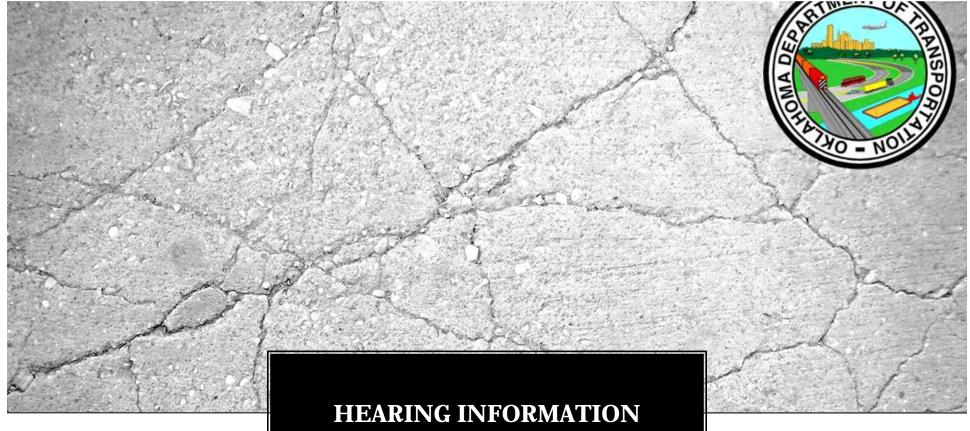
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#### ODOT PUBLIC HEARING FOR S.H.-9 IN NORMAN, OK

04/21/2011 - 6:00pm





Purpose & Intent

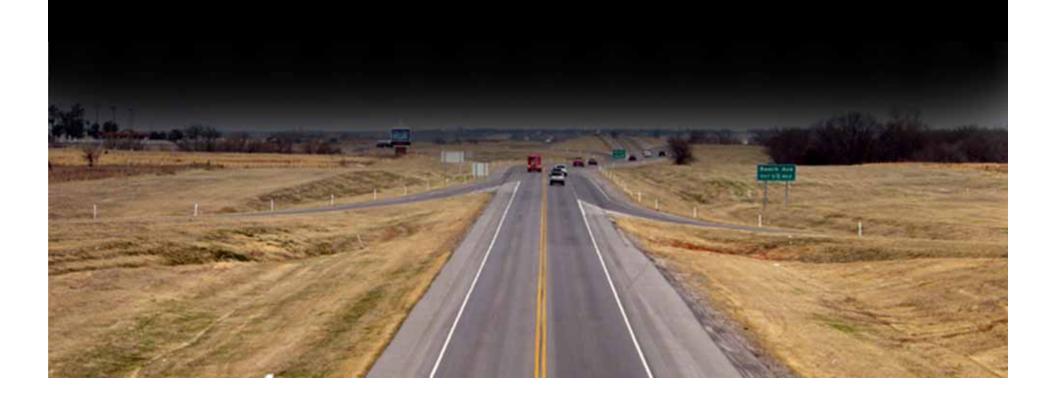
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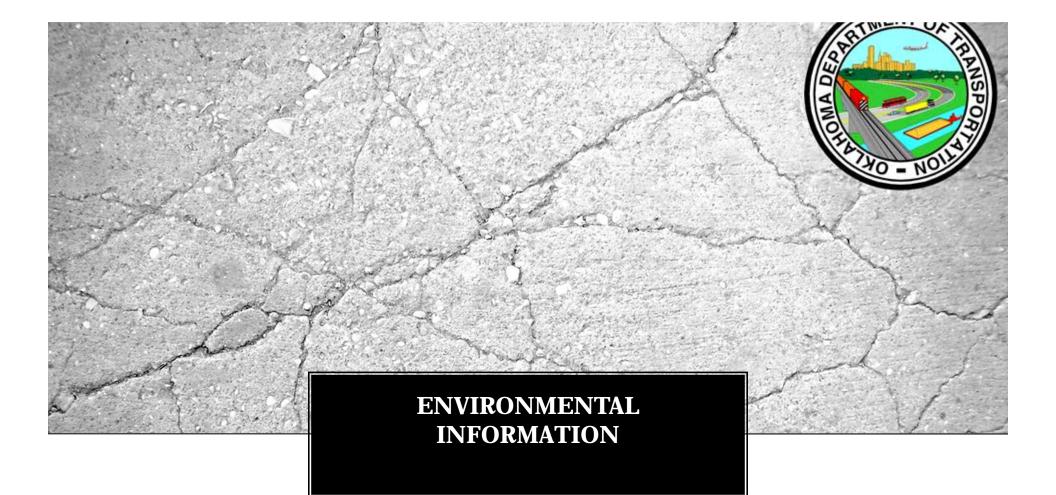
The purpose of this Hearing is to provide the public with an update to the original Hearing held on September 27, 2005 and provide an opportunity to comment on the proposed action and the findings of the Environmental Assessment (EA) that has been prepared for this undertaking.





### The purpose of this project is to widen S.H. 9 in Norman, OK from 24<sup>th</sup> St. SE to 72<sup>nd</sup> St. SE





#### **ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION**

#### 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 decisionmaking 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.

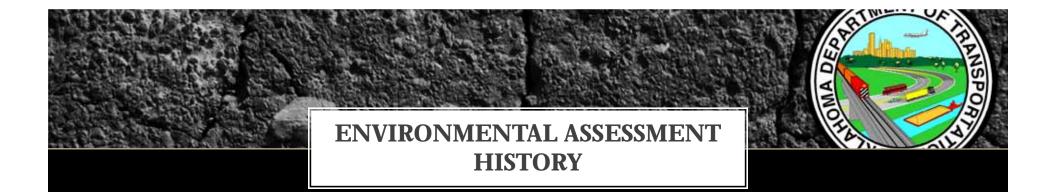
#### **ITEMS CONSIDERED DURING PROJECT DEVELOPMENT**

- 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**

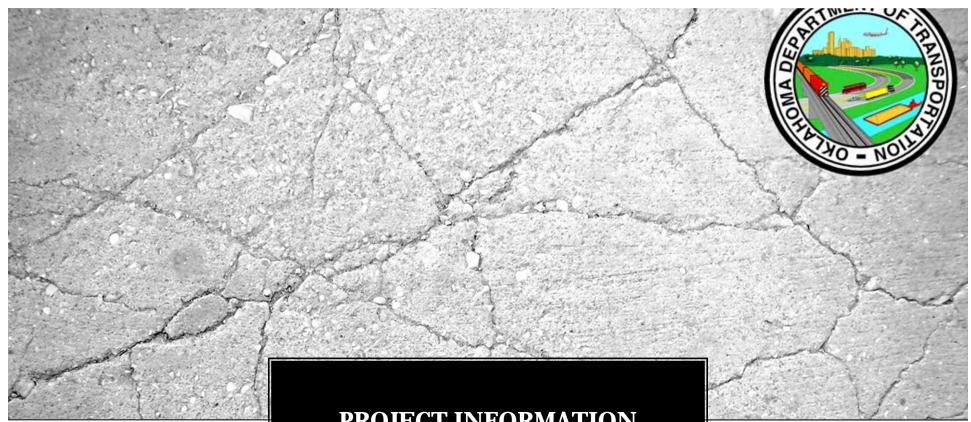
- Energy
- Environmental Justice
- Farmland Impacts
- Floodplain Issues
- Hazardous Water/Underground **Storage Tanks**
- Irreversible & Irretrievable Commitment of resources
- Joint Development
- Land Use Impacts
- Noise Impacts
- Permits
- Relationship of Local Short-Term Engineering Concerns vs. Long-Term productivity
- Relocation Impacts

- 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 OfficialsTribal Coordination

  - Interested Citizens
- Accidents/Safety Concerns



- Original EA to widen S.H. 9 was started in 2003.
- Public Meeting held in 2004.
- Public Hearing held in 2005.
- EA submitted for approval in 2006 Held due to issues with the City of Norman's plan for a Multi-Modal Path & the Federal Highway Administration.
- EA resubmitted for approval in 2011.



#### **PROJECT INFORMATION**

Information about the project and its design

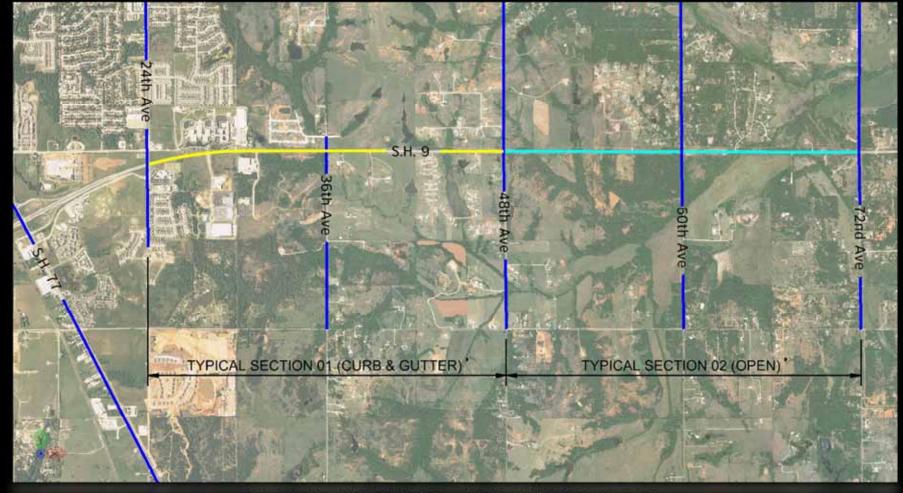
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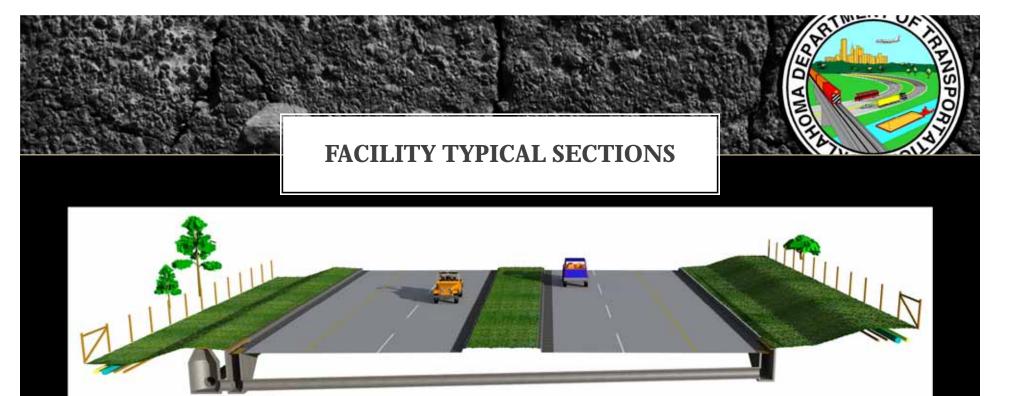
- Current facility: 2-lane highway with left-hand turn locations.
- 116 total accidents reported from 2006 to 2010 for project length
- Current Average Daily Traffic count:
- Future Est. Average Daily Traffic count:

#### **DIVISION INFORMATION**

- Division Engineer: Paul Rachel
- Counties Serviced: 11
- Road Miles: 1,794.48
- Bridges: 575

#### PROJECT LOCATION & DESIGN INFORMATION





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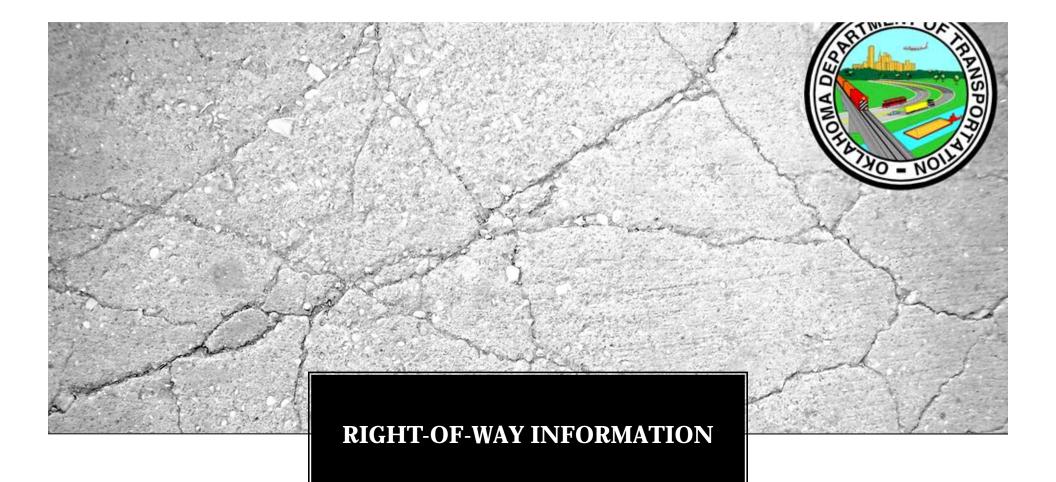
#### TYPICAL SECTION NO. 2 (OPEN)



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#### **PROJECT INFORMATION**

- Creates a 4-Lane facility from 24<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE to 72<sup>nd</sup> Ave. SE
- Estimated Project Cost: \$17.6 Million
- Right-of-way process est. to start in 2011
- Construction from 24<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE to 36<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE est. to start in 2013
- Construction from 36<sup>th</sup> Ave. SE to 72<sup>nd</sup> Ave. SE est. to start in 2015
- City of Norman to add Multi-modal path in the future



#### **RIGHT OF WAY AQUISITION**







## THANK YOU FOR COMING

#### ODOT PUBLIC HEARING S.H. 39 IN NORMAN, OK

http://www.odot.org/meetings/other.php

