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AGENDA

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
125 East 11th Street
Austin, Texas 78701-2483

WEDNESDAY
November 18, 2009

1:30 P.M. CONVENE MEETING

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Discussion on the status of the independent management and organizational review of the department.
At its June 2009 meeting the commission requested that Grant Thornton, the consultant selected to conduct a thorough review of TxDOT's organization and management structure, provide regular updates on the status of review and present any issues identified as they develop the final recommendations/report.
2. Discussion of the development of on-time and on-budget performance measures and reporting processes for project delivery and completed construction. (Report)
The staff will present the results of a comprehensive effort to develop effective performance measurement and reporting processes and tools for on-time and on-budget delivery of projects in the development phase and for construction completion. Staff will demonstrate the performance measures and reporting formats for these key indicators of agency performance. The commission will provide guidance to the staff on further development of a broader public performance reporting mechanism.
3. Discussion about the creation of a committee to study the long-term viability of a Texas vehicle mileage fee as an alternative to the fuel tax. (Report)
The staff will present the recommendation for the establishment of a Highway User Fee Exploratory Committee to guide an independent assessment of the mileage-based fee as a potential funding solution to replace the fuel tax in Texas, to identify and address the policy questions to be answered, and to issue a final report with its recommendations by October 2010. The staff will present a proposed timeline for the committee's work as well as a list of potential members to be invited by the commission.

4. **Federal legislative update.**
Update on federal activities that affect TxDOT operations, including but not limited to, the reauthorization of federal transportation laws, highway trust fund solvency, extensions of current surface transportation laws, appropriations, and budget matters. Also included will be a discussion of the agency's formation of federal legislative priorities, studies, and the plan for implementation.
5. **Update on the status of the implementation of recommendations made in the State Auditor's Office Cash Financial Forecasting and Fund Allocation Audit. (Report)**
The State Auditor's Office recently completed an audit on the financial forecasting and fund allocation processes of the department. The report made a number of recommendations, many of which the department has already implemented. This is an update on the progress of implementing the recommendations of the state auditor.

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