

## EXECUTIVE INTRODUCTION

The mission of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation is to provide a safe, economical and effective transportation network for the people, commerce and communities of Oklahoma.

The Oklahoma Department of Transportation Commission develops a long range statewide transportation plan (minimum of 20 years) which is a policy plan, not a project plan. It presents policies specific to each mode of transportation and aids economic development through transportation improvements. The Department also develops an 8 Year Construction Work Plan which encompasses State, Federal and Interstate highway improvement projects. From that Plan, the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) is developed for all areas of the state. Both plans and the STIP identify key transportation needs and facilitate the development, management and operation of safe transportation systems.

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