

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-42**

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 Texas Department of Transportation (“TxDOT”) is currently pursuing efforts to study the feasibility of improvements to U.S. 69, a rural highway originating in Port Arthur, passing through Beaumont, Lufkin, and Tyler, and terminating in Denison, Texas (the “Jacksonville Relief Route Study”); and

WHEREAS, the Jacksonville Relief Route Study will provide a recommended relief route around Jacksonville, Texas, in Cherokee County intended to improve safety, mitigate congestion, enhance mobility, provide an improved hurricane evacuation route, and protect natural environmental resources; and

WHEREAS, TxDOT is seeking public comment regarding the Jacksonville Relief Route Study; and

WHEREAS, the NET RMA is dedicated to improving mobility in the North East Texas region, and the project which is the subject of the Jacksonville Relief Route Study may help to improve mobility in a manner consistent with the NET RMA’s mission.

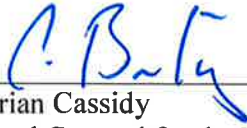
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the NET RMA Board of Directors supports the efforts of TxDOT to study the feasibility of a relief route around Jacksonville in Cherokee County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chair is authorized to send a letter to TxDOT expressing the NET RMA’s support of the Jacksonville Relief Route Study.

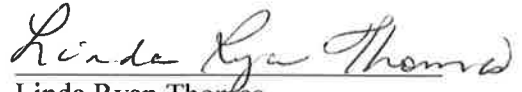
Adopted by the Board of Directors of the North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority on the 14th day of August, 2018.

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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