



**OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT - INTERSTATE 40
FROM I-240 JUNCTION EAST TO CHOCTAW ROAD
(OKLAHOMA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA)**

**PUBLIC MEETING
MAY 29, 2008**

The purpose of the meeting is to share information and ideas and gather input from the public.

What is an Alternatives Analysis?

The identification and evaluation of alternatives is at the core of the decision-making process. Following a systematic and comprehensive process in the identification and evaluation of alternatives leads to decisions that achieve the need for the project while minimizing impacts to the social, natural and cultural environment. The following factors are considered as part of the alternatives identification process:

- The purpose and need for the project
- Public expectation
- Avoidance of impact to certain environmental and cultural resources
- Context sensitivity
- Logical Termini and Independent Utility

DESCRIPTION OF ALTERNATIVES

Alternative 1 - Diamond Interchange:

This alternative would provide two intersections on opposite sides of the I-40 mainline. This alternative requires signalization of both intersections and dedicated turn lanes.

Alternative 2 - Partial (2-Quadrant) Cloverleaf Interchange:

This alternative is similar to the existing configuration; however, the radii and the storage of the off-ramps have been increased. This configuration requires traffic signals at each

end and dedicated left and right-turn lanes at the ramp intersections.

Alternative 3 - Partial Diamond / Cloverleaf Interchange:

This alternative consists of a partial diamond interchange configuration for the I-40 on-ramps for eastbound and westbound I-40 from Choctaw Road and a partial cloverleaf interchange configuration for the I-40 off-ramps creating right-turns for all I-40 off-ramp movements to Choctaw Road. This configuration does not require traffic signals or dedicated right-turn lanes.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

The public will be provided the information it needs to understand issues surrounding the project and is encouraged to provide input. The ODOT's objective is to provide a collaboratively based approach to developing alternatives for improving I-40. Comments received from the public on the draft alternatives will be incorporated in the Environmental Assessment (EA). The public will have an opportunity to comment on the EA in its entirety at a later date.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

We encourage you to provide comments on the draft alternatives for the I-40 improvement project. Your input is critical to a successful collaborative process. Issues raised through public participation may be incorporated into the final EA. Please provide comments in writing to the ODOT via US Mail, fax, or email (see below) no later than June 12, 2008.

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