DAL	Kaufman	\$3,237,915	\$3,237,915	FM 1641	FM 148 to FM 548	NORTH
	0706-03-022	LFK	Nacogdoches	\$4,099,100	\$4,099,100	FM 95	US 59 to SH 7	EAST
	0706-04-018	LFK	Nacogdoches	\$3,400,000	\$3,400,000	FM 95	SH 7 to SH 21	EAST
	1691-01-013	BRY	Robertson	\$2,316,927	\$2,316,927	FM 1940	5 miles South of US 79 to OSR	EAST
	0030-03-023	AMA	Ochlitree	\$6,421,449	\$6,421,449	US 83	Wolf Creek Bridge to 1.4 miles North of Northup Creek	WEST
	0039-17-168	PHR	Hidalgo	\$2,016,565	\$2,016,565	US 83	BUS 83 (West) to BUS 83 / Inspiration Rd	SOUTH