

# Texas Freight & Passenger Rail Visioning Workshops



## VISIONING WORKSHOPS

### DATES, TIMES & LOCATIONS

#### El Paso:

Thursday, May 6, 2010, 1:00-4:00 pm  
La Placita Conference Center, El Paso  
Int'l Airport, 6701 Convair Road,  
El Paso, TX

#### Corpus Christi:

Friday, May 7, 2010, 1:00-4:00 pm  
TxDOT District Office Training Center  
1701 S. Padre Island Drive,  
Corpus Christi, TX

#### Dallas:

Monday, May 10, 2010, 1:00-4:00 pm  
DalStar ITS Center Conference Rooms  
4777 E. Highway 80,  
Mesquite, TX

#### Lubbock:

Thursday, May 13, 2010, 1:00-4:00 pm  
TxDOT District Office Training Center  
135 Slaton Road,  
Lubbock, TX

#### Austin:

Friday, May 14, 2010, 1:00-4:00 pm  
TxDOT District Office Training Center  
7901 North IH 35,  
Austin, TX

#### Houston:

Monday, May 17, 2010, 1:00-4:00 pm  
TxDOT District Office Training Center  
7600 Washington Avenue,  
Houston, TX

#### Longview:

Thursday, May 20, 2010, 1:00-4:00 pm  
Maude Cobb Conference Center  
100 Grand Avenue,  
Longview, TX

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## ► What is it?

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is developing a Texas Rail Plan to guide future actions by the public and private sectors to expand mobility of people and goods on rail, and meet federal and state legislative requirements. TxDOT values your participation in laying the foundation for this Texas Rail Plan—**establishing a Vision of the future for rail in Texas**. This Texas Rail Plan will be coordinated with the Statewide Long-Range Transportation Plan, TxDOT's look at the future of all transportation modes in Texas, also being conducted this summer.

## Who should Attend?

**YOU!** We need you to help establish a Vision for the future of passenger and freight rail in Texas. Seven workshops are being held throughout the state, bringing together invited stakeholders--elected officials, planners, rail operators, shippers, economic development leaders, transit operators, and intercity rail advocates--to identify a role for rail that reflects the state's needs and sets a Vision for rail that will unite stakeholders and policy-makers.

## What to Expect?

After a brief presentation to establish the overall context for the Texas Rail Plan, participants will break into smaller working groups. These groups will discuss the following issues:

- Major intercity passenger rail corridors and major freight corridors
- Major rail hubs and intermodal connections (freight and passenger) in urban areas
- How to identify and resolve conflicts between passenger and freight use of existing private railroad tracks and rights of way
- Public investment in freight and passenger rail
- Possible funding mechanisms for public and private rail investments

## Who is Leading this Event?

The Texas Rail Plan is led by the new TxDOT Rail Division and its Director Bill Glavin.