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PURPOSE	The purpose of the environmental policy is to establish the means to provide a safe, economically viable and environmentally sound transportation system that reliably meets customer needs and supports sustainable, vibrant community development.
POLICY STATEMENT	It is the mission of the North Texas Tollway Authority (NTTA) to enhance mobility through responsible and innovative tolling solutions. The NTTA shall design, construct, and maintain its tollways and infrastructure in a manner that ensures corridor consistency and environmental sustainability and sets the course for future sustainability initiatives. The NTTA is specifically committed to minimizing impacts on North Texas' communities, including their natural resources and cultural values, by effectively streamlining the process required to provide approvals for transportation infrastructure projects, in compliance with applicable law, while maintaining safety, public health, and environmental protection.
RESPONSIBILTIES	NTTA Board of Directors – responsible for approving any revisions to the Environmental Policy presented by staff. NTTA Staff - responsible for reviewing the Environmental Policy on an annual basis, drafting recommendations for any revision to the Environmental Policy, and referring recommended updates to the Policy to the Board of Directors for action. Responsible to ensure that the accompanying Procedures to implement this Policy are reviewed and revised appropriately to meet the Policy directive.
SCOPE	This policy affects all board members, employees, consultants and contractors involved in the construction, maintenance or development of NTTA projects or facilities. The environmental policy will assist staff and consultants in the timely and efficient preparation of environmental documentation for NTTA projects, and will assist in improving expediency in the regulatory agency review and approval process.