



Texas Innovation Alliance Agenda

Spring In-Person Meeting

April 16, 2026 | 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM Central Standard Time (CST)

Topics

- State Transportation Innovation Council (STIC) Incentive Projects Update
- Orbit Meets Asphalt: Designing the Transportation System for the Future of Ground-to-Space Mobility
- Innovative Project Showcase

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1:00 PM CT | Welcome and Announcements

1:10 PM CT | Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Updates

- Speaker: Edward Ofori, Federal Highway Administration

1:25 PM CT | State Transportation Innovation Council (STIC) Incentive Projects Update

- Presenter: Mayra Chavez, University of Texas at El Paso

1:30 PM CT | Orbit Meets Asphalt

- Moderator: Katie Turnbull, Texas A&M University Transportation Institute
- Presenters: Jovanna Rangel, Brownsville Economic Development Council. Jose Ortiz, City of Midland. Caroline Mays, TxDOT.

2:45 PM CT | Break

3:00 PM CT | Innovative Project Showcase

- Presenters: Jacob Tambunga, TxDOT. Theodore Kosub, TxDOT. Brian Dillard, VIA Metropolitan Transit.

4:00 PM CT | Adjourn