

1 TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD  
2 SHERMAN-DENISON MPO  
3 Texoma Council of Governments  
4 Eisenhower Room  
5 June 2, 2010 9:00 a.m.  
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7 Members Present: Mayor Bill Magers (City of Sherman), Bobby Littlefield (TxDOT), Gene  
8 Short (Grayson County),  
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10 Members Absent: Mayor Frank Budra (City of Pottsboro), Robert Brady (City of Denison)  
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12 Non-Voting  
13 Members Present:  
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15 Staff Present: Robert Wood, Wally Johnson  
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17 Guests Present: Jeff Miller (City of Sherman), Noel Paramanthanam (TxDOT), Kathy  
18 Williams (Herald Democrat), Tom Speakman (City of Denison), Jerry  
19 White (Grayson County), Dr. Susan Thomas (Texoma Council of  
20 Governments)  
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22 **I. Call to Order -**  
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24 Chairman Bill Magers called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.  
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26 **II. Acknowledgment of Quorum by Chairman -**  
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28 Chairman Magers declared a quorum of the TPB present.  
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30 **III. Approval of Minutes -**  
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32 Commissioner Short made a motion to approve the minutes. Bobby Littlefield seconded.  
33 Motion passed unanimously.  
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35 **IV. Discussion/Action Item: Draft FY 2011 – 2014 Transportation Improvement Program**  
36 **(TIP) –**  
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38 Mr. Johnson began his discussion by reminding the board that the process for the draft FY 2011  
39 – 2014 TIP began in February 2010. At that meeting the board approved the draft for  
40 presentation to the public for input and comment. A public involvement meeting was held on  
41 April 14, 2010. An open comment period expired on April 24, 2010. Mr. Johnson called  
42 attention to the STIP timeline specifically commenting on the August and September dates. In  
43 August the Texas Transportation Commission should approve the 2011 – 2014 STIP. In  
44 September, FHWA should approve the document for implementation. He gave the board a brief  
45 recap of the projects including mobility (Category 3) as well as grouped projects. Chairman

1 Magers commented that "...I think these projects are pretty much a regional agreement. We  
2 worked pretty hard on hashing out and reprioritizing things...the biggest bang for the buck."  
3 After some comments from the board, Commissioner Short made a motion to approve the draft  
4 FY 2011 – 2014 TIP and send to TxDOT (Austin). Bobby Littlefield seconded the motion.  
5 Motion passed unanimously.  
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7 **V. Report from Staff –**  
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9 a) I – 35 Segment Committee. Mr. Wood explained to the board that he has  
10 been attending the I – 35 corridor meetings since February. This is a  
11 committee that was put together by the governor to look at the corridor from  
12 the south all the way to the Oklahoma border. This was done after the Trans  
13 Texas Corridor (TTC) was dropped. He stated that he noticed when he first  
14 started attending these meetings that they included Grayson County in their  
15 planning area. However, there was no emphasis on Grayson County. He  
16 conveyed to the study group that if they are looking at a regional solution to  
17 traffic they should include US 75 as part of the study. His reasoning was that  
18 with the planned addition of a new outer loop in Collin County, there will be  
19 increased traffic volume on US 75. Additionally, traffic counts at the Red  
20 River on US 75 and I 35 is 33,000 for both. However, Sherman has almost  
21 twice the traffic of Gainesville. McKinney has about five times the traffic as  
22 Denton.

23 b) Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) 2010 - 2011 re-certifications. Mr.  
24 Johnson reminded the board that the MPO was operating under a two year  
25 work program. The work program includes: administration, data  
26 development and maintenance, short range planning, long range planning and  
27 special studies. The only requirement is that the document be re-certified  
28 annually. These certifications include:

- 29 i. Debarment
- 30 ii. Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans and Cooperative  
31 Agreements
- 32 iii. Certification of Compliance
- 33 iv. MPO Self-Certification for Attainment Areas  
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35 **VI. Public Comments –**  
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37 There were no public comments  
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39 Chairman Magers adjourned the meeting at 9:32 a.m.