

INVITATION TO US-60 PUBLIC MEETING

The Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) has proposed a United States Highway 60 (US 60) improvement project between Bartlesville and Vinita, Oklahoma. A portion of this corridor currently passes through the Town of Nowata, and this area was identified at the initial public meeting as a candidate for alignment (or curve) corrections. Craig and Keithline, Inc. has been retained by ODOT to evaluate the engineering and environmental components of the proposed project.

You have previously expressed interest in this project by attending a previous public meeting or submitting written / oral comments.

You are cordially invited to a public meeting to be *held Tuesday, June 5th, 2007, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Nowata City Library.*

This meeting is designed to share information and provide you with preliminary findings regarding the proposed curve corrections at Nowata and give you the opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

Following the development of a consensus on a preferred alternative, the appropriate environmental field studies will commence along the identified alignment. Several specialists will be performing investigations relative to engineering design, archeological and historic resources, wetlands and waterways, endangered species, hazardous material, and traffic noise along the alignment.

Results from these studies will be incorporated into the Environmental Assessment Document being prepared for the project. Private property will not be damaged in any way during these field studies. A stake or flag may be placed on private property so that the environmental specialists are able to distinguish the study corridor boundaries. ODOT will request that the public not remove any flags or stakes until the studies are completed.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the proposed project or field studies, please contact Craig & Keithline, Inc. project managers Kevin Kriewall at (918) 743-6611, email kkriewall@ck-engr.com; or Steve Votaw (918) 272-7656, email steve@eagle-env.com; or ODOT's project manager Ms. Laurie Effinger (405) 521-3651, email leffinger@odot.org.