

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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House Bill 1079, Acts of the 86th Legislature, Regular Session, 2019 (HB 1079), requires the Texas Department of Transportation (department) to establish a Ports-to-Plains Advisory Committee to assist the department in conducting a comprehensive study of the Ports-to-Plains Corridor in accordance with that Act. HB 1079 establishes the composition, purpose, and tasks of the advisory committee and provides requirements for the meetings and the manner in which the advisory committee will report to the department.

The Ports-to-Plains Advisory Committee will provide the department advice and recommendations on the planning and development of the Ports-to-Plains Corridor, as designated under Texas Transportation Code, §225.069. The committee's advice and recommendations will provide the department with a better understanding of public, business, and private concerns about the corridor, which will help communications and project development objectives and will result in more cooperation between the department and parties affected by or interested in future transportation improvements, including the affected communities and governmental entities.

The advisory committee will be composed of the local officials identified in Exhibit A, as prescribed by HB 1079. After the establishment of the Ports-to-Plains Advisory Committee, HB 1079 requires the department, in conjunction with the advisory committee, to establish segment committees for each geographic segment along the Ports-to-Plains Corridor as determined by the department. HB 1079 establishes the purpose and tasks of the segment committees and provides guidelines for the composition and meetings of the segment committees and the manner in which each segment committee will report to the advisory committee and the department.

Government Code, §2110.005, requires a state agency that establishes an advisory committee, by rule, to state the purpose and tasks of the committee and describe the manner in which the committee will report to the agency. To satisfy those requirements, the Texas Transportation Commission (commission) finds it necessary contemporaneously to propose by separate minute order new §1.90, relating to Advisory Committees for Ports-to-Plains Corridor, to be codified under Title 43, Texas Administrative Code, Part 1.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the commission that the Ports-to-Plains Advisory Committee is created and that the local officials listed in Exhibit A, or their designees, are appointed to the advisory committee.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by the commission that the department shall designate geographic segments along the Ports-to-Plains Corridor and, in conjunction with the Ports-to-Plains Advisory Committee, shall establish segment committees for each of those segments. The executive director of the department, or the executive director's designee, shall select the members of the segment committees in accordance with HB 1079.

The executive director is directed to take the necessary steps to implement the actions as ordered in this minute order, pursuant to the requirements of HB 1079, Acts of the 86th Legislature, Regular Session, 2019.

Submitted and reviewed by:

Recommended by:

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Director, Transportation Planning  
and Programming Division

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Executive Director

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## Exhibit A Ports-to-Plains Advisory Committee

One member from each county identified below designated by the county judge. The member may be the county judge, an elected county official, or the administrator of the county's road department.

Coke	Kinney	Schleicher
Dallam	Lubbock	Sherman
Dawson	Lynn	Sterling
Dimmit	Martin	Sutton
Edwards	Maverick	Swisher
Glasscock	Midland	Tom Green
Hale	Moore	Val Verde
Hartley	Potter	Webb
Howard	Randall	

One member from each city identified below designated by that city's mayor. The member may be the mayor, the city manager, or assistant city manager.

Amarillo	Eagle Pass	Odessa
Big Spring	Eldorado	San Angelo
Carrizo Springs	Lamesa	Sonora
Dalhart	Laredo	Sterling City
Del Rio	Lubbock	Stratford
Dumas	Midland	Tahoka