



Comments on transportation planning documents sought at Chickasha meeting

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How do you want your transportation system to look? Now? In the future? The Oklahoma Department of Transportation wants to know. ODOT's Planning & Research Division is hosting a series of meetings across the state to provide residents with information, access to ODOT staff and avenues for commenting on two important transportation planning documents.

A meeting in Chickasha has been scheduled for 4 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10, at the Grady County Fairgrounds Community Building, 500 E. Choctaw.

Previous meetings have been held in Clinton, Lawton, McAlester, Muskogee, Oklahoma City, Ponca City, Tulsa and Woodward. Upcoming meetings are expected in Shawnee and Enid.

Residents may suggest ideas and provide comments for the State Long Range Transportation Plan. This plan will guide ODOT's policies for the next 25 years. Updated every five years, the plan was last revised in 2005.

The document contains information and policies related to highways, airports, rural transit, waterways, rail, pedestrians and bicyclists. The plan addresses goals related to safety and security; accessibility and mobility; transportation system maintenance; freight/shipping options; transportation and the economy. Residents are asked to provide comments and propose future ideas for ODOT.

Also at the same meeting, residents will be able to review, comment and discuss with ODOT personnel the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program. This document is prepared every other year and lists ODOT projects for the next four federal fiscal years. Residents will be able to discuss with ODOT personnel and provide comments on these and any projects they would like ODOT to consider for addition to future Programs.

Comments will be received during the meeting or can be mailed to ODOT Planning & Research Division, 200 N.E. 21st St., Oklahoma City 73105, and can be submitted via the Long Range Plan Web site, www.oklongrangeplan.com.

The meeting location is accessible to persons having disabilities. Any person requiring an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for language translation (including Spanish and Vietnamese) is requested to contact ODOT's Frances Campbell at 405-521-2705 or fcampbell@odot.org, 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

For more about ODOT's Long Range Transportation Plan, go to: www.oklongrangeplan.com.

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