# OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION USE OF PUBLIC MALETING

06-16-2011 @ 5:00pm Mattie Terry Hunt Community Building 311 N. Johnson St., Valliant, OK 74764

Welcome to The Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) Public Meeting for U.S. 70 in Valliant, OK

## **PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING**

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The purpose of this meeting is to provide a comparison between the three (3) alternative alignment options to improve U.S. 70 in Valliant, OK.

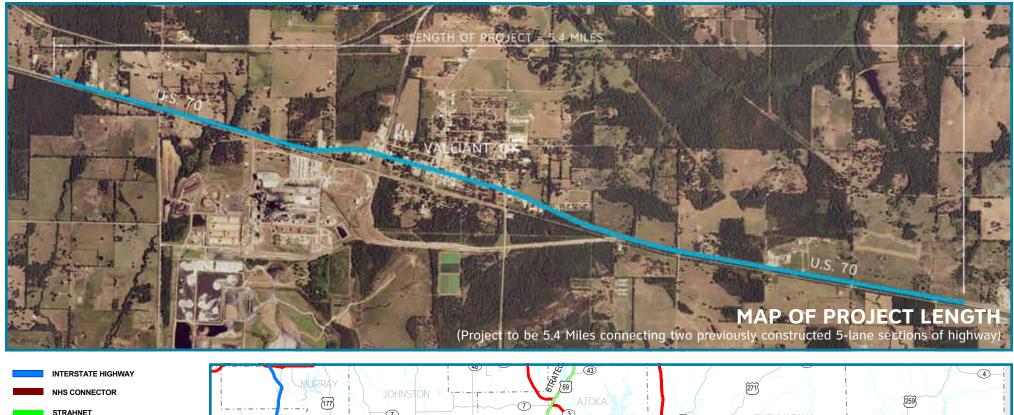
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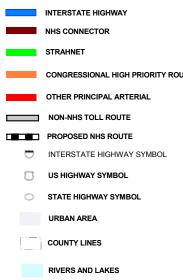
The purpose of this project is to make various safety improvements to U.S. 70 in Valliant, OK as part of a NHS Transportation Improvement Corridor.

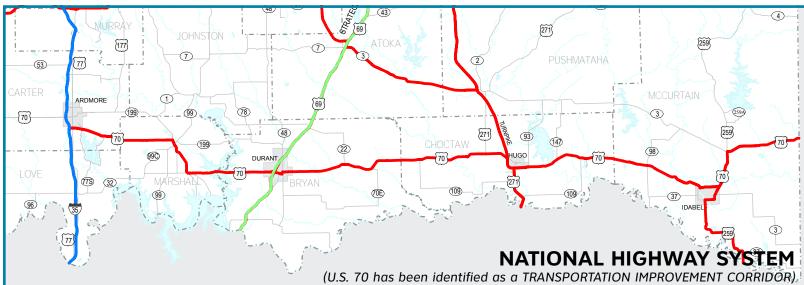
The Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is proposing to improve U.S. 70 starting 0.4 miles East of Watermill Rd., ending 0.4 miles West of S.H. 98. This project is part of the NHS (National Highway System) Transportation Improvement Corridor and will tie into existing 5-lane facilities. Improvements include but are not limited to: Raised crossings at railroad intersections, widening to five (5) lanes including a center turning lane, sidewalks, shoulders.

## **ESTIMATED COST OF PROJECT**

Highway, raised at railroad, 5-lane Highway, not raised at railroad, 5-lane Highway, Bypass, 4-lane \$43 Million \$38 Million \$58 Million







#### PROJECT INFORMATION

- Project is currently in the 8-year construction work program
- Project is part of the NHS Improvement Corridor.
- Current ADT (Average Daily Traffic) = 4500 vehicles a day in city.
- Future estimated ADT = 8000 vehicles a day in city.

#### **DIVISION 2 INFORMATION**

- Division Engineer: Calvin Carney
- 3813.42 Total Lane Miles
- 936 On-System Bridges
- Division 2 services 9 counties

# **QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?**

If you have any questions or comments about the Oklahoma Department of Transportation's proposed project, please visit <a href="www.odot.org/meetings/other.php">www.odot.org/meetings/other.php</a> to fill out an official comment form, or send an email to <a href="mailto:environment@odot.org">environment@odot.org</a> for any questions you have. You may also mail your comments or questions to the address below.



#### WHAT IS NEPA & 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 comment 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 Relating to 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 Waste / 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

