## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

All interested persons are hereby given notice that The Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), is proposing to improve the US-75 at Preston Road intersection located seven miles north of the US-62 Junction in Okmulgee County, Oklahoma. The proposed project consists of the construction of a grade separated intersection at Preston Road/Will Sampson Road over US-75, adding on/off ramps and rerouting County Road N 220 (Pierce Avenue) along the east side of US-75 to connect Preston Road to the south, east of the Preston Road/US-75 intersection in Preston, Oklahoma. A Public Hearing has been scheduled to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on the proposed action and the findings of an Environmental Assessment (EA) for this undertaking.

The Hearing will begin at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 9, 2021, at the Preston High School Cafeteria, 10061 Old Highway 75, Preston, Oklahoma, 74456. The first hour of the meeting will be an open house format, with exhibits available to view. A brief presentation will be made at 6:00 p.m. followed by an opportunity for public comment. Individuals should be signed up to speak by 6:15 p.m. and will have a maximum of three minutes to speak. Following the presentation and public comment period, the open house format will continue until 7:30 p.m. Comment forms will be provided, and a court reporter will be available to record verbal comments.

The EA Document describes the project's purpose and need, the range of alternatives considered, the social, economic and environmental effect of the alternatives, and the Agency coordination and Public Involvement activities conducted as part of the Assessment. Copies of the EA will be available for public inspection at the following locations and online at the ODOT website <a href="www.odot.org/US75PrestonRoad">www.odot.org/US75PrestonRoad</a> from Monday, October 25, 2021, to Wednesday, November 24, 2021.

Oklahoma Department of Transportation 200 N.E. 21<sup>st</sup> Street Oklahoma City, OK, 73015 Hours: Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. ODOT District 1 Field Office 2800 S. 32<sup>nd</sup> Street Muskogee, OK 74401 Hours: Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Preston Post Office 10040 Polk Avenue Preston, OK 74456 Hours: Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.

If any person wishes to submit a written statement concerning this project or the Environmental Assessment, they may submit their comments to the Environmental Programs Division, Oklahoma Department of Transportation, 200 N.E. 21<sup>st</sup> St., Oklahoma City, OK, 73105, or email <a href="mailto:environment@odot.org">environment@odot.org</a>. All comments must be received or postmarked by no later than Wednesday, November 24, 2021.

Additional information about the project and the upcoming meeting can be obtained from Kelly Saladis, CP&Y at 214.276.5420 or <u>ksaladis@cpyi.com</u>, or Andrew Ward, ODOT Environmental Programs, at (405) 521-2325 or <u>wward@odot.org</u>.

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