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MOBILITY AUTHORITY

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CITY OF ROLLINGWOOD

Mayor Roxanne McKee  
City of Rollingwood  
403 Nixon Drive  
Rollingwood, TX 78746

RE: MoPac South Environmental Study

Dear Mayor McKee:

I would like to thank you for your continued interest in the MoPac South Environmental Study. Collaborative conversations about this study are important as we at the Mobility Authority believe that community input make projects better.

The MoPac corridor south of Cesar Chavez Street is the 24<sup>th</sup> most congested roadway in the state, and this level of heavy congestion is creating unreliable travel times. In a recent public opinion survey, 81% of Central Texans said traffic congestion has had a negative impact on their life, and 87% agree that mobility is the critical factor in our economy and its continued growth. Forecasted population, traffic, and employment growth will result in increased congestion and delays, which impacts emergency response times. As you know, quality of life is degrading for both the traveling public and the adjacent neighborhoods.

Within the regulations of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), the study team is thoroughly analyzing the MoPac corridor south of Cesar Chavez Street and is working to determine the best approach to meet mobility needs. The study will identify a full range of alternatives, and through extensive analysis and community outreach, identify a recommended solution tailored to the corridor and community values. Committed to protect the environment we all share; we balance the need for new infrastructure with environmental sensitivity.

I've read over your priority issues, most specifically the intersection analysis and recommendations at 2244 and MoPac, and the merge lanes related to the MoPac North Express Lane. Thank you for taking the time to prepare and send. My staff will be responding in the next week or so.

We're proud to be a local agency that has been tasked to help resolve the mobility issues in Central Texas. We look forward to continuing discussions with all of our key stakeholders throughout the environmental study process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ray Wilkerson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Ray Wilkerson  
Chairman

cc: Mr. Mike Heiligenstein, Executive Director, Central Texas RMA  
Mr. David B. Armbrust, Board Member, Central Texas RMA  
Mr. Al Alonzi, Federal Highway Administration  
Mr. Terry G. McCoy, P.E., Texas Department of Transportation  
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