


*Appendix D:
Publication Requirements
and Public Comments*

D1: Publication of the Integrated Plan Modification

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Questions

D.1 State and describe the Board's policy for seeking public input on the Integrated Plan Modification.

The Board, representing the public, developed the strategic plan, and annually reviews plan modifications. Various sections of the plan are taken to appropriate Board committees for discussion, (e.g.-Budget is discussed in the finance committee), committee agendas are published and the public is welcome to attend. Board members are encouraged to provide feedback not only from their individual perspective, but also from individuals with whom they have daily contact. The publication announcement also invites public input.

During the year, Board members and staff attend meetings with various groups throughout the area, including chambers of commerce and economic development, and share information regarding Board and center activities, and input into resource allocation is welcomed. Input from relevant entities is also sought before or during the pursuit of additional funding opportunities or initiatives are undertaken.

a. A written description of how the Integrated Plan Modification was made available for public comment.

The Integrated Plan Modification was made available for public comment in hard copy and posted on the Board's web site. A summary of the changes to the Plan is mailed to all Chief Elected Officials, Board Members, and contractors. The cover sheet notes that a complete copy of the Plan Modification was available upon request. An opportunity for public comments was included on the March 10, 2004 Board meeting agenda. The notice of publication and request for public comments was sent to economic development groups, chambers of commerce, and Angelina College.

b. A specific description of how the publication requirement tasks for the Integrated Plan Modification were accomplished.

Publication of the Plan Modification was announced by posting the notice to the Texas Register and advertising in newspapers.

The Public Notice indicated that the Deep East Texas Workforce Development Board, Inc. announced that the Strategic and Operational Plan Modification for PY 2004/FY2005 for workforce development services was released for a 30-day public comment period on March 1, 2004, with the deadline for receipt of comments at 5:00 p.m. on March 31, 2004. The Notice directed interested individuals on the various methods of receiving a copy of the plan. All comments were requested to be in writing to Board's Planner and indicated the Board fax number, and e-mail and mail delivery address. The Notice also informed responders that any comments received would be included in the plan submission to the Texas Workforce commission.

c. Proof of publication in hard copy in the attachment D1.

Proof of Publication is attached for:

Texas Register
Lufkin Daily News
Tyler County Booster
Trinity Standard
LaLengua

The Board also published the notice in the following papers: Nacogdoches Daily Sentinel, Shelby County Reporter, Polk County Enterprise, Newton County News, San Jacinto News-Times, Jasper Newsboy, Houston County Courier, the Diboll Free Press, and the San Augustine Tribune.

d. A written summary of all comments received on the Integrated Plan Modification.

No written comments on the Plan Modification were received by the Board on or before March 31, 2004.

D2. If the Child Care policy review for new or amended Child Care policies and the publication requirements for the Integrated Plan Modification were combined, provide publication information.

Child Care policies and publication requirements for the Integrated Plan Modification were not combined.

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