

## **Appendix 2: National Resource Conservation Service Coordination and Form AD 1006**

U.S. Department of Agriculture

# FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING

|   |  |  |                             |                          |                          |
|---|--|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>PART I</b> (To be completed by Federal Agency)   |  | Date Of Land Evaluation Request  |                             |                          |                          |
| Name Of Project US 70 Broken Bow  |  | Federal Agency Involved ODOT/FHWA  |                             |                          |                          |
| Proposed Land Use Transportation  |  | County And State McCurtain County, Oklahoma  |                             |                          |                          |
| <b>PART II</b> (To be completed by NRCS)  |  | Date Request Received By NRCS  |                             |                          |                          |
| Does the site contain prime, unique, statewide or local important farmland?<br>(If no, the FPPA does not apply -- do not complete additional parts of this form). |  | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  | No <input type="checkbox"/> | Acres Irrigated<br>1,444 | Average Farm Size<br>193 |
| Major Crop(s)<br>Wheat  | Farmable Land In Govt. Jurisdiction<br>Acres: 483,004 % 40 | Amount Of Farmland As Defined in FPPA<br>Acres: 404,453 % 33   |                             |                          |                          |
| Name Of Land Evaluation System Used<br>CALES  | Name Of Local Site Assessment System<br>None               | Date Land Evaluation Returned By NRCS<br>5/27/08   |                             |                          |                          |
| <b>PART III</b> (To be completed by Federal Agency)   |  | Alternative Site Rating  |                             |                          |                          |
|   |  | Site A   | Site B                      | Site C                   | Site D                   |
| A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly   |  | 645.9  |                             |                          |                          |
| B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly   |  | 0.0  |                             |                          |                          |
| C. Total Acres In Site  |  | 645.9  | 0.0                         | 0.0                      | 0.0                      |
| <b>PART IV</b> (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information  |  |  |                             |                          |                          |
| A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland  |  | 395.0  |                             |                          |                          |
| B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland   |  | 0.0  |                             |                          |                          |
| C. Percentage Of Farmland In County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted   |  | 0.0  |                             |                          |                          |
| D. Percentage Of Farmland In Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value  |  | 35.6   |                             |                          |                          |
| <b>PART V</b> (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Criterion<br>Relative Value Of Farmland To Be Converted (Scale of 0 to 100 Points)                        |  | 46   | 0                           | 0                        | 0                        |
| <b>PART VI</b> (To be completed by Federal Agency)<br>Site Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(b))                                   |  | Maximum Points   |                             |                          |                          |
| 1. Area In Nonurban Use   |  | 15   | 15                          |                          |                          |
| 2. Perimeter In Nonurban Use  |  | 10   | 10                          |                          |                          |
| 3. Percent Of Site Being Farmed   |  | 20   | 0                           |                          |                          |
| 4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government  |  | 20   | 0                           |                          |                          |
| 5. Distance From Urban Builtup Area   |  | 0  | 0                           |                          |                          |
| 6. Distance To Urban Support Services   |  | 0  | 0                           |                          |                          |
| 7. Size Of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average  |  | 10   | 10                          |                          |                          |
| 8. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland   |  | 25   | 9                           |                          |                          |
| 9. Availability Of Farm Support Services  |  | 5  | 5                           |                          |                          |
| 10. On-Farm Investments   |  | 20   | 12                          |                          |                          |
| 11. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services  |  | 25   | 0                           |                          |                          |
| 12. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use  |  | 10   | 0                           |                          |                          |
| TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS  |  | 160  | 61                          | 0                        | 0                        |
| <b>PART VII</b> (To be completed by Federal Agency)   |  |  |                             |                          |                          |
| Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)  |  | 100  | 46                          | 0                        | 0                        |
| Total Site Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)   |  | 160  | 61                          | 0                        | 0                        |
| TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)   |  | 260  | 107                         | 0                        | 0                        |
| Site Selected:  | Date Of Selection  | Was A Local Site Assessment Used?<br>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                             |                          |                          |

Reason For Selection:

NRCS COORDINATION LETTER

April 30, 2008

Kenneth Swift  
District Conservationist  
Natural Resources Conservation Service  
Idabel Field Service Center  
201 N. Central Ave., Room 124  
Idabel, OK 74745-3831

**RE: Site assessments for Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA): US 70 Improvements from Mountain Fork River to the Arkansas State Line, Project # HPPY-1061(002)HP, Job Piece #17424(05)**

Dear Mr. Swift,

The Oklahoma Department of Transportation is in the early developmental stages of planning for the expansion of US 70, 6.2 miles east of Broken Bow, Okalahoma to the Arkansas state line. The proposed project is to expand US 70 from a two-lane undivided highway to a four-lane divided highway with a center median.

Please find attached two copies of USDA Form AD-1006 and plans for the following federal actions in McCurtain County, OK:

In accordance with the current 7 CFR Part 658 - Farmland Protection Policy Act, Parts 1 and III of Form AD-1006 have been completed. Please complete the NRCS portions of this form within the next 45 days and return one copy to:

Stephanie Messerli, PE, AICP  
Jacobs Carter Burgess  
2705 Bee Cave Road, Suite 300  
Austin, TX 78746

Your assistance is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please call me at 512-732-7548 or [stephanie.messerli@jacobs.com](mailto:stephanie.messerli@jacobs.com).

Sincerely,

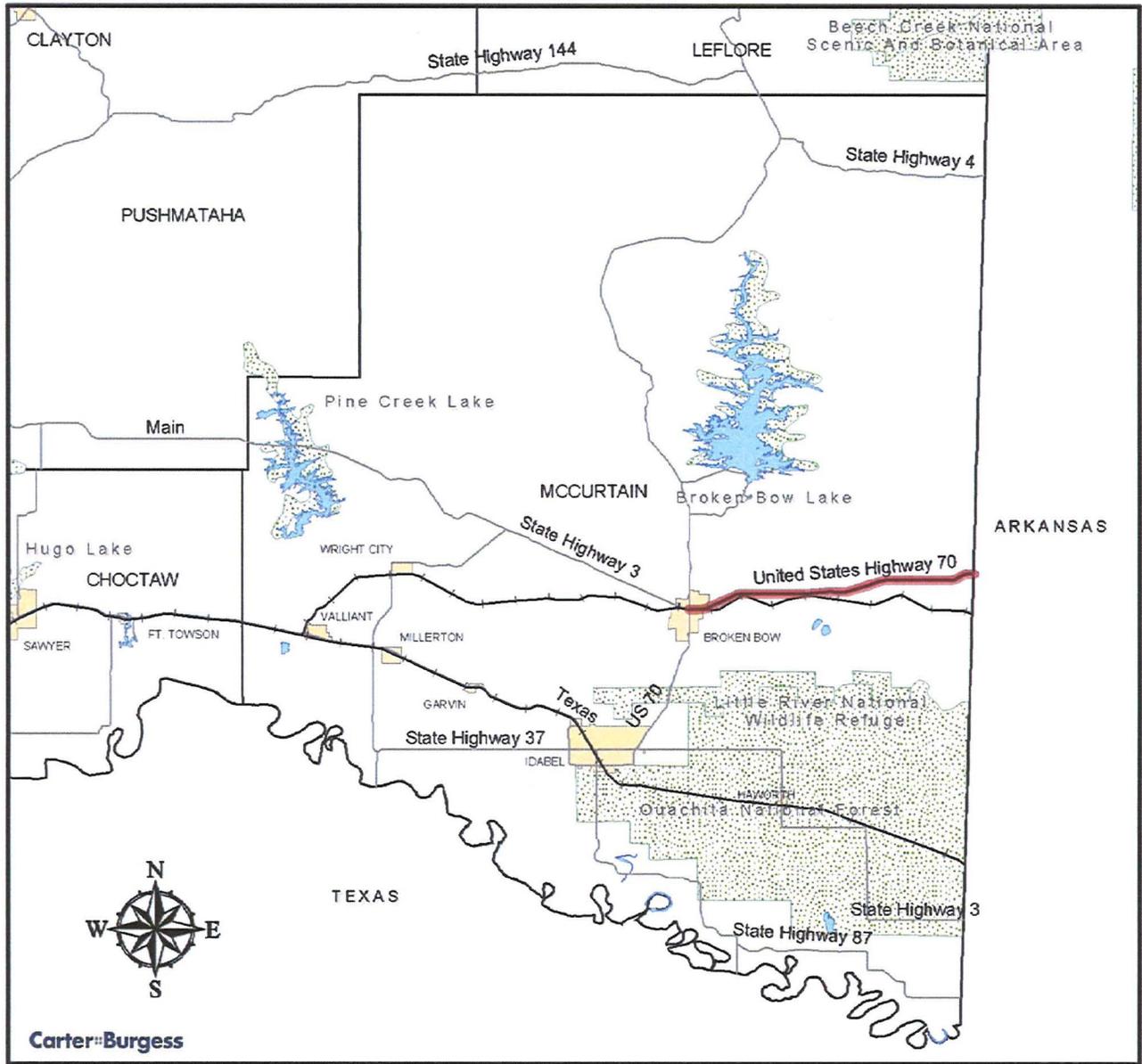


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Enclosures: Plans and Form AD-1066

Copy to: Oklahoma Department of Transportation – Environmental Division

# U.S. 70 Study - McCurtain County



Railroad  
 Federal Lands  
 Citys  
 Lakes  
 Counties  
 U.S. 70 Study

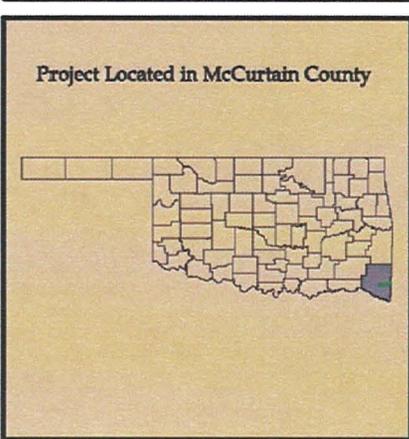


**Project Description**

U.S. 70 - McCurtain County  
 From 6.4 miles east of Jct. U.S. 70 and S.H. 3 in Broken Bow easterly to the Arkansas State Line.

The scope of work for the U.S. 70 corridor includes

1. Environmental Studies
2. Hydraulic an Hydrology Analysis
3. Geometric Study
4. Traffic Analysis



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May 30, 2008

RE: Site assessment for Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA): US 70 Improvements from Mountain Fork River to the Arkansas State Line, Project # HPPY-1061(002)HP, Job Piece #17424(05)

Dear Ms. Messerli,

Please find attached the requested completed USDA Form AD-1006.

Thank-you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed work during the planning stage. The proposed improvements will impact prime farmland, therefore, please make a reasonable attempt to minimize the conversion of prime farmland soils, where possible.

If you have any questions, please call me at (580) 286-5342 or [kenneth.swift@ok.usda.gov](mailto:kenneth.swift@ok.usda.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kenneth W. Swift".

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