

WELCOME TO THE OLD S.H. 18 PUBLIC MEETING

Sept. 3rd, 2009 at the Tecumseh City Council
Chamber

ODOT, in cooperation with The City of Tecumseh, is preparing an Environmental Document for proposed improvement along Gordon Cooper Dr. (Old S.H. 18) from Bob Crouch Dr. to Benson Park Rd. The proposed improvement is to widen Gordon Cooper Dr. from 2 lanes to a 4-lane facility.

MEETING AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Project Information
3. Question and Answer Session

PRIMARY PURPOSES OF THIS PUBLIC MEETING

- Inform the public about the proposed project.
- Take comments from the public that will help in the environmental process to gain environmental clearance.

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS SCHEDULE

Public Meeting September 2009

CITY OF TECUMSEH

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WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

The Department will review and consider comments received from this public meeting. The information and comments received will be incorporated into the project development process. The final environmental document will be prepared and submitted to the FHWA for approval. After final approval is received, federal funds may be utilized for construction activities.

A comment sheet is available with this hand-out for your convenience. Please take note of the remittance date and address.

QUESTIONS? COMMENTS? ADDRESS UPDATE?

**We must receive your comments no later than
September 17th, 2009**

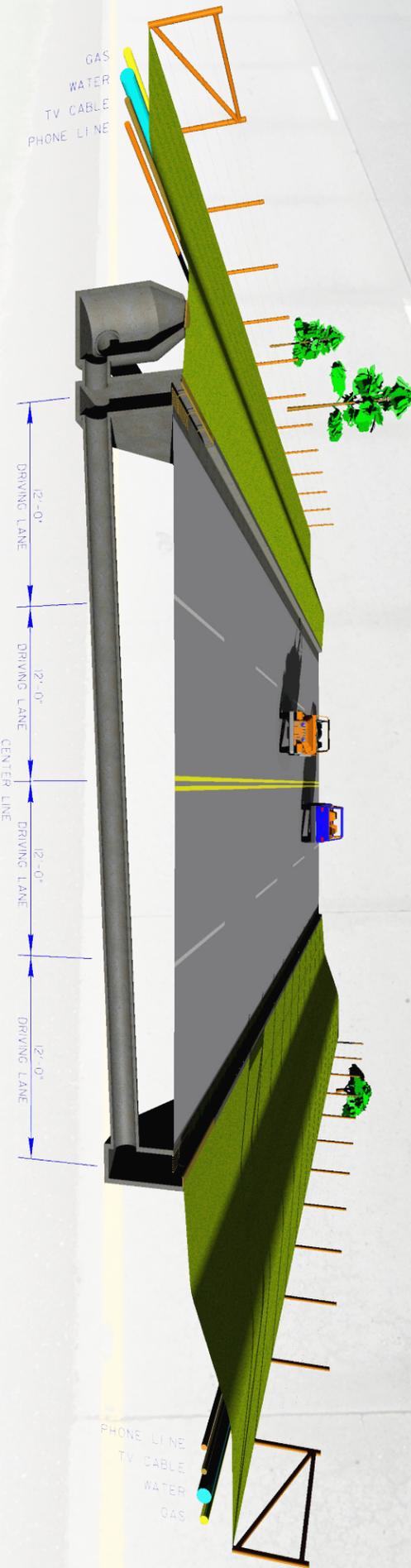
Your input is very valuable to this process and to the Oklahoma Department of Transportation. Please submit your written questions or comments to:

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Be sure to sign in tonight to add your name to the project mailing list, or send your mailing address to Dawn Sullivan at the address above.

Please visit: <http://www.okladot.state.ok.us/meetings/other.php> to get more information and to obtain digital content on this project.

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Gordon Cooper Dr. (Old S.H. 18)

WHAT IS NEPA AND THE ODOT DECISION MAKING PROCESS?

NEPA is an acronym for the Federal Law called the National Environmental Policy Act, enacted in 1969. In order to use federal funds, a decision-making process that balances the social, economic, and environmental concerns must be conducted. Public Involvement and comments are part of the NEPA process. The Department will solicit comments from State, Federal, Tribal, public, and local agencies, and will continue to coordinate with them as necessary. Data will be collected on potential environmental issues such as noise, wetlands, cultural resources, historic resources, parks, displacements of homes or businesses, etc., to evaluate potential impacts of the proposed improvements. Economic impacts such as construction costs, estimated right-of-way, and utility cost data will also be evaluated. This information is utilized to make sound decisions in transportation improvements.



ITEMS CONSIDERED DURING PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

- Purpose and Need for Project
- Alternates
- Affected Environment
- Possible Environmental Consequences:
 - Air Quality Impacts
 - Community Impact Assessment
 - Consideration Relating to Pedestrians and Bicyclists
 - Construction Impacts
 - Cultural Resources and Archeological Sites
 - Economic Impacts
 - Effects on Public Parks, Wildlife and Waterfowl Refuges and Historic Sites
 - Energy
 - Environmental Justice
 - Farmland Impacts
 - Floodplain Issues
 - Hazardous Water / Underground Storage Tanks
 - Irreversible and Irretrievable Commitment of Resources
 - Joint Development
 - Land Use Impacts
 - Noise Impacts
 - Permits
 - Relationship of Local Short-Term Uses vs Long-Term Productivity
 - Relocation Impacts / Right-of-way Acquisition
 - Secondary and Cumulative Impacts
 - Social Impacts
 - Threatened or Endangered Species
 - Visual Impacts
 - Wetland Impacts
 - Wildlife Impacts
- Comments and Coordination / Public Involvement
 - State / Federal Agencies
 - Local / City Officials
 - Tribal Coordination
 - Interested Citizens
- Engineering / Design / Drainage Concerns
- Accidents / Safety Concerns

