

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

VARIOUS Counties

MINUTE ORDER

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VARIOUS Districts

Transportation Code, §222.053(a), defines an “economically disadvantaged county” as a county that has, in comparison to other counties in the state: (1) below average per capita taxable property value; (2) below average per capita income; and (3) above average unemployment.

Transportation Code, §222.053(c) directs the Texas Transportation Commission (commission), when evaluating a proposal for a highway project in a political subdivision that consists of all or a portion of an economically disadvantaged county, to adjust the minimum local matching funds requirement after evaluating the political subdivision's effort and ability to meet the requirement.

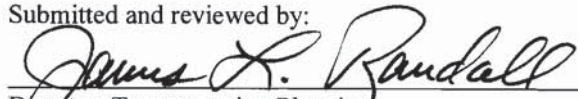
Transportation Code, §222.053(f) requires the commission to certify a county as an economically disadvantaged county on an annual basis as soon as possible after the comptroller reports on the economic indicators listed above.

43 TAC §15.55(b)(2) provides that, in determining the adjustment to the local matching funds requirement, and a local government's effort and ability to meet the requirement, the commission will consider a local government's: (A) population level; (B) bonded indebtedness; (C) tax base; (D) tax rate; (E) extent of in-kind resources available; and (F) economic development sales tax.

The Comptroller of Public Accounts has provided the data needed to determine the counties eligible for the Economically Disadvantaged Counties Program for 2011. The counties’ efforts and ability to provide a local match have been considered using the criteria set forth in 43 TAC §15.55. Exhibit A lists the eligible counties and their respective recommended local match adjustments.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the list of counties eligible for the 2011 Economically Disadvantaged Counties Program, as shown in Exhibit A, is certified and the local match adjustment for each county is established.

Submitted and reviewed by:


Director, Transportation Planning
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Recommended by:


Executive Director

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EXHIBIT A

Economically Disadvantaged Counties FY 2011

FY 2011 Eligible Counties	Adjustment %
Anderson County	71
Atascosa County	76
Bastrop County	70
Bee County	76
Brooks County	59
Caldwell County	83
Calhoun County	31
Cameron County	73
Camp County	47
Cass County	59
Cherokee County	68
Childress County	95
Coke County	56
Concho County	76
Crosby County	60
Dawson County	62
Delta County	88
Dickens County	47
Dimmit County	84
Duval County	70
Ellis County	45
El Paso County	56
Falls County	89
Fannin County	70
Floyd County	61
Frio County	85
Grayson County	57
Grimes County	62
Hall County	80
Henderson County	54
Hidalgo County	92
Hill County	61
Houston County	53
Hunt County	55
Jasper County	63
Johnson County	45
Jones County	72
Karnes County	90

FY 2011 Eligible Counties	Adjustment %
Kaufman County	58
Kinney County	71
Lamar County	54
La Salle County	83
Lynn County	91
Madison County	74
Marion County	55
Matagorda County	35
Maverick County	83
Medina County	63
Milam County	66
Mitchell County	62
Morris County	37
Navarro County	66
Newton County	72
Presidio County	91
Rains County	70
Red River County	77
Reeves County	53
Runnels County	71
Sabine County	46
San Augustine County	80
San Jacinto County	58
San Patricio County	54
San Saba County	75
Shelby County	59
Starr County	95
Trinity County	74
Tyler County	54
Uvalde County	66
Val Verde County	61
Walker County	76
Webb County	69
Willacy County	79
Wilson County	51
Wood County	55
Zavala County	95

Cities within an Economically Disadvantaged County may receive higher percentage adjustments beyond their respective county's adjustment under two conditions: if they have a local economic development sales tax and their population is less than 5000. An adjustment can not exceed 95 percent or be less than 15 percent.