



Regional Mobility Authority (RMA) and Transportation Reinvestment Zone (TRZ) Basic Concepts and Applications

2:00-5:00 PM, Monday, April 14, 2014.

TxDOT Laredo District Office, 1817 Bob Bullock Loop, Laredo, Texas

Introduction

On February 27, 2014, The Texas Transportation Commission approved a Regional Mobility Authority (RMA) for Webb County and the City of Laredo. Once operational, it will act as a local independent transportation entity with responsibilities to finance, acquire, design, construct, operate, maintain, expand or extend eligible transportation projects in the area. TxDOT is also analyzing the feasibility of using transportation reinvestment zones (TRZs) as a mechanism to provide needed funds for transportation projects. This three-hour workshop will provide an opportunity to learn about basic concepts about RMAs and TRZs and how to use these tools effectively to address transportation challenges in Webb County-Laredo mobility region.

Learning Objectives

- Basic RMA concepts
- Basic TRZ concepts
- Implementing TRZs in the context of a RMA

Agenda

2:00 – 2:10	Welcome, introductions, and workshop objectives
2:10 – 3:00	RMA: Next steps
3:00 – 3:50	TRZs: Steps to implementation
3:50 – 4:00	Break
4:00 – 4:45	Implementing TRZs in the context of an RMA
4:45 – 5:00	Discussion and wrap up

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