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February 3, 2011

TO: ALL TPC AND TAC MEMBERS

RE: RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT

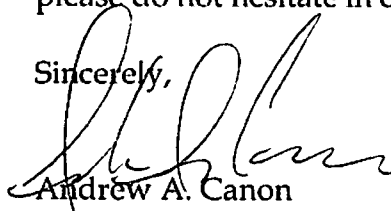
Dear TPC and TAC Members:

In 2005, the Cities within Hidalgo County and Hidalgo County cooperated in funding the Hidalgo County Freight and Hazardous Materials Movement Study for the metropolitan area of Hidalgo County. After a few years, the approval of the proposal for Non-Radioactive Hazardous Materials (HRHM) routing designations in Hidalgo County has been approved by the TxDOT Executive Director on January 18, 2011.

In accordance with 43 TAC §25.103, the Hidalgo County MPO is seeking a resolution of support to designate the HRHM route. The Hidalgo County MPO is asking all member cities and Hidalgo County to add this item to their City and/or County Commission meeting agendas, and to provide us with a resolution of support within 30 days of this letter. Please notify our office of the date of your Commission meeting, we may have representation to answer any questions there might be for this item.

Attached you will find a copy of the approval letter and a copy of the primary route map. Your assistance and cooperation is greatly appreciated with this matter at hand. Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate in contacting us at your convenience.

Sincerely,



Andrew A. Canon
Transportation Director

cc: file

**County of Hidalgo
State of Texas**

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE DESIGNATION OF ROADWAYS WITHIN HIDALGO COUNTY THAT ARE PART OF THE HIDALGO COUNTY NON-RADIOACTIVE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MOVEMENT ROUTES

WHEREAS, Hidalgo County cooperated with other participating Cities within Hidalgo County and provided funding for the Hidalgo County Freight and Hazardous Materials Movement Study in 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation approved the Hidalgo County Non-Radioactive Hazardous Materials Routes on January 18, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Hidalgo County finds it is the best interest of the citizens of Hidalgo County to Designate Roadways within the **county** that are part of the Hidalgo County Non-Radioactive Hazardous Materials Routes.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE HIDALGO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT, APPROVES THIS RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE DESIGNATION OF ROADWAYS WITHIN HIDALGO COUNTY THAT ARE PART OF THE HIDALGO COUNTY NON-RADIOACTIVE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MOVEMENT ROUTES.

ADOPTED THE _____ DAY OF APRIL 2010.

SIGNED AND ENTERED ON THE ABOVE DATE BY THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE HIDALGO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

RAMON GARCIA
County Judge

JOEL QUINTANILLA
County Commissioner, Pct. 1

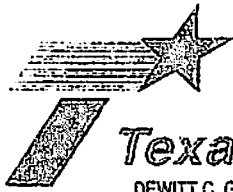
HECTOR "TITO" PALACIOS
County Commissioner, Pct. 2

JOE M. FLORES
County Commissioner, Pct.3

JOSEPH PALACIOS
County Commissioner, Pct. 4

Attested to:

ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.
County Clerk



Texas Department of Transportation

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January 19, 2011

The Honorable Rene A. Ramirez
Hidalgo County Judge
P. O. Box 1356
Edinburg, Texas 78540

RE: Approval of Proposed Non-Radioactive Hazardous Materials (NRHM)
Routes in Hidalgo County

Dear Honorable Ramirez:

Your proposal for Non-Radioactive Hazardous Materials (NRHM) routing designations in Hidalgo County was approved by our Executive Director January 18, 2011.

In accordance with 43 TAC §25.103, a political subdivision that is issued a letter of approval shall designate the NRHM route by ordinance, resolution, rule, regulation, or other official order, and shall forward a copy of the order to the department within 30 days of receipt of this letter of approval. Since this routing designation crosses multiple jurisdictions, please provide a copy of each ordinance, or other official order, including its designation number and the date that it was enacted.

After the passage of all orders, you may submit a proposed signing layout of the NRHM routing designation to our local district office in Pharr for review and approval.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Charles Koonce at (512) 506-5116 or me at (512) 416-3200.

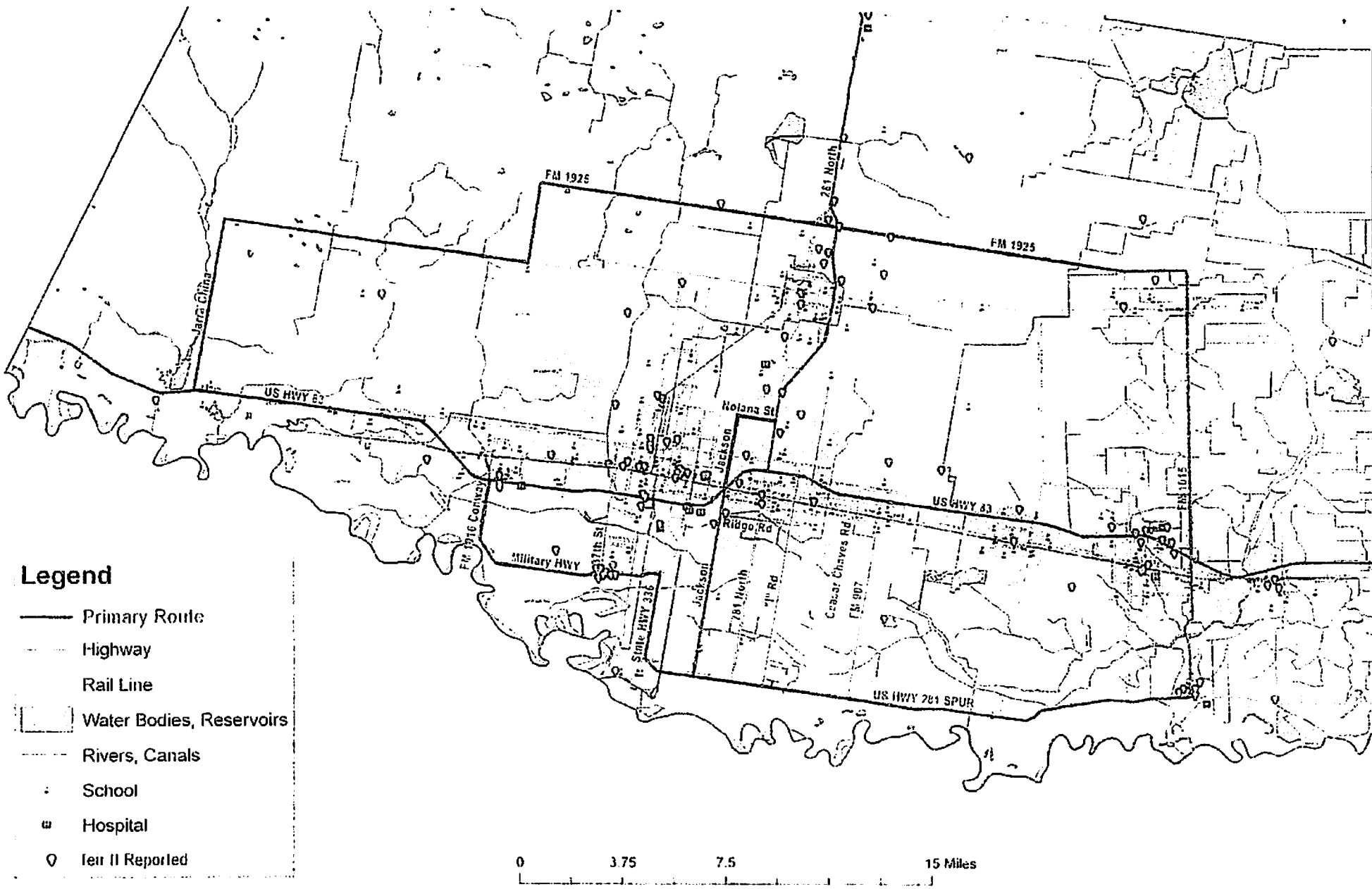
Sincerely,

Carol T. Rawson, P.E., Director
Traffic Operations Division

cc: Victor Morales, Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
Jesse Leal, P.E., Pharr District, TxDOT

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Legend

- Primary Route
- Highway
- - - Rail Line
- ⎓ Water Bodies, Reservoirs
- - - Rivers, Canals
- School
- ⊞ Hospital
- ◉ Ier II Reported

0 3.75 7.5 15 Miles

PROPOSED NON-DESTINATION, NON-RADIATION HAZARDOUS CARGO ROUTES STUDY

Option 1 - Committed	
Cities	Commitment
Alamo	\$4,950
Alton	\$1,995
Donna	\$4,897
Edinburg	\$17,401
Hidalgo	\$2,866
Hidalgo County	\$62,362
La Joya	\$1,333
McAllen	\$36,657
Mercedes	\$4,474
Mission	\$17,186
Peñitas	\$370
Pharr	\$17,133
San Juan	\$9,091
Weslaco	\$9,570
Committed	\$190,285

Total amount collected for the HAZMAT study.