

TEXAS FREIGHT ADVISORY COMMITTEE



VIRTUAL MEETING

APRIL 20, 2021 | 8 A.M. – NOON




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Time	Topic	Speaker
8:00 – 8:10 a.m.	Log in period. If you have technical difficulties text or call Kale Driemeier at 512-649-6825.	
8:10 – 8:20 a.m.	Introductions and Meeting Overview	
	 <p>Judge Ed Emmett Fellow in Energy & Transportation Policy Rice University's Baker Institute for Public Policy, TxFAC Chair</p>  <p>Laura Ryan Commissioner, Texas Transportation Commission</p>  <p>Caroline Mays, AICP Director, Freight, Trade, and Connectivity Section, TxDOT</p>	
8:20 – 8:30 a.m.	Recap of November 5, 2020 TxFAC Meeting Overview of Ongoing Freight Planning Activities	Sherry Pifer, TxDOT
8:30 – 9:15 a.m.	Impacts of the Panama Canal Expansion	Katie Turnbull, TTI
9:15 – 9:45 a.m.	The Economic Role of Freight in Texas	Kale Driemeier, TxDOT Paula Dowell, Cambridge Systematics
9:45 – 10:00 a.m.	Break	
10:00 – 10:10 a.m.	Freight Infrastructure Design Updated Roadway Design Manual (RDM)	Kale Driemeier, TxDOT Ken Mora, Section Director, Roadway Design, TxDOT Design Division
10:10 – 10:40 a.m.	Freight Infrastructure Design Considerations	Joe Bryan, WSP
10:40 – 11:00 a.m.	State Freight Planning FHWA – The Federal Perspective	Sherry Pifer, TxDOT Caitlin Hughes, Director, Office of Freight Management and Operations - Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), U.S. Department of Transportation
11:00 – 11:50 a.m.	Overview of the 2018 Texas Freight Mobility Plan Looking ahead to the 2023 Plan	Paula Dowell, Cambridge Systematics
11:50 – 12:00 p.m.	Next Steps and Wrap Up	Sherry Pifer, TxDOT
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Next meeting: August 18, 2021