

Senate Committee on Transportation & Homeland Security

ESC REGION 16, PANHANDLE CONFERENCE CENTER ROOM ABCD 5800 BELL STREET AMARILLO, TEXAS JUNE 8, 2010, 10:00 AM

Convene

- Call to order
- Roll call
- Opening remarks
 - The Hon. Kel Seliger, SD 31
- Invited Testimony

Charge 3: Recommend improvements to homeland security, including the state's infrastructure and housing recovery operations. Make recommendations for incorporating best practices and addressing any gaps in existing procedures, and disaster preparation and response, including volunteer involvement, evacuation and sheltering and trauma care, and communications interoperability.

- a. State Infrastructure and Housing Recovery Operations
 - Bill Perez, Director, Information Security Division and Chief Information Security Officer, Texas Dept. of Information Resources
 - ii. Kevin Hamby, Senior Counsel, Texas Dept. of Housing and Community Affairs

b. **Best Practices and Existing Procedural Gaps**

- i. The Hon. Vernon H. Cook , County Judge, Roberts County
- ii. Deputy Colonel Lamar Beckworth, Deputy Director, Law Enforcement Division, Texas Dept. of Public Safety
- iii. Adolfo Valadez, MD, MPH, Asst. Commissioner for Prevention and Preparedness Services, Texas Dept. of State Health Services
- iv. Walt Kelley, Emergency Administration Manager, City of Amarillo
- v. Kari Tatro, Executive Director, Baptist Child and Family Services
- vi. Dan Stultz, MD, President and CEO, Texas Hospital Association
- vii. Wendi McNabb, RN, Trauma and Burn Program Director, UMC Health System
- viii. Douglas Havron, RN, BSN, MS, CEM, Disaster Preparedness Division Chair for Texas EMS Trauma & Acute Care Foundation, and Administrative Director for Hospital Preparedness for Southeast Texas Regional Advisory Council

Charge 7: Study and make recommendations to expedite the environmental review process for transportation projects.

- a. The Hon. Valerie Covey, Williamson County Commissioner, Precinct 3
- b. John Barton, Assistant Executive Director for Engineering Operations, Texas Dept. of Transportation
- c. Elizabeth Mow, P.E., Director of Project Delivery, North Texas Tollway Authority
- d. Leroy D. Alloway, Director, Community Development, Alamo Regional Mobility Authority
- e. Ken Kramer, Director, Lone Star Chapter, Sierra Club
- f. Richard Ridings, Vice President, HNTB Corporation
- g. Debra A. Griffin, Associate Director, Compliance Assurance and Enforcement Division, United States Environmental Protection Agency

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Charge 9: Review the 100 most congested roadway segments and determine if alternative congestion relief modes have been identified to relieve segments in areas where the addition of lanes is not possible. For example, review whether TxDOT and MPOs consider instituting park and rides and encouraging employee flex times to relieve congested roadway segments.

- a. John Barton, Assistant Executive Director for Engineering Operations, Texas Dept. of Transportation
- b. Katie Turnbull, PhD, Executive Associate Agency Director, System Planning, Policy and Environment Research Group (HDV), Texas Transportation Institute
- c. Vince Obregon, Associate Vice President for Capital Program Implementation, Houston METRO

Charge 13: Monitor the implementation of legislation addressed by the Senate Committee on Transportation and Homeland Security, 81st Legislature, Regular and Called Sessions, and make recommendations for any legislation needed to improve, enhance, and/or complete implementation. Monitor the implementation of gang-related legislation passed during the 81st Legislature and its impact on drug cartel-related transnational gangs and crime in Texas.

- a. Deputy Colonel Lamar Beckworth, Deputy Director, Law Enforcement Division, Texas Dept. of Public Safety
- Public Testimony: *Please limit remarks to 3 minutes or less and please give any handouts to committee staff.*
- Recess