Oklahoma Department of Transportation



US-77 Garvin County ODOT Public Meeting December 3. 2

Presented by: The Oklahoma Department of Transportation, Tetra Tech, CEC, & CC Environmental



- Inform the public about the proposed improvements to US-77 over the Washita River, Washita River Overflow, & Unnamed Creek beginning at SH-29 to just east of Long Avenue in Wynnewood, Garvin County
- Present the results of the environmental studies
- Solicit public input for the proposed changes to US-77 for further consideration
- Answer questions and address concerns



Location Map





Project Purpose & Need

- Replace one structurally deficient bridge, and two functionally obsolete (narrow) bridges
- Improve the efficiency of US-77





Presentation Overview

• Two separate construction projects





Existing Roadway Conditions

- 2-lane highway built in 1959
- Two, 12-ft driving lanes with 8-ft paved shoulders
- Speed limit: 65 mph highway with 45 mph approaching Wynnewood
- Existing Traffic (2015) 6,900 vehicles per day



Project Personnel

OK Department of Transportation



<u>Tetra Tech</u>

CEC Infrastructure Solutions





CC Environmental



Washita River Bridge Project

Design Engineer: CEC Infrastructure Solutions





Washita River Bridge Project

Begin at SH-29 intersection & proceed east approximately 1 mile





Existing Conditions

- Existing Washita River Bridge
 - Built 1959
 - 28-ft wide
 - 610 ft long, 4–100-ft pony trusses & 1–210-ft high truss
 - Structurally Deficient



- Replace existing truss bridge
 - Bridge will consist of 4–12-ft wide driving lanes and 2– 10-ft wide shoulders
 - 672 ft long new bridge
- Widen the approach roadway east and west of the bridge
 - 4–12-ft wide driving lanes
 - 2–10-ft wide shoulders



- Reconstruct on Existing Alignment with road closed
 - Provides the least construction cost and minimizes the right-of-way and utility impacts, but with a higher impact to road users.
 - Provide alternate route during construction
 - Posted Detour Route on SH 17A and I-35 is 10 miles long from the west end of bridge to the east end of bridge
 - Road closure letters sent to property owners in 2012, no comments were received







Schedule of Improvements

Project Duration:

- Initial Estimate = 10 months (300 days)
- Time may be reduced to 9 months (270 days) or less with construction performance incentives/disincentives
- Right-of-Way/Utilities: underway
- Begin Construction: 2018
- Total Cost Estimate: \$9.13 million



Washita River Overflow & Unnamed Creek

Design Engineer: Tetra Tech





Washita River Overflow



Unnamed Creek



Begin at river bridge project, extend east ~1 mile to just past Long Ave.





Existing Conditions

Bridges:

Washita River Overflow Bridge

- Built 1932
- 30-ft wide
- 158 ft long, 7–22.5-ft concrete slab spans
- Unnamed Creek Bridge
 - Built 1932
 - 28-ft wide
 - 113 ft long, 5–22.5-ft concrete slab spans



Roadway:

- Reconstruction of existing pavement to accommodate future traffic (2035) 9,600 vehicles/day
 - Current and future traffic warrants 4 lanes
- 4-lane open section
 - 4–12-ft wide driving lanes with 2–10-ft wide shoulders
- Transition to 2-lane open section in Wynnewood





4-Lane Open Section



Bridges:

- Washita River Overflow
 - 3–12-ft x 4-ft Reinforced Concrete Boxes Extended to the Clear Zone
- Unnamed Creek
 - 3–14-ft x 7-ft Reinforced Concrete Boxes Extended to the Clear Zone



Construction Phase

- Maintain one lane of traffic in each direction throughout construction
- Offset alignment to the south to:
 - Facilitate removal of existing bridges
 - Construct new structures
 - Avoid ballpark impacts
- Provide temporary access drives
 - Residential
 - Commercial
 - Field Entrances
- Minimize impact to properties and owners



Schedule of Improvements

- Schedule as identified in the ODOT 8-Year Construction Work Plan
- Project Duration:
- Right-of-Way/Utilities:
- Begin Construction:
- Total Cost Estimate:

8 months 2017 2020 \$6.27 million



Environmental Review





Environmental Process

Issues Considered, Studied, & Evaluated

- Right-of-Way Impacts
- Wetland Impacts
- Stream Impacts
- Floodplain Impacts
- Farmland Impacts
- Threatened & Endangered Species

- Tribal Concerns
- Cultural Issues
- Archeological Sites
- Hazardous Waste
 Sites
- Park Impacts
- Noise Impacts



Environmental Findings

- Right-of-Way Impacts
 - Some right-of-way required
 - No residential or commercial displacements anticipated
- Stream & Wetland Impacts
 - Impacts to waters & wetlands anticipated
 - Requires Army Corps of Engineers review
- Cultural Issues & Archeological Sites
 - No historic properties affected
 - Off-project avoidance plan notes



Environmental Findings

Hazardous Waste Sites

- Leaking underground storage tank sites near southwest corner of SH-29/US-77 junction
- Fueling station at US-77 & N. Jarret
- Contamination possible, but not expected to affect construction
- Park Impacts
 - Ballpark complex should not be affected
 - Access will remain open during construction



Noise Study

- Noise study completed in accordance with ODOT noise policy (July 13, 2011). Utilized FHWA Traffic Noise Model in predicting existing and future noise levels.
- Model inputs included traffic data, roadway geometry, and receiver site locations.
- Receiver sites included 4 residences, 7 commercial properties, and 2 baseball fields.



Environmental Findings

Noise Impacts

- Based on the proposed project & future traffic, no residences or baseball fields would approach or meet 67dB(A).
- Future noise levels ranged from +0.6 to +6.3 dB(A) over the existing condition.
- No receivers are projected to experience a substantial increase in sound levels (15dB).



Two separate projects

- Washita River Bridge
- Washita River Overflow & Unnamed Creek Bridges

Proposed Improvements

- Replace all three bridges with new structures
- Improve the roadway
 - 4-12 ft wide driving lanes with 2-10 ft wide shoulders
 - Transition to 2 lanes in town



- Receive comments from public
- Complete/update environmental documents
- Complete/update design plans
- Begin/complete right-of-way acquisition & utility relocations
 - Washita River Bridge Project: In progress
 - Washita River Overflow & Unnamed Creek Project: 2017
- Construct projects
 - Washita River Bridge Project: 2017
 - Washita River Overflow & Unnamed Creek Project: 2020



Question & Comments

- More information is available online at <u>www.odot.org/publicmeeting</u>
- Comments may be provided as following:
 - Leave your comment form here tonight
 - Download and fill out form online
 - Mail forms to ODOT: Oklahoma Department of Transportation Environmental Programs Division 200 NE 21st Street Oklahoma City, OK 73105
 - Email comments to: <u>odot-environment@odot.org</u>
- Comments due by December 18, 2015