

ODOT just completed a series of 5 stakeholder sessions as well as 5 open houses as part of the Oklahoma Freight and Passenger Rail Plan. We visited with approximately 200 people altogether in the communities of McAlester, Tulsa, Enid, Oklahoma City and Lawton. In addition to submitting written comment forms, we had dozens of in-depth conversations that will help us shape the issues that matter most to Oklahomans regarding freight and passenger rail across our state. The following locations were visited:

**Tuesday, February 15 at 4:30-7pm: McAlester**

Southeast Expo Center, Room 101  
4500 W. US-270  
McAlester, OK

**Wednesday, February 16 at 4:30-7pm: Tulsa**

Buddy LaFortune Community Center  
5202 S Hudson Ave.  
Tulsa, OK

**Thursday, February 17 at 4:30-7pm: Enid**

Cherokee Strip Conference Center  
Chisolm Trail Room  
123 West Main  
Enid, OK

**Tuesday, March 1 at 4:30-7pm: Oklahoma City**

Oklahoma City Open House was originally scheduled for early February but due to winter weather, was rescheduled in March.  
Metro Technology Center  
Business Conference Center  
Big Dipper Room - H  
1900 Springlake Drive  
Oklahoma City, OK

**Thursday, March 3 at 4:30-7pm: Lawton**

Lawton Open House was originally scheduled for early February but due to winter weather, was rescheduled in March.  
Great Plains Technology Center  
Bldg. 300, Rm. 301B  
4500 S.W. Lee Blvd.  
Lawton, OK

ODOT Rail Programs Division and Parsons Brinckerhoff are now preparing to begin analyzing freight data, to prepare profiles of Oklahoma's railroads, and to examine our passenger rail system as it exists today. We will also conduct a series of follow-up meetings with parties who requested additional input, as well as meetings with key officials and agencies who may play vital roles in developing Oklahoma's freight and passenger rail industries. We will also begin generating a "potential projects list" as part of the planning process to examine what infrastructure components need expansion and upgrading to allow for business development over time.