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RE: ODOT Requests Input on Public Transit at Statewide Meetings

The Oklahoma Department of Transportation Transit Division will host six public meetings statewide November 17, 18 and 19 to receive input on transit programs and the funding application process associated with these programs.

ODOT is asking the public as well as representatives of public, private and non-profit transportation and human services providers to attend one of the meetings across the state to discuss and give input on services in their area. By hosting meetings at multiple locations, ODOT hopes to maximize participation in the development process.

The purpose of these meetings is to solicit feedback on services provided in areas and discuss the grant application process, so any modifications and improvements can be made to next year's application process. Specifically, ODOT is seeking input on recommended changes to the evaluation process, performance criteria and new application format.

Additionally, these meetings will provide the public an opportunity to obtain information on available funding in order to develop potential projects that may be eligible for funding through one or both of the Federal Transit Administration programs, the Jobs Access and Reverse Commute Program and the New Freedom Program.

In the months following the public input meetings, ODOT will host a series of training workshops in conjunction with the opening of the fiscal year 2010 grant application process.

The upcoming meetings will be held at the following times and locations:

<p>Ponca City November 17 2 p.m. City Hall- Barnes Room 516 E. Grand Ave.</p>	<p>Sand Springs November 18 10 a.m. Charles Page Library 551 E. 4th St.</p>	<p>Woodward November 18 2 p.m. Public Library 1500 Main</p>
<p>McAlester November 18 2:30 p.m. SE Expo Center-Rm 209 4500 W Highway 270</p>	<p>Lawton November 19 9 a.m. Museum of the Great Plains 601 NW Farris</p>	<p>Norman November 19 2 p.m. Norman City Library 225 North Webster</p>

For more information about the upcoming meetings and transit programs, the public can visit ODOT's Web site, www.okladot.state.ok.us, and click on public transportation or contact Roger Eaton at (405) 521-2584.

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