



The Volkswagen settlement could result in major emissions reductions and *if we make smart choices it could result in new technologies being developed in Texas*

You are invited to a workshop on the VW settlement

*Monday June 26th from 10-4
Austin Convention Center –Room 4c (3rd floor)*

TCAWG and the City of Austin are sponsoring the upcoming workshop on the VW settlement planned for the 26th in Austin. There is a [Smart Cities Connect](#) conference that week at the Austin convention center that will offer hands on exposure to some of the technologies we will be discussing

This is your opportunity to share with staff of the Governor's office and TCEQ your thoughts on how the \$200 million should be spent and how to administer the program

In order to access the room where the workshop is being held, you will need to **register for access to the exhibit hall and the Smart Cities Connect conference**

This will give you a free expo registration badge, and is necessary to attend the Monday VW Settlement program, and then attend the Expo Hall Reception starting at 4:00 pm.

- Register: <http://www.smartcitiesconnect.com/register.html>
- *Fill in several pages of information and the second to the last page Select "Expo Floor Only"*
- *On the final payment page, Use the Discount Code: 17AUSTX*

Also register for the workshop by emailing Donna Tiemann at Donna.Tiemann@austintexas.gov

Monday June 26th, 10am – 4pm
Austin Convention Center –Room 4c
Agenda for VW Settlement workshop

Vision/Big Picture

10:00 am – 11:00 am

- Welcome – *Austin City Councilmember Ann Kitchen*
- Opportunities - VW and beyond and the Texas Clean Air Working Group of the Texas Conference of Urban Counties (TCAWG) role - *TCAWG Chair and Dallas County Commissioner Teresa Daniel*
- The Settlement - *Elena Craft, EDF*
 - NOx reduction and advancing zero emissions;
 - Settlement parameters;
 - Duration;
 - Alternative fuel neutral;
 - What's eligible? -
- EJ Viewpoints -
- Why does this matter to business? --*Clay Pope*

“Suggestion” Session - moderators Theresa Daniel Chair of TCAWG and Dallas County Commissioner and Tom ‘Smitty’ Public Citizen’s Texas Office

11:00 am-11:30 am

As the Governor’s office prepares the Texas plan, your input is sought

- What are the **current plans?** – *De Ann Walker Governor’s office*
- **Your input – 2 minutes per speaker – strongly moderated**
- **What** kind of projects are people interested in?
- **How** should the money be distributed to communities (*based on location of VW vehicles, to near non attainment and non-attainment areas on or just to non- attainment areas?*)
- **Who** should administer the program ?

Break for Lunch

11:30 am – 12:45 pm

Lunch is on your own, there are many restaurants nearby

Executing and Implementing Plans

1:00 pm –4:00 pm

VISION: State of the Technology and what is expected to be available in 5 years

1:00 pm –1:30 pm

CURRENT: State of the Technology

1:30 pm - 1:45 pm

What’s Available:

- Vehicles - *North Central Texas Council of Government (NCTCOG) providing resources/handouts*
- Infrastructure - *NCTCOG*

Costs Incremental costs and savings for various options -*Capitol Metro & NCTCOG* 1:45 pm – 2:05 pm

Benefits of emissions reductions 2:05 pm – 2:20 pm

- Emission reductions per option *Tom “Smitty” Smith, Public Citizen*
- Hidden cost of emissions – *Andrew Hoekzema, Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG)*

Tools 2:20 pm – 2:25 pm

- Calculators - *NCTCOG* will discuss and provide websites for availability)

Break 2:30 pm – 2:45 pm

OPTIONS: *Leveraging Bulk Purchasing (Panel)* 2:45 pm – 3:15 pm

- Volt as an example
- Fleets for the Future - *NCTCOG*
- HGAC Buy – *Houston Galveston Area Council (HGAC)*
- Mayors’ Climate Initiative -*Austin Sustainability Office*

NEXT STEPS: Where do we go from here? *Tod Wickersham* 3:15 pm – 3:55 pm

- Policy issues
- Technology
- Infrastructure needs
- Eco-development
- Technical assistance
- Survey Monkey

Closing and invitation to Expo: *Austin City Councilmember Ann Kitchen* 3:55 pm – 4:00 pm

Public Citizen and Environmental Defense Fund are providing technical and logistical support to this project