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## **Permian Basin Metropolitan Planning Organization seeks public input on I-20 Corridor Study**

*Study is underway to assess needs and improvements for I-20 in the Midland Odessa area.*

**Midland** — The Permian Basin MPO is asking for the public's input in identifying issues and needs along a stretch of I-20 from FM 866 west of Odessa to FM 1208, east of Midland, a distance of over 40 miles. An online survey will be live from now until August. Information collected will be used in a corridor study being conducted by the MPO.

"I-20 is an important connection for travel and trade in West Texas and it is critical that the corridor meets the safety and capacity needs to support our region," said John B. Love III, Permian Basin MPO Policy Board Chairman. "This study will help us modernize I-20 and identify short-, mid- and long-term solutions. Public input is a fundamental factor in our decisions regarding the future of the corridor. We encourage the public to join us and share input so we can best meet the needs of our region."

The study will evaluate different types of roadway configurations after a detailed needs assessment, analysis of existing and future traffic data, stakeholder engagement and input from the public.

An interactive survey tool asks participants about their travel behavior, priorities for I-20, recommended improvements and to specifically point out problem areas. This information will be presented to the study's workgroup and incorporated into study recommendations. To participate in the brief survey, please go to this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CBVNN2N>

A public meeting is planned for September to further refine corridor needs and recommended improvements. More information can be found on the [I-20 Study webpage](#).

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### **Permian Basin MPO**

The Permian Basin MPO is a regional agency mandated under federal law to conduct a cooperative, continuous and comprehensive transportation planning process. The agency plans and commits funds for the construction of transportation improvements across multiple transportation modes. MPO funding comes from the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration through the Texas Department of Transportation. The area of MPO responsibility includes portions of Martin, Midland and Ector Counties, and the Cities of Midland and Odessa. Planning and transportation project prioritization decisions and MPO staff directives are made by the Policy Board which consists of elected officials from the five entities named above and two other Board positions filled by the TxDOT Odessa District Engineer and the EZ Rider transit service manager. A key priority of the Policy Board is to ensure that federal and state tax dollars are spent wisely and in accordance with the region's most vital needs.