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RE: SH-10 Widening and Bridge Project: Public Meeting Set

The Oklahoma Department of Transportation has begun preparation of an environmental assessment for a widening and bridge replacement project on SH-10 in Miami, OK. ODOT invites you to attend this informational open house on Thursday, September 7, 2006, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Miami Civic Center Banquet Rm. located at 129 5th Ave. in Miami.

The project proposal includes widening SH-10 beginning just west of the Will Rogers Turnpike (I-44) bridge, and extending east approximately 3.5 miles to SH-137. The proposal includes the reconstruction of SH-10 from two to four lanes (with a 16-foot paved median) and the replacement of three bridges. The bridges are over I-44, Little Elm Creek, and an unnamed creek.

The engineering consulting firm Tetra Tech will conduct the environmental assessment, which is scheduled for completion in June 2007. Research during the assessment will help determine a preferred alternative to improve this segment of SH-10. Many factors will be studied and evaluated with a goal to minimize impacts on the natural environment, as well as on the residents and businesses already present.

The project internet site, www.OKsh10-EA.com, will be updated with information as it becomes available. Again, ODOT is accepting written comments on the SH-10 widening and bridge replacement project. To submit comments, please do so in writing using one of the following means: (1) By mail to Planning & Research Division Engineer, ODOT, 200 N. E. 21st Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73105-3204; (2) By fax to (405) 521-6917; (3) By completing the comment form on the Website (www.OKsh10-EA.com); or (3) By e-mail to klarios@odot.org. With questions, contact Kevin Larios at (405) 522-4420.