

# TxDOT Turnback Program

Opportunities for Urban Thoroughfares

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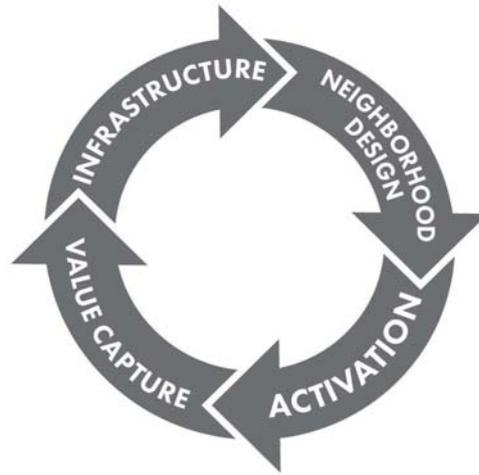
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## What is the TxDOT Turnback Program?

- **Action-** highway ownership transfer and removal from state highway system (“off system”) by Minute Order by Texas Transportation Commission
- **Objective-** transfer of control of state-owned roads used primarily today for local traffic rather than state system connectivity
- **Candidate roads-** lower average daily traffic and benefiting local communities socially and economically

## Polikov's take on "benefiting socially and economically"



## Turnback History

- **2013-** TxDOT determined that 6,900 lane miles in 59 communities were no longer integral to the connectivity of state highway system
- **2014-** MOU executed by TxDOT, Texas Municipal League and Texas Association of MPOs establishing protocols for the Turnback Program
- **2015-** Rider 42 of TxDOT Budget requires update to Legislative Budget Board (LBB) and Governor's office on participation in Turnback Program by end of 2016

## TxDOT/TML/TEMPO Memorandum of Understanding

- **Cooperative Program** based on voluntary participation
- **Candidate roadways** only those in “Satisfactory Condition” within boundaries of State’s 25 MPOs
- **Turnback expenditures** capped at \$100 Million first-come first-served

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- **Before Turnback** current project in State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) or four-year pavement preservation plan will be implemented
- **Bridges** on Turnback roadways will retain federal eligibility and remain on TxDOT’s two-year inspection cycle; and bridges currently programmed for replacement in TxDOT’s four-year plan will be completed at current participation levels

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