

MEETING AGENDA

TxDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Meeting
October 24, 2025 – 9:30 A.M.

Note: This meeting will be held both in person at 6230 E Stassney Ln, Austin, TX 78744 and remotely via Microsoft Teams

Teleconference instructions below

1.	Call to Order.
2.	Safety briefing.
3.	Introduction of new and existing BPAC members.
4.	Chair and Vice Chair elections. (Action)
5.	Approval of minutes from July 25, 2025 BPAC meeting. (Action)
6.	Report from TxDOT's Public Transportation Division (PTN) Director regarding statewide bicycle and pedestrian matters.
7.	Presentation on the 89th Regular Legislative Session by TxDOT State Legislative Affairs Division.
8.	Presentation on TxDOT Active Transportation Investment Opportunity Network (ACTION) planning study progress.
9.	Updates from committee members on local and statewide issues.
10.	Public comment – Comments will be accepted in person during the meeting or submitted by email to BikePed@txdot.gov by November 3, 2025, to be included as part of the meeting record.
11.	Discussion of agenda items for future BPAC meetings.
12.	Adjourn. (Action)

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BPAC Members

Kim Hooker, Amarillo Norman Kieke, Austin Andrew Bernet, Austin Kevin Kokes, Dallas Ericka Cornejo, El Paso Aimee Schultze, Houston John Brigham, Houston Julio Niño, Laredo Lynnette Wood, Lindale Will Parrish, San Marcos Jaimie Lee, Wichita Falls

TxDOT Technical Staff

Eric Gleason, Director, Public Transportation Division (PTN)
Bonnie Sherman, Planning & Program Development Director, PTN
Noah Heath, Transportation Alternatives Program Manager, PTN
Greg Reininger, Planning Lead, PTN
Greg Goldman, Data Manager, PTN
Brigida Gonzalez, Planner, PTN
Elizabeth Jones, Planner, PTN
Carl Seifert, Transportation Planner (Contractor), Jacobs
Lauren Osborne, Transportation Planner (Contractor), Jacobs

Teleconference instructions:

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Event address for attendees:

Microsoft Teams

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MINUTES FOR ADOPTION

TxDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Meeting Remote via Microsoft Teams July 25, 2025

BPAC Committee Members Present and Participating:

Eva Garcia, Chair, Brownsville
Philip Hiatt Haigh, Vice Chair, Dallas
Kim Hooker, Amarillo
Norman Kieke, Austin
Aimee Schultze, Houston
John Brigham, Houston
Lynnette Wood, Lindale
Jaimie Lee, Wichita Falls

BPAC Committee Members Absent:

Andrew Bernet, Austin Ericka Cornejo, El Paso Will Parrish, San Marcos

TxDOT Present and Participating:

Bonnie Sherman, Statewide Bicycle / Pedestrian Program Supervisor (PTN) Greg Reininger, Statewide Bicycle / Pedestrian Planning Lead (PTN) Noah Heath, Greg Goldman, Elizabeth Jones, Bicycle / Pedestrian Planner (PTN) Matthew Volkman, Bicycle / Pedestrian Transportation Engineer (PTN)

Also, Present and/or Participating:

Carl Seifert, Jacobs Engineering Group Jeff Whitacre, Kimley-Horn

AGENDA ITEM 1: Call to Order.

Eva Garcia, called the meeting to order at 9:30 A.M.

AGENDA ITEM 2: Safety briefing.

Elizabeth Jones presented this item beginning at 9:31 A.M.

Comments/Questions: No Comments/Questions

AGENDA ITEM 3: Approval of minutes from April 25, 2025 BPAC meeting. (Action)

Eva Garcia introduced this item at 9:34 A.M.

MOTION Philip Hiatt Haigh moved to approve the April 25, 2025 BPAC

meeting minutes.

SECOND John Brigham seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously at 9:35 A.M.

Comments/Questions: No Comments/Questions

AGENDA ITEM 4: Chair's Report

Eva Garcia presented this item at 9:35 A.M.

Eva mentioned

Comments/Questions:

No Comments/Questions.

AGENDA ITEM 5: Report from TxDOT's Public Transportation Division (PTN) Director regarding statewide bicycle and pedestrian matters

Bonnie Sherman presented this item in Eric Gleason's absence at 9:36 A.M.

Bonnie provided updates on the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Call for Projects and Phase II of the District Bike Plans.

Comments/Questions:

No Comments/Questions.

AGENDA ITEM 6: Consideration of TxDOT's Statewide Active Transportation Plan (SATP). (Action).

Jeff Whitacre presented this item at 9:43 A.M.

Comments/Questions:

Norman Kieke asked about public comments on consistent design standards across the state. Greg Reininger said he spoke with a participant at the event in San Antonio who was interested in the need for providing training for smaller communities that don't have as much experience when it comes to active transportation.

Philip Hiatt Haigh thanked the team who worked on the SATP project. It was a well-prepared document and very forward-thinking plan. He is excited that we are at this point today.

John Brigham agreed with the plan and encouraged the group to continue the efforts so that other cities and counties can move forward on active transportation projects, particularly in the western part of the state.

Philip Hiatt Haigh moved to adopt the plan and concur with the overall content recommended on the SATP.

Norman Kieke seconded the motion at 10:07am.

AGENDA ITEM 7: BPAC member presentations on Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Grants.

Kim Hooker, Aimee Schultze and John Brigham presented separately on these efforts in their parts of the state at 10:08am.

Comments/Questions:

Philip asked about other roundabouts in Amarillo. Kim said this will be the first in the city for Amarillo.

Kim Hooker mentioned that when funding arrives and construction starts next summer, the speed from engagement to a product is important and builds the public trust.

AGENDA ITEM 8: Updates from committee members on local and statewide issues.

Eva Garcia introduced this item at 10:23 A.M.

Eva Garcia said we are in the process of 2024 funded projects that are at the finish line for this FY. She mentioned that the Pharr district PMs are very responsive for the projects in the Pharr district. In Brownsville, they are having a cyclobia in September and a ribbon cutting for a local trail project. Construction is 95 percent complete. The city is working with partners at Eco Counters and TTI to get their counters added to the statewide reporting program.

Philip Hiatt Haigh mentioned the City of Dallas just adopted a bike plan since 2011 that had not been implemented yet. City of Dallas has been ushering this effort for 2 years. Looking forward to it going into effect.

NCTCOG is also doing a bicycle safety plan. They had their 2nd meeting recently with member cities and advocates. They are currently looking at number 1 causes of

crashes within the MPO. Males are close to 70% of the crashes for bike/vehicle crashes.

John Brigham mentioned that Harris County and Region 4 is working on sidewalk projects and improvements. Texas Children's Hospital was awarded funding by HGAC for youth outreach and education. They will be in the schools providing bike safety education. Including interactive assemblies to get children thinking about safety as they walk and ride. Funding will also cover bike rodeos and issuing helmets. On Sun. Aug 3rd 8am to 11am, Bike Houston is hosting an event at Market Square downtown. On Aug 10th at 730am, Pedal Around Houston event is taking place, sponsored by TREK bicycle Houston. This will be a community ride through local neighborhoods.

Kim Hooker said on August 2nd there will be a Battle of the Bikes in Amarillo, highlighting bike safety and education for youth.

Jaimie Lee said Wichita Falls is submitting and application to begin the development of the comprehensive active safety plan, so they can apply for SS4A and apply for additional funding for their trails. A bike advocate in their health department is working to get more bike friendly qualified companies in the area.

Aimee Schultze said that Harris County public health is relaunching the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) efforts including bike rodeos. She is keeping an eye on those efforts and hopes to see those projects get back on track, especially for communities that rely heavily on public transportation.

Norman Kieke said the Central Texas Custom Bike Festival will be held in August. Awards are given for various riders in about 12 different categories. Capital Metro has created 77 bike stations around downtown Austin areas.

Lynnette Wood said in the Tyler area, she stumbled on a project for a local city park that had recently been renovated. It was advertised on the Tyler parks and recreation website. The Legacy Trail goes through there. She plans to attend the parks and rec board meeting this coming Monday and plans to present some info at one of these meetings.

Kim Hooker provided notes, as she was unable to attend due to a work event. She noted that she was part of the SATP Statewide Steering Committee Meeting held on April 15th. She is part of the District Bike Plan that will be launching in Amarillo soon. Amarillo also has a SS4A grant and received a Demonstration Grant. The city is waiting for FHWA to approve the grant agreement. Kim also noted that she connected with Farm and City for ways to celebrate the bike ride from Amarillo to Canyon. Transformation Park officially opened on April 12th. The area was developed next to the new City of Amarillo Transit Station.

Eva Garcia mentioned the RGVMPO has been developing the SS4A comprehensive safety action plan. They hope to adopt that plan this month. This will open the eligibility for the communities in her region to apply for grants due in June. The RGV also has Start-up Week which is an economic development effort for a downtown bike ride. Eva said it is a 2.5 hour-long bike ride that will take riders through affordable housing developments. She said they will be able to bike through the Gladys Porter Zoo, which is the only zoo south of San Antonio, during the ride.

Comments/Questions:

No Comments/Questions.

AGENDA ITEM 10: Public comment – Comments will be accepted during the meeting or submitted by email to BikePed@txdot.gov by August 4, 2025, to be included as part of the meeting record.

Eva Garcia opened this item at 10:43 A.M.

Eva Garcia stated that comments will be accepted in person during the meeting or submitted by email to BikePed@txdot.gov by August 4, 2025, to be included as part of the meeting record.

AGENDA ITEM 11: Adjourn. (Action)

Eva Garcia asked for a motion to adjourn at 10:51am A.M.

MOTION --- John Brigham motioned to adjourn the meeting.

SECOND --- Philip Hiatt Haigh seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously at 10:52 A.M.

Prepared by:	Approved by:		
Elizabeth Jones	Eva Garcia		
Public Transportation Division	Chair Bicycle Advisory Committee		

89th Regular Legislative Session Overview (2025)



TxDOT State Legislative Affairs



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89th Regular Legislative Session (2025)

Texas Government Code

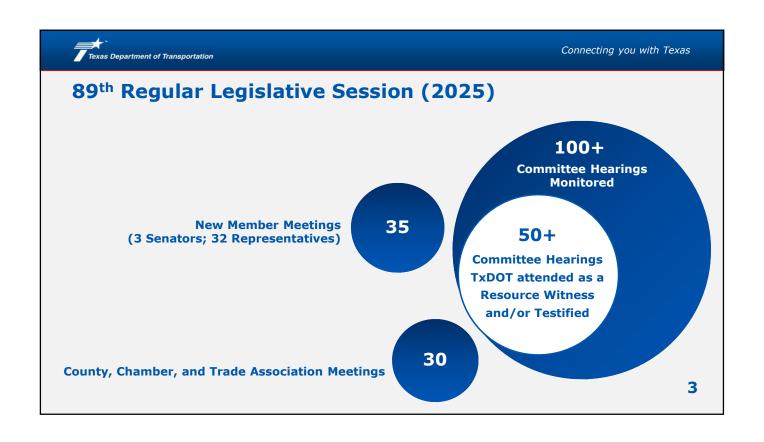
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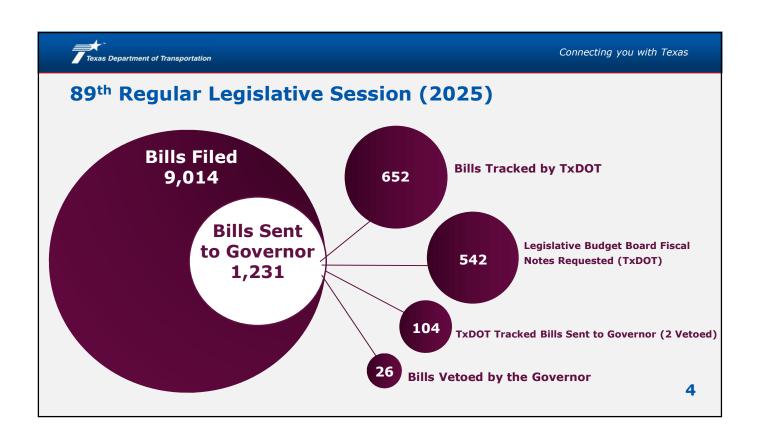
- (a) A state agency may not use appropriated money to attempt to influence the passage or defeat of a legislative measure.
- (b) This section does not prohibit a state officer or employee from using state resources to provide public information or to provide information responsive to a request.

Texas Transportation Code

Sec. 201.210. LEGISLATIVE LOBBYING.

(a) In addition to Section 556.006, Government Code, the commission or a department employee may not use money under the department's control or engage in an activity to influence the passage or defeat of legislation.







Budget Overview: Senate Bill 1 & House Bill 500

SB 1 (General Appropriations Act)

- TxDOT budget \$39.92 billion
 - \$35.37 billion (89%) for the development, delivery, and maintenance of state highways
 - \$860 million in multi-modal projects and services—rail, maritime, aviation, and public transportation
 - Over \$900 million in capital budget items buildings, facilities, land, information technology (IT)
 - Nearly \$180 million in general revenue funding for various specified roadway, pedestrian, rail, and aviation projects

HB 500 (Supplemental Appropriations Bill)

- \$504 million appropriated to TxDOT
 - \$250 million in pedestrian and roadway rail grade separation grant funding
 - **\$129 million** in aviation grant funding
 - \$105 million in capital budget items—TxDOT vehicle fleet, aircraft, and aviation facilities
 - **\$20 million** for specified roadway projects

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Legislative Highlights – Public Transportation

SB 2039 - Senator Hancock/Representative Paul

Relating to the applicability of certain pedestrian laws to certain sidewalk users.

- · Amends the definition of "sidewalk user".
- · Now includes a bicycle, a motor-assisted scooter, a skateboard, roller skates, or similar device.
- Requires Motor vehicle operators to stop and yield right-of-way to a sidewalk user regardless of whether certain traffic control devices are available.

HB 4230 - Representative Metcalf/Senator Campbell

Relating to the establishment of a hike and bike trail to be known as the Bicentennial Trail.

• Directs the General Land Office (GLO) to coordinate the establishment of a network of hike and bike trails connecting the Alamo to the Texas Capitol.





TxDOT Active Transportation Investment Opportunity Network (ACTION)



Agenda

1 | Welcome and Introductions
2 | Purpose and Goals
3 | Analysis and Evaluation
4 | Implementation and Deliverables
5 | Engagement – BPAC Support
6 | Schedule





Introduction



The 2050 Statewide Active Transportation Plan (SATP) was completed in Summer 2025



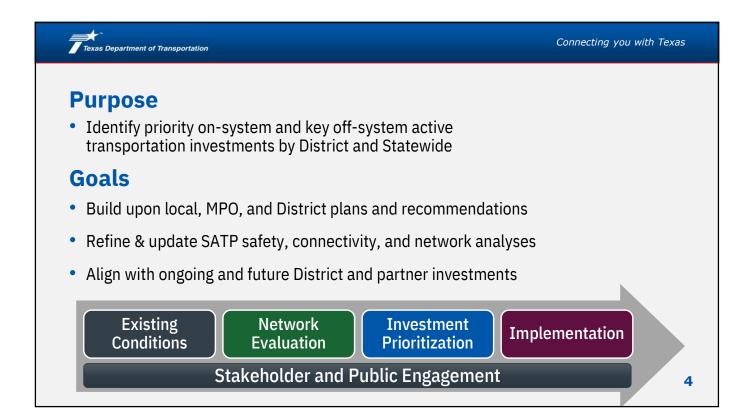
Key strategies and supporting actions to develop incrementally over the next 20 years.



Initial Implementation Steps identified for the first 5 years.



Key Strategy – Develop a priority investment network to advance SATP goals for TxDOT Districts and Statewide





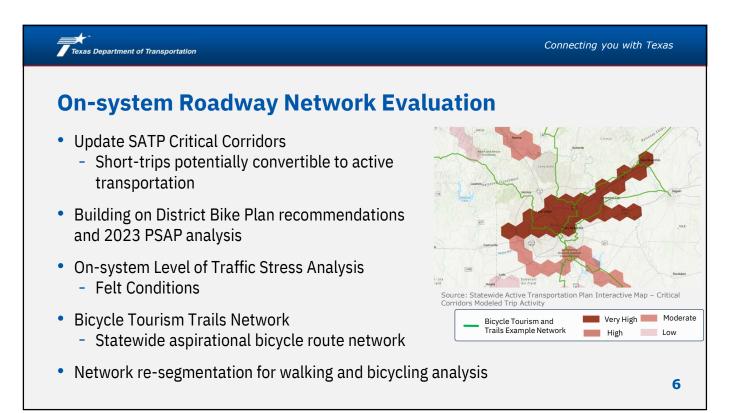
Existing Conditions Analysis

Safety

- Update SATP pedestrian and bicycle crash analyses

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- Origin-Destination Analysis (Replica)
- Trip Generators-Attractors
- Demographics and Socioeconomic Analysis
- Previous Plans Review





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Prioritization



- 1. Define prioritization criteria
- 2. District and Division stakeholders determine prioritization criteria weights



Present draft ACTIONetwork to District stakeholders and public for review





- 4. Refine ACTIONetwork within each District and across Texas with consideration to metro/urban/rural mix
- 5. Final ACTIONetwork (segments)

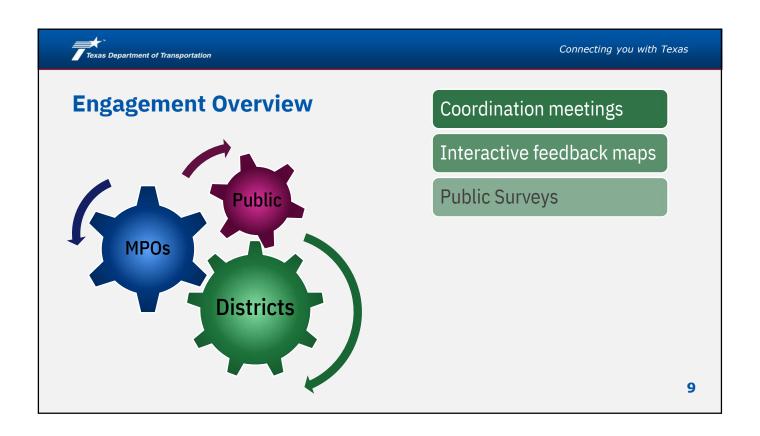
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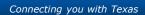
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Implementation

- District-specific, prioritized, on-system investment recommendations with off-system considerations
- Interactive StoryMap-style webpage with results
- Identification of overlapping UTP programmed projects



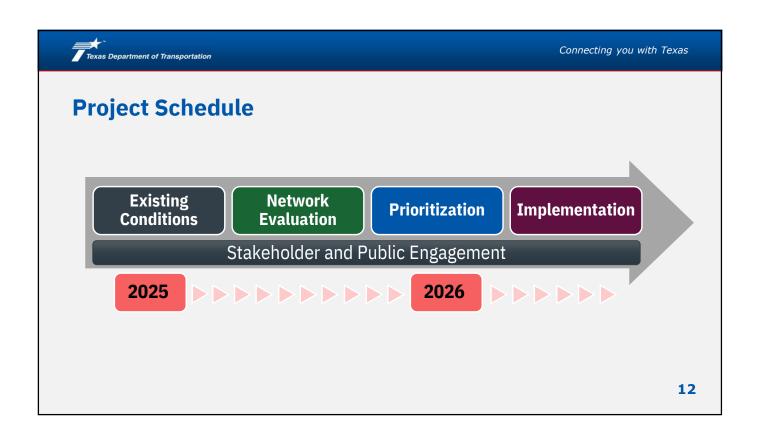


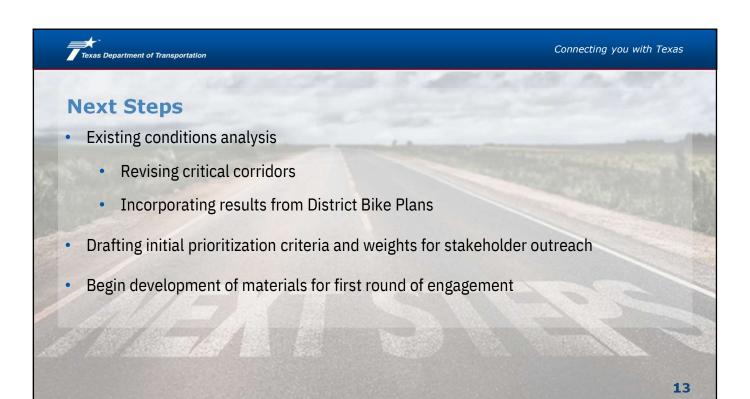


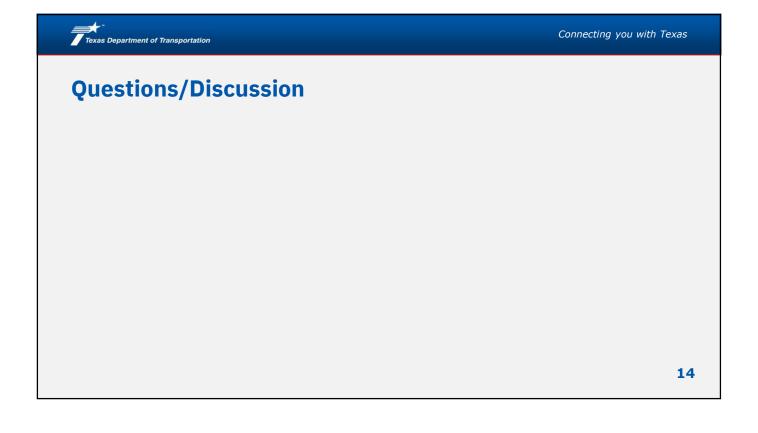


BPAC Engagement Opportunities

- Public Interactive Map/Survey Winter 2025/2026
- Spread awareness of ACTION
- Encourage your local networks and colleagues to participate in interactive map and survey
- Provide names of organizations and advocacy groups to solicit feedback
- Provide regular feedback at subsequent BPAC meetings









Presenters



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