



Federal Functional Classification System Change Request Process Training

TxDOT Districts & MPOs



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Key Acronyms to Know!

Acronym	Definition	Acronym	Definition
AADT	Annual Average Daily Traffic	PE	Preliminary Engineering
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations	POC	Point of Contact
CSJ	Control-Section-Job	STIP	Statewide Transportation Improvement Program
FAQ	Frequently Asked Questions	STRAHNET	Strategic Highway Network
FC	Functional Classification	SOP	Standard Operating Procedure
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency	TIP	Transportation Improvement Program
FFCS	Federal Functional Classification System	TP&D	Transportation Planning and Development
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration	TPP	Transportation Planning and Programming
MPO	Metropolitan Planning Organization	TXDOT	Texas Department of Transportation
MTP	Metropolitan Transportation Plan	UTP	Unified Transportation Program
NHS	National Highway System	SPM	Statewide Planning Map

FHWA Remarks



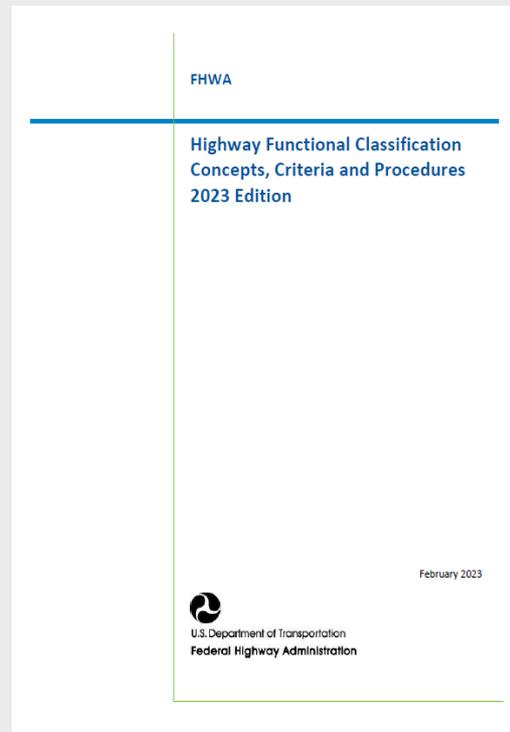
Functional Classification – Federal Resources

FHWA Guidance

- [Highway Functional Classification Concepts, Criteria, and Procedures \(2023 Edition\)](#)

Federal Regulations

- [23 CFR § 470.103 \(Definitions\)](#)
- [23 CFR § 470.105 \(Urban area boundaries and highway functional classification\)](#)
- [23 CFR § 470.107 \(Federal-aid highway systems\)](#)

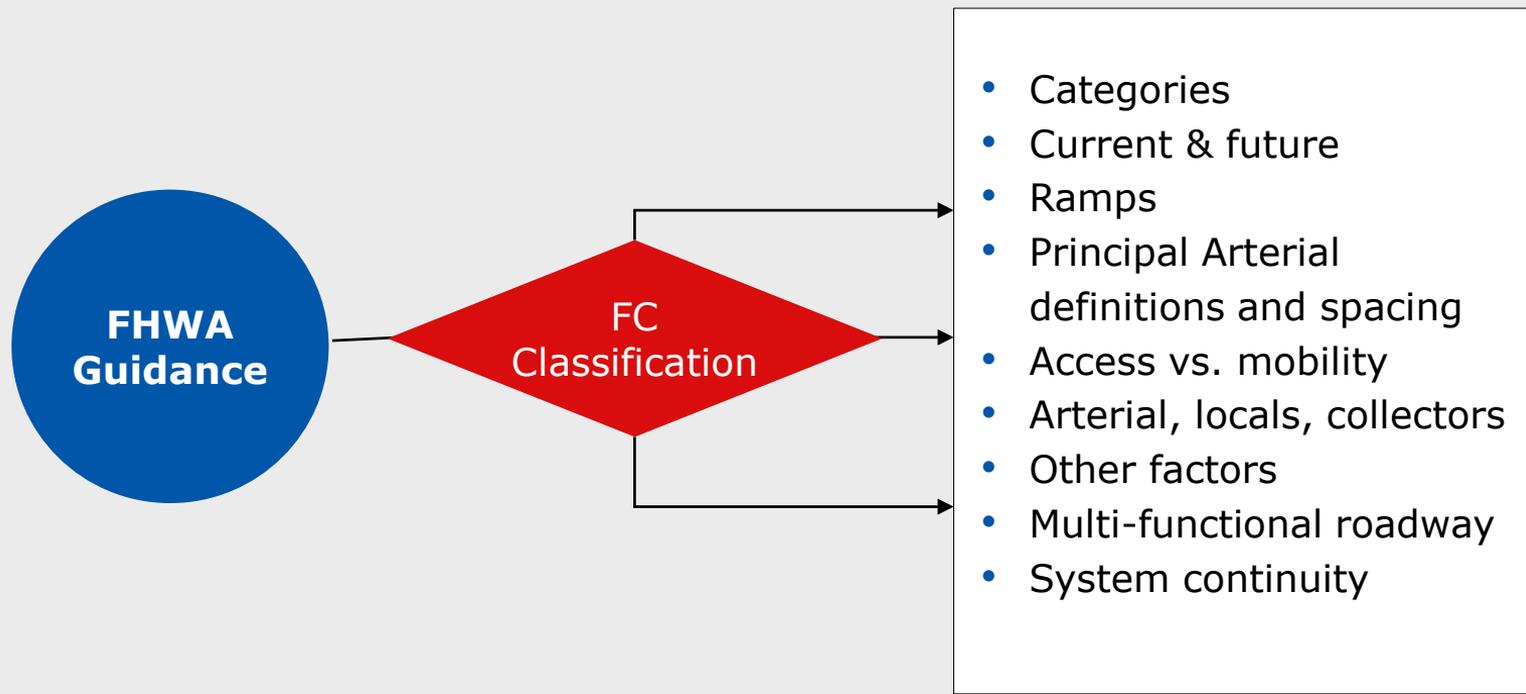


FHWA Guidance

Working with FHWA guidance and your colleagues at TPP will ensure that your requests are properly submitted and timely processed.

- **Addressed in FHWA Guidance**
 - Underlying concepts
 - FC definitions and criteria
 - Processes and procedures for how and when to classify and reclassify roadways
 - How changing urban boundaries relate to FC changes
 - Selected FC change submission requirements
- **Not Addressed in FHWA Guidance**
 - Cover letter format & terminology
 - Specific request packet contents

Underlying Concepts of FHWA Guidance

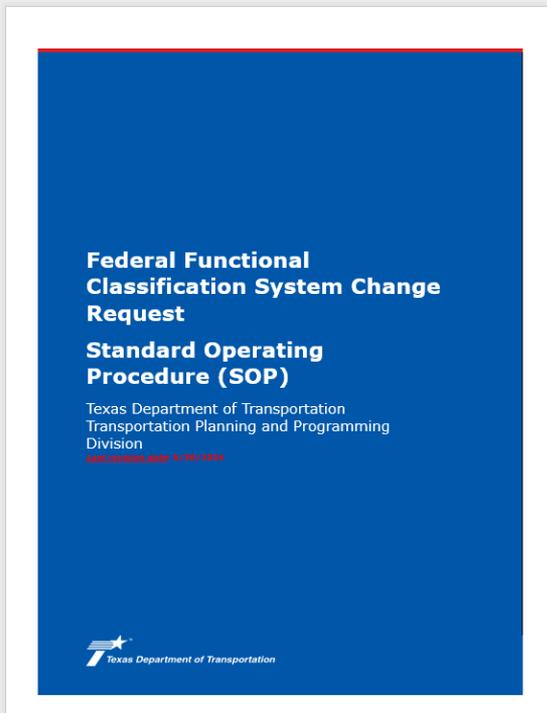


Functional Classification – TxDOT Resources

- [TPP FC SharePoint](#)
- [TxDOT.gov FC Change Requests Page](#)
- [Statewide Planning Map](#)
- [TPP Map Request](#)
- [TxDOT FC Change Request Tracker Dashboard](#)
- [TPP Functional Classification Training Presentation](#)
- [Standard Operating Procedure](#)
- [FC Checklist \(Form 2373\)](#)
- [Form 2373 Additional Segments Attachment](#)
- [FAQ](#)

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Functional Classification Change Request 

Checklist (Form 2373)

Introduction:
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A copy of this Checklist, signed by the Transportation Planning and Development Director (TP&D) for each TxDOT District, must be included with your FC change request package. A signature line (DocuSign) is included at the end of Section 3.

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 FC changes may occur in one or more of the following scenarios. Please select all that apply to your request.

<input type="checkbox"/> New roadway(s) built or extended	<input type="checkbox"/> Traffic patterns or volumes change
<input type="checkbox"/> Existing roadway(s) realigned or reconstructed	<input type="checkbox"/> Land use patterns change

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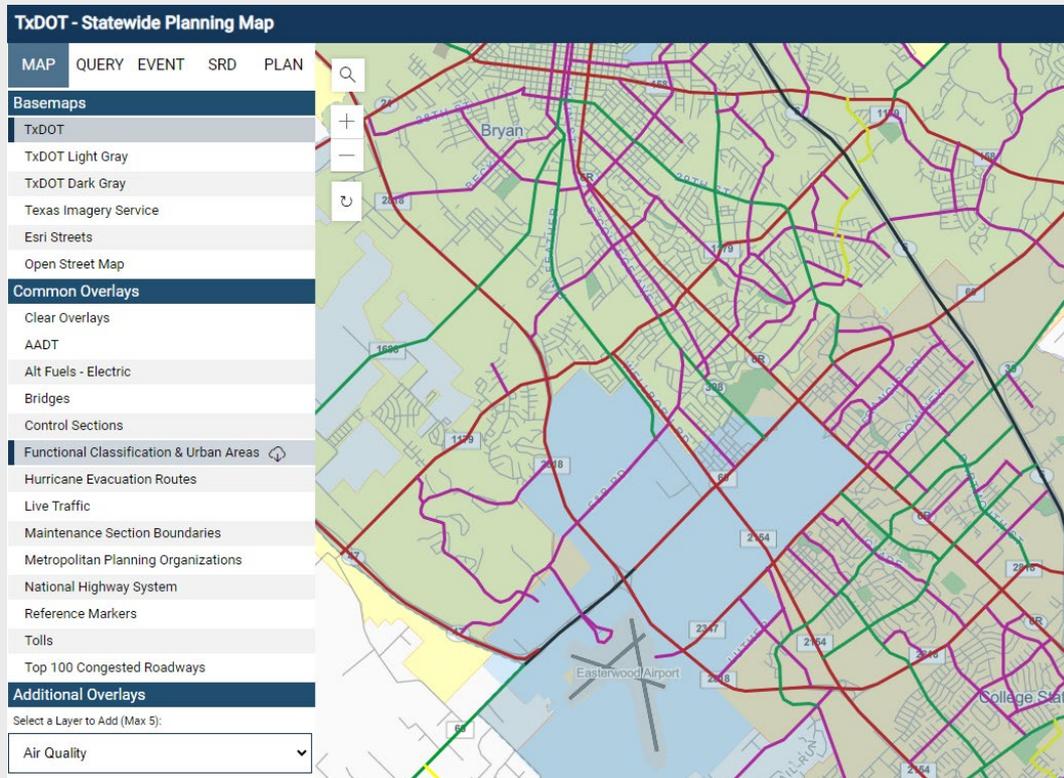
FC change *within* MPO boundary
 FC change *outside* MPO boundary

Form 2373 Rev. 5/28/2024

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[Statewide
Planning
Map](#)



The screenshot displays the TxDOT Statewide Planning Map interface. The title bar reads "TxDOT - Statewide Planning Map". Below the title bar is a navigation menu with tabs for "MAP", "QUERY", "EVENT", "SRD", and "PLAN". The "MAP" tab is selected. On the left side, there is a vertical menu with several sections:

- Basemaps**: Includes TxDOT, TxDOT Light Gray, TxDOT Dark Gray, Texas Imagery Service, Esri Streets, and Open Street Map.
- Common Overlays**: Includes Clear Overlays, AADT, Alt Fuels - Electric, Bridges, Control Sections, Functional Classification & Urban Areas (with a dropdown arrow), Hurricane Evacuation Routes, Live Traffic, Maintenance Section Boundaries, Metropolitan Planning Organizations, National Highway System, Reference Markers, Tolls, and Top 100 Congested Roadways.
- Additional Overlays**: Includes a dropdown menu labeled "Select a Layer to Add (Max 5):" with "Air Quality" selected.

The main map area shows a detailed view of a city street network, likely Bryan, Texas, with various colored lines representing different road types and overlays. The map includes labels for "Bryan", "Easterwood Airport", and "College Station". The map interface also features a search bar, zoom in (+) and zoom out (-) buttons, and a refresh button.

Standard Operating Procedure

Background

What is Functional Classification?

When do FC changes occur?

What should I do before requesting a FC change?

When is the right time to request a FC change?

How do I submit a FC change request?

Standard Operating Procedure

Background

- The SOP applies to all FC changes on all public roadways, including:
 - The TxDOT-maintained highway network
 - Locally-maintained roadways
- Federal law places primary responsibility for designating and updating FC with State DOTs.
 - TxDOT's responsibility is to clearly define the role each element of the roadway network plays in serving various travel needs within the Federal FC System.

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What is Functional Classification?

The hierarchy divides roads into Arterials, Collectors, and Locals based on whether their primary travel function is:

- Access;
- Mobility; or
- Both access and mobility

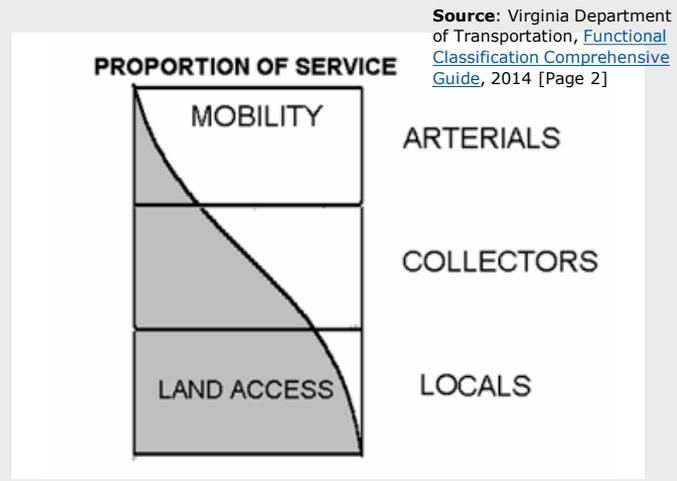


Table 2-1: Relationship between Functional Classification and Travel Characteristics

Functional Classification	Distance Served (and Length of Route)	Access Points	Speed Limit	Distance between Routes	Usage (AADT and DVMT)	Significance	Number of Travel Lanes
Arterial	Longest	Few	Highest	Longest	Highest	Statewide	More
Collector	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Local	Shortest	Many	Lowest	Shortest	Lowest	Local	Fewer

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What is Functional Classification (cont.)?

- Defines the role of a road
- Used as an indicator of roadway design
- Avoid using FC to seek federal funding!!!

	Range (percent)	
Urban Functional Systems	VMT	Miles
Principal arterial system	40-60	5-10
Principal arterial <u>plus</u> minor arterial road system	65-80	15-25
Collector road system	5-10	5-10
Local Road System	10-30	65-80

Source: California Department of Transportation, [Introduction to Functional Classification](#), 2022 [Slide 9],], based on Table 3-6 of Federal [Highway Functional Classification Concepts, Criteria, and Procedures \(2023 Edition\)](#),), 2023 [Page 24, below]

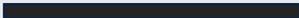
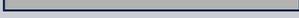
Table 3-6: VMT and Mileage Guidelines by Functional Classifications – Collectors and Locals

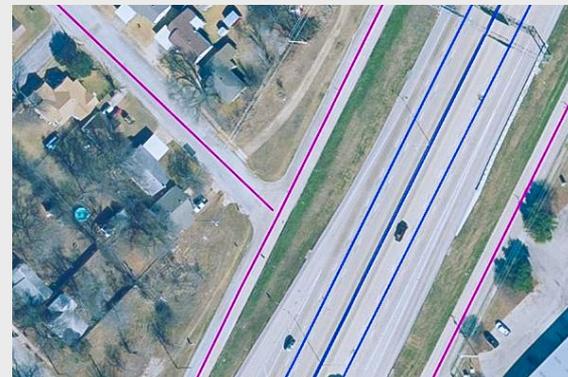
Collectors:	Major Collector ²	Minor Collector ²	Local
Typical Characteristics			
Lane Width	10 feet - 12 feet	10 - 11 feet	8 feet - 10 feet
Inside Shoulder Width	0 feet	0 feet	0 feet
Outside Shoulder Width	1 foot - 6 feet	1 foot - 4 feet	0 feet - 2 feet
AADT ¹ (Rural)	300 - 2,600	150 - 1,110	15 - 400
AADT ¹ (Urban)	1,100 - 6,300 ²	1,100 - 6,300 ²	80 - 700
Divided/Undivided	Undivided	Undivided	Undivided
Access	Uncontrolled	Uncontrolled	Uncontrolled
Mileage/VMT Extent (Percentage Ranges)¹			
Rural System			
Mileage Extent for Rural States ³	8% - 19%	3% - 15%	62% - 74%
Mileage Extent for Urban States	10% - 17%	5% - 13%	66% - 74%
Mileage Extent for All States	9% - 19%	4% - 15%	64% - 75%
VMT Extent for Rural States ³	10% - 23%	1% - 8%	8% - 23%
VMT Extent for Urban States	12% - 24%	3% - 10%	7% - 20%
VMT Extent for All States	12% - 23%	2% - 9%	8% - 23%
Urban System			
Mileage Extent for Rural States ³	3% - 16%	3% - 16% ²	62% - 74%
Mileage Extent for Urban States	7% - 13%	7% - 13% ²	67% - 76%
Mileage Extent for All States	7% - 15%	7% - 15% ²	63% - 75%
VMT Extent for Rural States ³	2% - 13%	2% - 12% ²	9% - 25%
VMT Extent for Urban States	7% - 13%	7% - 13% ²	6% - 24%
VMT Extent for All States	5% - 13%	5% - 13% ²	6% - 25%

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What is Functional Classification?

- Divided into 7 categories based on hierarchy:

Functional Classification	Hierarchy of Roadways	Statewide Planning Map Color
1	Interstate	
2	Principal Arterial – Other Freeways and Expressways (OFE)	
3	Principal Arterial – Other	
4	Minor Arterial	
5	Major Collector	
6	Minor Collector	
7	Local	



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When do FC changes occur?

- When new roads are built or extended.
- When existing roads are realigned or reconstructed.
- When traffic patterns or volumes change.
- When land use patterns change.

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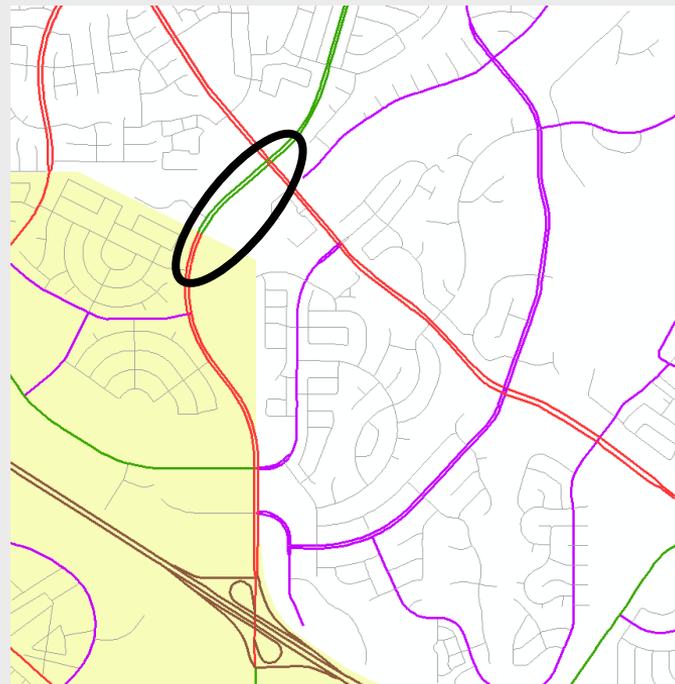
Why are FC changes necessary?

- To reflect new functional uses of roadways and roadway network changes.
- To update the role each element of the roadway network plays in serving various travel needs.
- To ensure that the roadway's design, speed, capacity, and relationship to existing and future land use development accurately reflect the intended use of the roadways.
- To determine eligibility for federal funding to construct and maintain roadways.
- To set or adjust roadway system performance, benchmarks, and targets for preservation, mobility, and safety.

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Consider *System Continuity*

- A higher classified road should not end at a lower classified road.
- Pay attention to the roadway's relationship to intersecting, adjacent, and nearby roadways.
- A roadway's FC should not transition to a different FC unless doing so at an intersection or where it meets another roadway where traffic may enter or exit.
- A roadway may not receive a FC above Local unless traffic volumes can support the need.



Source: California Department of Transportation,
[Introduction to Functional Classification](#), 2022

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When is the right time to request a FC change?

- When there is a change in land use, traffic patterns, or traffic volumes
- When a project first appears in the TIP (at least 4 years before letting)
- When PE is listed or grouped in the STIP (consider the 4-year timeframe)

Back in 15 minutes

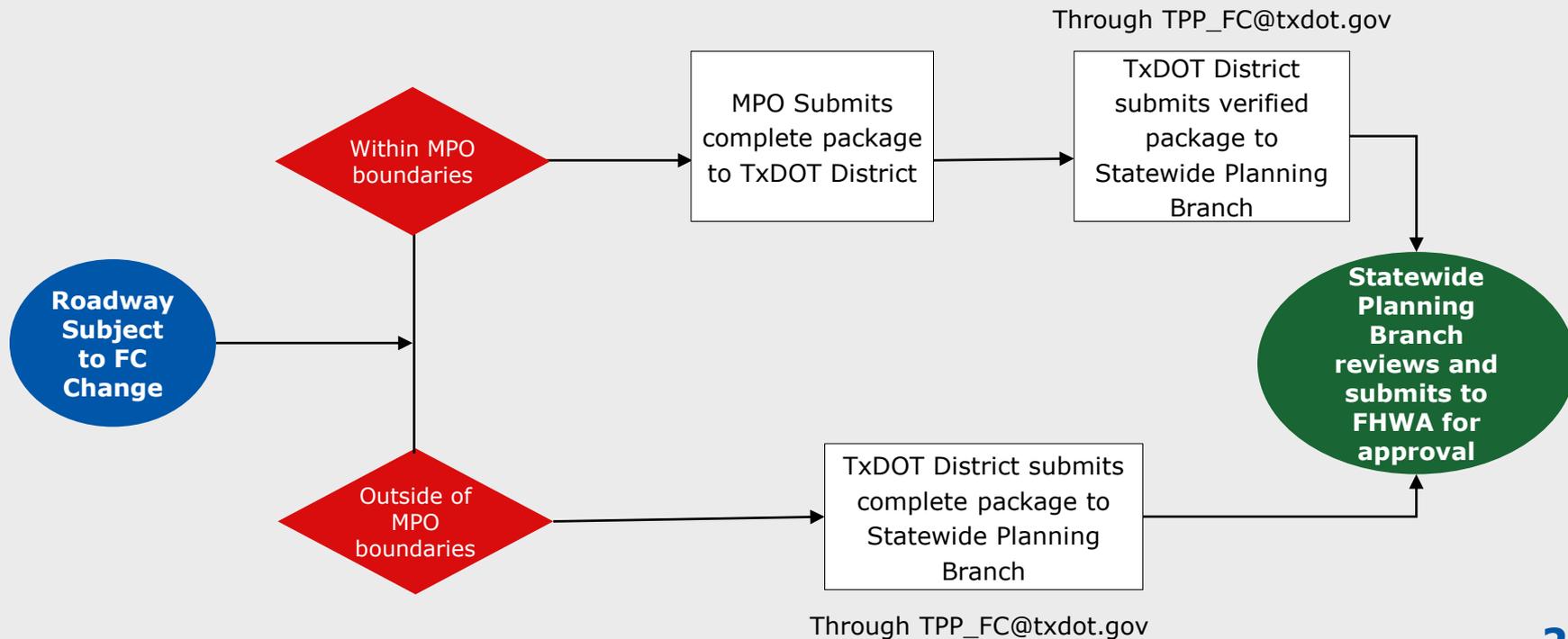


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How do I submit a FC change request?

- Requests must be submitted to TPP and approved by FHWA before a project is let for construction.
- Do not submit changes for the sole purpose of making a roadway eligible for federal funding.
- A roadway that is eligible for FHWA federal highway aid will not be eligible for FEMA federal disaster recovery funds.
- District-led requests must be coordinated with MPOs before routing the requests to TPP.
- MPO-led requests must be reviewed by Districts for concurrence and completeness before routing to TPP.
- Districts are responsible for ensuring that all FC change requests are consistent and accurate before they are submitted to TPP.

Steps to submitting a complete FC change request



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Step 1: MPO or District prepares a complete FC change request package

- A complete FC change request package includes:
 1. FC Change Request Form 2373
 2. Form 2373 Additional Attachment Form (if necessary)
 3. Supporting documentation
 - Official TPP FC Map
 - Draft District or MPO map
 - Letter of support from city or county, or MPO resolution
 - For proposed or upgraded road projects:
 - a) STIP entry
 - b) UTP or TIP / MTP entry
 - c) Estimated open to traffic date
 - d) Estimated let date

TPP FC Map Requests

<https://txdot.sharepoint.com/sites/division-tpp/DM-Admin/Lists/Data%20Request/AllItems.aspx>

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Form 2373: FC Change Request Checklist

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Clear Form

Functional Classification Change Request - Checklist (Form 2373)

Section 3: FC Change Request Package Items and Requirements

For FC changes **within** MPO boundaries, the MPO submits the FC change request package to the corresponding TxDOT District. The FC change request package **must** include the items listed below as applicable upon submittal. The corresponding TxDOT District then submits the complete package to TPP_FC@txdot.gov.

For FC Changes **outside** MPO boundaries, TxDOT District staff submits an FC change request package to the TPP Division. The FC change request package **must** include the items listed below as applicable upon submittal to TPP_FC@txdot.gov.

Select items included in your FC change request package.

- A list of changes (see **Table 1** for a template of the required information)
- Rationale for each FC change (as indicated in the **Table 1** template)
- Draft District or MPO map(s) clearly depicting proposed change(s)
- Urban boundary
- Current development (aerial photo, [Google Street View](#))
- Land use
- Major traffic generator(s)
- Roadway(s) for which a FC change is being requested and most current AADT
- Existing roadways with associated FC hierarchy and most current AADT
- Official TPP FC Map (to request map, click [here](#))

Letter of support from city or county or MPO resolution (other backup documents such as meeting minutes or agendas can be included)

FC change request email to TPP_FC@txdot.gov

In addition to the items listed above, the following information are **required** for FC changes on proposed or upgraded roads: **Select items included in your FC change request package, along with supporting documentation.**

- | | | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Outside MPO boundary: | Latest approved STIP entry | Within MPO boundary: | <input type="checkbox"/> Latest approved STIP entry |
| | UTP entry | | <input type="checkbox"/> TIP (MTP or UTP) entry |
| | Estimated open to traffic date | | <input type="checkbox"/> Estimated open to traffic date |
| | Estimated let date | | <input type="checkbox"/> Estimated let date |

Is the FC change associated to a project already included in the STIP / TIP or UTP? Yes No

If you answered **yes** to the previous question, enter the corresponding CSI(s) on the following line. You may include this information as an attachment if more space is needed.

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List FC changes following the Table 1 template, to be included in the Change Request email to TPP_FC@txdot.gov.

Table 1: List of FC changes included in request package (example template)

Map ID	Roadway	From	To
	Existing FC	Proposed FC	Length (mi)
Choose an item		Choose an item	
Project Information (if applicable): 350 character limit			
Rationale for FC change:	Choose an item		
Detailed justification and context for the FC change requested: 350 character limit		<i>(Example: FH 1171 will improve east-west mobility and connectivity in southwest Denton County, while also providing access to the Texas Motor Speedways.)</i>	

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If there are more roadway segments associated with this FC change request, please click the link for additional table(s) as an attachment.

Note: Examples on how to fill out this table are included in the SOP, included in the [TPP FC SharePoint](#) page.

I have reviewed this FC change request package and concur with the recommendation(s). All required documents are included.

District TP&D Approval
[DocuSigned by:]

Date

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Form 2373: FC Change Request Checklist

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Choose an item 1 - Interstate 2 - Principal Arterial-OFE 3 - Principal Arterial-Other 4 - Minor Arterial 5 - Major Collector 6 - Minor Collector 7 - Local None 	Choose an item	
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	Detailed justification and context for the FC change requested: 350 character limit	Choose an item	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve Access Improve Mobility Improve Access and Mobility

I have reviewed this FC change request package and concur with the recommendation(s). All required documents are included.

District TP&D Approval
[DocuSigned by:]

Date

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Form 2373: Additional Roadway Segment(s) Attachment

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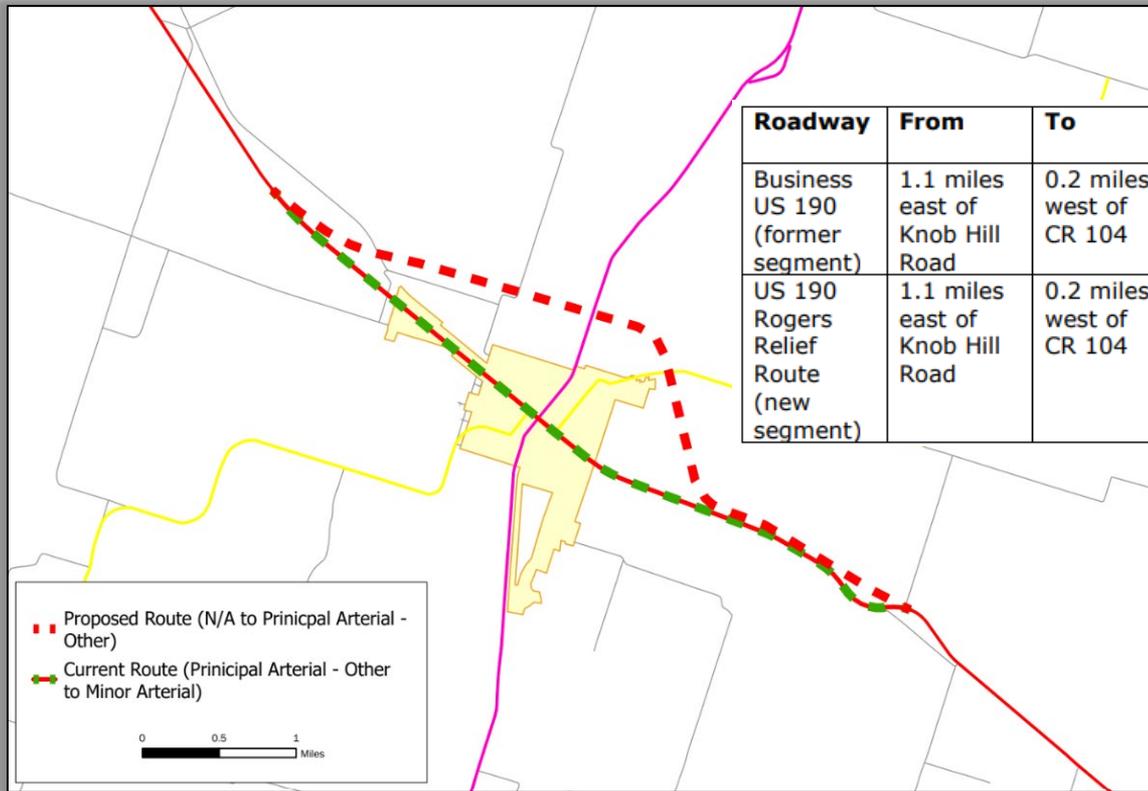
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	Detailed justification and context for the FC change requested: 350 character limit		

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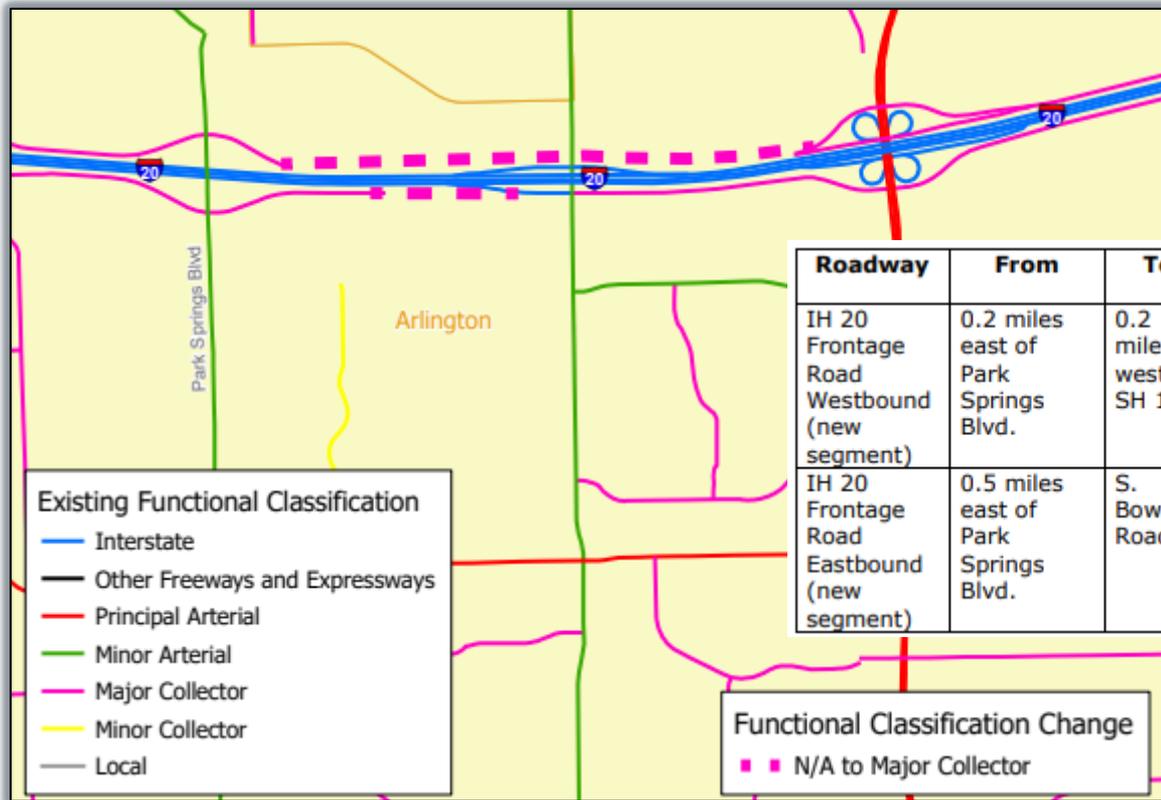


New vs. Existing Roadways



Roadway	From	To	Length (mi)	Rationale	Current FC	Requested FC
Business US 190 (former segment)	1.1 miles east of Knob Hill Road	0.2 miles west of CR 104	4.9	Provided access and mobility	Principal Arterial-Other	Minor Arterial
US 190 Rogers Relief Route (new segment)	1.1 miles east of Knob Hill Road	0.2 miles west of CR 104	5.5	Improves mobility	NA	Proposed Principal Arterial - Other

Segments of Differing Lengths

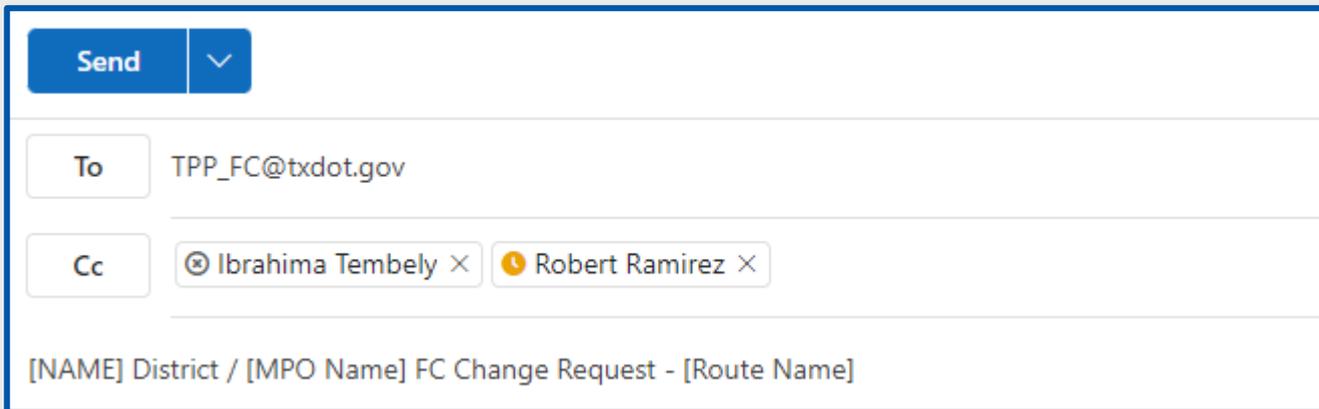


Roadway	From	To	Length (mi)	Rationale	Current FC	Requested FC
IH 20 Frontage Road Westbound (new segment)	0.2 miles east of Park Springs Blvd.	0.2 miles west of SH 157	1.4	Improves access and mobility	NA	Proposed Major Collector
IH 20 Frontage Road Eastbound (new segment)	0.5 miles east of Park Springs Blvd.	S. Bowen Road	0.5	Improves access and mobility	NA	Proposed Major Collector

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Step 2: District emails the FC Change Request package to TPP

- TPP_FC@txdot.gov
 - Subject line:
 - [Name] District / [MPO Name] FC Change Request – [Route Name]



The screenshot shows an email composition interface. At the top left is a blue "Send" button with a dropdown arrow. Below it, the "To" field contains "TPP_FC@txdot.gov". The "Cc" field contains two recipients: "Ibrahima Tembely" and "Robert Ramirez", each with a close button. The subject line at the bottom is "[NAME] District / [MPO Name] FC Change Request - [Route Name]".

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Step 3: TPP reviews and contacts the District

- TPP will notify the corresponding TxDOT District that either:
 - Additional documentation or clarification is needed; or
 - All required documentation has been provided, TPP Division concurs with the requested FC, and the request will be forwarded to FHWA.

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Step 4: TPP presents the proposed changes to FHWA for approval

Federal Functional Classification System
Change Request
Road Name
TxDOT XYZ District



125 E 11th St | Austin, Texas 78701
 512.463.8588
 txdot.gov

September 8, 2024

Mr. Al Alonzi
 Division Administrator
 Federal Highway Administration
 Texas Division
 300 East 6th Street, Suite 826
 Austin, TX 78701

Attention: Krystal Lastrape

Dear Mr. Al Alonzi:

For your review and approval is the following Functional Classification (FC) request for [Route in County, MPO], located in the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) [XYZ District].

Roadway	From	To	Length (mi)	Rationale	Current FC	Requested FC
Route Name	From limit route	To limit route	Length in miles	Reason for change	Old Classification	New Classification

This request proposes to functionally classify the segment of [Route from Route to Route] as [Functional Classification (capitalize)]. [Route is a new location facility].

[Include any information that will make the packet self-explanatory, eliminating the need for additional explanations in emails. As per FHWA instructions on January 17, 2024, please delete this line if there is no special note indicated.]

Attached is the FC submittal for the roadway listed in the table above. This submission includes a map of the recommended FC and documentation from [the XYZ MPO, XYZ County, XYZ City] and TxDOT's [District] supporting these changes.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Giacomo Yaquinto, Statewide Planning Branch Manager, at (737) 308-9411.

Sincerely,

Humberto Gonzalez, Jr., P.E., M.B.A.
 Director, Transportation Planning and Programming Division



125 E 11th St | Austin, Texas 78701
 512.463.8588
 txdot.gov

Attachments

cc: [NAME, DISTRICT], Transportation Planning and Development Director, TxDOT
 Casey Wells, Transportation Planning and Programming Division, Systems Planning Section Director, TxDOT
 Giacomo Yaquinto, Transportation Planning and Programming Division, Manager, TxDOT
 Ibrahim Tembelly, Transportation Planning and Programming Division, Planner, TxDOT
 Robert Ramirez, Transportation Planning and Programming Division, Planner, TxDOT

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Step 4: TPP presents the proposed changes to FHWA for approval

- TPP Statewide Planning Branch
 - Forwards the FHWA approval to the District / MPO and TPP's Data Management Section
 - Updates the FC tracking log
- TPP's Data Management Section
 - Updates the Statewide Planning Map
- TxDOT District
 - Updates TxDOTCONNECT

Demonstration: Comprehensive FC Change Request Package

Federal Functional Classification System

Change Request

Road Name

TxDOT XYZ District



U.S. Department of Transportation
Federal Highway Administration

Texas Division
July 14, 2023

300 E. 8th Street, Rm 826
Austin TX 78701
512-536-5900
512-536-5990
Texas.fhwa@dot.gov

In Reply Refer To:
HDA-TX

Mr. Humberto "Tito" Gonzales Jr.
Director, Transportation Planning and
Programming Division
Texas Department of Transportation
125 East 11th Street,
Austin, TX 78701-2483

Attn: Robert Ramirez

Dear Mr. Gonzales:

Thank you for your letter requesting classification of the Russel Road. We noted that Russel Road and the future Russel Road are in Hidalgo County and are part of the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) **District**, and **MPO Name**. Please find a summary of the requested reclassification along with FHWA's determination below.

Facility	From	To	Miles	Current Functional Classification	Requested Functional Classification	FHWA Determination
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If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Genevieve Bales at Genevieve.Bales@dot.gov or 512-536-5941.

Sincerely yours,



Michael T. Leary,
Planning and Programming Director



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September 8, 2024

Mr. Al Alonzi
Division Administrator
Federal Highway Administration
Texas Division
300 East 8th Street, Suite 826
Austin, TX 78701

Attention: Krystal Lastrape

Dear Mr. Al Alonzi:

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Humberto Gonzalez, Jr., P.E., M.B.A.
Director, Transportation Planning and Programming Division

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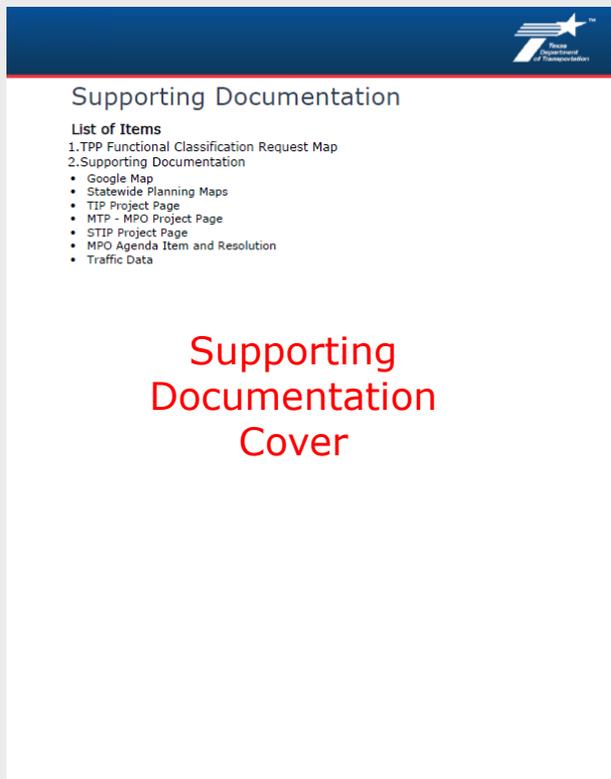
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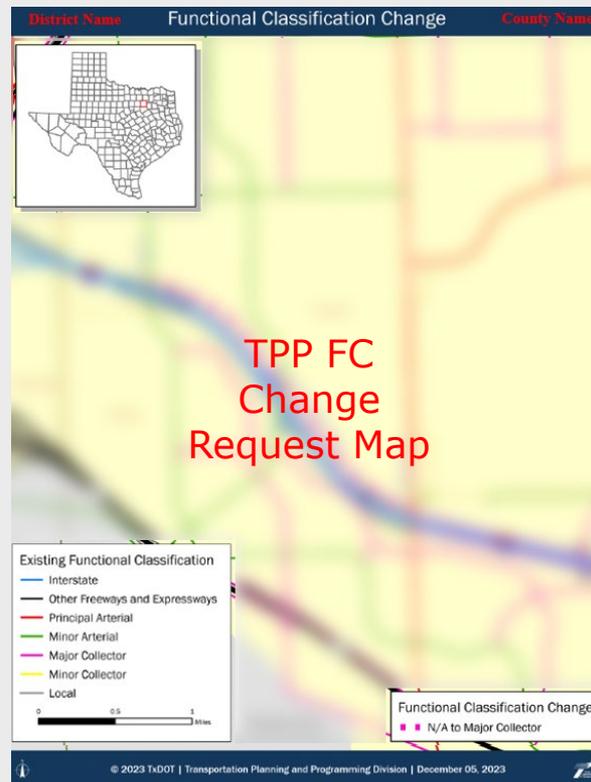


Supporting Documentation

List of Items

1. TPP Functional Classification Request Map
2. Supporting Documentation
 - Google Map
 - Statewide Planning Maps
 - TIP Project Page
 - MTP - MPO Project Page
 - STIP Project Page
 - MPO Agenda Item and Resolution
 - Traffic Data

Supporting Documentation Cover



TPP FC Change Request Map

District Name Functional Classification Change County Name

Existing Functional Classification

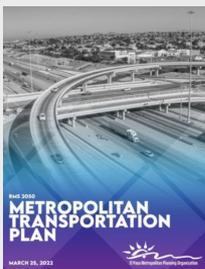
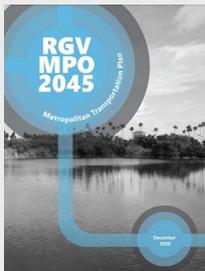
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- Other Freeways and Expressways
- Principal Arterial
- Minor Arterial
- Major Collector
- Minor Collector
- Local

Functional Classification Change

- N/A to Major Collector

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Regionally Significant Arterials Improvements Summary

June 6, 2023

N/A	Agency	County	Facility	From	To	2023 Lanes	2026 Lanes	2036 Lanes	2045 Lanes	Total Project Cost*
		County	Road Name	Road Name	Road Name					

MTP Entry

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STIP Portal

Logged in as Mike Chang [Log Out](#)

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Project Management > Area List > STIP (MIRRO GRANDE VALLEY) > Revisions > TP Instances (Unassigned) > Highway Projects (Unassigned) > Project Details

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STP Revision: Phase: Construction Engineering Prelim Engineering
 Diagram: County: Environmental Engineering ROW Purchase
 MPO: Highway: Right-of-Way Construction Cost
 CSJ: TP FY: Acquisition Cost Engineering
 Utilities Contingency
 Transfer Indirect Costs
 Bond Financing Potential City Out
 NOX (Lbs v. D): Total Project Cost
 VOC (Lbs v. D): YOE Cost
 PM10 (Lbs v. D): TSI
 PM2.5 (Lbs v. D): TCM
 CO (Lbs v. D):

Revision Date:
 Project Sponsor:
 MPO Proj Number:
 MTP Reference:
 City:
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 Limits To:
 Project Description:
 PT Remarks:
 Project History:

Category	Federal	State	Regional	Local Match	Local Contributions	Total
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TP History

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LIMITS FROM:
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 *****COUNTY*****
 *****CSJ*****
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STIP Approval

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ELECTRONIC ITEM 2

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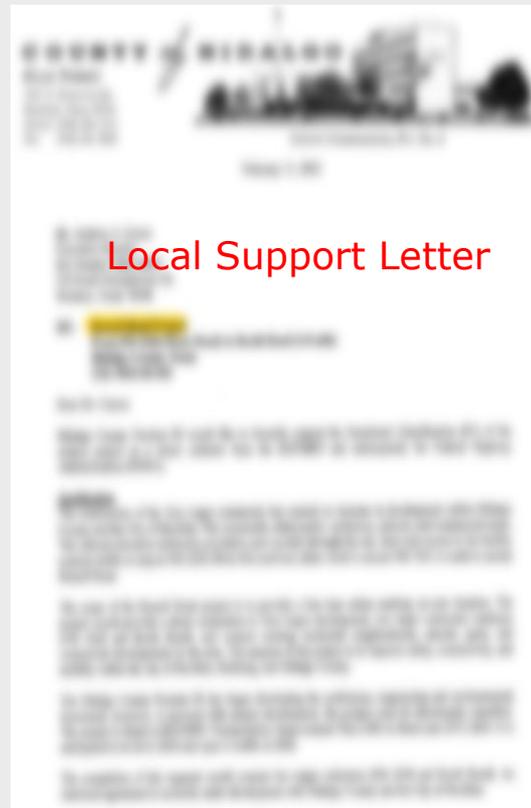
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL
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MPO Meeting
Minutes

RESOLUTION 2022-07

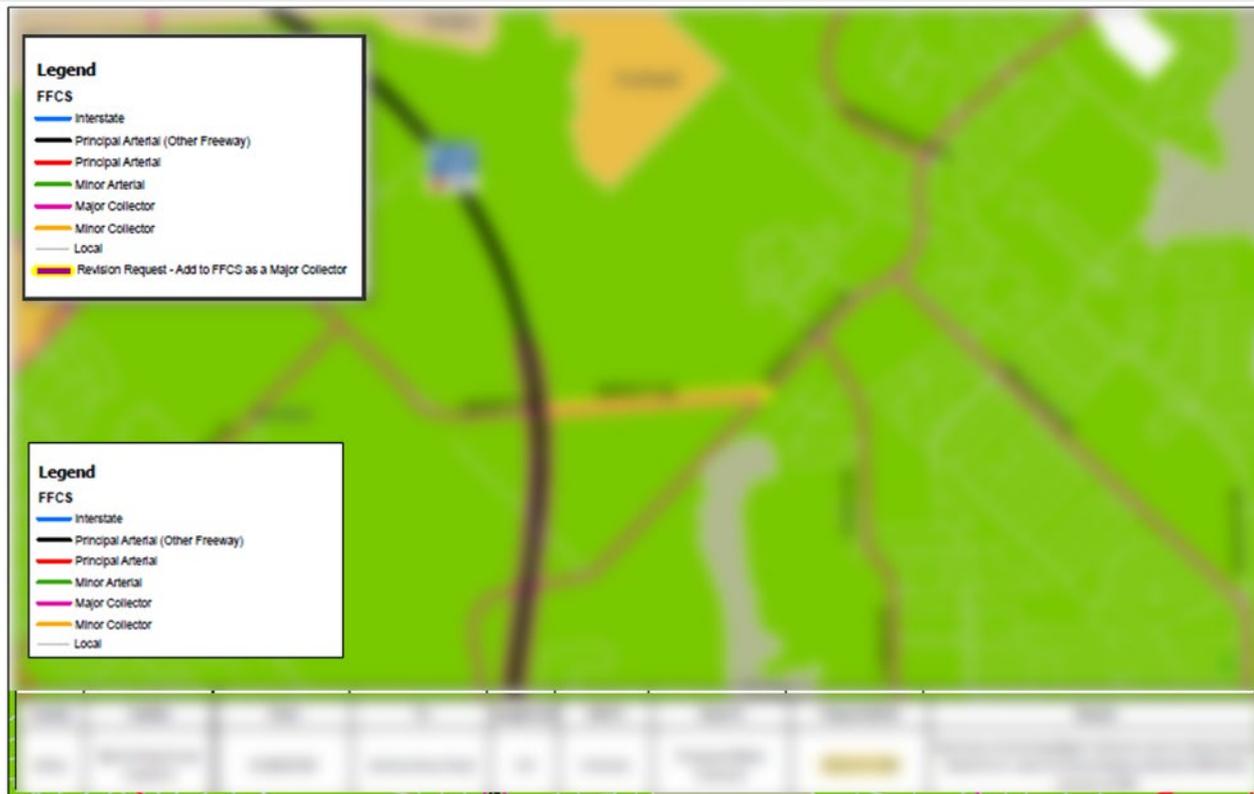
SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION OF

MPO
Support
Letter and
Resolution



Local Support Letter

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District or
County-
produced Map

PLACEHOLDER FOR
COUNTY-PRODUCED
MAP
DOCUMENTATION

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The image displays two side-by-side screenshots of traffic data spreadsheets. The left spreadsheet is titled "Traffic Data" and has columns for "Month" and "Year". The right spreadsheet is a continuation of the data, showing a large number of rows with numerical values. Both spreadsheets appear to be part of a larger data collection.

PLACEHOLDER FOR
TRAFFIC DATA
DOCUMENTATION

Traffic Data

Measuring Roadway Segments

How do I measure roadway segments?

1. Navigate to the TxDOT [Statewide Planning Map](#).
2. Click the “Search” icon and type in the desired project location.
3. Click the “Distance Measurement” tool.
4. Click the starting and ending points of the road segments you want to measure.

Measuring Roadway Segments



Road Designation

- **FC and Road Designation processes are not the same**
 - Each process should be treated differently even though the timing of each can occur in parallel or in sequence.
 - Have the road designation or redesignation in place prior to requesting a FC change
- **FC updates may be made between Census years**
 - FC updates can be made any time that there is a change in traffic or land use that warrants a change in FC

Control Section Numbers

- **Control Sections**

- Provide a convenient and reliable linear referencing method for locating features along a roadway.
- Generally, do not move or change, regardless of changes to the route name or number.

- **Control Section Numbers**

- A control section number consists of six digits (e.g., 0115-02).
- The first four digits are the control number and can range from 0001-9999.
- The last two digits are the section number and can range from 01-99.
- Control-Section-Job (CSJ) numbers are associated with projects.

- **Control Section Maps**

- Updated annually, typically mid-summer, following the publication of end-of-year data from the previous calendar year.
- Do not use old CSJs for new requests.

NHS and STRAHNET Modifications and FC Change Requests

FC changes may affect a segment of the National Highway System (NHS) or Strategic Highway Network (STRAHNET). While similar, FC, NHS, and STRAHNET designations differ in three fundamental ways:

1. FC is applied to all public roads.
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3. STRAHNET assets may be located on roadways of any FC.



NHS and STRAHNET Modifications and FC Change Requests



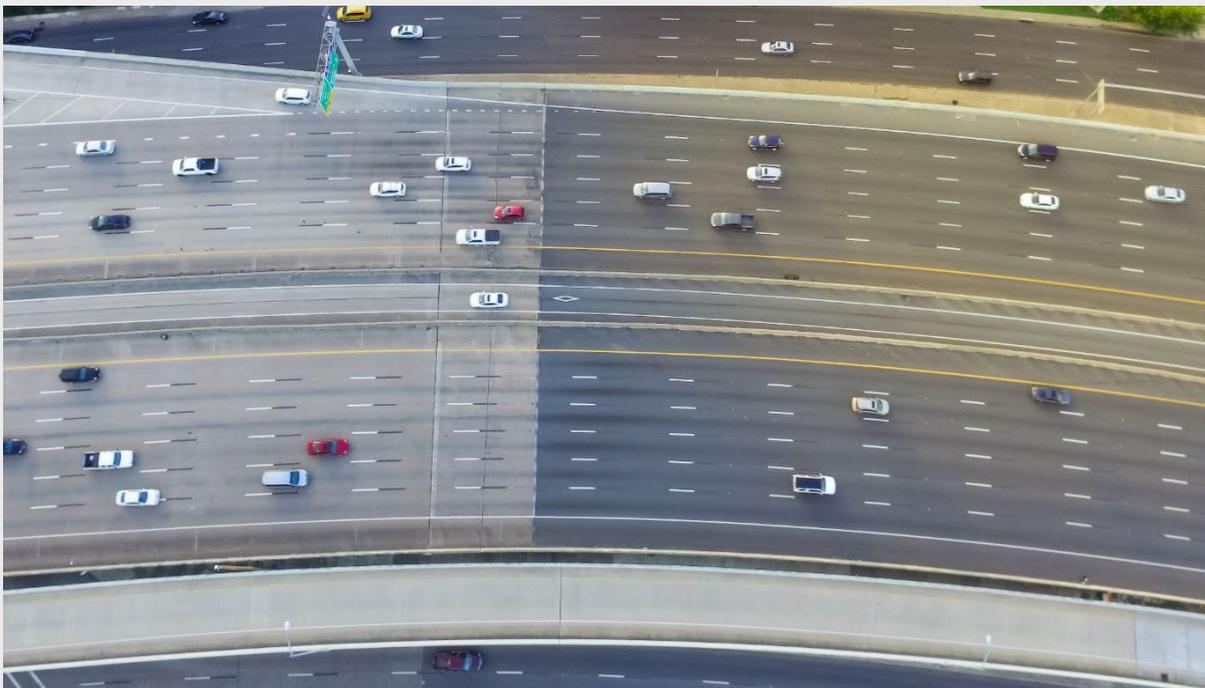
APPENDIX

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Group Discussion

Pending FC Change Requests



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