



**Public Notice - Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Goals
Fiscal Year 2011,
Date of Notice July 30, 2010**

In accordance with Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26, recipients of federal-aid funds authorized by the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA 21) are required to establish Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) programs. Title 49, C.F.R. §26.45 requires the recipients of federal funds, including the Texas Department of Transportation (department), to set overall goals for DBE participation in U. S. Department of Transportation assisted contracts. As part of this goal-setting process, the department is publishing this notice to inform the public of the proposed overall goals, and to provide instructions on how to obtain copies of documents explaining the rationale for each goal.

The proposed Fiscal Year 2011 DBE goals are 12.20% for highway design and construction, 11.70% for aviation design and construction, and 1.57% for public transportation. The proposed goals and goal-setting methodology for each is available for inspection between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, for thirty (30) days following the date of this notice. The information may be viewed in the office of the Texas Department of Transportation, Office of Civil Rights, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas 78704. If you prefer to review the electronic version of the methodology us at (512)486-5500 or email Eli Lopez at eli.lopez@txdot.gov

Office of Civil Rights staff will also be available at a public comment meeting on August 17, 2010, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Texas Department of Transportation, Office of Civil Rights, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas 78704. Department staff will provide an overview of the goal-setting process and the FY 2011 DBE Goal Methodology. The public is invited to present oral or written comments at the meeting. Oral comments will be limited to two (2) minutes for each person who comments. This comment time may be extended if the number of persons who wish to comment can do so within the time allowed for this meeting.

The department will accept written comments on the DBE goals at the meeting and for forty five (45) days from the date of this notice. Comments may be sent to Eli Lopez, Office of Civil Rights, 125 East 11th Street, Austin, Texas 78701; (512) 486-5511; Fax: (512) 486-5509; email: eli.lopez@txdot.gov.