

AGENDA

Eagle Pass Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) POLICY BOARD MEETING

International Center for Trade
3295 Bob Rogers Drive, Eagle Pass, Maverick County, Texas
Wednesday, September 18, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. CST

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

MOMENT OF REVERENCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION AND RECOGNITION

OATH OF OFFICE TO NEW BOARD MEMBER

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and possible action on the Public Participation Plan (PPP).

Provided by Placido Madera, Eagle Pass MPO Director.

The Eagle Pass MPO Public Participation plan (PPP) serves as a guide to involve the public in the transportation planning process and is one of the required plans to be adopted by every MPO. It includes goals, procedures, and guidelines for residents, organizations, and committees. The goal is to facilitate communication between the agencies making decisions and the public. A brief introduction to MPO Public Participation Plans will be presented to begin the process for adopting a Public Participation Plan at a future meeting.

Action requested: For information and discussion.

2. Discussion and possible action on Interim Program of Projects (IPP).

Provided by Placido Madera, Eagle Pass MPO Director.

The State DOT, in cooperation with local elected officials and officials of agencies that administer or operate major modes of transportation in the Eagle Pass planning area, should meet to jointly determine an interim program of projects (IPP). This IPP would include Highway projects included in the Laredo District Rural TIP that are within the Eagle Pass MPO Planning Area. Until a Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) are approved by the new MPO, an interim program of projects should continue to be programmed annually in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for all projects to be funded under 23 U.S.C. and 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53. This interim program of projects should be separately identified in the STIP. Upon the approval of

a new TIP, the State DOT should amend the STIP to fully incorporate the Eagle Pass MPO TIP. This item will open a 20 day public comment period on the list of projects.

Action requested: For information, discussion, and possible action.

3. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Moderated by the Eagle Pass MPO Policy Board chair.

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Policy Board on items that are not on the agenda that are within the jurisdiction of MPO, informational items, or on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action.

Members of the public attending in person are asked to fill out a Request to Speak form. Comments must not exceed three minutes in length. A total of 15-minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the chair requests an exception to this limit. Members of the public attending in person may comment on agenda items posted for action at the time the item is heard.

Action requested: For information.

4. Discussion and possible action on the Eagle Pass MPO Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).

Provided by Placido Madera, City of Eagle Pass MPO Director.

The Unified Planning Work Program is a document required of MPOs as a statement of their operating budget and proposed work items for the proposed planning period. Eagle Pass MPO is proposing a UPWP to cover the period to include the remainder of FY 2024 and all of FY 2025. A working draft of this document is attached to this agenda. A presentation will be provided to the Policy Board describing the contents of the MPO's UPWP.

Action requested: Approval of the Eagle Pass MPO UPWP.

5. Discussion and possible action on amending the Policy Committee Bylaws.

Presented by Placido Madera, Eagle Pass MPO Director.

The bylaws for the Eagle Pass MPO were adopted at the July meeting. This amendment will add bylaws for a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to advise the Policy Board on transportation planning issues and matters. Attached to this agenda is a copy of the proposed bylaws which include TAC bylaws.

Action requested: Approval of the amended Policy Committee Bylaws.

6. Discussion and possible action regarding appointment of Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Member(s).

Presented by Placido Madera, Eagle Pass MPO Director.

Representation on the Technical Advisory Committee will come from varying sources within the Eagle Pass MPO's member agencies. In this agenda item, discussion will be held regarding appointing members for this committee by the Policy Board.

Action requested: For information, discussion, and possible action.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Policy Board members may request that an item removed from the consent agenda. Prior to action on the consent agenda, members of the public attending in person will be given an opportunity to comment on consent items. Policy Board members also are requested to review any written/online public comments received on the consent agenda.

- Approve meeting minutes from July 22, 2024 meeting.

Action requested: Approve minutes from July 22, 2024 meeting.

8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Presented by Placido Madera, Eagle Pass MPO Director.

Presentation of information from TxDOT Transportation Conference and TEMPO Meetings held in Dallas, Texas September 3-6, 2024.

- Items to be requested for future board meetings.

Adjournment

Moderated by the Policy Board Chair.

CERTIFICATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED CITY OF EAGLE PASS MPO DIRECTOR, do hereby certify that the agenda mentioned above was posted on the Bulletin Board located in the Lobby at City Hall, 100 S. Monroe Street, and the Exterior Wall Bulletin Board at the Maverick County Courthouse, 500 Quarry St. Eagle Pass, Texas on September 13, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.



Placido Madera

Eagle Pass MPO Director