

RESOLUTION 07-05-2022-

SOUTH CENTRAL OKLAHOMA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (SCORTPO) ROOSEVELT BRIDGE LETTER OF SUPPORT

WHEREAS the Marshall County Board of Commissioners may take into consideration and act upon matters presented at a public body meeting pertaining to the support for SCORTPO, the Transportation Planning Subsidiary of SODA, for replacement of the Roosevelt Bridge on US Highway 70 over Lake Texoma; and

WHEREAS Roosevelt Bridge was constructed in 1942 and eighty years later is now functionally obsolete and at perpetual risk of becoming structurally deficient; and

WHEREAS thousands of passenger and freight vehicles move across Roosevelt Bridge daily on US 70 and the traffic demand continues to increase significantly since the bridge was built; and

WHEREAS the Roosevelt Bridge is unable to serve the needs of all the types of traffic needing to use it and is therefore in need of expanding to a four-lane highway to increase its load capacity and allow access to as many vehicles as possible; and

WHEREAS the current structure and condition of the Roosevelt Bridge potentially constrains the development of the travel and tourism economy and the free flow of freight traffic across rural south central and southeastern Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS the Oklahoma Department of Transportation has released its 8-Year Plan, including a project to replace the Roosevelt Bridge across Lake Texoma; and

WHEREAS the Oklahoma Department of Transportation is currently performing a preliminary engineering study.

WHEREAS the Marshall County Board of Commissioners requests Oklahoma Department of Transportation to urgently explore any and all options to secure funding that would expedite the replacement of the Roosevelt Bridge across Lake Texoma including, but not limited to submitting applications for federal funding opportunities for bridge and transportation planning and construction.

NOW, THEREFORE A MOTION HAS BEEN PROPOSED by Commissioner Melton and seconded by
Commissioner to approve this letter of support.
WHEREUPON Commissioner Melton votes: Ves Commissioner Cantrell votes: Ves and Commissioner Duroy
votes: Wes, said Resolution was RESOLVED this 5 th day of
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Attest: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Chris Duroy, Vice-Chairman
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Don Melton, Member