



# TRANSPORTATION EXCELLENCE FOR THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY

BRINGING TEXAS THE STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM IT NEEDS AND DESERVES

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JOHN COOK, VICE CHAIR  
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### 2010 ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:

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Chip Harper

### 2010 RESOURCE AGENCIES:

TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY \*  
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TEXAS TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE \*  
Dennis Christiansen

April 23, 2010

The Honorable Keith Self  
County Judge  
Collin County  
210 South McDonald St., Suite 626  
McKinney, TX 75069

## RE: Collin County TEX-21 Membership for FYE 2011

Dear Judge Self:

The undersigned TEX-21 Executive Committee members thank you for your committed efforts to enhance multi-modal statewide transportation policy in both Texas and Washington D.C. Since its creation, TEX-21 has been a notable innovator and supporter for transportation, positioning its members at the forefront of major state, national, and international transportation issues. We encourage you to sustain this success by renewing your commitment to TEX-21 during your FYE 2011 budget process. The TEX-21 fiscal year is October 1-September 30. TEX-21 has had a very productive FYE 2010, and we look forward to continuing to build upon our accomplishments into FYE 2011.

With a population that is expected to double in the next few decades, Texas faces the difficult situation of developing and funding a multi-modal transportation system that will accommodate the needs of its rapidly growing citizenry. The challenges which face transportation leaders involve financing the enhancement of mobility around the state while attempting to mitigate congestion and airborne pollution. We encourage you to continue your active involvement in TEX-21, partnering with us in providing the Texas Legislative and Congressional policymakers with invaluable grassroots direction on how to best provide for Texas' multi-modal transportation needs.

## CONGRESSIONAL AND LEGISLATIVE CAUCUSES

1. **Maintained 100% participation of the Texas Congressional Delegation.**
2. **Currently over two-thirds of the Texas Legislature are members of the Legislative Caucus.** This year, we've seen an increase in the TEX-21 Legislative Caucus membership during numerous missions to the State Capitol.
3. At the request of staff members, Congressional and Legislative Caucus Staff Workgroup Sessions are held every quarter in Washington D.C. and Austin.

## DUES REDUCTION AND INCREASE IN SCOPE OF SERVICES

1. The Executive Committee has unanimously agreed to continue to retain the services of Dean International, Inc. as TEX-21's public policy consultants.

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2. In recognition of the challenging economic circumstances faced by all municipal and county governments, TEX-21 membership dues for 2011 will remain the same as in 2010 at the **reduced fifteen (15%) percent** for cities and counties with an increase in services to be provided by our public policy consultants. Your organization's dues for FYE 2011, based on TEX-21 Bylaws, will be \$17,000.00.
3. **New services for TEX-21 members include:**
  - a. **Infrastructure Project Development Program:** The Infrastructure Project Development Program begun in 2009 will continue to be developed and offered at future TEX-21 statewide quarterly meetings. This program will help guide elected and appointed officials through the overall development and understanding of infrastructure projects. Further, it will provide significant opportunities to interact with counterparts throughout Texas as well as with legislative, congressional, and executive branch leaders in infrastructure matters, contributing to policy formation. With the recent federal involvement in economic recovery dollars for infrastructure, the **Public Works Task Force continues to grow and the Aviation Task Force is being organized.**
  - b. **TxDOT Executive Director has agreed to continue to meet quarterly at TxDOT headquarters in Austin with TEX-21 members** to discuss items of concern to TxDOT and to our members. The next few meetings scheduled are June 18 and September 17 in Austin, TX and is open to all TEX-21 members to attend.

## **OFFICERS FOR UPCOMING YEAR**

The TEX-21 Nominating Committee met and unanimously decided that current officers for TEX-21 who have been elected will continue to serve through FYE 2011. City of Irving Councilmember Rick Stopfer will serve as Chairman; Port of Houston Chairman Jim Edmonds will serve as Secretary; Granbury Mayor David Southern will serve as Treasurer; and El Paso Mayor John Cook and Bowie County Commissioner John Addington will serve as Vice Chairs for TEX-21.

Chairman Stopfer is asking for expressions of interest from members who would like to serve in a leadership capacity on the organization's various committees which include the Federal, State, Regional and Local, and Transit Committees as well as the newly formed Public Works Task Force and Aviation Task Force. Active participation with these various policy committees, which cover all modes of transportation, will help to develop strong transportation policies.

If you are interested in serving in a leadership role, please let us know by contacting the Chairman or our public policy consultants.

## **ACTIVITY REPORT AND UPCOMING MEETINGS**

1. Attached is the 2009-2010 TEX-21 Activity Report, detailing the successes accomplished during this current fiscal year.
2. Quarterly Meetings are held around the State to provide membership with relevant information on transportation issues from both the State and Federal perspectives. **The next Quarterly Meeting will be held April 22-23 in Killeen.** The TEX-21 Annual Meeting will take place at the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Transportation and Infrastructure Summit which will be held in Irving on August 9-13, 2010. The annual meeting will on Thursday, August 12, 2010 at 6:30 PM.

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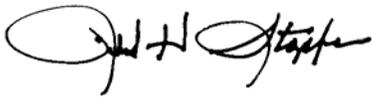
### Early FYE 2011 Dues Payment

Many members annually prepay their next fiscal year's dues with surplus funds from the current fiscal cycle. If this is of interest to you please let us know and we can help facilitate this payment, otherwise FYE 2011 dues are payable on October 1, 2010.

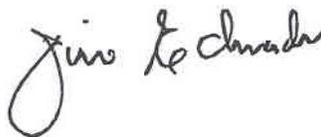
Thank you again for your efforts in addressing vital transportation issues throughout the State of Texas. Your role in this endeavor is critical, as TEX-21 seeks to promote transportation solutions that are relevant and beneficial for the entire State of Texas. If you have any questions, or if there is any way that TEX-21 can be of additional assistance to you, please contact George Shackelford with Dean International, Inc. at 214.750.0123 or via email at [gshackelford@dean.net](mailto:gshackelford@dean.net).

Best Regards

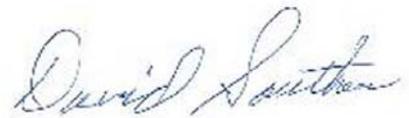
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