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Public Encouraged to Provide Comments on the JOHRTS “Draft” Public Participation Plan

“SETRPC to Host a Public Meeting on Wednesday, October 25th”

(Beaumont) --- The South East Texas Regional Planning Commission (SETRPC) will host a public meeting on **Wednesday, October 25, 2017**, providing citizens in Jefferson, Orange and Hardin Counties the opportunity to learn about and comment on the **JOHRTS “Draft” Public Participation Plan**. “This is an opportunity for the public to be directly involved in the process and have their voices heard as we make recommendations to the public input process to ensure that all citizens of the JOHRTS region can participate and comment on activities performed by this agency. Public input is an essential part of all activities undertaken by our agency and we want to make sure the needs of our region are properly addressed,” says Bob Dickinson, Director of Transportation and Environmental Resources for SETRPC.

The 45-day public comment period is being held October 10 through November 23, 2017. The public is encouraged to attend the meeting or provide written comments by 5:00 PM, November 23, 2017. The public meeting will be held in **Beaumont** at the following location:

Wednesday, October 25, 2017 - 2:00 PM
Transportation Conference Room
South East Texas Regional Planning Commission
2210 Eastex Freeway, Beaumont, Texas

This meeting is designed to solicit the public’s ideas and input on public participation issues for the agency. The public is strongly encouraged to be an active part of this process by attending the meeting. For more information or for special needs requests (48 hours), please contact **Bob Dickinson** at (409) 899-8444 extension 7520 or bdickinson@setrpc.org.

SETRPC is designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Jefferson-Orange-Hardin Regional Transportation Study (JOHRTS) area. SETRPC, in conjunction with the Texas Department of Transportation, local governments and other interested parties, facilitates the regional multi-modal transportation planning process.