

NEOSHO

RIVER

## WELCOME

137

60

SPRING

RIVER

# US-60 Over the Spring and Neosho Rivers, Ottawa County

**July 13, 2017** 

### **PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING**

...is to Discuss the Need and Present the Preferred Alternative for US-60 over Spring and Neosho Rivers in Ottawa County





### **PURPOSE OF THE PROJECT**

#### ...is to Correct the At-Risk Bridges on US-60 Over the Spring and Neosho Rivers and Improve Geometrics at the SH-137 Intersection



### **PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS**





#### Existing Conditions - Roadway

- US-60
  - Rural Minor Arterial
  - o 12' Lanes With 6' Shoulders
  - Posted Speed 55 mph
  - Existing Deficiencies
    - Shoulder Width
    - Superelevation on Horizontal Curve at West

- SH-137
  - Rural Major Collector
  - 12' Lanes With no Shoulders
  - Posted Speed 35mph
  - Existing Deficiencies
    - Shoulder Width
    - Horizontal Curves
    - Steep Grade
    - Sight Distance





#### Existing River Bridges

- Built in 1940 (Approx. 75 years)
- Neosho River 605'
- Spring River 550'
- Multiple I-Beam Girder System
- 28' Clear Roadway Width
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Peninsula

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#### Existing Conditions - Traffic

- Volumes (2014)
  - o US-60: 6,240 veh./day
    - 30% Trucks
  - SH-137: 3,040 veh./day
    - o 6% Trucks
- Level of Service (LOS)
  - Mainline: LOS C
  - Intersection: LOS C
  - Both meet standards for current volumes.



- Characteristics/Observations
  - Skewed Intersection at SH-137
  - Overlapping Intersections
  - Conflicts Between Slow and Fast Moving Vehicles



#### Existing Conditions - Traffic

- Collision Data (10 Year)
  - o Total 36
    - o 20 Personal Property Damage
    - 15 Injury
    - o 1 Fatal
  - Spot Areas of Higher Concentration
    - Curve to West
    - o Intersection











### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS**

#### Potential Environmental Considerations

- Twin Bridges State Park
  [Section 4(f) and Section 6(f)]
- Compensatory Flood Storage
- Extensive Wetlands
- Threatened and Endangered Species
- GRDA Lands
- Cultural Resources
- Detailed Environmental Studies will Be Completed in the Next Phase



### **PARK AND GRDA LANDS**



### **FLOOD STORAGE**



DATE: 17AUG16 TIME: 1100

ELEV: 742.96 -----CONSERVATION POOL IS 99.64% FULL

Flood Pool and May Require Compensatory Flood Storage

### WETLANDS



### THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES

#### Threatened and Endangered Species

- American Burying Beetle
- Piping Plover
- Red Knot
- Gray Bat
- Northern Long-Eared Bat
- Ozark Big-Eared Bat
- Neosho Mucket
- Winged Mapleleaf
- Neosho Madtom
- Ozark Cavefish



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# DEVELOPMENT OF ALTERNATIVES

### **DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS**

#### Future Traffic (2038)

- 50% Growth From Existing
- US-60: 9,240 veh./day (6,240)
- SH-137: 4,500 veh./day (3,040)

#### No Build Conditions

- LOS D on US-60 and SH-137
- US-60/SH-137 Intersection:
  - LOS E/F Conditions on SH-137 during peak periods

#### Proposed Improvements

- 2-Lane Mainline Roadway
- Turn Lanes on All Approaches
  - US-60 EB Left
  - US-60 WB Right
  - SH-137 SB Left



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### PROPOSED DESIGN CRITERIA & METHODOLOGY

- Roadway/Traffic
  - US-60
    - 2-Lane w. 8 foot Shoulders
    - Design Speed = 65 mph
    - Clear Zone = 30 feet
  - SH-137
    - 2-Lane w. 4 foot Shoulders
    - Design Speed = 40 mph
    - Clear Zone = 22 feet

#### Bridge & Retaining Walls

- Evaluated different beam types and bridge layouts
- Retaining walls used to avoid storage/wetland impacts
- Assumed transition to retaining walls at 15ft

#### Hydraulics

- 50 year Design for Overtopping Roadway – ODOT Criteria
- 100 year Design for Bridge (FEMA Zone A 1 foot max rise)





FEMA Mapped Flood Zone

#### Constraints and Considerations

- Construction Costs
- Bridge Length and Maintenance
- Retaining Walls and Maintenance
- Facility User Impacts
- Relocations
- Alternative 1 On-Existing Alignment
- Alternative 2 Partial South Offset
- Alternative 3 Raised Crossing with SH-137 Connection at Peninsula
- Alternative 4 Raised Crossing with Relocated SH-137 Connection



- Park Impacts
- GRDA Lands
- Flood Storage Impacts
- Wetland & Stream Impacts

#### Alternative 1 – On-Existing Alignment

- Minimalist Alternative with Regards to Impacts, Cost, and Construction Duration
- Replace Bridges on Existing Alignment near Same Elevation
- No Turn Lanes or Changes to SH-137 Grade
- No Improvements to Horizontal Curve
- Detours Likely During Construction



#### Alternative 2 – Partial South Offset

- Replace Bridges 26' South of Existing Centerline (cut to the north)
- US-60 Raised 5' at Peninsula to Improve SH-137 Grade
- US-60 Raise impact on Marina Drive
- Retaining Walls along US-60
- Includes Turn Lanes at Intersection
- Reconstruction of Curve to West
- Staged Construction Maintain Two Lanes of Traffic



#### Alternative 3 – Raised Crossing with SH-137 Connection at Peninsula

- Replace Bridges With One Longer Bridge Over the Peninsula
- US-60 Raised Approximately 25' at Peninsula to Improve SH-137 Grade
- Elevated "T" Intersection, Shifted East From Existing
- Shifts Marina Access to SH-137
- Includes Turn Lanes at Intersection
- Staged Construction Maintain Two Lanes of Traffic



#### Alternative 4 – Raised Crossing with Relocated SH-137 Connection

- Eliminates Intersection at Peninsula, Creates New Intersection to West
- Creates New SH-137 Alignment and Bridge Across the Neosho River
- Existing SH-137 Becomes County Road to Access Park
- Replace US-60 Bridges With One Longer Bridge Over the Peninsula
- US-60 Raise 25' to provide Vertical Clearance at Marina



### **PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE**

#### Meeting was Held With ODOT to Discuss the 4 Preliminary Alternatives

US-60 over Spring and Neosho Rivers, Ottawa County Alternative Impact Matrix										
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1	NO	\$9.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1-2	
2	YES	\$23.1	0	3	1	2.3	0.2	2,300	0	
3	YES	\$31.4	0	2	0	1.1	0.2	3,000	0	
4	YES	\$36.0	0.02	52	11	0	0.2	4,500	0	

\* Costs DO NOT include mitigation

#### Alternatives Were Eliminated That:

- Did not address capacity issues
- Did not improve steep grade on SH-137
- Caused greater impacts on properties and the environment

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 Alternative 3 is Preferred Because it Corrects the Bridges, Improves the Grades and Safety on SH-137 and on US-60, and Balances Costs with Minimizing Impacts to Properties and the Environment

### **STAKEHOLDER MEETING**

- ODOT Presented to Key Project Stakeholders October 24, 2016
- Stakeholders Included Agencies with Jurisdiction over Resources in the Area
  - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
  - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
  - Wyandotte Nation
  - Ottawa County Commissioner
  - Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department
  - Grand River Dam Authority

#### Feedback from Stakeholders Included

- Need to keep US-60 open during construction
- Any closures should be coordinated with Twin Bridges State Park and attempt to avoid spoonbill season
- Will need to coordinate with Tourism and Recreation Department on any acquisition needed from the Park
- Prefer aesthetic treatment of retaining walls
- Appreciate the minimization of impacts to wetlands

# PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE

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- Raised Crossing with Existing SH-137 Connection
  - Replace Existing Bridges With One Longer Bridge Over the Peninsula
  - Bridge from West Causeway to East Causeway
  - Elevated SH-137 Connection



#### Raised Crossing with Existing SH-137 Connection

- Bridge Extension and General Lane Configuration (Tapers and Turn Lanes).
- Slab on Girder (Two Bridges) with Retaining Walls.
- 26' Partial South Offset Distance to Existing US-60.
- US-60 (2600' with 19 Spans). SH-137 (60' with 1 Span).



- Raised Crossing with Existing SH-137 Connection
  - Bridge Tapers for Turning Lanes. Safety Rail. Fill and Sloped Embankments.
  - Marina Drive Vertical and Horizontal Clearance.
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- Raised Crossing with SH-137 Connection at Peninsula
  - Construction Sequencing and Traffic Control
    - US-60
      - Maintain Two Lanes of Thru Traffic
      - Temporary Pavement Widening Required at Tie-in Points
    - SH-137
      - Temporary Closures and Require Detours



Raised Crossing with SH-137 Connection at Peninsula



#### Construction Sequencing – SH-137

- Marina/Park Access Open at All Times but may Require Detour
- Attempt to Coincide Construction Sequence with Local Considerations
- Anticipated Duration of Closure and Detour is 6 Months.

#### Temporary Detour Route



# PROJECT IMPACTS

### **IMPACTS SUMMARY**

US-60 over Spring and Neosho Rivers, Ottawa County Impact Summary - Preferred Alternative								
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- Alternative 3 is Preferred by ODOT Due to Better Grades, Safer Intersection with SH-137, and Reduced Impacts
- Impacts to Wetlands and Flood Storage have been Minimized with the use of Retaining Walls – these will be Investigated Further during Design

# NEXT STEPS

### **ENVIRONMENTAL NEXT STEPS**

- Detailed Environmental Studies Will be Performed
  - Archaeological and Historic Survey
  - Wetland Delineations
  - Biological Assessment USFWS Consultation
  - Hazardous Waste Investigation
- ODOT will Coordinate with the OK Dept of Tourism and Twin Bridges State Park on Impacts to the Park
- Studies Will be Summarized in an Environmental Document that Will Outline the Commitments to Minimize Impacts to the Environment



### **NEXT PROJECT STEPS**



### **THANK YOU!**

### Please Submit Your Comments by July 27, 2017

- Leave Your Comment Form Here Tonight
- Mail the Comment Form Back to ODOT:

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- Email Your Comments to <u>Environment@ODOT.ORG</u>
- Submit via Internet at <u>www.odot.org\publicmeetings</u>

# **QUESTIONS?**