

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT), in cooperation with the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) and the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT), and the Memphis Metropolitan Planning Organization will conduct a series of public meetings in late March and early April 2011 to discuss the Southern Gateway transportation project.

### **March 21, 2011**

4 - 7 p.m.

NSA Mid-South Conference Center  
5700 Attu Street  
Millington, TN 38054

### **March 28, 2011**

4 - 6:30 p.m.

M. R. Dye Public Library  
2885 Goodman Road  
Horn Lake, MS 38637

### **April 4, 2011**

4 - 7 p.m.

MATA Board Room  
545 S Main Street  
Memphis, TN 38103

### **March 22, 2011**

4 - 7 p.m.

Impact Baptist Church  
3759 N. Watkins Street  
Memphis, TN 38127

### **March 29, 2011**

4 - 7 p.m.

Eugene Woods Civic Center  
212 W Polk Ave  
West Memphis, AR 72301

### **April 5, 2011**

4 - 7 p.m.

Bishop Byrne High School  
1475 E Shelby Drive  
Memphis, TN 38116

Six identical meetings across the broad geographical area of the study are being held to provide citizens with the opportunity to learn about and provide input into the early stages of this project. The meetings will include a short video presented every half hour, followed by a brief question and answer period. Time also will be provided for the public to view project materials and provide input on the purpose and need for the project, as well as potential broad corridors where the project may be located. Representatives of each state transportation department will be able to answer questions regarding any aspect of the project.

The Southern Gateway consists of an overall plan for improving cross-river travel for people and freight, and for better connections through Memphis to the tri-state region (TN, AR and MS) and the nation at large. More information is available on the project website: <http://www.southerngatewayproject.com>

Anyone with questions regarding the meeting should contact:

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Persons with a disability who require aids or services to participate at any of these meetings may contact Ms. Margaret Mahler at the following address no later than ten (10) days prior to the date of the meeting.

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Tennessee Department of Transportation  
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A court reporter will be available to receive oral statements to be included in the project transcript. In addition, comment sheets are available for those who prefer to make written statements. Written statements and other exhibits to be included in the project transcript may be submitted within 21 days after the meeting date to the following address:

Project Comments  
Tennessee Department of Transportation  
Suite 700, James K. Polk Building  
505 Deaderick Street  
Nashville, TN 37243-0332  
[TDOT.comments@tn.gov](mailto:TDOT.comments@tn.gov)

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In the event of inclement weather that results in the closure of city and county schools, the meeting will be postponed.