

# MINUTES FOR THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING

## TO BE HELD IN THE ODOT BUILDING COMMISSION MEETING ROOM OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

BE IT REMEMBERED that on Tuesday the 3rd day of October, 2016, at the hour of 11:00 a.m., the Transportation Commission met in the Commission Meeting Room of the ODOT Building in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

NOTICE of the schedule of regular meetings of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation for the calendar year 2016 having been given in writing to the Oklahoma Secretary of State, and public notice and agenda having been posted in a prominent public view at or before 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 29, 2016, prior to the meeting, on the Atrium Informational Monitor in the ODOT building, and on the glass doors on the north side of the ODOT Building in accordance with Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, 25 O.S. Section 311.

### ITEMS PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mr. David Burrage called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

<b>Present:</b>	John Fidler	Member
	David Burrage	Chairman
	Dan Overland	Member
	Greg Love	Member
	Todd Huckabay	Secretary
	Bobby Alexander	Member
	Brad Burgess	Vice-Chairman
	Pete Regan	Member

**Absent:** None

**Presiding:** David Burrage

The following items were presented and approved as written at the Transportation Commission meeting of October 3, 2016. For those items amended, deferred, or rejected, those notations were also made. Action taken by the Commission is noted here on these sheets.

### ITEM PRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSION

#### **135. Approval of the Minutes of the Transportation Commission Meeting of September 6, 2016**

**ACTION:** Overland moved and Regan seconded that the Minutes be approved as presented.  
**MOTION:** Carried by the following vote:  
**AYES:** Fidler, Overland, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander and Burgess  
**NAYES:** None  
**ABSTAIN:** None  
**ABSENT:** None

## **CONSENT DOCKET PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN**

### **136. Programming of Federal Railroad Crossing Safety Funds—Section 130 Title 23 Funds – Mr. Moody**

- a) Adair County – District I – a signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms at County Road E0810 near Maryetta, with the Kansas City Southern Railroad - \$279,000
- b) Adair County - District I - a signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms at County Road E0850 near Stilwell, with the Kansas City Southern Railroad - \$342,000
- c) Adair County - District I - a signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms at County Road E0888 near Cave Springs, with the Kansas City Southern Railroad - \$382,000
- d) Adair County - District I - a signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms at County Road N4641 in Bunch, with the Kansas City Southern Railroad - \$399,500
- e) Bryan County - District II - a signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms at Riverview Camp Road E0850 near Colbert, with the Union Pacific Railroad - \$318,810
- f) Garfield County - District IV - a signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms at SH-74 in Covington, with the BNSF Railroad - \$227,620
- g) Garfield County - District IV - a signal/surface project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms and a 48' concrete crossing surface at Washington Street in Covington, with the BNSF Railroad - \$530,190
- h) Craig County - District VIII - a signal/surface project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms and a 24' concrete crossing surface at County Road E0160 near Bluejacket, with the Union Pacific Railroad - \$338,423
- i) Nowata County – District VIII – a signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms at Cherokee Street in Delaware, with the Union Pacific Railroad - \$233,562
- j) Rogers County – District VIII – a signal project which includes the installation of pedestal-mounted flashing light signals with gate arms at County Road E0445/Chisum Road in Sageeyah, with the Union Pacific Railroad - \$239,152

### **137. Traffic Control Improvement Project – Mr. Glabas**

Osage County – District VIII – change of traffic control at SH-20 and the Osage Prairie Trail in Skiatook

### **138. Speed Zone Revisions – Mr. Glabas**

Cleveland County – District III – various locations along SH-9 in Norman

### **139. Land Sale – Mr. Phillips**

McClain County – District III – Land Sale – US-62; 0.35 miles south of Jct. US-62 and NE 24<sup>th</sup> Street with the property being on the East side of US-62 in Newcastle - \$126,615.00

**140. State Highway System Revision – Mr. Lee**

This item is necessitated by new construction of US 64 in Pawnee County. Construction Project STP-159C (077) SS with Job Piece Number 24323(04).

Add to the State Highway System, upon **completion of construction**, a segment of new highway to be designated US 64, beginning at a tie with the existing facility in Section 22, T21N, R6E in Pawnee County and extending east 0.91 mile to a tie with existing facility in Section 23, T21N, R6E.

Remove from the State Highway System, upon **completion of construction**, a segment of US 64, beginning at new construction in Section 22, T21N, R6E and extending southeasterly 0.97 mile to new construction in Section 23, T21N, R6E. The abandoned segment of US 64 is scheduled to be obliterated. Neither roadway nor right-of-way will be transferred.

This revision will become effective upon approval by the State Transportation Commission and the completion of new construction.

ACTION: Overland moved and Fidler seconded that the Consent Docket be approved as presented.  
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
AYES: Fidler, Overland, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander, Burgess and Regan  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: None

**END OF CONSENT DOCKET**

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**ITEMS PRESENTED BY DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING – Mr. Tegeler**

**141. Engineering Contracts**

a) Statewide – All Districts – to provide On-Demand General Environmental/Engineering Services

EC-1808A	Cardinal Engineering, Inc.
EC-1808B	C.H. Guernsey & Company
EC-1808C	Enercon Services, Inc.
EC-1808D	Freese and Nichols, Inc.
EC-1808E	Terracon Consultants, Inc.

The aggregate total not to exceed amount for these five contracts is \$1,000,000.00

b) Statewide – All Districts – to provide On-Demand NESHAP Investigation/Analysis Services

EC-1809A	Enercon Services, Inc.
EC-1809B	EST, Inc.
EC-1809C	Environmental Hazard Control Lab, Inc.
EC-1809D	Terracon Consultants, Inc.

The aggregate total not to exceed amount for these four contracts is \$800,000.00

c) Statewide – All Districts – to provide On-System Routine Bridge Inspection Services – Railroad Bridges

EC-1811A	H.W. Lochner, Inc.
EC-1811B	Infrastructure Engineers, Inc.
EC-1811C	Burgess & Niple, Inc.

The aggregate total not to exceed amount for these three contracts is \$1,250,000.00

d) Statewide – All Districts – to provide On-Demand Underwater Bridge Inspection Services

EC-1812	Infrastructure Engineers, Inc.	\$310,000.00
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e) Statewide – All Districts – to provide On-Demand Transportation Alternatives Project Design Services

EC-1819A	Garver, LLC
EC-1819B	R.L. Shears Company, P.C.
EC-1819C	McClelland Consulting Engineers, Inc.
EC-1819D	Cabbiness Engineering, LLC
EC-1819E	LandPlan Consultants, Inc.
EC-1819F	CEC Corporation

The aggregate total not to exceed amount for these six contracts is \$1,500,000.00

f) Statewide – All Districts – to provide On-Demand Project Reconnaissance Data Collection Services

EC-1820A	Able Consulting, LLC
EC-1820B	CP&Y, Inc.
EC-1820C	CEC Corporation
EC-1820D	C.H. Guernsey & Company, Inc.
EC-1820E	Garver, LLC
EC-1820F	Guy Engineering Services, Inc.
EC-1820G	Olsson Associates
EC-1820H	Professional Engineering Consultants, P.A.

The aggregate total not to exceed amount for these eight contracts is \$2,000,000.00

g) Statewide – All Districts – to provide On-Demand Bridge Rehabilitation Services

EC-1822A	Benham Design, LLC
EC-1822B	Aguirre & Fields, LP
EC-1822C	AIA Engineers, Ltd.
EC-1822D	Tetra Tech, Inc.

The aggregate total not to exceed amount for these four contracts is \$1,000,000.00

h) Statewide – All Districts – to provide On-Demand Aerial Photography Services

EC-1832	Quantum Spatial, Inc.	\$100,000.00
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i) Bryan County – District II – provide preliminary engineering and prepare construction plans for US-69 Begin at the South end of Calera and extend North to US-70 interchange

EC-1831	CEC Corporation	\$8,854,498.00
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**Note:** Commissioner Love asked on **Item 141 i)** what the dollar amount of the Federal Grant money we were receiving for this project.

*Mr. Tegeler said, "We are going to be getting \$62 million dollars in grant money; the rest of the funding for the estimate of this construction project is in the neighborhood of \$110 - \$120 million dollars; so Division 2 and the Department will have to come up with the rest of that".*

*Commission Burrage commented that we already have attacked how we're going to pay for that in Division 2; it doesn't affect any of the other Divisions; but it will affect what new things can be done in Division 2. It won't change the 8-year program as it is now, but we're going to be constrained. We just didn't feel like we could miss somebody giving us \$62 million dollars; and to remind everybody, I believe that project was number 3 out of 18 that was awarded, out of over 200 projects that were reviewed.*

- j)** Seminole County – District III – to provide archeological data recovery excavations for Jumper Creek site (34SM87)
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| EC-1821 | Burns & McDonnell Engineering Co., Inc. | \$991,500.00 |
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- k)** Canadian County – District IV – to provide preliminary engineering and prepare construction plans for Intersection Modification at US-81/SH-66 in El Reno
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| EC-1824 | Freese and Nichols, Inc. | \$686,100.00 |
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- l)** Payne County – District IV – to provide preliminary engineering and prepare construction plans for SH-51: Shouldering and Resurfacing on Westbound SH-51 from Junction I-35, east to Junction SH-86; Eastbound from SH-86, east 4.5 miles and SH-51: Eastbound from 8.0 miles east of I-35, extend east 5.50 miles
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| EC-1825 | Tetra Tech, Inc. | \$1,677,800.00 |
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- m)** Texas County – District VI – to provide preliminary engineering and prepare construction plans for US-54: beginning at Fifth Street, extend Northeast 2.47 miles to Hurliman Street in Guymon
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| EC-1826A | Smith Roberts Baldischwiler, LLC | \$927,000.00 |
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- n)** Woods County – District VI – to provide preliminary engineering and prepare construction plans for US-281: begin 5.3 miles north of the Major County Line, extend north and east approximately 0.8 miles (through Waynoka)
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| EC-1826B | Guy Engineering Services, Inc. | \$487,122.00 |
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- o)** Comanche County – District VII – to provide preliminary engineering and prepare construction plans for SH-7: Westbound Bridge over East Cache Creek, 1.1 miles east of US-281B
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| EC-1827B | Infrastructure Engineers, Inc. | \$345,300.00 |
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- p)** Murray County – District VII – to provide preliminary engineering and prepare construction plans for SH-7: Westbound Bridge over Guy Sandy Creek, 4.9 miles east of US-77
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| EC-1827C | Professional Engineering Consultants, P.A. | \$375,700.00 |
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- q)** Murray County – District VII – to provide preliminary engineering and prepare construction plans for SH-110: over Unnamed Creek, 2.3 miles northeast of Dougherty
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| EC-1827D | Grossman & Keith Engineering Company | \$237,400.00 |
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- r)** Murray County – District VII – to provide preliminary engineering and prepare construction plans for I-35: Southbound Bridge over SH-77D, 4.8 miles north of the Carter County Line
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| EC-1827E | Smith Roberts Baldischwiler, LLC | \$653,000.00 |
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- s) Stephens County – District VII – to provide preliminary engineering and prepare construction plans for SH-53: over Walker Creek, 3.3 Miles east of the Cotton County Line

EC-1827A C.H. Guernsey & Company, Inc. \$348,400.00

- t) Craig County – District VIII – to provide preliminary engineering and prepare construction plans for US-69 over Billingslie Creek, 4.6 miles north of the Mayes County Line.

EC1828B Guy Engineering Services, Inc. \$187,689.50

- u) Osage County – District VIII – to provide preliminary engineering and prepare construction plans for SH-18 Bridge and Approaches over Salt Creek, located 5.3 miles north of Pawnee County Line

EC-1828A Smith Roberts Baldischwiler, LLC \$622,000.00

ACTION: Fidler moved and Alexander seconded that the Items be approved as presented.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Fidler, Overland, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander, Burgess and Regan

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

#### 142. Engineering Contract Supplements

- a) Statewide – All Districts – to perform on-demand overload permit studies in support of ODOT staff

EC-1546 Supplement 2 Grossman and Keith Engineering Company \$250,000.00

- b) Muskogee County – District I – to perform preliminary engineering and to prepare final design plans for US-266: from the McIntosh County Line, east 2.93 miles to SH-2 (includes Bennett Creek Bridge)

EC-1464 Supplement 1 Cabbiness Engineering, LLC \$63,325.00

- c) Oklahoma County – District IV – I-40 Crosstown Expressway – to extend time and compensation to complete utility coordination, financial plan updates, development of legal descriptions and exhibits for property transfers, and the coordination of a right-of-way transfer with Union Pacific Railroad

EC-851 Supplement 10 Mac Arthur Associated Consultants, LLC \$303,698.00

- d) Oklahoma County – District IV – perform preliminary engineering and to prepare final design plans for I-240/I-35 Interchange

EC-1060 Supplement 4 Poe & Associates, Inc. \$345,449.00

- e) Oklahoma County – District IV – to perform preliminary engineering and to prepare final design plans for I-40: Westbound and Eastbound Bridges over Crutcho Creek and SE 15<sup>th</sup> Street, 2.3 and 2.6 miles east of Junction I-35

EC-1281B Supplement 1 Poe & Associates, Inc. \$669,400.00

- f) Caddo County – District VII – to perform preliminary engineering and to prepare final design plans for SH-152 begin 2.0 miles east of SH-146, extend east approximately 2.10 miles and SH-152: from 0.4 miles west of SH-146 Jct., extend east 2.4 miles.

EC-1138 Supplement 5 Poe & Associates, Inc. \$100,362.00

ACTION: Burgess moved and Fidler seconded that the Items be approved as presented.  
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
AYES: Fidler, Overland, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander, Burgess and Regan  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: None

**ITEMS PRESENTED BY THE PROGRAMS DIVISION MANAGER – Mr. Adkins**

**143. Lettings**

- a) Tentative January 2017 Bid Opening  
b) Tentative February 2017 Bid Opening

ACTION: Fidler moved and Huckabay seconded that the Items be approved as presented.  
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
AYES: Fidler, Overland, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander, Burgess and Regan  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: None

**ITEMS PRESENTED BY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS – Mr. Raymond**

**144. Change Orders with Cumulative Total of \$50,000.00 or Less – Information Only**

- a) Beckham County - Ct. St. - STP-205F(052)3B / 31669(04), \$16,365.50  
b) Bryan County - Co. Rd. - CIRB-207C(032)RB / 29958(04), \$2,188.00 Underrun  
c) Cherokee County - SH-51 - STPY-011B(377)SS / 10006(12), \$0.00  
d) Cleveland County - Ct. St. - STP-214C(033)AG / 30190(04), \$5,323.75  
e) Cotton County - Co. Rd. - STP-117C(092)CI / 28414(04), \$5,155.73  
f) Custer County - I-40 - SSP-220N(028)SS / 26490(05), \$1,848.00  
g) Delaware County - SH-10 - SSP-221C(009)RW / 10441(08), \$47,090.00  
h) Garvin County - SH-29 - STP-225B(057)3P / 29805(04), \$13,345.10  
i) Grady County - US-62 - SSP-226B(016) / 31034(04), \$2,346.30  
j) Jefferson County - Co. Rd. - STP-234D(022)CI / 28443(04), \$12,082.00  
k) Muskogee County - US-64 - STP-251C(002)3P / 29167(04), \$37,784.78  
l) Oklahoma County - I-235 - SSP-2350(003)SS / 09033(49)#1, \$342,070.90 Underrun  
m) Oklahoma County - I-235 - SSP-2350(003)SS / 09033(49)#2, \$13,624.00  
n) Pontotoc County - SH-19 - MC-262B(021) / 30834(04), \$7,150.00  
o) Rogers County - Co. Rd. - STP-266D(040)(039)CI / 27811(04)#1, \$7,916.45  
p) Rogers County - Co. Rd. - STP-266D(040)(039)CI / 27811(04)#2, \$6,105.00  
q) Texas County - Co. Rd. - CIRB-270C(015)RB / 28465(04), \$15,400.00  
r) Texas County - US-54 - SSR-270N(018)SR / 29479(04), \$4,314.87  
s) Texas County - SH-3 - ACNHPP-017N(251)SS / 29653(04), \$30.00 Underrun

**145. Change Orders with Cumulative Total Greater than \$50,000.00**

- a) Beckham County - Ct. St. - STP-105B(084)(178)UR / 21321(04), \$411.90
- b) Beckham County - I-40 - SBR-205N(048)SB / 30396(04), \$100,000.00
- c) Blaine County - SH-3 - SSP-206N(027)SS / 26997(04), \$164,809.80
- d) Blaine County - SH-51 - SSR-106C(122)SR / 28139(04), \$120,000.00
- e) Canadian County - I-40 - NHPPIY-4000-(002) / NHPPIY-4000-(003)SS / 26359(04), \$193,282.47
- f) Canadian County - I-40 - NHPPIY-0040-4(441) / 29257(04), \$23,283.05
- g) Custer County - I-40 - NHPPI-0040-3(072)SS / 24427(05), \$15,498.00
- h) Harmon County - SH-5 - STPY-129C(030)SS / STPY-133C(078)(081)SS / 24208(04), \$87,368.05
- i) Kay County - I-35 - NHPPI-236N(023)SS / 24226(05), \$93,380.35
- j) Kingfisher County - US-81 - STP-237B(031)3P / 29621(04), \$91,125.42
- k) Latimer County - US-270 - SBR-239B(003)(016)SB / 28917(04), \$263,101.29
- l) Logan County - I-35 - SSP-3500(027)(028)(029)SS / 31813(04)#1, \$671,686.00
- m) Logan County - I-35 - SSP-3500(027)(028)(029)SS / 31813(04)#2, \$12,466.71
- n) McClain County - SH-59 - SSP-244C(025)SS / 29107(04), \$220,099.96
- o) McIntosh County - SH-9 - SSR-146C(133)SR / SSR-246C(016)SR / 28281(05), \$103,353.13
- p) Oklahoma County - Ct. St. - OKC-XTWN(006)(048)SS / 17428(60), \$129,198.00
- q) Oklahoma County - Ct. St. - STP-155A(439)AG / 19312(05), \$26,213.00
- r) Oklahoma County - Co. Rd. - CIRB-155D(644)RB / 25442(04), \$149,304.50
- s) Oklahoma County - US-77 - STP-155A(646)AG / 25547(04), \$40.48 Underrun
- t) Okmulgee County - I-40 - NHPPI-4000-(005)SS / HSIPIG-0040-6(380)238TR / 27970(04), \$33,805.40
- u) Ottawa County - US-60 - STP-258B(003)3P / 29103(04), \$26,684.02
- v) Payne County - Co. Rd. - CIRB-160D(183)RB / 22169(09), \$18,423.83 Underrun
- w) Payne County - Ct. St. - STP-260B(019)MS / 31415(04)#5, \$5,785.71
- x) Payne County - Ct. St. - STP-260B(019)MS / 31415(04)#6, \$52,188.77
- y) Pittsburg County - US-69 - STP-261F(039)3B / 31667(04), \$31,500.00
- z) Pottawatomie County - Ct. St. - STP-163B(075)UR / 18865(04), \$378,417.68 Underrun
- aa) Rogers County - SH-266 - SBR-266N(025)(026)(027)SB / 29772(04), \$148,063.00
- bb) Sequoyah County - Co. Rd. - STP-168C(204)CI / 21975(04), \$10,980.24
- cc) Stephens County - US-81 - NHPPY-269N(019) / 20316(22), \$2,848.26
- dd) Tulsa County - I-244 - ACNHPPI-2440-(008)SS / 28861(09), \$160,000.00
- ee) Tulsa County - Ct. St. - NHPPI-4440(001)SS / 28862(04), \$362,838.36

**Note:** *Commissioner Burrage commented that for the month of August we were under budget by a million bucks; the underruns exceeded the overruns.*

*Mr. Raymond said, "Yes, we had 19 final estimates that we paid in August and if you total all that up, we saved some money that month, which is always nice.*

ACTION: Overland moved and Huckabay seconded that the Items be approved as presented.  
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
AYES: Fidler, Overland, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander, Burgess and Regan  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: None



**ITEM PRESENTED BY THE OFFICE ENGINEER – Mr. Delce**

**146. Awards**

- a) September 9, 2016 - Emergency Letting (Information Only)
- b) September 15, 2016 - Regular Letting
- c) September 29, 2016 - Emergency Letting (Information Only)

ACTION: Huckabay moved and Fidler seconded that the Items be approved as presented.  
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
AYES: Fidler, Overland, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander, Burgess and Regan  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: None

**ITEMS PRESENTED BY THE COMPTROLLER – Ms. Hilmes**

**147. Settlement for Damages to State Property**

- a) Adam Soriano – Oklahoma County - \$1,491.60
- b) N-Style Party Bus, Inc. – Oklahoma County - \$406.80
- c) Mary Ritter – Oklahoma County - \$178.28

ACTION: Overland moved and Love seconded that the Items be approved as presented.  
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
AYES: Fidler, Overland, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander, Burgess and Regan  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: None

**148. Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Revisions**

- a) Request to transfer \$1.1 million from the Weigh Station Operations budget to Capital Outlays for reconstruction of Boise City Weigh Station
- b) Request to transfer \$19 million from state share of Federal Aid Projects to Right of Way Acquisition

ACTION: Overland moved and Alexander seconded that the Items be approved as presented.  
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
AYES: Fidler, Overland, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander, Burgess and Regan  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: None

**ITEMS PRESENTED BY THE PROJECT MANAGEMENT DIVISION – Mr. Johnson**

**149. Asset Preservation Plan**

The Department has completed the proposed Asset Preservation Plan with consideration for the critical needs of Oklahoma's transportation infrastructure and the financial constraint mandated by the projected Federal and State funding availability. The Work Plan is balanced by District within the budgetary limitations of State Fiscal Years 2017 through 2020. The encompassed projects have been defined, validated, and included in accordance with the transportation needs and priorities of the State.

**NOTE:** *Mr. Johnson pointed out that in the Commission Packet there was a scrivener's error; it reads 8-Year Plan and it needs to be modified to read 4-Year Plan.*

**Information Only;** No Commission action required.

**150. 8-Year Construction Work Plan**

The Department has completed the proposed 8-Year Construction Work Plan with consideration for the critical needs of Oklahoma's transportation infrastructure and the financial constraint mandated by the projected Federal and State funding availability. The Work Plan is balanced by the District within the budgetary limitations of Federal fiscal years 2017 through 2024. The encompassed projects have been defined, validated, and included in accordance with the transportation needs and priorities of the State.

ACTION: Alexander moved and Huckabay seconded that the Items be approved as presented.  
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
AYES: Fidler, Overland, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander, Burgess and Regan  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: None

**ITEMS PRESENTED BY THE DIRECTOR – Mr. Patterson**

**151. Declaration of Emergency**

Sequoyah County – District I - Repair I-40 Westbound Bridge over Big Sallisaw Creek, – 125,000.00

**NOTE:** *Director Patterson said I won't read all of this, but I do want to tell you that on September 20<sup>th</sup> on I-40 over Big Sallisaw Creek, the Bridge Division discovered fatigue cracks on the north beam and web of the bridge structure. We have removed traffic from the outside lanes of I-40, and restricting westbound to one lane. We awarded the contract just a few minutes ago; they start work today and they have 20 days to complete that work.*

*Also wanted to let you know that last month's Declaration of Emergency, the SH-22 going over US-69 Bridge was completed last Friday, so it's all open for traffic and everything's in good shape.*

**Information Only:** No Commission action required.

**152. Director's Report**

Director Patterson thanked the Commissioners for approving our Asset Preservation Plan and our 8-Year Construction Work plan. I can remember, not too many years ago that we didn't have an Asset Preservation Plan; and because of the efforts of the Legislature and the Governor, we've had the opportunity to take care of our investments, to preserve those assets. Approximately 6-7 years ago, we created the Asset Preservation Plan just to do exactly that; to pay for things now, when they're less expensive. Preserve those assets rather than the course of action that we've been on for 20 something years of just not being able to preserve it, but it would just, in all sense of it, just rot and then we'd have to replace it. I often refer to the Asset Preservation Plan as the "Pay Me Now," as opposed to "Pay Me Later," from the old FRAM Oil commercials. So thank you for allowing us to continue to preserve the investments that we've made.

The 8-Year Construction Work Plan, these guys have done a lot of work in the last 3 ½ months on the 8-Year Construction Work Plan. It was a bit of a challenge this year, because of the budget situation that we found ourselves in; where the Department gave up \$323 million dollars in the highway program. How do you maintain all of the projects that were in the 8-Year Plan? Well, we did it; we were able to do it because of the creative nature of this organization. And we allowed ourselves to slide some projects into 2024, where we would have normally been adding projects to the 8-Year Plan. I visited with each one of you and I asked you what projects would you have liked to have seen come in to 2024. Each of you had those, each Division Engineer, Senior Staff member

had those projects that we thought this is the year that we get to add that safety component that we were not able to do. But we added a few good projects, a few very much needed projects; Division 2 was able to take their grant money that they received and drop the Calera Project right in the middle of the 8-Year Plan and adjust out for it. Those are all difficult decisions because there's an expectation by the public, based on what we've already published, that something is going to get done on a particular date. Within the first 3 years, I think we're good, we had to slide a few, but while we slide a few, if you'll remember we always have environmental issues, design situations that we're not just able to keep up with. Introducing the financial situation, it's a little bit different for us this year. But we were successful.

I do want to thank you, I've thanked you privately and I want to thank you publicly for the time that you spent with us to give us your insights, your knowledge of your particular districts. But also each one of you have been so involved in the 8-Year Plan for a number of years that you know what our focus is. So thank you for the time that you allowed us to take from you and your businesses and your families as you sit down with us and helped us through this. One of the things that we did not back off of was our goal of managing our structurally deficient bridges. As a Director, I couldn't back off of that, we, as an Organization, you as a Commission, have been focused on that particular issue for a decade. And for us to back off of that, that would not be fair to anybody who stands behind me in these meetings, because they have been laser-focused on the structurally deficient bridge problem for so long; so we're still going to meet our goal. Those structurally deficient bridges will be at less than 1% by 2020.

**NOTE:** *Commissioner Overland thanked the Director; and said I take pride in just taking a moment to recognize my Division, Division 3, and the Senior Staff in the 8-Year Plan and the aggressiveness that we've taken as a Department to try to move up a project that's very important in my Division, which is the Lexington-Purcell Bridge. I know it was slated for letting and awarding in '18; but with hard work, diligence, and creativity from our team and the Senior Staff, we were able to move that up to next year, where we can let the project and award it. That's a significant step, and hopefully, it's welcomed by those that are in need of that bridge to be completed early. It was a difficult task to do and I was proud that we could do that. Thank you.*

*Director Patterson said, "You're welcome". I want to remind everybody that we're doing that in what we call, "Design at Risk". So we're concurrently doing the environmental and the design. We're doing them at the same time rather than consecutively, so that has carved a couple of years off the issue. We always said when Chief Engineer Casey Shell and I would go down there; money is not the problem, because we have to go through the process. We have gone through the process, expeditiously, focused on getting that bridge and crossing back to where it needs to be. It's not even there now because it is load posted and so they don't have full access to a very significant bridge between two cities that really act as one community. So thank you for your comments. We really appreciate it.*

*Commission Alexander commented that he would also like to thank the other Commissioners. I'm out in the northwest part of the state and to get people from Woodward or the Panhandle to Oklahoma City; I have to get a lot of cooperation from the other Divisions in ODOT to get our roads improved. Thank you guys very much for working with us; thank you to the staff for seeing the bigger picture of not just what we see in our Division, but the whole scope of the roads here. We've been working on 270 and the roads for a long time and I know that the Divisions that join us in both directions really help us to get our roads on down to where we're trying to get to; not just to the end of our Divisions. Thanks to all of you and the ODOT employees.*

Mr. Patterson said, "Next I want to talk about our bonds". As part of the Budget Agreement last session, part of our deal was to sell \$200 million dollar worth of bonds. I want to remind everyone that is not \$200 million dollars of additional projects; it is \$200 million dollars to help offset the cash reduction that we will experience on December 1st, as again, part of the Budget Agreement.

We went to market last week and we will close on these bonds October 13th. They are 15-year bonds and the all-in cost, or the all-in percentage rate is 2.62%, which is a good rate, it's not an amazing rate, it's not a bad rate, either; I'm happy with it, I'll take it.

One of the fascinating things about this particular bond issue, it's the first time we've ever been out to the market where we will nearly four times oversubscribe. So selling \$200 million dollars in bonds, we had \$800 million dollar worth of orders. So there is a good appetite for a good name, and this organization has a good name and they know that we're good for it; so the investors were looking for something like this.

Earlier, you awarded some projects, there's a couple that I want to mention that have been on our minds. One is the SH-33 project in Guthrie over the Cottonwood Creek. That's been one of those things that we did not do in Design at Risk, we did it sequentially, and it's taking a long time to get there. I want to offer my appreciation to the Citizens of Guthrie and Logan County for their patience. But again, it's taken a long time; this bridge was built in 1936, just the sheer age of it makes it old, 80 years old! It's those 80-year-old bridges that we talk about that every one of them is functionally obsolete. So it's narrow and it's also structurally deficient. We have spent money keeping the bridge open, keeping it up, but it is the primary access from the west to downtown Guthrie. But as we go through the project, I would just ask the Citizens of Guthrie to have a little more patience. You've waited nearly two decades for this bridge, so just give us a little more time and we'll have it open and you'll be very proud of what this bridge looks like.

The other project that I was very pleased to have an opportunity to get awarded was the one in McAlester on US-69. In Division 2 we have the top 5 signalized dangerous intersections. This project takes care of 2 of those signalized intersections; numbers 1 and 4. Numbers 2 and 3 of the dangerous intersections in Division 2 are being taken care of by the Fast-Lane Grant that is being constructed in Calera and South Durant. So we are attacking the problem; just putting a signalized intersection doesn't always equal safety, it often does, and most the time does, but there's something going on in McAlester on US-69 that causes us to have to do something more; and you're allowing us to do more, and we're excited about that opportunity.

Mr. Patterson stated, "I have 2 more things to talk about". One is Earthquakes! I talked about earthquakes last time and we talked about the record-breaking earthquake from Pawnee. *{He displayed a map on the monitors}* During that conversation we talked about having to go out 30 miles, this map shows the 30-mile ring that was done because of the initial reports of the earthquake. And then the earthquake was upgraded to a higher magnitude and our protocol required us to go out 60 miles. You will recall that Secretary Ridley made a point of all the structurally deficient bridges that we have repaired or rehabilitated within that 60 mile radius since we started this program in 2011. The fact is that we've made a huge impact on possible increased bridge problems had that earthquake happened with those structurally deficient bridges still in place.

The last thing to talk about is that occasionally, I get the great opportunity of highlighting somebody in this organization that goes above and beyond. I remember the time; I got to talk about Casey Shell being named to the Engineering Hall of Fame in the University of Arkansas. Today I want to talk about Cody Boyd a young man that just recently, received an award. He was awarded by the TransComm Organization, a Committee of AASHTO; the "Spirit of TransComm Award". Cody is one of those guys behind the curtain; if anybody is following OKDOT on Twitter that's Cody Boyd. That's Cody at 2:00 in the morning sending out tweets to let you know that a road just closed; that flooding just occurred; that a rock slide just happened. While all this was going on with the floods and everything else, he was finishing his education; last December, he received his Master's Degree from the University of Oklahoma. We're very proud of what Cody has done and the esteem that he brings to this Organization; and I just want to take a moment and tell him how proud I am.

**Information Only:** No Commission action required.

**ITEM PRESENTED BY COMMISSION CHAIRMAN**

**153. Adjournment Motion**

ACTION: Burgess moved and Regan seconded that the Meeting be adjourned.  
MOTION: Carried by the following vote:  
AYES: Fidler, Overland, Love, Burrage, Huckabay, Alexander, Burgess and Regan  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: None

**Meeting adjourned at 11:41 a.m.**

Approval of the Minutes of the Transportation Commission Meeting of October 3, 2016.

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David Burrage – Chairman

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Brad Burgess – Vice Chairman