## WELCOME TO THE

U.S. 62 PUBLIC MEETING

May 13, 2010 at the Professional Development Center of the Lawton Public Schools in Lawton, OK

ODOT is conducting an Environmental Study for the proposed improvements to U.S. 62 at Ft. Sill Blvd. and Sheridan Rd. These improvements include the removal of the left hand turn lanes from the U.S. 62 on-ramps at the specified locations, installation of a median barrier and left hand turn lanes along the center of Ft. Sill Blvd. and Sheridan Rd. onto the U.S. 62 on-ramps, and signalization at these intersections to allow for safe vehicle passage.

## PRIMARY PURPOSES OF THIS **PUBLIC MEETING**

- Discuss the proposed improvements to U.S. 62 at Ft. Sill Blvd. and Sheridan Ave.
- Receive public comment concerning the proposed improvements and any environmental concerns in the area.

### **MEETING AGENDA**

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Project information and presentation.
- 3. Question and Answer Session
- 4. Open Forum Session

## QUESTIONS? COMMENTS? ADDRESS UPDATE? We must receive your comments no later than May 28, 2010

Your input is very valuable to this process and to the Oklahoma Department of Transportation. Please submit your written questions, comments, or to be added to the mailing list, to:

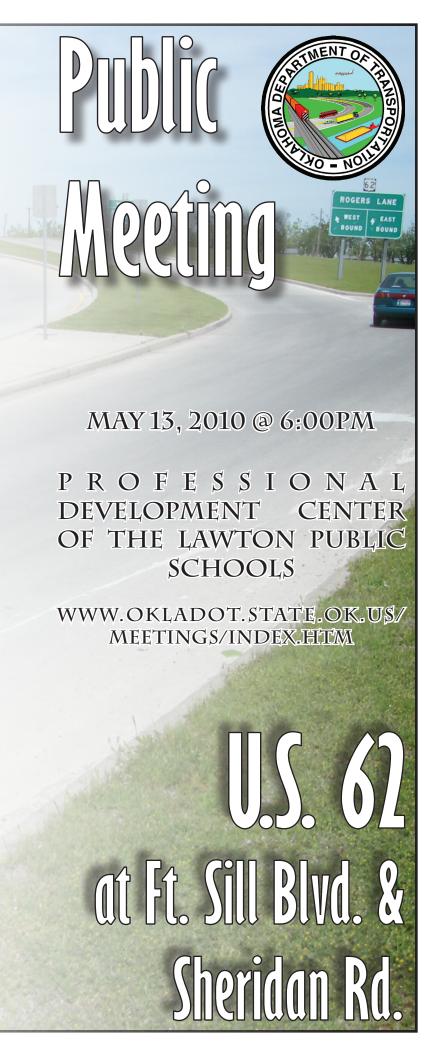
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#### WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

The Department will review and consider comments received from this public meeting. The information and comments received will be incorporated into the project development process. An environmental document will be prepared and submitted to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) for review and approval. After FHWA's approval is received, federal funds may be utilized for design and construction activities.

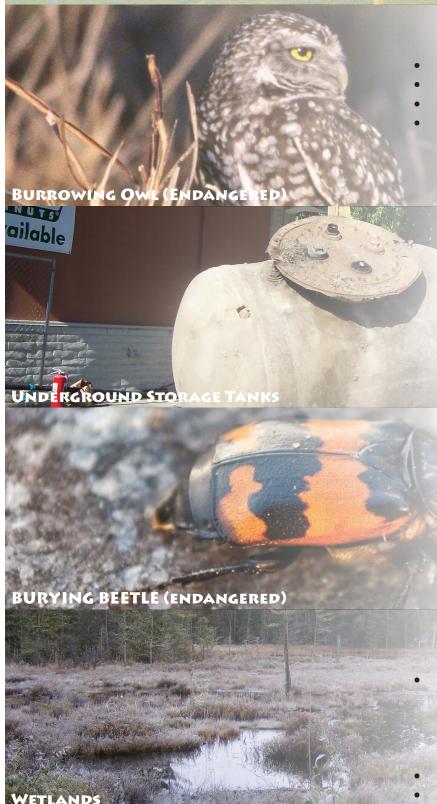
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U.S. 62 Lawton	2 @ Ft. Sill Blvd. & Sheridan Rd Public Comment Form , OK 05/13/2010
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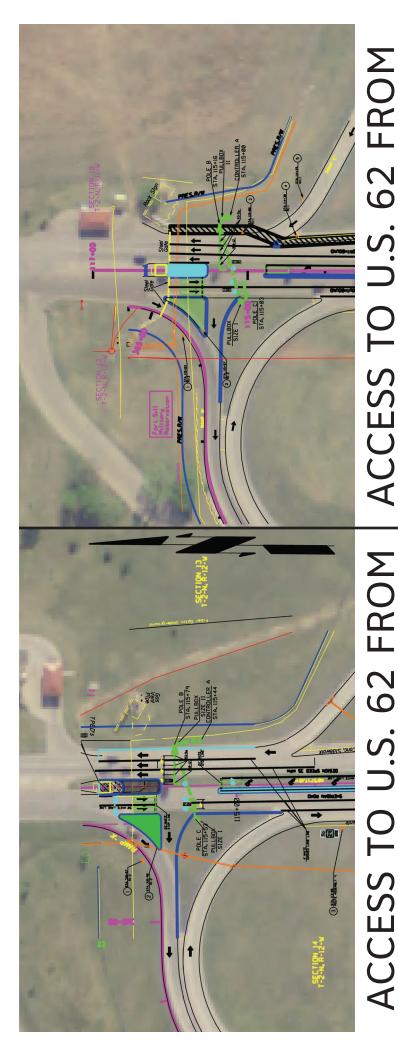
## WHAT IS NEPA AND THE ODOT DECISION MAKING PROCESS?

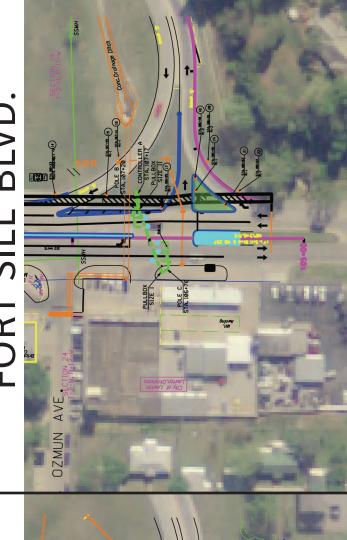
NEPA is an acronym for the Federal Law called the National Environmental Policy Act, enacted in 1969. In order to use federal funds, a decision-making process that balances the social, economic, and environmental concerns must be conducted. Public Involvement and comments are part of the NEPA process. The Department will solicit comments from State, Federal, Tribal, and local agencies, and will continue to coordinate with them as necessary. Data will be collected on potential environmental issues such as noise, wetlands, cultural resources, historic resources, parks, displacements of homes or businesses, etc., to evaluate potential impacts of the proposed improvements. Economic impacts such as construction costs, estimated right-of-way, and utility cost data will also be evaluated. This information is utilized to make sound decisions in transportation improvements.

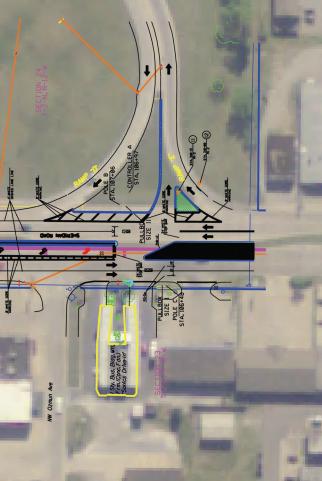


# ITEMS CONSIDERED DURING PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

- Purpose and Need for Project
- Alternates
- Affected Environment
- Possible Environmental Consequences:
  - Air Quality Impacts
  - Community Impact Assessment
  - Consideration of Pedestrians and Bicyclists
  - Construction Impacts
  - Cultural Resources and Archeological Sites
  - Economic Impacts
  - Effects on Public Parks, Wildlife and Waterfowl Refuges and Historic Sites
  - Energy
  - Environmental Justice
  - Farmland Impacts
  - Floodplain Issues
  - Hazardous Water / Underground Storage Tanks
  - Irreversible and Irretrievable Commitment of Resources
  - Joint Development
  - Land Use Impacts
  - Noise Impacts
  - Permits
- Relationship of Local Short-Term Uses vs. Long-Term Productivity
- Relocation Impacts / Right-of-Way Acquisition
- Secondary and Cumulative Impacts
- Social Impacts
- Threatened or Endangered Species
- Visual Impacts
- Wetland Impacts
- Wildlife Impacts
- Comments and Coordination / Public Involvement
  - State / Federal Agencies
  - Local / City Officials
  - Tribal Coordination
  - Interested Citizens
- Engineering / Design / Drainage Concerns
- Accidents / Safety Concerns







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