

Broadway Extension Project at 63rd St.

(US-77, Oklahoma Co.)

- The project began January 9, 2006
- Road work to widen Broadway Extension at NW 63rd from four to six lanes
- Main goal of the project is to enhance traffic flow and lower the grade to improve sight distance and vertical clearance under the 63rd Street bridge
- Contract time is 350 days, expected completion is December 2006
- Incentive/disincentive of \$10,000 per day, max of 40 days (\$400,000)
- Cost of the project is \$9.1 million
- Contractor is Haskell Lemon Construction
- Average Daily Traffic: 80,400 vehicles

Construction

- The first construction phase began with closing the northbound on-ramp which will be closed throughout the duration of the project. Motorists wanting to go north on Broadway Extension from NW 63rd Street will need to use the Wilshire on-ramp
- Traffic was shifted slightly so contractors can install a temporary barrier wall and retaining walls to aid safety and traffic flow
- There will be a temporary (two-to-three day) closing of the southbound NW 63rd Street on-ramp to install storm drains later in the project. This work will be done at night or over a weekend
- In the second construction phase traffic will shift to the east to allow for widening of the southbound lanes
- When southbound widening is complete, traffic will shift to the newly constructed southbound lanes to facilitate work on the northbound mainline
- This will include widening the northbound lanes and constructing a new northbound 63rd Street on-ramp and service road
- When this project is complete, there will be four thru traffic lanes.
- The next phase along the corridor is the I-235/NW 36th Street interchange which is scheduled to open for bids in September
- The planned work precedes the major I-235/I-44 interchange improvement and is fully integrated with projects on the I-235 corridor. So far more than \$100 million has been spent on improving this corridor
- Once the Broadway Extension/I-44 interchange is complete, the roadway will have six thru lanes and dedicated lanes from westbound I-44 to northbound Broadway Extension and from southbound Broadway Extension to westbound I-44