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Nonattainment or Maintenance Area	National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS)	Affected Counties	MPO	MTP Name	Initial Conformity Date for MTP <sup>1</sup>	TIP/STIP Name	TIP/STIP Conformity Date <sup>2</sup>	Designation Classification
Houston-Galveston-Brazoria (HGB)	2008 ozone	Brazoria Chambers Fort Bend Galveston Harris Liberty Montgomery Waller	HGAC	2045 RTP	August 2, 2019	2019-2022 TIP	August 2, 2019	Serious Nonattainment <sup>3</sup>
	2015 ozone	Brazoria Chambers Fort Bend Galveston Harris Montgomery						Marginal Nonattainment
Beaumont-Port Arthur (BPA) <sup>4</sup>	1997 ozone	Hardin Jefferson Orange	SETRPC	MTP 2045	November 21, 2019	2019-2022 TIP	November 21, 2019	Formerly Attainment Maintenance <sup>5</sup>

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Dallas Fort Worth (DFW)	2008 ozone	Collin Dallas Denton Tarrant Ellis Johnson Kaufman Parker Rockwall Wise	NCTCOG	Mobility 2045	November 21, 2018	2019-2022 TIP	November 21, 2018	Serious Nonattainment <sup>6</sup>
	2015 ozone	Collin Dallas Denton Tarrant Ellis Johnson Kaufman Parker Wise						Marginal Nonattainment
El Paso (ELP)	PM <sub>10</sub>	El Paso	El Paso MPO	Destino 2045	November 6, 2018	2019-2022 TIP	November 6, 2018	Moderate Nonattainment
	CO							Attainment Maintenance
San Antonio, Texas (SAT)	2015 Ozone <sup>7</sup>	Bexar	Alamo Area MPO	2045 MTP	September 24, 2019	2019-2022 TIP	September 24, 2019	Marginal Nonattainment

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Lead (Pb) Nonattainment or Maintenance Areas			
Collin County	Portion of Collin County in the Frisco City area	Transportation conformity does not apply for the Lead NAAQS	Attainment Maintenance <sup>8</sup>
Sulfur Dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> ) Nonattainment or Maintenance Areas			
Freestone County	Portion of Counties	Transportation conformity does not apply for the SO <sub>2</sub> NAAQS	Nonattainment <sup>9</sup>
Anderson County			
Panola County			
Rusk County			
Titus County			

## Appendix A

The following table shows the revision history for this guidance document.

<b>Revision History</b>	
<b>Effective Date Month, Year</b>	<b>Reason for and Description of Change</b>
March 20, 2020	Version 16 released. EPA clarified in their final rule for HGB SIP Revision <sup>10</sup> that designations and classifications for revoked 1979 and 1997 ozone standards were also revoked, and therefore have no designation.
November 22, 2019	Version 15 was released. FHWA approved SAT's Mobility 2045 and BMT's MTP 2045. Also updating TIP/STIP conformity dates to coincide with new plans.
August 23, 2019	Version 14 was released. EPA re-designated the 2008 ozone nonattainment areas for DFW and HGB from moderate to serious.
August 2, 2019	Version 13 was released. FHWA approved BMT's Revised 2040 MTP and HOU's 2045 Regional Transportation Plan.
February 16, 2019	Version 12 was released. Updates status of the 1997 ozone designations for HGB and DFW since South Coast ruling became effective on February 16, 2019.
November 21, 2018	Version 11 was released. FHWA approved DFW's Mobility 2045.
November 6, 2018	Version 10 was released. FHWA approved ELP's Destino 2045.
September 28, 2018	Version 9 was released. FHWA approved the 2019-2022 STIP. Also adds back in the 1997 ozone standard and updates the attainment status for the lead maintenance area in Collin County.
August 3, 2018	Version 8 was released. This revision incorporates the EPA designations for the 2015 ozone standards.

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March 27, 2018	Version 7 was released. FHWA approved ELP's Amended Horizon 2040 MTP.
December 20, 2016	Version 6 was released. FHWA approved the 2017-2020 STIP.
September 8, 2016	Version 5 was released. FHWA approved DFW's Mobility 2040 MTP.
September 14, 2015	Version 4 was released. FHWA approved Houston's 2040 Regional Transportation Plan.
December 11, 2014	Version 3 was released. The reason for the change is that an update to the table was needed because FHWA and FTA approved the 2015-2018 STIP.
June 5, 2014	Version 2 was released. This document has been updated to account for the approval of EL Paso's 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. June 5, 2014 is both the date of the regional conformity determination by FHWA/FTA for the new MTP and the effective date for the new MTP.

<sup>1</sup> The term "initial" here refers to the original conformity date for the current plan which started its 4-yr conformity clock. This is the date that should be used in the environmental review document.

<sup>2</sup> The TIP/STIP conformity date is the determination for the initial STIP or for the plan that starts the 4-yr clock.

<sup>3</sup> DFW and HGB were reclassified from moderate to serious nonattainment for the 2008 ozone NAAQS (Federal Register: August 23, 2019, Vol. 84, No. 164, page 44238).

<sup>4</sup> Conformity to 1997 ozone standard is required by February 16, 2019; however, a less stringent analysis was performed (e.g., no regional travel or emissions analysis).

<sup>5</sup> EPA clarified in their final rule for HGB SIP Revision (Federal Register: February 14, 2020, Vol. 85, No.31, page 8411) that designations and classifications for revoked 1979 and 1997 ozone standards were also revoked, and therefore have no designation.

<sup>6</sup> DFW and HGB were reclassified from moderate to serious nonattainment for the 2008 ozone NAAQS (Federal Register: August 23, 2019, Vol. 84, No. 164, page 44238).

<sup>7</sup> 2015 ozone designation for SAT area becomes effective September 24, 2018.

<sup>8</sup> A small portion of Collin County is designated maintenance for lead, effective September 27, 2017. Transportation conformity does not apply to the lead NAAQS (Federal Register: June 29, 2017, Vol. 82, No. 124, page 29426).

<sup>9</sup> A portion of these counties are designated nonattainment for SO<sub>2</sub>, effective January 12, 2017. Transportation conformity does not apply to the SO<sub>2</sub> NAAQS (Federal Register: December 13, 2016, Vol. 81, No. 239, page 89870).

<sup>10</sup> Federal Register: February 14, 2020, Vol. 85, No.31, page 8411.