



Texas Innovation Alliance

Spring In-Person Meeting Agenda

April 23, 2025 | 9:00am – 12:00pm CT
Location: TxDOT Stassney Campus, Auditorium

9:00 AM | Welcome & Introductions – Erika Kemp, TxDOT and Andrea Gold, UT Austin

TxDOT and UT Austin welcome everyone and identify the objectives of the meeting.

9:10 AM | Texas Innovation Invitational Preview – Anna McAuley, UT Austin

UT Austin provides an overview of the Texas Innovation Invitational, held June 16-18, 2025 in Fort Worth.

9:20 AM | Overview of TIA Charter – Shelley Pridgen, TxDOT

TxDOT provides an overview of the TIA (STIC) charter, mission, and steering committee.

9:30 AM – 10:30 AM | Innovative Project Showcase

9:30 AM | State Innovative Project Showcase: State Solutions from the Institute for Government Innovation

Presenter: Dr. Rebecca Davio, Texas State University

9:45 AM | Regional Innovative Project Showcase: Public Participation in EV Charging Planning

Presenter: Bryan McBride, Longview MPO

10:00 AM | Local Innovative Project Showcase: AI-Powered Corridor Management with NoTraffic

Presenter: Chris Funches, P.E, City of Arlington

10:15 AM | Audience Questions

10:30 AM | Break

10:45 AM – 11:45 AM | Roundtable Discussion on Best Practices for Public Agency Construction Coordination

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Moderator: George Villareal, P.E, AtkinsRéalis

Austin District I-35 Construction Partnership Program – Jim Dale, P.E, City of Austin and Mike Arellano, P.E, TxDOT Austin District

North Houston Highway Improvement Project (NHHIP) – Daniel Dvorak, P.E, TxDOT Houston District

Perspectives on Construction in Rural Areas – James Atkins, P.E., TxDOT Paris District

11:30 AM | Audience Questions

11:45 AM | Closing Remarks & Next Steps – Erika Kemp, TxDOT and Andrea Gold, UT Austin

TxDOT provides closing remarks and UT Austin presents preview of upcoming activities.

12:00 PM | Adjourn