Region to Region Connectivity Study

Texas Department of Transportation

Why a Region to Region Connectivity Study?

Enhance multimodal connectivity within and between border regions to make travel safer and more efficient for people and goods, promote economic development and binational trade, and improve resiliency and redundancy for border regions in Texas and Mexico.

How is this related to the Border Transportation Master Plan?

The **Region to Region Connectivity Study** is advancing the recommendation of the 2021 Border Transportation Master Plan (BTMP) **by identifying a Regional Border Connectivity Network, evaluating existing and future needs along these routes, and developing strategies and recommendations.** This study will be informed by a Binational Regional Steering Committee, TxDOT Border Districts, and the public.

What is the Study Area?

UNITED STATES

TEXAS

EL PASO/SANTA TERESA/ CHIHUAHUA REGION

AUSTIN

LAREDO/COAHUILA/NUEVO LEÓN/TAMAULIPAS REGION

RIO GRANDE VALLEY/ TAMAULIPAS REGION

CHIHUAHUA

CHIHUAHUA

COAHUILA

MONTERREY

SALTILLO

NUEVO LEÓN

CIUDAD VICTORIA

MEXICO

TAMAULIPAS

The study area will include three Texas-Mexico border regions. It will evaluate connectivity between the regions and to major inland destinations in Texas and Mexico.

What will the Region to Region Connectivity Study Include?

Conducting the border connectivity study will require a combination of analytical and technical analysis and stakeholder out-reach.

Key analytical steps include:

- Data collection and material review
- Designing the core connectivity network
- Assessing current and future border connectivity needs and comparing to planned projects
- Developing recommendations for unmet needs

✓ COLLECT DATA, REVIEW MATERIALS, IDENTIFY NETWORK CRITERIA → ✓ DEVELOP AND VET BORDER CONNECTIVITY NETWORK ← ✓ STUDY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

STAKEHOLDER INPUT ↔ BORDER CONNECTIVITY NETWORK, NEEDS, TRENDS, AND STRATEGIES ↔ TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

DOCUMENTATION

DRAFT FINAL REPORT → FINAL REPORT → FACT SHEETS, EXECUTIVE SUMMARY