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Public input needed for Transportation Improvement Plan projects

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NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County residents have the opportunity to help major road projects receive funding by giving their feedback to the Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (AAMPO).

The AAMPO has scheduled a public meeting to discuss the possible inclusion of county-related projects on the agency's short-term Transportation Improvement Plan, or TIP. The meeting will be 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28, at the New Braunfels Civic/Convention Center, 375 S. Castell Ave.

“The TIP lays out the priorities for transportation projects over the next four years, and public meetings are a crucial part of that process,” said Comal County Engineer Tom Hornseth, who serves on the AAMPO's Technical Advisory Board. “One of the factors the MPO looks at is how engaged our residents are, so the more people who attend this public meeting, the better our chances of getting Comal County projects in the TIP.”

The AAMPO allocates federal transportation funds to regional projects. Among the improvements requested by Comal County is the inclusion of an overpass at River Road as part of the Loop 337 expansion project, estimated to cost about \$10.4 million, to relieve congestion at the intersection.

Overall, AAMPO has received 48 projects totaling \$462 million for inclusion in the TIP, which is expected to schedule about \$150 million in projects.

“Our ability to fund much-needed transportation projects in Comal County depends on the support of our residents,” said Precinct 3 County Commissioner Kevin Webb, who serves on the AAMPO Executive Committee and Transportation Policy Board. “We encourage everyone who can to attend AAMPO's public meeting and let them know our projects are an important part of this region's transportation needs.”

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