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Dates: June 12, July 3\*, Aug. 9, Sept. 11

Time: 7:30 a.m. - 9 a.m.

Place: The Greenspoint Club

R.S.V.P.: 281-875-0660 (regrets only)
\* Call for details on July 3rd meeting

#### **Business Issues & Resources**

Dates: June 28, July 26, Aug. 30, Sept. 27

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: Greenspoint Conference Center

R.S.V.P.: 281-875-0660

#### **Environment**

Dates: June 14, July 12, Aug. 9, Sept. 13

Time: 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Place: Greenspoint Conference Center

R.S.V.P.; 281-875-0660

#### **Transportation**

Dates: June 27, July 25, Aug. 22, Sept. 26

Time: 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Place: Greenspoint Conference Center

R.S.V.P.: 281-875-0660

#### **Golf and Subcommittee Meetings**

Vatch the weekly North Houston News for details or call (281-875-0660).

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NHA Chairman Dennis Petersen (far right), joins the NHA Annual Award winners (l. to r.) Jack Drake, James Curry, and Wesley Freise, P.E. for a quick picture after the event.

## **NHA Presents Annual Awards**

The North Houston Association presented its annual awards to outstanding community leaders at the Association's Annual Awards Luncheon, held May 24. Anthony Chan, Ph.D., Banc One Investment Advisors, spoke at the event.

Wesley Freise, P.E. received NHA's highest honor - the North Star Award.

"This year's award recipient has made a direct contribution to the area's continued economic growth; we know that a good transportation system provides benefits for the entire region," said Carolyn Wright, executive director.

Freise recently celebrated more than 17 years at the Harris County Toll Road Authority. He has overseen all phases of design and construction in addition to setting the structure for toll operations and collections on both the Hardy Toll Road and the Sam Houston Tollway.

The North Star Award is given to an individual who has made a long-term impact on the quality of life in north Houston.

Past award recipients include Chris

Olavson, Congressman Jack Fields, John Pickelman, Ph.D., W.W. Thorne Sr., former Mayor of Humble, Haden McKay, Elise Lanier, and Senator Jon Lindsay.

The Association's Compass Award was presented to Jack Drake, Greater Greenspoint District, for his tireless efforts to improve and strengthen the Greenspoint area.

When accepting his award, Drake thanked his staff members and board of directors.

NHA's Compass Award is bestowed on an individual who has made significant contributions to the projects and programs of the Association.

The third award, Environmental Impact, is given to a company that has taken strides to preserve north Houston's environment.

Hines received this award for their efforts on the environmental front, and in March 2001, the company was recognized by the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Energy Star Program for the strides made at energy conservation in buildings it owns and/or manages.

EPA Administrator Christine Todd Whitman commended Hines' accomplishments in a dinner ceremony held in recognition of the award winners.

According to the EPA, Hines' energy management performance was exemplary in relation to its peers. Hines-managed properties consume significantly fewer BTUs per square foot than those of its industry competitors.

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NHA North Star Award recipient Wesley Freise, P.E., and his wife Patti, enjoy their lunch at the Association's annual awards event.



## From the President

Senator Jon Lindsay NHA President

I'm back in Houston after the end of another Texas Legislative Session. The session may be over, but the redistricting issue remains. Now the decision rests in the hands of the Legislative Redistricting Board (LRB). The LRB recently voted to approve a remapping of state House and Senate districts by July 24. Chairman of the LRB is Attorney General John Cornyn, and Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander has been elected as vice chairman. Additional members are Lt. Gov. Bill Ratliff, House Speaker Pete Laney and Land Commissioner David Dewhurst. Public testimony has been scheduled for June 18, and testimony from state lawmakers will be taken on June 26. Formal redistricting plans will be presented on July 10, with a public hearing on those plans July 16. The LRB will make its final vote on July 24.

The other state legislative news that's taking a spotlight is the Lieutenant Governor primary race. The intent of the North Houston Association's Board of Directors is to invite each primary candidate to speak at a luncheon (individually), and once the primary is over, invite the winners of the primary election to speak.

We are also in the process of scheduling legislative breakfasts for state lawmakers to update members on the outcome of the 77th Texas Legislative Session as well as issues to work on for the next session. As an organization, NHA is working to define a handful of issues now that we can be preparing for the next legislative session. If you have any suggestions or input on issues that are key to your business, please contact me.

## NHA Intervenes, Stops EPA Lawsuit

The North Houston Association, in partnership with the West Houston Association and the Fort Bend Economic Development Council, successfully put a halt to a federal clean air lawsuit that could have put the region's future road construction projects in jeopardy.

In April, the North Houston Association joined a motion to intervene in a lawsuit against the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA).

Several environmental groups (including Environmental Defense, Galveston Bay Conservation and Preservation Association, Galveston-Houston Association for Smog Prevention and the Sierra Club) filed the lawsuit in order to invalidate the motor vehicle emissions budget (MVEB) from the December 1999 State Implementation Plan (SIP) for the Houston area. Their goal was to greatly reduce the MVEB.

The MVEB represents the maximum amount of emissions allowed from all cars, trucks and other vehicles in the Houston area. It is used by area governments and road plan-

ners to determine whether new transportation projects may go forward without violating the Texas SIP for ozone control. New highway projects may not proceed to the next phase of development if modeling shows that they would result in exceeding the budget.

The USEPA initially indicated it was willing to settle this lawsuit initiated by several outof-state organizations, which would have created significant losses in regional mobility, quality of life and the area's economy.

The petitioners sought to stop "capacity-expanding projects", which is opposite of NHA's interests. NHA seeks to preserve mobility projects that have been approved or planned in the Houston area. The Association and its members believes air quality can be protected without thwarting the choices of the people as to where they live and work.

After aggressive work by NHA and the other regional organizations, the environmental groups and individuals who filed the lawsuit decided to drop their position on May 9, 2001.

Under the settlement terms, the EPA declares the current 195-ton limit inadequate and requires the Houston-Galveston Area Council to develop a plan that brings the region into conformity with a 156-ton limit by 2007. This plan must be drafted and submitted by 2002.

"The bottom line is the region will not go into a conformity lapse and can move forward with planned road projects that are necessary for improved mobility," said Carolyn Wright, executive director. "Now we have more time to work together on the conformity plan, and critical road projects, such as Interstate 45 and the Katy Freeway, will continue to move forward."

Harris County Judge Robert Eckels praised the North Houston Association for applying the necessary pressure that resulted in halting the lawsuit.

"Our success shows how much we can complish when regional organizations join forces for the well being of the area," said Wright.

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## Lt. Governor Ratliff Briefs NHA Members on Top Legislative Issues

Lieutenant Governor Bill Ratliff outlined the 77th Texas Legislature's three top issues at NHA's April membership luncheon.

He identified the top issues as: redistricting, health insurance for teachers and the appropriations bill.

Regarding redistricting, the Governor noted, "I think we'll get the vast majority of the work done (during the regular session), but it will be intense at times."

He predicted a state teacher insurance plan will be created, which will provide insurance to school districts. The districts will have the op-

tion to join the plan, in which the state will pay for some of the costs. He said there are currently seven different plans being proposed. Ratliff stated that 40 percent of teachers work districts without insurance or they pay prems of \$500 each month.

When discussing the appropriations bill, Ratliff explained that the bill sets priorities for the state, and this is a tight budget session.

He focused on the state's pay scale, saying that Texas is "way behind". The results are high turnover and high costs for the state.

According to Ratliff, Child Protective Services (CPS) has a turnover rate of 40 percent and it takes six months to train employees for these positions. Likewise, Mental Health and Mental Retardation's (MHMR) turnover rate is



NHA President Senator Jon Lindsay (r) and NHA Chairman Dennis Petersen (center) thank Lt. Governor Bill Ratliff for his comments at NHA's April luncheon.

42 percent.

There are also 2,500 vacant prison guard positions, and "TNRCC and TxDOT can't keep anyone (engineers) with technical skills. They train them for a few years and they are snatched away by the private sector," Ratliff said.

When asked about how the recent tax cut relates to the current tight budget, the Lt. Governor replied, "If we hadn't had the tax cut, it (money) would have been spent. Chances are, it would have been spread throughout the budget, not just in the areas we're having problems with now."

He noted that the tax cut gave back only \$1 billion, compared with the total budget of \$111 billion.

## Two Companies Join NHA Membership

In the second quarter, two companies joined the ranks of NHA members: Kerr-McGee and Newland Communities. The first company, Kerr-McGee, was referred by Jack Drake, Greater Greenspoint District.

Over seven decades, Kerr-McGee Corp., the parent company of Kerr-McGee Oil & Gas Corp., has grown from a small business with \$50,000 in assets to a worldwide energy and chemical company with assets of \$7.9 billion. The successful growth is the result of the dedication and skill of employees committed to high performance and a value-oriented business philosophy.

Today, Kerr-McGee is a global competitor in two core businesses: exploration and production of oil and natural gas, and the production and marketing of titanium dioxide pigments. Headquartered in Oklahoma City, the company employs approximately 4,400 worldwide. Kerr-McGee's oil and gas unit is located in Houston and employs 1,025 worldwide.

With total reserves of about 1.1 billion barrels of oil equivalent, Kerr-McGee ranks among the largest U.S.-based inde-

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## NHA Honors Schenke, Welcomes Gornet

NHA members thanked Diane Schenke, outgoing executive director of the Grand Parkway Association, for her years of service to the organization and welcomed her successor, David Gornet, at a reception held in their honor.

NHA Board Member Gary Montnery, Montgomery & Associates, preled both Gornet and Schenke with gifts of appreciation on behalf of NHA and its members.

The event took place at the Doubletree Hotel, Houston Post Oak on March 27, 2001.





## David Daleiden Weingarten Realty Investors

Most people use maps when their sense of direction fails them or they are unfamiliar with their surroundings. But NHA Board Member David Daleiden has a different perspective. "Maps tell a story, and I enjoy discovering the personality of an area by looking at a map," he says.

As a child, he always loved to navigate on family trips. He didn't link this desire to a possible career until his senior year at Wayne State University, when he discovered he could combine his finance degree with geography. He then decided to get a masters degree in marketing geography specializing in site location.

Daleiden is currently the director of research for Weingarten Realty Investors, a Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT), with 274 properties in 55 markets in 15 states from coast to coast. He is responsible for research and analysis for all aspects of shopping center, industrial, and new retail development as well as assisting with the evaluation of acquisitions. He also serves as a

location strategy consultant for many of Weingarten's national and local retail clients.

"There's much more to leasing retail space than simply leasing to a retailer in a shopping center. I do a lot of shopping, assessing retail viability, developing customer profiles, and evaluating customer perceptions," he said. "We match the retailer to the best customer profile. We try to understand the lifestyle of the people in a trade area so that we can provide the best tenant and merchandising mix for the community."

He notes that geographic concepts play an important role in this evaluation, including the analysis of population movement and demographics.

"It is important to us that our retail tenants are successful," he says. "And finding the retailer that meets the consumer's needs helps ensure this success."

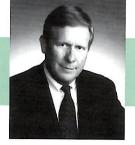
Daleiden also enjoys being a guest lecturer at universities in the area. "Dealing with the young, bright minds of the future is so rewarding, especially when they begin to grasp the social relevance of geography in the shopping center and business world. They are amazed at how the analysis of social aspects of a community affect the bottom line of a shopping center's profitability."

Daleiden has been a member of the Research Board of the International Council of Shopping Centers since 1991. This group is comprised of research executives from retailers, shopping center developers, Wall Street, and consultants who meet four times annually to discuss and analyze critical and changing aspects of the industry.

Daleiden has also chaired the group that creates and produces the NHA Aerial Land Use Map throughout the Association's existence. He has received the NHA Compass Award in recognition of his work in creating this key marketing piece.

He lives in Kingwood with his wife Kathv. They have three children: Anne, Karen and I

Steve Krueger Bank One, Texas



If Steve Krueger isn't in the office, the best place to look is near the water.

Krueger's greatest hobby is offshore fishing with his wife Wendy, and he also enjoys playing golf. He recently has vacationed in Mexico, Florida, London, California and Hawaii. His favorite spots have been Ft. Lauderdale and San Diego.

Krueger plays hard and works hard. He is a division manager in Bank One Houston's middle market group. His clients' sales range from \$75 million to \$500 million, and the bank has more than \$900 million in deposits in north Houston.

"I really enjoy working on projects with different middle market companies," said Krueger. "I see the way different companies operate and get to learn about their different products and strategies."

Krueger is a member of the Harris County

Housing Finance Board, which issues bonds for multi family and single family first time home buyers in low to moderate income housing. He has served on that board since 1985, and in that capacity, he helps make financing and investment decisions for a variety of housing programs.

Krueger's interest in banking was sparked when he toured a bank as a teenager with his dad. After high school, he earned a B.B.A. in Finance from The University of Texas.

His first job out of college was a branch manager at a bank in Connecticut. While working there, he attended the University of Connecticut M.B.A. program.

Krueger joined Bank One, Texas as senior vice president of real estate lending in February 1989. In August 1994, he became senior vice president/manager of corporate banking I and financial services for the Houston office.

Prior to joining Bank One, Krueger was chairman and president of an independent Houston bank, which was sold to Compass in 1990. He has previously served on the boards of the Young Bankers of Texas and the Greater Houston Home Builders Association.

Regarding Bank One's membership in the North Houston Association, Krueger says," Our philosophy is that we have an obligation to give back to the community that enables us to succeed. Being a member of the Association is our way of supporting the north Houston region, and being a good corporate citizen."

Bank One, Texas has returned more than \$3.4 million to Texas in charitable and civic contributions in 2000 and is recognized for viding hundreds of volunteers for charity programs. The bank is one of Texas' top corporate citizens and takes a leadership role in many civic and community issues.



NHA Board Member Steven Krueger, Bank One, Texas, NA, (left) speaks with Anthony Chan, Ph.D., Banc One Investment Advisors, during the North Houston Association's Annual Awards Luncheon. Chan gave an economic forecast and answered questions from the audience.

### **Awards**

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Economy expert Anthony Chan, Ph.D., spoke at the awards luncheon and shed some light on the nation's economic future.

After reviewing national numbers including the gross domestic product, consumer spending and credit, and corporate debt, he had some good news.

"The nation will not go into a recession," sand Chan. "We're still growing."

The said the primary reason it may feel like a recession is because the economy shifted from fast to slow growth in a very short amount of time.

Chan also discussed his research on the current tax cut, and how it will benefit the nation.

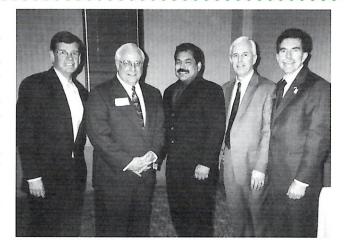
"When taxes are cut, people save more, but the rate of consumer spending increases," he said.

He predicted that the Federal Reserve will continue to lower interest rates, and the stock market will do a little better than last year. But he warned those who have long-term investments against making quick switches in and out.

Chan is managing director and chief economist for Banc One. He is a frequent guest on a number of national television broadcasts, including CNBC, CNN, CNNfn, Energy News Live Network and Reuters Financial Television. Chan has also been quoted in The Wall Street Journal, Barron's, The New York Times, Investor's Business Daily, Business Week and The Bond Buyer.

He is also one of the nine members on Banc One Investment Advisors' Investment Policy Committee, which sets the investment agenda for approximately \$130 billion dollars of assets under management. He is also a member of the prestigious Blue Chip Monthly Forecasting Panel as well as the following other forecasting panels: Business Week's Annual Macro Panel; National Association of Business Economists Quarterly Macro Panel; and the Forbes, Bridge News, Bloomberg and Futures News weekly indicator panels.

At a May 10th NHA reception, NHA Board Members Joe Adams, Union Pacific Railroad (far left), Gary Montgomery, Montgomery & Associates (second from right), and Jack Drake, Greater Greenspoint District (far right) thanked newlyelected Justice of the Peace Kent Adams (second from left), outgoing METRO Board Member, for all his vk on north Houston projects while ing on the board. Those attending the event also welcomed David Medina (center), incoming METRO Board Member, and encouraged him to call upon the Association for assistance.



## **New Members**

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pendent exploration and production companies.

Kerr-McGee is the largest independent holder of blocks in the Gulf of Mexico, and is a premier deep water player and the third-largest independent producer in the gulf. The North Sea is also a key area for the company, accounting for more than 50 percent of its net oil production.

Kerr-McGee maintains a focus on the communities where its employees live and work. Every year, employees donate countless hours to local organizations and projects, and both employees and the company contribute funds to dozens of educational, cultural, medi-

cal and other nonprofit programs.

The second new member is Newland Communities.

Headquartered in San Diego, California, Newland Communities currently has development operations in eight states. Over the past three decades, Newland Communities has developed 40 distinctive communities. With a strong emphasis on the Sunbelt, Newland's projects have ranged in size up to 8,000 acres and have consistently performed among the top-selling in their market.

Currently under development in north Harris County is the beautiful community of Summerwood. Summerwood encompasses over 1,500 acres, and when complete will be home to approximately 3,200 families. Summerwood is the tonic for serenity with numerous amenities that make home life special. Summerwood is located off Beltway 8 and West Lake Houston Parkway six miles east of Highway 59.



## Whitson, Todd Face Off in Rail Forum

Fists weren't flying, but panelists pulled no punches when debating the highly-publicized rail issue at a recent NHA luncheon.

Moderator John Beddow, publisher of the Houston Business Journal, set the tone of NHA's Rail Forum Luncheon when he spoke of attending a wrestling match the night before the event.

City of Houston Council Member Robb Todd and Metro Board Member Thomas Whitson answered Beddow's questions as well as those from the audience.

Some heavy-hitters attended the event, including METRO President Shirley DeLibrio and Houston City Council Member Bruce Tatro.

"It is our intention that both sides of this critical issue will be heard so that our mem-

bers, and all in attendance, can make an informed decision on their personal or corporate position," said Carolyn Wright, executive director, before the event.

In the debate-style forum, Whitson focused on Houston's future growth, noting increased traffic for a number of reasons, including the Bayport expansion.

Todd did not dispute the growth factor, but said that rail was not the answer to solving the area's congestion woes.

When Todd questioned the location of the starter line, Whitson said the 7.4 mile stretch connects two of the highest-density areas in the region.

Todd responded with the suggestion that a

public vote be held on the matter. He said if the public approves the starter line, "I'll personally still think it's a bad idea, but will follow what my constituents want."

When asked about the benefits of rail when it comes to air quality, Todd stated there are no significant reductions in emissions with a rail line, and that a regional approach is needed to combat the region's air issues.

Whitson responded that, "There is no silver bullet; that's one thing we do agree on. But public transportation does have practicality. Each time we get a person out of a single-occupant vehicle, it's a plus."



METRO Board
Member Thomas
Whitson (left) and
City of Houston
Council Member
Robb Todd (right)
share their views on
rail with audience
members at the NHA
Rail Forum, held at
the Four Seasons
Hotel, downtown.



## Council Member Robinson Speaks at NHA Breakfast

City of Houston Council Member Carroll G. Robinson spoke on transportation issues and outlined his budget priorities at a North Houston Association breakfast held in late March at the Wyndham Greenspoint Hotel.

In a memo to Mayor Lee P. Brown, Robinson lists his number one budgetary priority as "no increases in property taxes or water and sewer fees."

He also wants to improve efficiencies in the Fire Department as well as provide necessary funding for more EMS and fire fighting personnel and equipment.

Robinson stressed the importance of restructuring the city's salary scale to be more competitive with the private sector.

Robinson is chairman of the city of Houston's transportation, technology and infrastructure committee. He is also a member of the city's fiscal affairs and management initiatives, regional planning, legislative affairs and intergovernmental relations, international trade, and council governance committees. He is a member of the 2001 Texas Department of Transportation Work Group on Transportation Goals and Objectives, and on the board of the Houston-Galveston Area Council.

Headliner sponsors of the event were: Brown & Gay Engineers, Inc., Carter & Burgess, Geotest Engineering, Greater Greenspoint District, HNTB Corporation, Montgomery & Associates, and Turner Collie & Braden, Inc.



Robinson speaks at an early morning NHA meeting on March 29.

## Time to Tee Off at **NHA's Golf** Tournament

NHA members have just a few months left to work on their swing and practice their chip shots so they can claim the championship trophy for the 2001 North Houston Association Golf Tournament.

"I'm very excited about this event," said Carolyn Wright, executive director. "I think the pairing of members with public officials is a great idea. I'm sure it makes for interesting talk on the green and in the carts."

The seventh annual tournament will be held at Willow Creek Golf Club on Monday, September 10.

Harris County Commissioner Jerry Eversole and Montgomery County Judge Alan Sadler will again serve as the tournament's honorary chairmen.

The tournament is the only NHA event by held for fund-raising purposes. The comnamee, chaired by Roy Hearnsberger, Carter & Burgess, has set a fund-raising goal of \$30,000 for this year's tournament. Proceeds support the projects and programs of the North Houston Association.

"I've already secured food donors, and I'm working on beverage donors. I understand this has never been done before. We're on our way to a very successful event, but we need sponsor commitments as soon as possible," said Wright.

Sponsorship categories range in cost from \$250 to \$5,000, and a letter detailing these categories will be sent to NHA members. Registration brochures will be in the mail in July.

Goodie bag, silent auction and door prize donations are also needed. Contact Ann Cates in the NHA office for details (281-875-0660).

The event also serves as the Association's annual membership meeting. New Board members will be elected at the dinner that follows the tournament.

For information on sponsoring this annual event, please contact Association staff members at 281-875-0660.

**Greenspoint Flyer Gets You There Fast!** 

Greenspoint-area employees and residents can get to the Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH) quickly, economically and easily, thanks to the efforts of the Greater Greenspoint District.

The "Greenspoint Flyer" rocketed into action in May, providing free rides for its first week of service.

The 20-passenger bus provides express service daily from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. every 15 minutes weekdays and every 30 minutes on weekends.

The shuttle stops at Greenspoint Mall, CityView Apartments, Greenspoint Transit Center and Greenspoint/Northchase Office Complex. It then takes the toll road airport connector for an express route to its final destination - IAH, Terminal C.

In addition to making it easier and cheaper for individuals to get to the airport, the service assists in reducing traffic and congestion problems in the area and helps to eliminate vehicles at overcrowded airport parking lots.

The service costs \$1 each way, and the vehicles boast amenities including climate control and plush captain's chair seating.

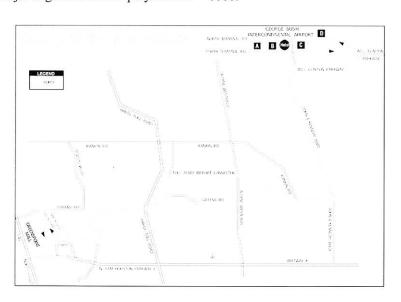
When planning the service, the Greater Greenspoint District's planners focused on several major target markets: employees who work in the Greenspoint area and use Bush IAH for business travel; people who live in the Greenspoint area and work at the airport; and residents who live and work in the Greenspoint area.

Other possible users of the service include airline passengers who have extended layovers and would like to spend time shopping or dining in the Greenspoint area stores or restaurants and employees and residents who live and work within the area and want to use the service at lunchtime or to run errands.

Flyer 10-ticket books are available at a discount for \$8, and a monthly pass for \$30 provides unlimited ridership for the month. Ticket books and monthly passes are sold at the Greater Greenspoint District office at 16825 Northchase Drive, Suite 720 or at the Greenspoint Mall Information Center.

A federal grant and matching funds are administered by the Houston-Galveston Area Council Commute Solutions program. In addition to the Greater Greenspoint District, area funding partners include METRO, the Greenspoint Property Owners Association, Greenspoint Mall, Archon/CityView Apartments and ExxonMobil.

For more information, call 281-876-8000.



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### Lawsuit

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#### **OUTCOME OF ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE LITIGATION\***

## Settlement Proposed by Environmental Defense (4/6/01)

Halt 270 specific road projects

Conduct a \$15 million health study of air pollution

Develop an even lower motor vehicle emissions budget than 151 tons of NOx per day

Declare the 195 ton motor vehicle emissions budget inadequate for conformity purposes

Require H-GAC to determine conformity with the 151 ton budget by June 2002

## Settlement Finalized by Parties (5/9/01)

- No projects halted
- No requirements for funding of plaintiff selected health studies
- Environmental Defense agreed to an even higher motor vehicle emissions budget (156.6 tons per day)
- EPA agreed to declare the 195 ton budget inadequate
- H-GAC agreed to determine conformity with the 156.6 ton budget by June 2002 or face a conformity lapse
- \* This is a partial listing of the litigation outcome. For details, contact the NHA office.

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