







CENTRAL TEXAS REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY

Report to the Audit Committee

Audit for the Year Ended June 30, 2020



September 30, 2020

To the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority Austin, Texas

Dear Members:

We are pleased to present this report related to our audit of the financial statements of Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority (the Authority) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020. This report summarizes certain matters required by professional standards to be communicated to you in your oversight responsibility for the Authority's financial reporting process.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Audit, Committee, Board of Directors and management of the Authority and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties. It will be our pleasure to respond to any questions you have about this report. We appreciate the opportunity to continue to be of service to Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority.



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Audit Overview

- Financial Statement Audit Scope
 - Financial statements prepared by management
 - Audit scope includes the following
 - Includes examining evidence supporting amounts and disclosures on a test basis
 - Includes assessment of internal control structure for purposes of auditing the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, but not for providing an opinion on internal control
 - Includes assessment of accounting principles, significant estimates made by management, and disclosures to the financial statements
- Financial Statement Audit Results
 - Opinion on the financial statements: Unmodified
 - No significant deficiencies in internal control to be reported



Audit Overview - continued

Federal Awards Audit Scope

- Federal Compliance Audit: Required in 2020.
- One Major Federal Program: CFDA 20.205 Highway Planning and Construction Cluster

Federal Audit Results

- There are \$765,000 in expenditures of federal awards in 2020.
- Threshold for audit is \$750,000.
- No audit findings required to be disclosed in accordance with the Uniform Guidance
- No significant deficiencies in internal controls over major federal program audit



Audit Overview - continued

State Awards Audit Scope

- State Compliance Audit: Required in 2020.
- One Major Program: Mopac South

State Audit Results

- There are \$2.5 million in expenditures of state awards in 2020.
- Threshold for audit is \$300,000.
- No audit findings required to be disclosed in accordance with the State Single Audit Circular
- No significant deficiencies in internal controls over major state programs



Required communications

Matter to report	No	Yes	Comments
Preferability of Accounting Policies and Practices	✓		In our view, in such circumstances, the Authority has selected the preferable accounting practice and follows standards set fourth by the Government Accounting Standards Board.
Adoption of, or Change in, Accounting Policies	✓		The Authority did not adopt any significant new accounting policies, nor have there been any changes in existing significant accounting policies during the current period.
Significant unusual transactions	we noted no significant unusual transactions during the course of α		We noted no significant unusual transactions during the course of our testing.
Audit Adjustments	✓		There were no audit adjustments made to the final trial balance presented to us for our audit.
Uncorrected misstatements	✓		We are not aware of any uncorrected misstatements other than misstatements that are clearly trivial.



Required communications

Matter to report	No	Yes	Comments
Disagreements With Management	✓		We encountered no disagreements with management over the application of significant accounting principles, the basis for management's judgments on any significant matters, the scope of the audit or significant disclosures to be included in the financial statements.
Consultations With Other Accountants	✓		We are not aware of any consultations management had with other accountants about accounting or auditing matters.
Significant Issues Discussed With Management	✓		No significant issues arising from the audit were discussed or the subject of correspondence with management.
Significant Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit	✓		We did not encounter any significant difficulties in dealing with management during the audit.
Internal Controls over Financial Reporting	✓		There were no identified significant deficiencies during the course of our testing.



Summary of significant accounting estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the preparation of financial statements and are based upon management's current judgment. The process used by management encompasses its knowledge and experience about past and current events, and certain assumptions about future events. Management may wish to monitor throughout the year the process used to determine and record these accounting estimates. The following describes the significant accounting estimates reflected in the Authority's June 30, 2020, financial statements.

Estimate	Accounting Policy	Management's Estimation Process	Basis for Our Conclusions on Reasonableness of Estimate
Investment Valuation	The money market mutual fund and local government investment pool are reported at net asset values (NAV) based on amortized cost. Investments in debt securities are reported at fair value based on pricing service models.	Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Investments in debt securities are reported at fair value based upon pricing service models. The money market mutual fund and local government investment pool are reported at the NAV of the underlying securities based on amortized cost.	We tested the fair value of investments at year-end by using a valuation specialist to price debt securities. For investments measured using NAV, we confirmed the year-end NAV. We concluded management's estimates are reasonable.
Depreciable Life of Property and Equipment	The depreciable life of property and equipment is set at the estimated useful life of the related asset.	The determination is made at the time the asset is placed into service and involves various judgments and assumptions, including the estimated useful life and prior experience.	We concluded the estimates used by management are reasonable.
Pension Expense and Net Pension Asset/Liability	The Authority participates in the Texas County and District Retirement System (TCDRS), a statewide agent multiple-employer retirement system. The Authority records the pension expense and net pension asset/liability in its financial statements and discloses the pension expense and net pension asset/liability in Note 7 to the financial statements.	The pension expense and net pension asset/liability were measured as of December 31, 2019. This calculation is prepared by an independent actuarial company engaged by TCDRS, and the Authority's management reviews and considers the appropriateness of the assumptions.	We obtained the TCDRS actuarial valuation report and we confirmed the Authority's reported balances agreed with the actuarial report. We tested the significant assumptions and conclusions for reasonableness and tested the underlying data for completeness and accuracy. We concluded the estimates used by management's are reasonable.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND ATTENTION



QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS



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Consent Agenda

- Approve the minutes from the August 26, 2020 Regular Board Meeting
- 4. Prohibit the operation of certain vehicles on Mobility Authority toll facilities pursuant to the Habitual Violator Program

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Bobby Jenkins

Chairman





Most Recent Figures To Be Presented at Board Meeting





August Projected Revenue vs. Actual

<u>Projected Revenue vs. Actual</u>						
REVENUES	Adopted Budget	Projected Revenue <u>thru Aug</u>	Actual Revenue thru Aug	Delta (less than projected)		
Tag Revenue	\$87,282,802	\$11,714,000	\$11,321,157	(\$392,843)		
Video Tolls	\$23,301,118	\$3,127,000	\$3,456,280	\$329,280		
Fee Revenue	\$8,342,080	\$1,120,000	\$1,920,075	800,075		
Total Operating Revenue	\$118,926,000	\$15,961,000	\$16,697,512	\$736,512		
Interest Income	\$2,500,000	\$417,000	\$155,366	(\$261,634)		
Grant Revenue	\$3,000,000	\$420,000	\$380,990	(\$39,010)		
Misc. Revenue	<u>\$3,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>		
Total Other Revenue	\$5,503,000	\$837,000	\$536,357	(\$300,644)		
TOTAL REVENUE	\$124,429,000	\$16,798,000	\$17,233,869	\$435,869		



August Projected Expenses vs. Actual

Projected Expenses vs. Actual

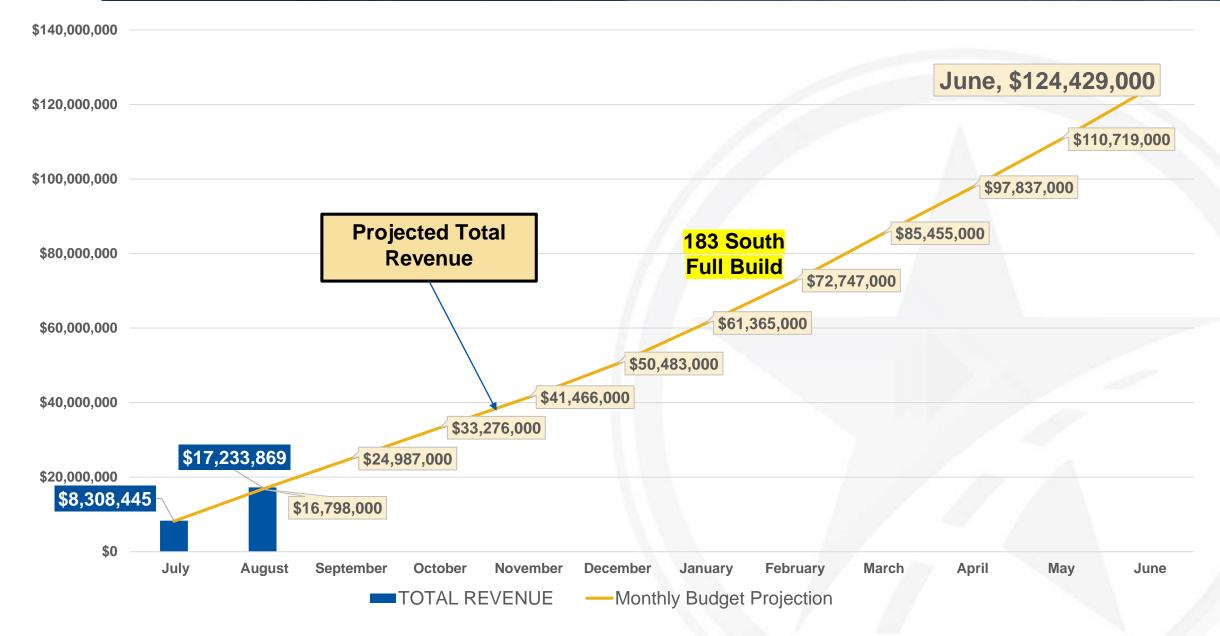
EXPENSES	Adopted Budget	Projected Expenses thru Aug	Actual Expenses <u>thru Aug</u>	Delta (more than projected)
Salaries/Benefits	\$6,572,687	\$1,065,800	\$907,482	\$158,318
Administrative	\$3,450,200	\$525,200	\$476,895	\$48,305
Operations/ Maintenance	\$25,376,689	\$4,002,300	\$3,768,114	\$234,186
Other	\$51,721,420	\$7,196,100	\$11,771,821	(\$4,575,721)*
Non-Operating	<u>\$44,206,626</u>	<u>\$6,545,400</u>	<i>\$6,911,535</i>	<u>(\$366,135)</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$131,327,621	\$19,334,800	\$23,835,847	(\$4,501,047)

^{*}Includes ~\$4.8 M write off for 290W in Other, Non-Cash Expenses.

Remaining Expenses are \$32,299 more than projected

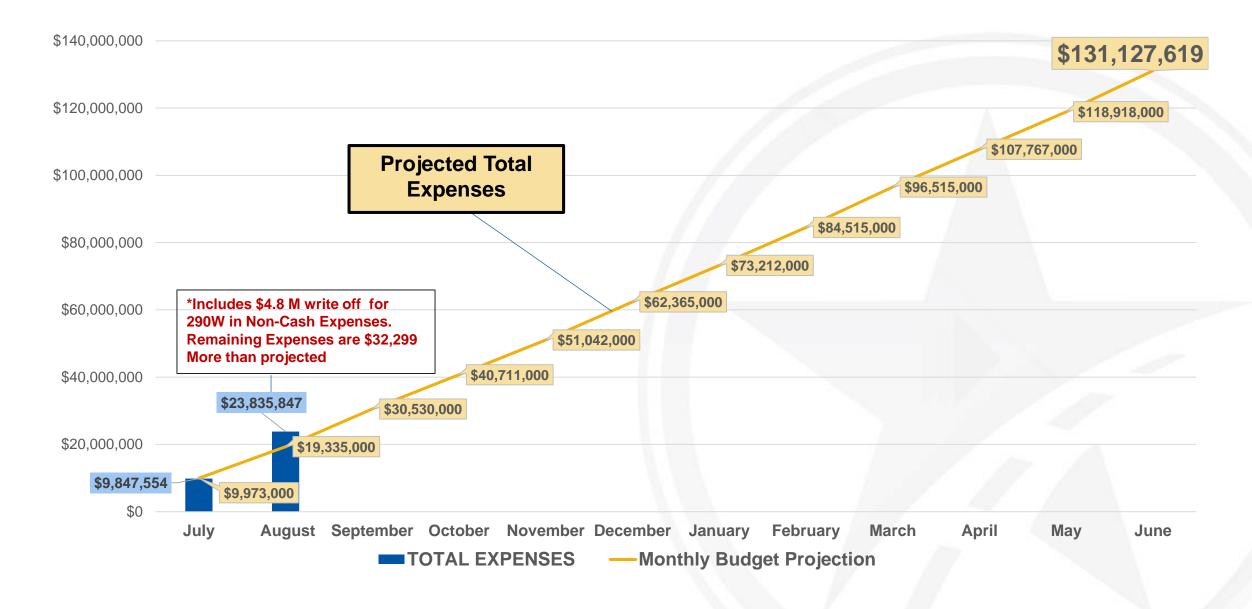


Actual vs Budgeted, Projected Revenue





Actual vs Budgeted, Projected Expenses





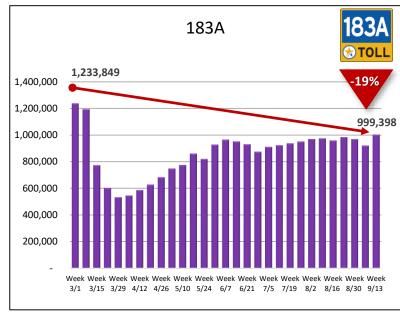
Weekly Transaction Trend (All Roadways)

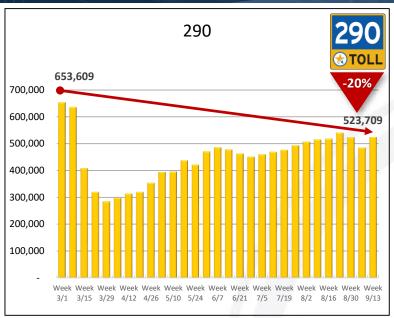
Percent Change in Transactions Since First Week of March 2020

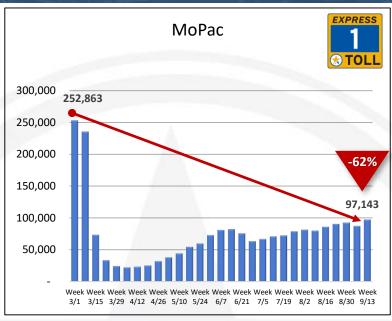


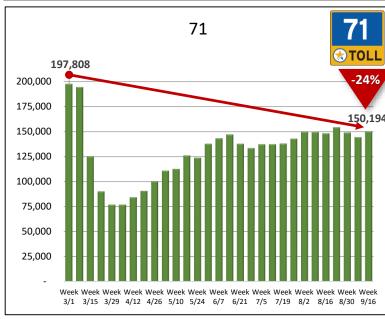


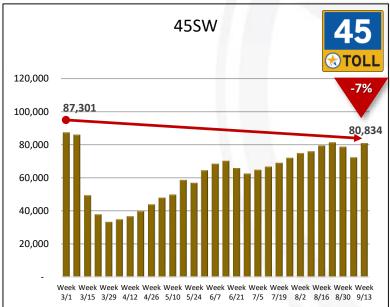
Weekly Transaction Trends by Roadway

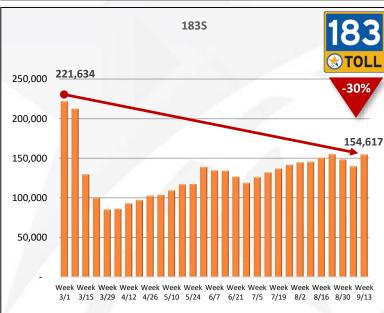






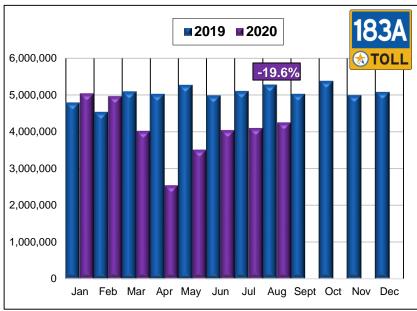


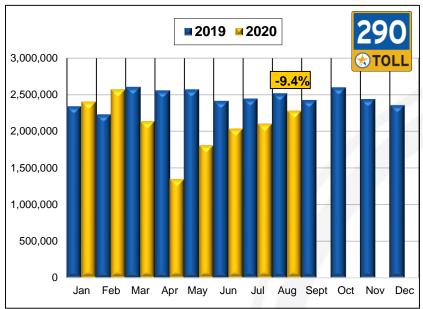


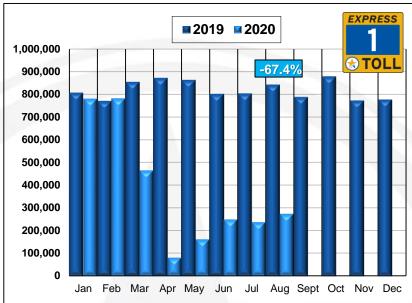


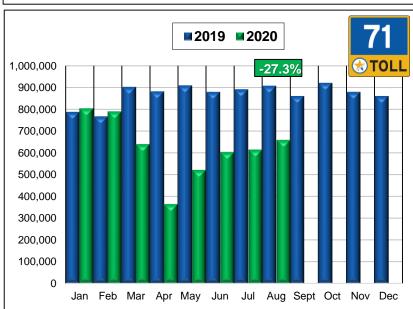


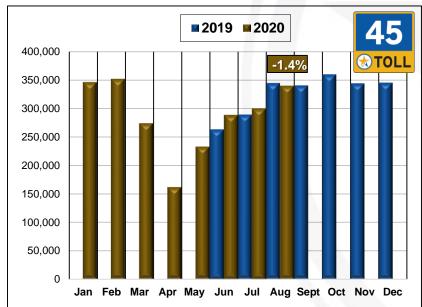
Monthly Transaction Comparison (2019 vs 2020)

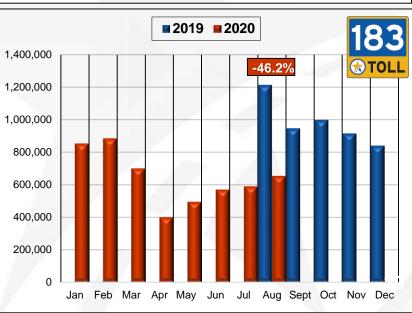












Notes: US 290 added flyover ramps at SH 130 in 2020 increasing overall transactions. 183 South was toll free in August 2019. 45SW and 183 South opened in summer 2019.





Request for Qualifications

- »A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to identify and obtain the services of a qualified engineering firm(s) to provide traffic and revenue engineering services was released on July 21, 2020
- »Three firms submitted responses to the RFQ
- »On August 26, 2020 the Board authorized the Executive Director to negotiate separate contracts for traffic and revenue engineering services with all qualified firms that submitted responses to the RFQ: C&M Associates, Inc., CDM Smith, and Stantec



Approving contracts

- » Recommend approving contracts for all qualified firms (3 separate agenda items)
- »5-year term
- » Varying not to exceed obligations noted for each firm







183A Phase 3 Construction Bids

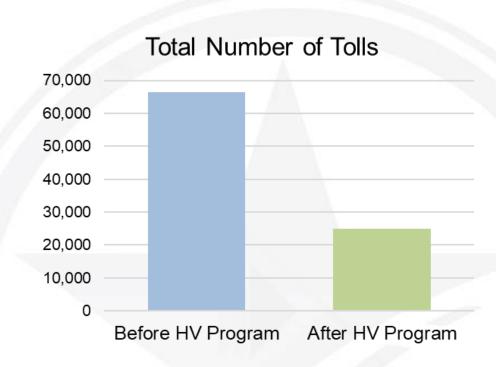
Contractor	Bid Price
Austin Bridge & Road, LP	\$181,944,638.57
Balfour Beatty	\$203,624,090.88
The Lane Construction Corp	\$175,695,656.17
Webber LLC	\$181,681,620.02

Engineer's Estimate = \$174,650,000



Habitual Violator Year 1 Program Results

- » Increase of over 4X in paid tolls and fees
- » Additional \$517,960 in collected revenue (annualized)
- » 62% reduction in Habitual Violator roadway usage
- » After receiving the Road Prohibition letter:
 - » 27% of Habitual Violators stopped driving on the roadway
 - The remaining Habitual Violators reduced their roadway usage by 49%



Note: Both the 'Before Habitual Violator Program' and 'After Habitual Violator Program' periods consist of three months



Cofiroute Work Authorization #1

- » Automate the following processes to improve program performance:
 - » implement the courtesy pre-determination letter;
 - » apply the enhanced enforcement admin fee at determination stage;
 - » track admin hearing requests and update records with results;
 - » alert customers of Habitual Violator status on payment portal;
 - » integrate the DMV vehicle registration block and removal;
 - » integrate with license plate reader technology and prohibition hot list;
 - » develop reports to manage program performance; and
 - » create and track payment plans and monitor customer defaults.
- » Total cost for these process and system enhancements is \$498,680



Habitual Violations Program Pro Forma

Habitual Violator Program <i>Pro Forma</i> (Annualized based on 4,120 HVs)			
Incremental Collected Revenue	Amount		Comments
Tolls	\$	447,412	
Fees	\$	70,548	
Total Incremental Revenue	\$	517,960	
Cost		Amount	Comments
LP reader tech on 183A and 290	reader tech on 1934 and 200 C 73 900	72,800	5-year amortization of one-
LP reader tech on 183A and 290 \$ 72,80	72,000	time expense	
TollPlus HV change order	\$	-	Not applicable at this time
Cofiroute HV Remedy Letters	\$	61,800	
Williamson Co. law enforcement	\$	110,052	Annualized forecasted cost
General system consultant	Ś	ć 10.000	
oversight	\$ 10,000		
CTRMA staff HV program mgmt	\$	43,100	
Total Cost	\$	297,752	
Net Gain (Loss)	\$	220,208	

Habitual Violator Program <i>Pro Forma</i>				
(Annualized based on 41,200 HVs a 10X Scale-up)				
Incremental Collected Revenue		Amount	Comments	
Tolls	\$	4,474,120		
Fees	\$	705,480		
Total Incremental Revenue	\$	5,179,600		
Cost		Amount	Comments	
LP reader tech on 183A and 290	\$	72,800	5-year amortization of one-time expense	
TollPlus HV change order	\$	100,000	Assumes change order implemented; 5-year amortization	
Cofiroute HV Remedy Letters	\$	618,000		
Williamson Co. law enforcement	\$	110,052	No scale-up factored in	
General system consultant oversight	\$	30,000	Efficiencies of scale	
CTRMA staff HV program mgmt	\$	129,300	Efficiencies of scale	
Total Cost	\$	1,060,152		
Net Gain (Loss)	\$	4,119,448		

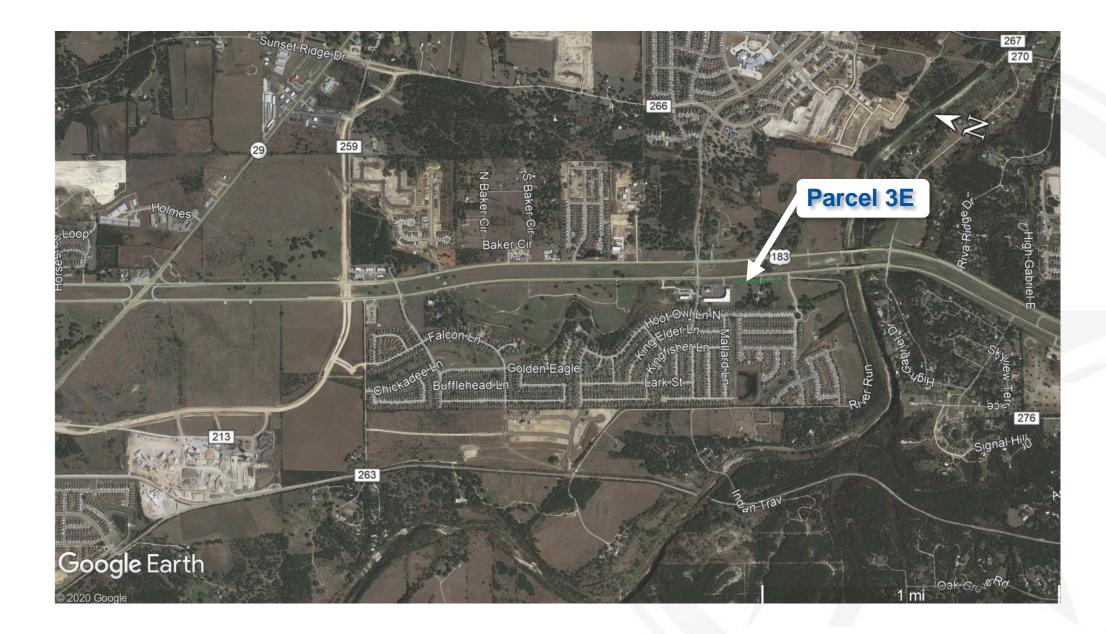


Staff Recommendation

- »Approve Work Authorization No. 1 with Cofiroute USA, LLC for the automation of the Habitual Violator program
 - » If approved, implementation will take approximately 20 weeks

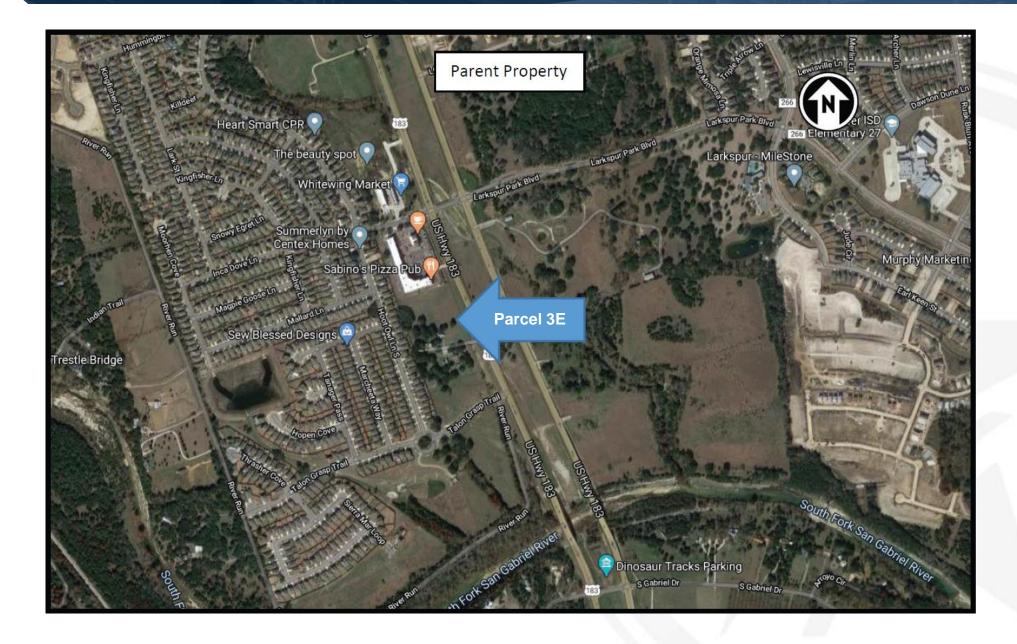


Location Overview



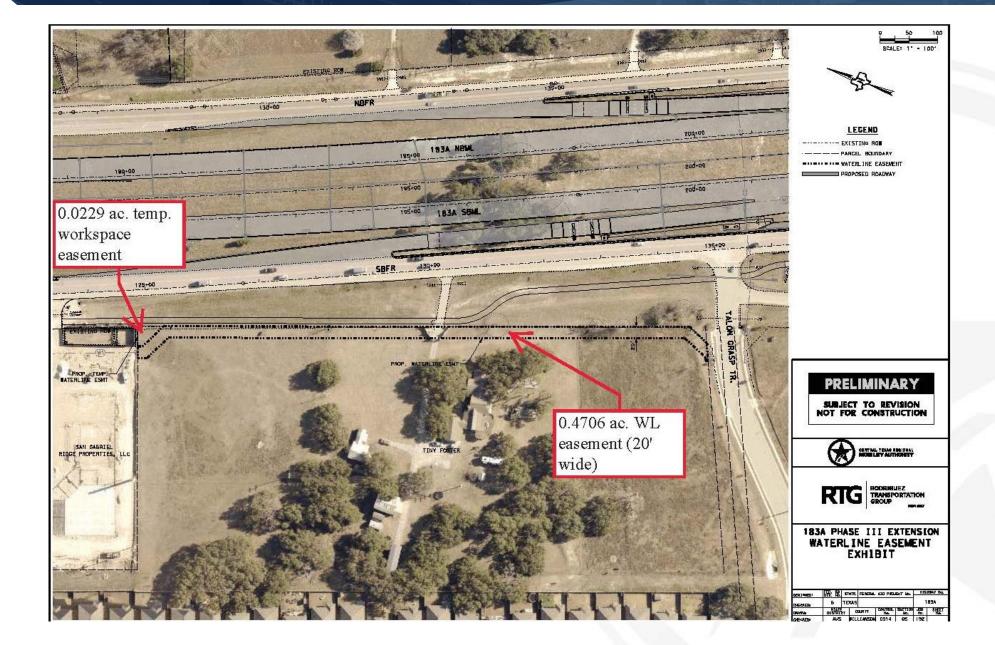


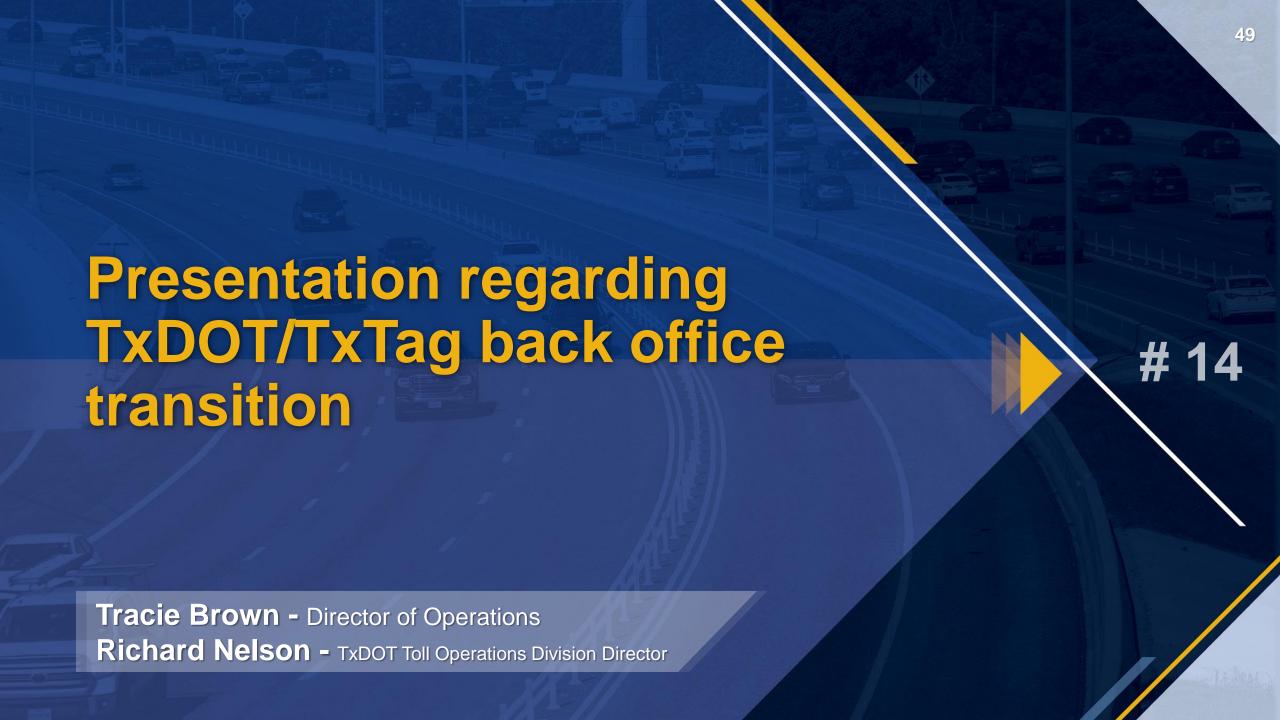
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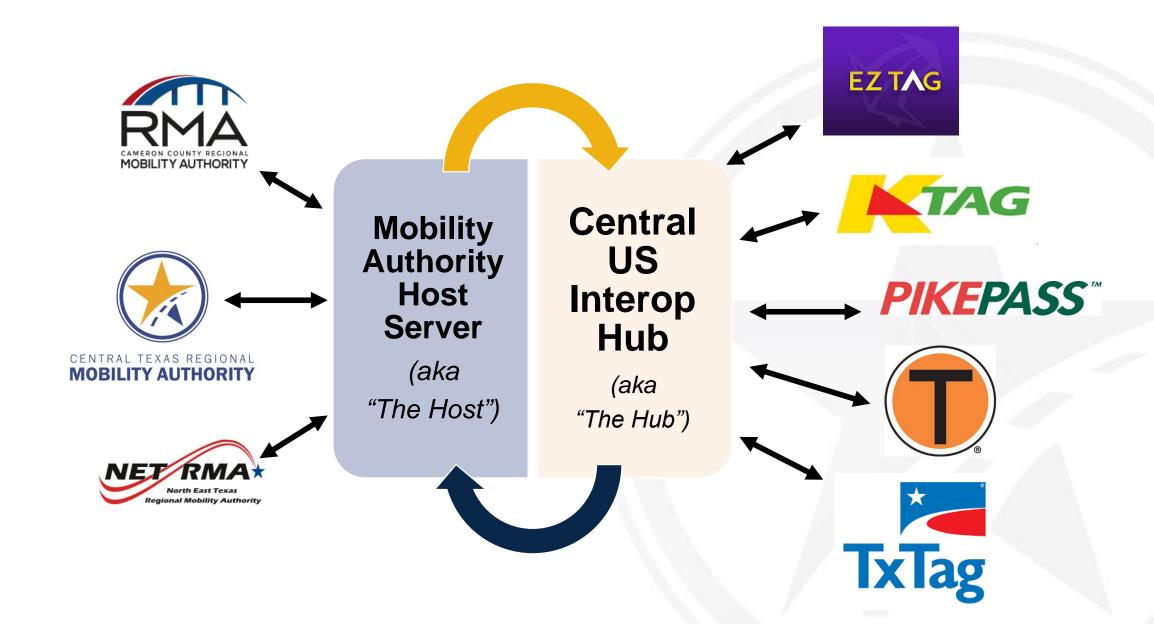
Parcel 3E Location







Mobility Authority & Interoperability





TXDOT, Toll Operations Division New Toll Back Office

Enhancing Quality of Life for All Texans



New Toll Back Office

Providers: System: IBM/SAP; Customer Service Center Operations: Faneuil

<u>System</u>

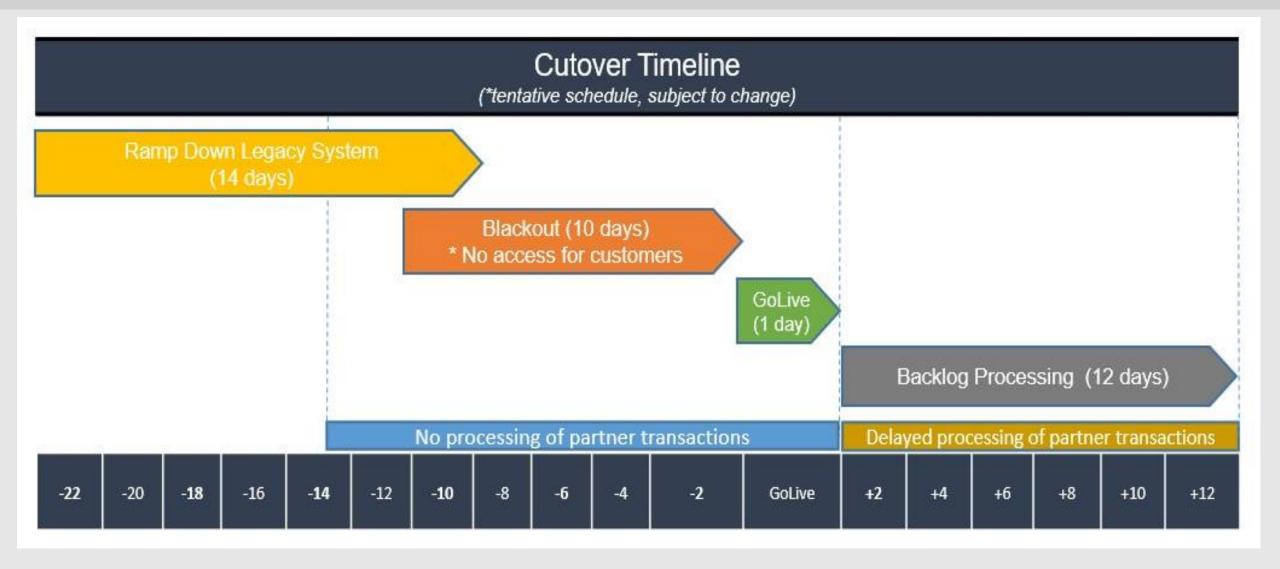
- Configurable COTS system
- Software & facilities owned and operated by TXDOT
- No black box
- Scalability
- Low life cycle costs

Product Improvements

- Website maintained & changed by business/marketing users, new payment methods
- Real Time prepaid customer balance status notifications
- CSR visibility to know number of missed TxTag reads for TxTag/prepaid customers and trigger customer notifications
- Pay By Mail customers can pay a bill, search by plate, account and zip code via website

Transition Plan





Partners	Customers
Transaction processing will be postponed	"Blackout" period - will not allow any account access
IOP disputes will be handled after the new system is live	Escalations & fees – Customers' accounts will freeze & no late charges assessed
	Replenishments – Customers may have multiple account replenishments after transition
	Violation enforcement – Habitual Violator program & courts suspended during dark period
	Requests for information – TRACK, Open Records & other requests may be delayed

 Contingency – ability to roll back to current system before transaction processing begins in new system.

Who	What	When	
Customers	Email, text notifications, online announcements, FAQs, video guides, Pay By Mail inserts, IVR messages	Phase I: 2 weeks prior to Go- Live	
General Public	Online announcements, FAQs, video guides, IVR messages		
All	Phase I components + Digital Radio	Phase II: After website launch	
IOP & Business Partners	Email	Continuous	

^{*}All communication components are tentative and subject to change.

Customer Care

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- IVR message during Blackout
- Consistent Messaging after Go-Live
 - CSRs will maintain consistent message
 - FAQs will be shared for consistent message
- Customer Disputes and General Public Questions after Go-Live
 - Webchat, Phone, Service Request
 - Escalations handled promptly: TxDOT and Faneuil staff co-located

Thank you!



Potential Impact to Customers

- »Lag in Mobility Authority transactions posting to TxTag accounts
- » Many transactions posting to a TxTag account within a short period of time which may result in multiple account replenishments / credit card charges
- » Rejected transactions sent to Pay By Mail if TxTag account replenishment fails
- »Increased wait times due to high call volumes



Potential Impact to Mobility Authority

- » Interrupted transaction processing
- » Delayed revenue recognition
- » Increased customer complaints
- » Temporary impact to customer service levels



Operational Mitigation Efforts

» Transaction Processing

- » Minimize errors once TxDOT processing restarts
- » Meter transaction backlog processing

» Customer Service

- » Ensure all customer service agents are available to answer customer calls / inquiries
- » Encourage customers to utilize virtual callback, chat and email features
- » Post messages on IVR, websites and social media regarding high call volumes



Survey Purpose and Method

» Purpose

- » Collect information from people about their travel behaviors before, during and after the COVID-19 pandemic
- Try to determine what the new "Normal" will look like
- » Help inform future traffic and revenue forecasting

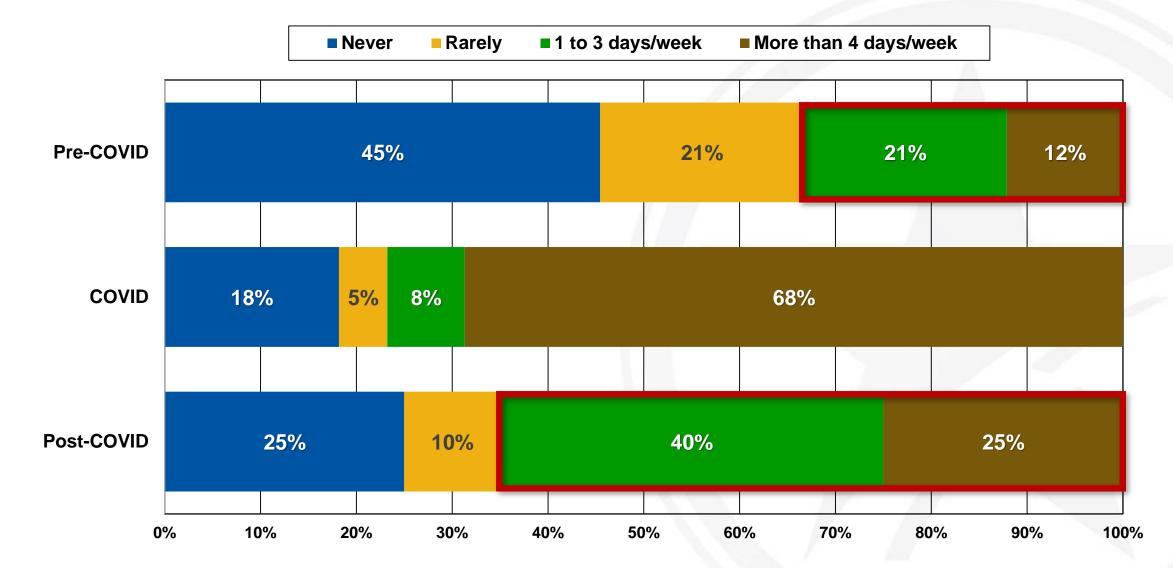
» Method

- » CTX Navigators platform
- July 13 September 7, 2020
- » 926 Respondents



Work from Home Frequency Comparison

65% of respondents believe they will work from home at least some of the time post-COVID





Potential Change in Travel Post COVID-19

» Overall, respondents anticipate decreasing their use of all modes of transportation post pandemic except for bike use; 16% expect to increase their bike use (non-exercise)

Trips by Mode	% Change in Trips
Drive to Work/School	-25%
Drive for Personal Reasons	-6%
Rideshare Service	-17%
Walk (for non-exercise)	-1%
Public Transit	-5%
Bike Ride (for non-exercise)	+16%
Carpool	-20%
Vanpool	-55%



Summary

- » During the pandemic the vast majority of respondents worked from home at least some of the time (81%)
 - » This experience mostly increased respondent's desire to work from home
- » Once that COVID is no longer a threat, about a quarter (25%) expect to work from home 4 days a week or more (up from 12% pre-COVID)
 - » Most expect their employers to offer increased work from home flexibility
- » Continuing to work from home will alter commute patterns and mode
- » Respondents anticipate driving less for work and school after COVID-19
- » Other modes of travel may also be impacted
 - » Respondents predict a big decline in use of vanpools (55%)
 - They predict 5% fewer public transit trips
 - They anticipate 16% more non-exercise related bike trips







Executive Session

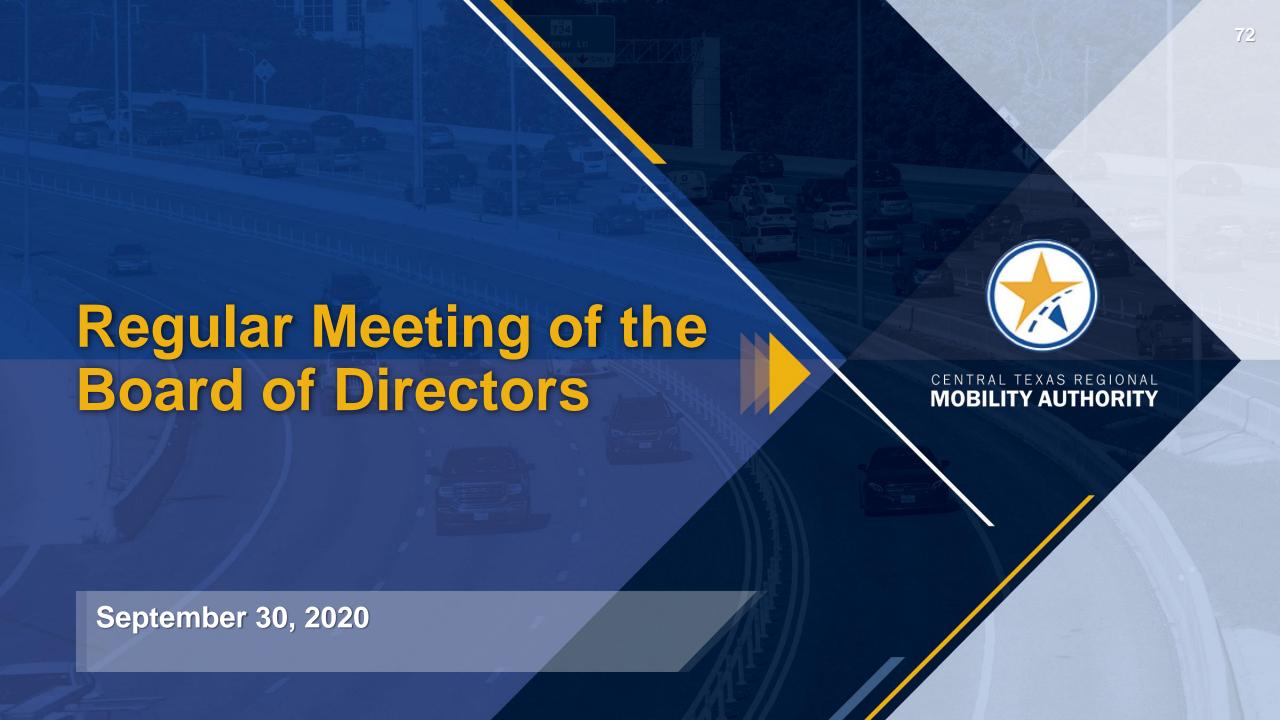
Please remain seated and quiet while the Executive Session agenda is read into the record.

- 16. Discuss the acquisition of one or more parcels or interests in real property needed for the 183A Phase III Project and related issues, pursuant to §551.072 (Deliberation Regarding Real Property) and §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)
- 17. Discuss legal issues related to claims by or against the Mobility Authority; pending or contemplated litigation and any related settlement offers; or other matters as authorized by §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)
- 18. Discuss legal issues relating to procurement and financing of Mobility Authority transportation projects, as authorized by §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)
- 19. Discuss personnel matters as authorized by §551.074 (Personnel Matters)

Bobby Jenkins

Chairman

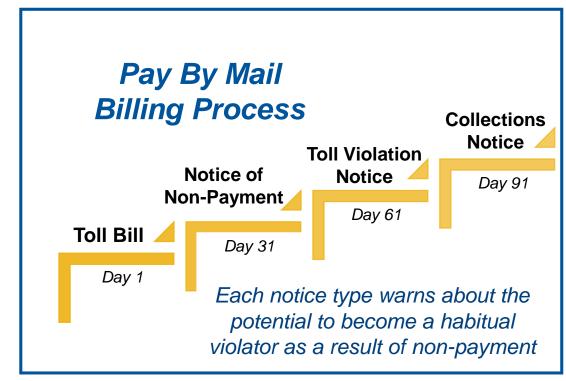


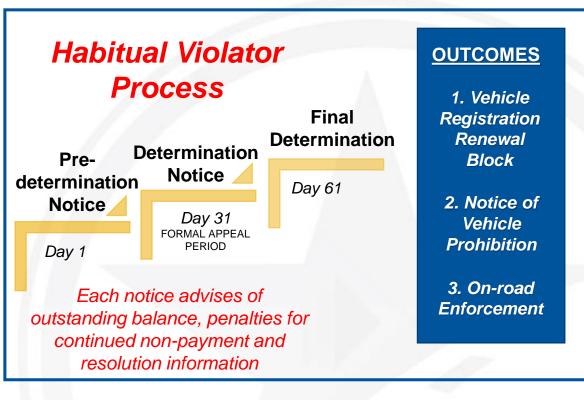






Escalating Communications







Staff Recommendation

- » Approval of a Vehicle Prohibition Order for the identified habitual violator customers.
 - » Number of prohibited vehicles: 209
 - Total number of unpaid tolls: 178,098
 - Median number of outstanding tolls per vehicle: 852
 - Median unpaid toll balance: \$1,517
 - Median unpaid admin fee balance: \$541

» Next Steps

- » Customers will receive Prohibition Order by mail
- » Customers found to be in violation of prohibition are subject to warning, citation with up to \$500 fine and/or vehicle impoundment

