

PRESS RELEASE

ETCOG Board to Vote on \$38.7 Million Budget, Hear Legislative Session Highlights from Representative Bryan Hughes at Upcoming Board Meeting

87th Semi-Annual Board of Directors Meeting Held in Longview next Thursday

Kilgore, TX, September 11, 2013: The East Texas Council of Governments (ETCOG) will host its 87th Semi-Annual Board of Directors Meeting on Thursday, September 19, at The Summit Club located in Downtown Longview at 210 E. Methvin Street from 11:45 am to 2:00 pm.

The meeting includes business items: approval of the March 21, 2013 Minutes; Chairman's Report year in review; election of Executive Committee members; election of 2013 - 2014 ETCOG Officers; discussion and approval of the FY 2014 Budget; and presentation of the Chairman's Service Award. Prior to the business meeting, Texas Representative Bryan Hughes, District 5, will give a presentation of legislative session highlights.



ETCOG's Board of Directors is comprised of elected officials representing the ETCOG membership of cities, counties, special districts and school districts in the 14 county East Texas region.

The FY 2014 Recommended Budget can be viewed at www.etcog.org on the home page in the News & Events section.

About ETCOG

The East Texas Council of Governments (ETCOG) is a voluntary association of counties, cities, school districts and special districts within the fourteen-county East Texas region. ETCOG assists local governments in planning for common needs, cooperating for mutual benefit and coordinating for sound regional development. Established in 1970, ETCOG, either directly, or through its contractors, provides programs and services for East Texas seniors, employers, and job seekers. ETCOG and its contractors also build the 9-1-1 emergency call delivery system, provide peace officer training and homeland security planning services; and deliver rural transportation services, business finance programs, and environmental grant funding for the region.