

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
Tower 55**

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) in cooperation with the Texas Department of Transportation will conduct a third Public Meeting to discuss project concepts for the Tower 55 railroad intersection through the City of Fort Worth and region. **Two Public Meetings will be held at the Fort Worth Intermodal Transportation Center (ITC), 1001 Jones Street in the City of Fort Worth, on Monday, August 3, 2009. The meetings will be at 12:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.; the same information will be presented at both meetings. Prior to the 6:30 p.m. meeting, an open house with displays will be available for public viewing between 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.**

The purpose of the meeting is to present project concepts, specifically the North-South Trench and East-West Trench options, and involve the public in the project development. The core issue at Tower 55 is the high volume of through and turning movements utilizing the intersection track. There are two tracks in the north/south directions, two tracks in the east/west directions, and a single set of tracks necessary to complete turns in every direction. Due to the volume of trains, each train comes to a complete stop prior to crossing, resulting in wait times of up to 90 minutes per train to cross the rail intersection.

Maps, drawings and other information about the project will be on display, which will show the location and impact of Tower 55. The study team will be available at the displays to assist in orientation and interpretation of the drawings and other materials and discuss potential environmental effects of the project.

Attendees will have the opportunity to provide the study team with comments and suggestions by submitting written comments. Such comments will assist project personnel with the design decisions associated with this study. All interested persons are invited to attend this Public Meeting. Written comments from the public should be submitted by August 13, 2009, and they may be submitted by mail to:

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Persons interested in attending the meeting who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact Jahnae Stout at NCTCOG, (817) 608-2335. Requests should be made at least 72 hours prior to the public meeting. Reasonable efforts will be made by NCTCOG to accommodate those needs.