**DRAFT- sample press release for counties**

**Vehicle Title & Registration Waiver Ends April 14, 2021
*[County Name] residents must take care of overdue transactions***

(County Name, Texas – April XX, 2021) The temporary waiver of certain vehicle title and registration requirements, announced by Governor Greg Abbott on March 16, 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, will end at 11:59 p.m. on April 14, 2021. [County Name] Tax Assessor-Collector [TAC Name] urges county residents to complete any over transactions now.

“Don’t wait until the last minute,” [TAC last name] said. “[County name] offers several convenient options to renew your registration and complete other transactions that were temporarily waived due to the pandemic.”

**Options for renewing your vehicle registration:**

1. *Online:* Visit [County Website URL] or [www.TxDMV.gov](http://www.TxDMV.gov). There is a $1 discount if you renew online. Online renewal is available up to nine months past your registration expiration date.
2. *Mail:* Return the bottom portion of your registration renewal form, payment and other required information to the [County Name] Tax Assessor-Collector’s office.
3. *In Person:* [locations of county offices/substations/deputies or link to list of locations online].

Reminder: Before renewing registration, [County Name] residents will need to obtain a passing [vehicle inspection](https://www.dps.texas.gov/rsd/vi/) at the state vehicle inspection station of their choice, unless their vehicle is exempt from inspection requirements.

The expiring temporary waiver covers the following services:

* Initial vehicle registration.
* Vehicle registration renewal.
* Vehicle titling.
* Renewal of permanent disabled parking placards.
* 30-day temporary permits.

If you need assistance with completing your transaction, please contact the [County Name] Tax Assessor-Collector’s office at [contact information].