

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT

Pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act, Section 303(D) of Title 75 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (“ODOT”) hereby submits the following Rule Impact Statement for the amendment of PERMANENT rules contained in **OAC Title 730:50-5-17. Certification of Operators of Escort Vehicles for Hire.**

Brief Description of the Purpose of the Proposed Rules:

The Oklahoma State University College of Engineering, Architecture, and Technology (CEAT) is amending its collaboration with ODOT to incorporate the materials testing and certification, Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP), Tribal Technical Assistance Program (TTAP), and the Pilot Escort Certifications of ODOT within the Professional Development of CEAT. The proposed rule enables this partnership.

Description of the classes of persons who most likely will bear the costs of the proposed rule and any information on cost impacts received by the Agency from any private or public entities:

Students wishing to be certified in these areas will bear the cost of the certification and classes, and the Agency has not received any information regarding the cost impact received by the Agency from any private or public entities.

Description of the classes of persons who will benefit from the proposed rule:

The proposed rule will benefit tribal, municipal, and county governments lacking this training.

Description of the probable economic impact of the proposed rule upon affected classes of persons or political subdivisions, including a listing for all fee changes and, whenever possible, separate justification for each fee change:

The proposed rule will positively impact tribal, municipal, and county governments by providing them with training opportunities and certification. It does not require a fee change.

A determination of whether implementation of the proposed rule will have an economic impact on any political subdivision or require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the rule:

A determination was made that the proposed rule would positively affect local governments and that cooperation is not required to implement or enforce the rule.

A determination of whether implementation of the proposed rule may have an adverse economic effect on small businesses as provided by the Oklahoma Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act:

A determination was made that implementation of the proposed rule does not have an adverse economic effect on small businesses as provided by the Oklahoma Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act.

A determination of the effect of the proposed rule on the public health, safety, and environment and, if the proposed rule is designed to reduce significant risks to the public health, safety, and environment, an explanation of the nature of the risk and to what extent the proposed rule will reduce the risk:

A determination was made that the proposed rule would positively affect public safety and the environment by ensuring local governments receive skilled and certified materials testers and pilot escorts.

A determination of any detrimental effect on public health, safety, and the environment if the proposed rules are not implemented:

A determination was made that the proposed rule, were it not implemented, would be detrimental to local communities and tribes because they would not receive certifications and training offered by this rule change.

Date the rule impact statement was prepared and the date modified:

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Modified: N/A

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