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Dr. Mary D. Gunnels, Ph.D., M.S.
Acting Regional Administrator
Department of Transportation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
819 Taylor Street, RM8A38
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Re: 2018 State Survey of Automated Traffic Enforcement Systems

Dear Dr. Gunnels:

Texas is pleased to submit the 2018 state survey of automated traffic enforcement systems.

Texas Transportation Code §707.004 requires local authorities to report annually to TxDOT, providing statistical information on red light camera enforcement systems. All reporting municipalities were included in the survey group. Texas law prohibits the use of automated traffic enforcement system for speed enforcement; therefore all survey responses are related to red light cameras. Of the 46 surveyed, TxDOT received 37 responses, for a response rate of 80%.

The survey, which is enclosed, includes questions intended to collect adequate data to measure the accountability, transparency, and safety of each automated traffic enforcement system, and to provide all information required by 23 CFR 1300.13(d). Also included is a report compiling the survey results.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Terry Pence, Director of the Traffic Safety Section, at 512-416-3167, or me at 512-416-3200.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Chacon, P.E.
Director, Traffic Operations Division

Enclosures: Automated Traffic Enforcement Systems Survey, Survey Results

cc: Terry Pence

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US CODE Title 23; Public Law 114-94, Title IV – Highway Safety
§ 4002 – Special Funding Conditions for Section 402 Grants
Biennial Survey of State Automated Traffic Enforcement Systems**



Thank you for participating in this important survey now required under the federal FAST Act. Please scan and returned the completed survey to the Texas Department of Transportation, Traffic Safety Section, by **February 1, 2018**: Jessica.Son@txdot.gov. Please call 512-416-3261 for additional informatoin.

General

1. Name of Jurisdiction/Political Subdivision: _____
 - a. Type of Government Entity (city, state, etc.): _____
2. Population: _____
3. Type of automated enforcement system used:
Red light camera None (note: If responding None this completes the survey. Please return the form.)
4. Did your jurisdiction/political subdivision refer to and follow FHWA "Red Light Camera Systems Operational Guidelines" when implementing its automated enforcement system? Yes No Don't Know
5. Ownership of system (Red Light camera & equipment): Jurisdiction-owned Contracted/leased

Transparency

1. Are placement locations of Red Light Cameras publicly available? Yes No
2. Is information regarding Red Light Camera revenue publicly available? Yes No
3. Is information regarding the disbursement of this revenue publicly available? Yes No
4. Is the number of Red Light Camera citations issued publicly available? Yes No
5. Upon deployment at a specific location, is there a warning period before citations are issued? Yes No

Accountability

1. Are Red Light Camera citations reviewed and signed by a sworn law enforcement officer? Yes No
2. Is there a process in place for dispute resolution? Yes No
3. Is the Red Light Camera program audited? Yes No If yes, how often? _____

Safety Attributes

1. Is traffic data (engineering & crash) utilized to determine placement of Red Light Cameras? Yes No
2. Does your jurisdiction/political subdivision analyze traffic data to determine its Red Light Camera's impact on safety elements (i.e. crashes, speed, etc.)? Yes No

Data submitted by: _____

Name	_____	Date	_____
Title	_____		
Phone Number	_____	Email	_____

Thank you,
Terry A. Pence
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STATE AUTOMATED TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT SYSTEMS SURVEY 2018

Question	Response
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General

Population*	2,500-50,000 (Urban Cluster)	50,000< (Urbanized Area)
	19	18

*US Census Bureau identifies two types of urban areas: Urbanized Areas of 50,000 or more, and Urban Clusters of at least 2,500 and less than 50,000.

Type of automated enforcement system used	RLC	None
	32	5

Did your jurisdiction/political subdivision refer to and follow FHWA "Red Light Camera Systems Operational Guidelines when implementing its automated enforcement system?	Yes	No	Don't Know	No Response
	15	0	16	1

Ownership of system:	Jurisdiction-owned	Contracted/leased
	0	32

Transparency

Are placement locations of RLC publicly available?	Yes	No
	32	0

Is information regarding RLC revenue publicly available?	Yes	No
	30	2

Is information regarding the disbursement of this revenue publicly available?	Yes	No
	30	2

Is the number of RLC citations issued publicly available?	Yes	No
	30	2

Upon deployment at a specific location, is there a warning period before citations are issued?	Yes	No
	29	3

Accountability

Are RLC citations reviewed and signed by a sworn law enforcement officer?	Yes	No
	32	0

Is there a process in place for dispute resolution?	Yes	No
	32	0

Is the RLC program audited?	Yes	No
	25	7
If yes, how often?	(Annually - 17), (Monthly - 1), (Annually external, monthly internal - 1), (Every 30-60 days - 1), (Varies - 1), (Upon request - 1), (Don't know - 1), (No response - 2)	

Safety Attributes

Is traffic data (engineering & crash) utilized to determine placement of RLC?	Yes	No
	30	2

Does your jurisdiction/political subdivision analyze traffic data to determine its RLC's impact on safety elements (i.e., crashes, speed, etc)?	Yes	No
	31	1

Municipalities with Automated Traffic Enforcement Systems	Response Received	System Discontinued
Amarillo	√	
Austin	√	
Balch Springs	√	
Balcones Heights		
Bastrop	√	√
Bedford	√	
Burleson	√	
Cedar Hill	√	
Conroe	√	√
Coppell	√	
Corpus Christi	√	√
Dallas		
Denton	√	
Diboll		
Duncanville	√	
El Paso	√	
Farmers Branch	√	
Fort Worth	√	
Frisco	√	
Garland	√	
Grand Prairie	√	
Haltom City	√	
Humble	√	
Hurst	√	

Hutto		
Irving	√	
Jersey Village		
Killeen		
Little Elm	√	
Longview	√	√
Lufkin	√	
Magnolia	√	
Marshall		
McKinney		
Mesquite	√	
North Richland Hills	√	
Plano	√	
Port Lavaca		
Richardson		√
Richland Hills	√	
Roanoke	√	
Southlake	√	
Sugar Land	√	
Tomball		
University Park	√	
Willis	√	
Total 46		

Note: The number of responses is not the same for all questions because five cities reported they have discontinued their red light camera program. Of these, three cities emailed us to report they had discontinued the RLC, and two completed survey questions #1-3.