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Re: TxDOT's 2023 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA) Program Call for Projects

To All Interested Parties:

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has announced a statewide Call for Projects for Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TA) Program funding. The TA program provides funding to plan for and construct a variety of alternative transportation projects that improve safety and mobility for non-motorized travelers and mitigate congestion by providing safe alternatives to motor vehicle transport.

Through TxDOT's 2023 TA Call for Projects, the department will select projects for recommendation to the Texas Transportation Commission (commission) for current TA funds associated with available FY 2022-FY 2023 and anticipated FY 2024-FY 2025 federal appropriations under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), totaling approximately \$250 million. Projects located in all areas of the state, regardless of population size, may be submitted under the current program call.

This Call for Projects features a two-step application process. The Preliminary Application (Step 1) provides high-level proposed project information to determine eligibility and funding opportunities. Following successful completion of Step 1, a Detailed Application (Step 2) provides more comprehensive project information. This two-step approach is intended to enhance the quality of project applications and to foster communication between prospective project sponsors and TxDOT District staff. Both steps must be completed for a project to be considered for funding under this program call.

Applications for TA funds administered through this Call for Projects must be submitted in the form prescribed by TxDOT and in accordance with the program rules located under 43 Texas administrative Code §§11.400 - 11.418.

TxDOT's 2023 TA Program Guide and Preliminary Application (Step 1) are available on the department's website at: <http://www.txdot.gov/inside-txdot/division/public-transportation/bicycle-pedestrian.html>. TxDOT's 2023 TA Program Guide includes detailed information about eligibility requirements, specific procedures applicable to this Call for Projects, evaluation criteria, a map of the department's district offices, a list of the District TA Coordinators, and a list of virtual workshop dates for prospective project sponsors.

The completed Preliminary Application must be received by TxDOT, via Box.com as outlined in the preliminary application instructions, no later than 5:00 p.m., CDT, on Friday, January 27, 2023. The Detailed Application (Step 2) will be posted on TxDOT's webpage on or about March 27, 2023.

Your interest in TxDOT's TA program is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric Gleason".

Eric L. Gleason

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