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About Ozone Action Heroes

The Ozone Action Heroes is a campaign by the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) to ensure compliance with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) strengthened health-based standard for ground-level ozone.

Ozone Action Heroes' mission is to empower, educate and encourage residents and businesses in the Capital/Alamo area to take action to help improve our air quality.



Aspiring Ozone Action Heroes are asked to take the "Your air. Your commitment." pledge online at www.ozoneheroes.com. By committing to at least three simple, yet heroic, actions such as refueling after 6 p.m., checking tire pressure and turning off the lights, the Capital area can win the battle against air pollution.

About The Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO)

CAMPO is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for Williamson, Travis and Hays Counties in Central Texas. Campo was established in 1973 and is governed by the Transportation Policy Board comprising local, regional and state officials.



CAMPO coordinates regional transportation planning with cities, counties, the Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority, the Capital Area Rural Transportation System, the Texas Department of Transportation and other transportation providers in the region. CAMPO also approves the use of federal transportation funds within the region.

The five-county Austin/Round Rock Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA), which includes Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Travis and Williamson Counties, is at risk of being designated nonattainment for the federal ground-level ozone standard. This is due to unhealthy air quality levels that occur periodically during summer months. **Failure to clean up the region's air, as required, can result in restrictions on economic growth and in potential delays for federal highway funding. However, the primary concern is that ground-level ozone, at high levels, is a public health issue.**

Be a Hero, take the pledge at www.ozoneheroes.com. Tell all your friends and family to do their part in cleaning up our air by becoming Ozone Action Heroes today!

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