

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

All Counties

MINUTE ORDER

All Districts

Section 1117 of Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) directs the Secretary of Transportation to encourage states to establish freight advisory committees to facilitate effective planning for freight transportation.

Transportation Code, §201.117, provides that the Texas Transportation Commission (commission) may establish, as it considers necessary, advisory committees on any of the matters under its jurisdiction. The commission shall determine the purpose, duties and membership of each advisory committee.

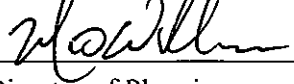
The purpose of the Freight Advisory Committee (committee) is to serve as a forum for discussion regarding transportation decisions affecting freight mobility and promote the sharing of information between the private and public sectors on freight issues. The committee's advice and recommendations will provide the Texas Department of Transportation (department) with a broad perspective regarding freight transportation matters and assist in identifying potential freight transportation facilities that are critical to the state's economic growth and global competitiveness. Specifically, the committee shall: (1) provide advice regarding freight-related priorities, issues, projects and funding needs; (2) make recommendations regarding the creation of statewide freight transportation policies and performance measures; (3) make recommendations regarding the development of a comprehensive and multimodal statewide freight transportation plan; and (4) communicate and coordinate regional priorities with other organizations as requested by the department.

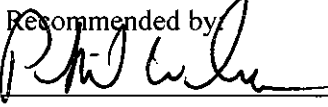
The individuals identified in Exhibit A represent a cross-section of public and private sector freight stakeholders, as contemplated by MAP-21. The proposed committee membership reflects the diverse nature of the freight industry and provides an opportunity for the department to collaboratively address critical freight transportation issues.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the commission that the Freight Advisory Committee is created and the individuals identified in Exhibit A are appointed as members of the committee.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the committee shall report its advice and recommendations to the executive director or a department employee designated by the executive director and shall make reports to the commission as requested.

Submitted and reviewed by:

  
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Director of Planning

Recommended by:  
  
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Executive Director

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## Exhibit A

### **Freight Advisory Committee Effective Date: January 31, 2013**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>
Judge Ed Emmett	Harris County
Judge Carlos H. Cascos	Cameron County
Rigoberto Villarreal	City of McAllen
Joseph Adams	Union Pacific (UP)
Aaron Demerson	Governor's Office of Economic Development
Kenneth Dierschke	Texas Farm Bureau
John Esparza	Texas Motor Trucking Association
James Griffin	East Harris County Manufactures Association
John LaRue	Texas Ports Association Port of Corpus Christi
Aaron Hegeman	Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF)
Jack Todd	Texas Association of Manufactures
Colonel Leonard Waterworth	Port of Houston Authority
Steve Boecking	Alliance Texas
Carlton Schwab	Texas Economic Development Council
Steve Stewart	Gulf Wind International, Inc.
Todd Frease	McLane Global Logistics
Nelson Balido	Border Trade Alliance
Kevin McIntosh	Kansas City Southern (KCS)
Mike Graham	HEB
Michael A. Dyll	Texas International Freight LLC
Ronnie Volkening	Texas Retail Association