

**GENERAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE NORTH EAST TEXAS
REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY**

RESOLUTION NO. 16-25

WHEREAS, the North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority (“NET RMA”) was created pursuant to the request of Gregg and Smith Counties and in accordance with provisions of the Transportation Code and the petition and approval process established in 43 Tex. Admin. Code § 26.1, *et seq.* (the “RMA Rules”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the NET RMA has been constituted in accordance with the Transportation Code and the RMA Rules; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the initial formation of the NET RMA the Counties of Cherokee, Rusk, Harrison, Upshur, Bowie, Panola, Titus, Van Zandt, Wood, and Kaufman joined the Authority and are represented on the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is currently pursuing efforts to determine the feasibility of extending navigation along the Red River above Shreveport-Bossier City into southwest Arkansas (the “SW Arkansas Study”); and

WHEREAS, the SW Arkansas Study will evaluate potential savings in transportation costs, as well as other benefits such as lower flood stages, hydropower, water supply, bank stabilization and recreation; and

WHEREAS, the NET RMA is dedicated to improving mobility in the North East Texas region, and the actions which are the subject of the SW Arkansas Study could affect mobility in the region and it is therefore consistent with the NET RMA’s goal.


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the NET RMA Board of Directors supports the efforts of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to determine the feasibility of extending navigation along the Red River above Shreveport-Bossier City into southwest Arkansas; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chair is authorized to send a letter to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers expressing the NET RMA’s support of the SW Arkansas Study.


Adopted by the Board of Directors of the North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority on the 12th day of April, 2016.

Submitted and reviewed by:

Approved:



C. Brian Cassidy
General Counsel for the North East
Texas Regional Mobility Authority



Linda Ryan Thomas
Chair, Board of Directors
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