
*TxDOT's five goals: reduce congestion, enhance safety, expand economic opportunity,
improve air quality and increase the value of transportation assets.*

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Town hall meeting scheduled for Plano

AUSTIN—North Texas citizens will have an opportunity to talk transportation at a [town hall meeting](#) scheduled next month in Plano.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is partnering with the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) to host the town hall meeting at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 10 in the City of Plano Council Chambers, 1520 Avenue K.

TxDOT, along with NCTCOG and other local transportation representatives, will be on hand to answer questions and provide information on projects and funding, including a brief perspective on regional infrastructure requirements for the future.

“It’s important to engage Texans in the discussion—to bring citizens to the table so they can contribute to shaping our future transportation system and participate in the statewide funding conversation,” said Amadeo Saenz, TxDOT executive director.

Citizens are encouraged to attend these meetings and provide feedback on regional transportation issues. The information received will be used to help Texas plan and develop an efficient transportation system—one that is sophisticated enough to meet the needs of future generations, he noted.

A webcast link will be available on the TxDOT home page. Viewers can participate in the town hall via the Internet and have an opportunity to submit questions during the meeting.

Besides Dallas, other cities scheduled for town hall meetings this year include:

March 31 in Lubbock
City of Lubbock Council Chambers
1625 13th Street

April 14 in San Angelo
McNease Convention Center
500 Rio Concho Drive

May 5 in Seguin
Location to be announced

June 10 in Tyler
University of Texas at Tyler
Robert R. Muntz Library

3900 University Blvd.

Seven town hall meetings have been held around the state in the last two years including Abilene, Midland/Odessa, McAllen, El Paso, Kingsville, Temple, and Nacogdoches.

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The Texas Department of Transportation

The Texas Department of Transportation is responsible for maintaining nearly 80,000 miles of road and for supporting aviation, rail and public transportation across the state. TxDOT and its almost 11,000 employees strive to empower local leaders to solve local transportation problems, and to use new financial tools, including tolling and public-private partnerships, to reduce congestion and pave the way for future economic growth while enhancing safety, improving air quality and preserving the value of the state's transportation assets. Find out more at www.txdot.gov.