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Public meeting to discuss SH-51 bridge project in Cherokee County scheduled

The Oklahoma Department of Transportation is hosting a public meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 24 at the Briggs Elementary School near Tahlequah to present information on a proposed project to replace the structurally deficient bridge on SH-51 over the Baron Fork Creek and improve the safety of the SH-51 roadway and the SH-51/US-62 junction in Cherokee County.

The existing SH-51 roadway has several sharp curves, no shoulders and limited sight distance at the US-62 intersection. To address these issues, ODOT has tasked a consultant to look at alternatives for replacing the bridge and improving the highway and intersection safety. The purpose of the public meeting is to present these alternatives to the public and to get input to aid ODOT in selecting a preferred alternative in order to move forward with the completion of the environmental studies, design and construction.

SH-51/Baron Fork Creek Public Meeting Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2013 6 p.m.

Briggs Elementary School Cafeteria 17210 South 569 Road Tahlequah

Those requiring special accommodations for the meeting should direct requests to Frank Roesler, III, ODOT Public Involvement Specialist, at 200 N.E. 21st, Oklahoma City, OK 73105, (405) 521-2350 or froesler@odot.org at least three working days in advance of the meeting date.

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