



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 26<sup>th</sup> 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 26<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:Donna.Tiemann@austintexas.gov)

*Monday June 26<sup>th</sup>, 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