TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

VARIOUS Counties

MINUTE ORDER

VARIOUS Districts

Subchapter F, Chapter 223, Transportation Code prescribes the process by which the Texas Department of Transportation (department) may enter into a design-build contract with a private entity that provides for the design, construction, expansion, extension, related capital maintenance, rehabilitation, alteration, or repair of a highway project. Transportation Code, §223.242 authorizes the department to enter into, in each fiscal year, up to three design-build contracts for highway projects with estimated construction costs of $50 million or more.

The Energy Sector Roadway Repair Project (Project) will provide for the reconstruction, rehabilitation and/or repair of roadways and/or bridges within the state highway system damaged by oversize vehicles or overweight loads used in the development and production of energy or by above normal usage of roadways and/or bridges within the state highway system by vehicles used in the development and production of energy. The Project may include identified roadways in the Corpus Christi, Yoakum, Laredo, and San Antonio Districts of the department. The estimated construction cost of the Project is approximately $200 million.

The development and completion of the Energy Sector Roadway Repair Project can be expedited through the use of a design-build contract, and the employment of innovative methods for the development and construction of projects that are available with a design-build contract. Completion of the Project will rehabilitate and repair the heavily traveled energy impacted regions and improve safety and congestion of the identified roadways.

Transportation Code, §223.245 prescribes requirements for the procurement of a project to be developed under a design-build contract, and requires the department to publish a notice advertising the issuance of a request for qualifications in the *Texas Register* and on the department's internet website that includes the criteria that will be used to evaluate qualification statements, the relative weight given to the criteria, and the deadline by which qualification statements must be received.

IT IS THERFORE ORDERED by the Texas Transportation Commission (commission) that the department is authorized to publish in the *Texas Register* and to post on the department's internet website, a request for qualifications to design, construct, reconstruct, rehabilitate, and/or repair the Energy Sector Roadway Repair Project.

Submitted and reviewed by:

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Recommended by:

Executive Director

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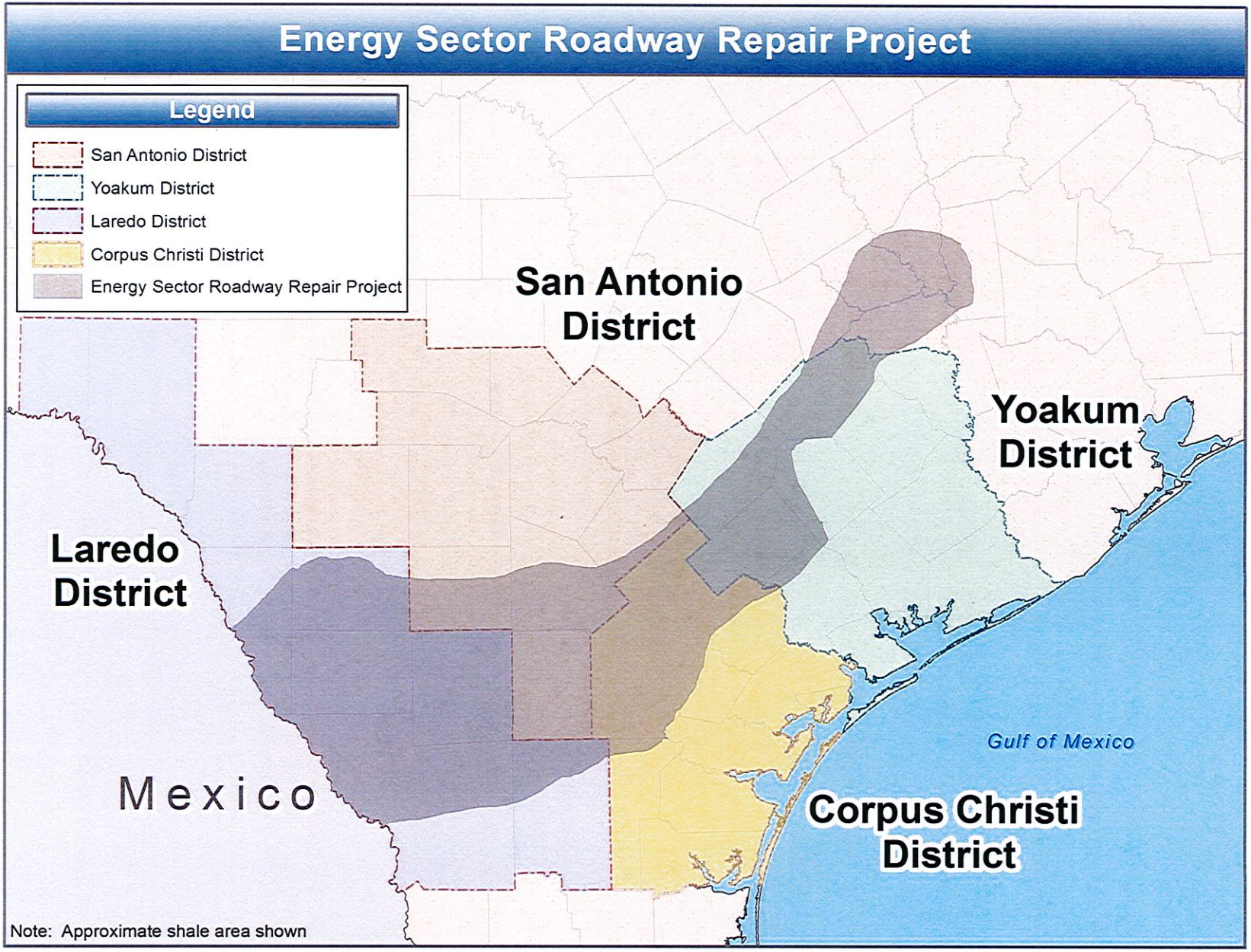
Exhibit A

Regions Impacted by the Energy Exploration and Production