

Environmental Programs Division

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Subject:

Widen, Resurface, & Bridge SH-100 from 3 Miles North of the Cherokee County Line, Extending East 5

Adair County, OK; State Job Piece: J/P No. 32098(04)

Dear Property Owner/Stakeholder/Utility Owner:

We are pleased to inform you the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) is considering improvements to State Highway (SH) SH-100 from approximately 3.25 miles northeast of the Cherokee County line and extending east roughly 6.3 miles in Adair County, Oklahoma. A public meeting was held at the Stilwell Public Library on August 29, 2019. At that meeting, three alternatives were presented based on the results of an engineering alignment review. Alternative 1 involved improving the existing roadway to provide two 12-foot wide driving lanes and 8-foot wide paved shoulders with a north offset alignment curve correction near County Road (CR) NS-4675. Alternative 2 involved improving the existing roadway to provide two 12-foot wide driving lanes and 8-foot wide paved shoulders with a minor curve correction on existing alignment near CR NS-4675. Alternative 3 involved widening the existing roadway to provide two 12-foot wide driving lanes and 8-foot wide paved shoulders with no curve corrections. ODOT received comments from affected residents, the general public, and state and federal agencies. A Summary of the public agency comments and responses can be found at: https://www.ok.gov/odot/Programs and Projects/Public Meetings and Hearings/20190829.html

Based on the completed engineering review, public meeting participation, and state and federal agency input, ODOT selected Alternative 1 as the preferred alignment (see attached map). The preferred alignment will enhance safety by correcting substandard curves, reconfiguring driveways and entrances, improving driving surfaces, widening or adding shoulders, and lengthening the bridge-box over Smith Hollow Creek. Alternatives 2 and 3 were rejected because they would not fully address safety concerns.

ODOT will move forward with preliminary design and environmental studies for Alternative 1. Currently, ODOT has this project scheduled for right-of-way and utility relocations in year 2021 with projected construction in year 2024. We will be having a public open house in late 2020 to provide you an opportunity to review the design plans.

If you are currently leasing this property, please notify your lessee of the proposed project.

Should you have any questions or specific concerns, please contact our authorized agent Mr. Geoff Canty with CC Environmental at (405) 761-1225 or geoff@ccenviro.net, or Ms. Kathy Koon, ODOT Environmental Project Manager, at (405) 521-2676, kkoon@odot.org.

Respectfully,

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Enclosure: Alternative Alignment Map

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