

# STAKEHOLDER COMMITTEE MEETING

June 16, 2021



# WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS



**OKLAHOMA**  
Transportation



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# AGENDA

TIME	ITEM
1:00 – 1:15 PM	Welcome, meeting purpose and introductions
1:15 – 1:30 PM	Recap of last meeting
1:30 – 2:00 PM	Draft goals/priorities review 
2:00 – 2:15 PM	BREAK
2:15 – 3:20 PM	Project prioritization discussion and activity 
3:20 – 3:30 PM	Next steps and wrap-up

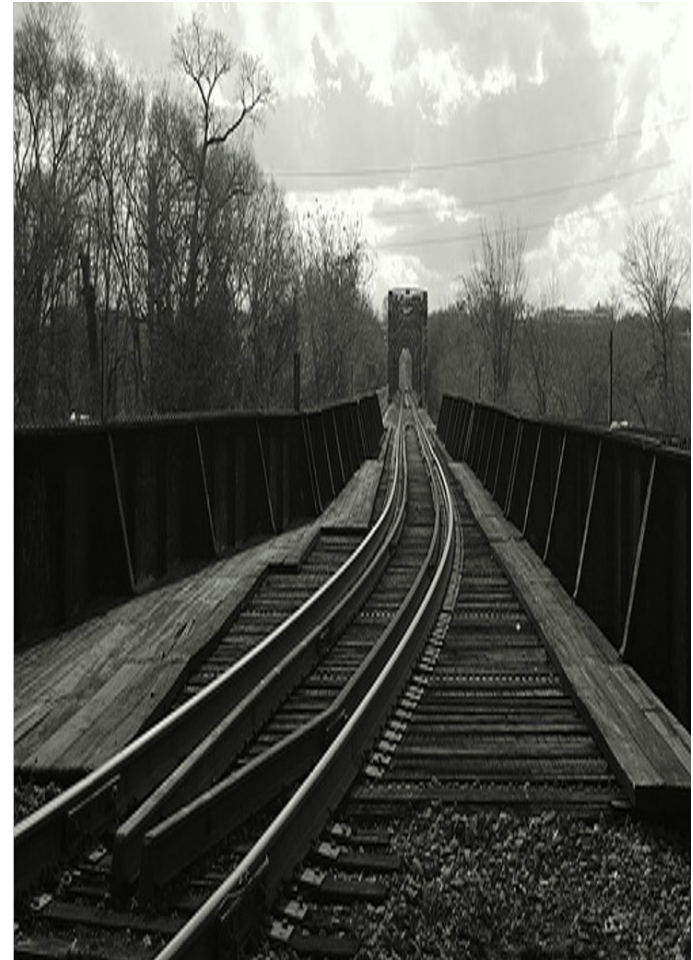


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- Safety and Security
- Reliability and Efficiency
- Preservation and Improved Access and Connectivity
- Quality of Life and Environmental Stewardship
- Mobility and Economic Competitiveness and Development



## 1. Further develop and expand rail-based economic activity across Oklahoma and the region.

- **Objectives:**

- Expand rail capacity to promote and meet projected growth in freight and passenger demand.

### **2. Maintain and develop a dynamic rail system that provides safe, efficient, and reliable movement of people.**

#### **• Objectives:**

- Provide a safe and secure rail system that employs advances in rail technology to protect both people and assets.
- Recommend rail as part of a multi-modal transportation vision and comprehensive funding strategy throughout Oklahoma.
- Create a cohesive door-to-door passenger network that grows with Oklahoma.
- Re-establish passenger rail service where supported by demand.
- Expand metropolitan area transportation options available for residents and visitors.
- Continue use of federal policy-compliant project development procedures to advance viable passenger rail concepts.
- Integrate Oklahoma's major population centers into the national passenger rail system.



### **3. Maintain and develop a dynamic rail system that provides safe, efficient, and environmentally sound movement of goods.**

- **Objectives:**

- Provide a safe and secure rail system that employs advances in rail technology to protect both people and assets.
- Comply with all Federal Railroad Administration policies, procedures, and regulations.
- Cost-effective programs to preserve the existing freight rail network and to meet expected future rail network capacity needs, including addressing potential chokepoints in the system.
- Upgrade rail infrastructure as required to permit universal accommodation of higher capacity rail rolling stock and higher operating densities.

### **4. Identify, develop, and secure funding that promotes and enhances rail system investment.**

- **Objectives:**

- Identify stable and sufficient funding secured for a program of rail investments to support operating, constructing, and maintaining Oklahoma's rail network.
- Develop statutory authority to enable the use of innovative funding sources such as public-private partnerships.
- Secure additional funding for high-priority highway-rail grade crossing improvements that protects the public and enhances rail service.

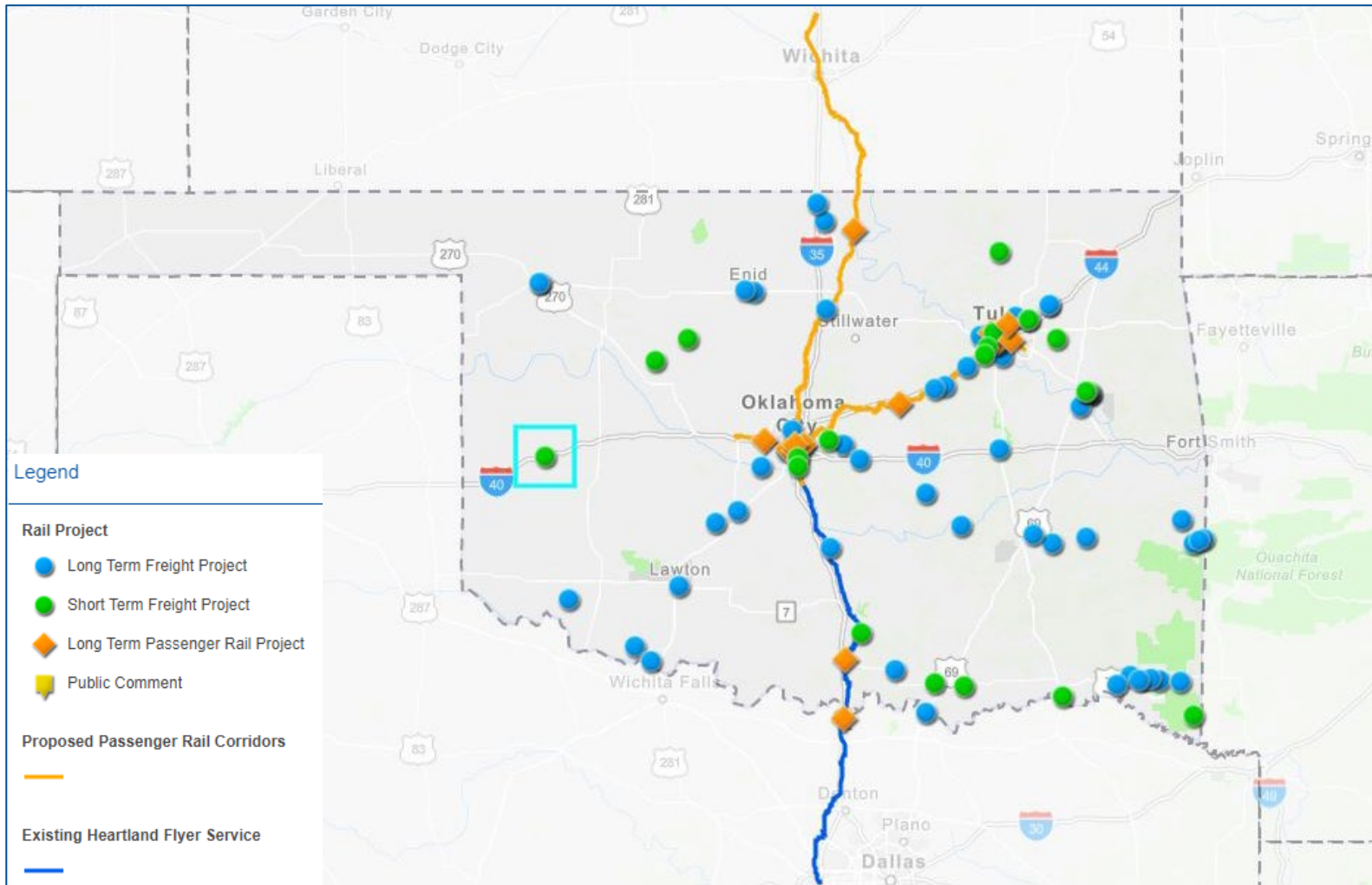
### **5. Promote the understanding of both rail service as a cost-effective, safe, secure, environmentally sound, and energy efficient means of improving freight and passenger mobility, as well as its importance to Oklahoma's economy.**

#### **• Objectives:**

- Promote effective safety and security partnerships with passenger and freight railroads.
- Provide an open door to ODOT's planning process, and transparency in communicating with and educating the public.
- Foster an appreciation of short and longer-term rail-related benefits by elected officials, the business community, and the public.
- Implement an expedited decision-making process to advance beneficial rail projects.
- Create an understanding by elected officials, the business community, and the public of where and when passenger rail service is a viable transport alternative.
- Generate an awareness of agriculture-related rail issues in Oklahoma by elected officials, the business community, and the public.
- Continue education on the benefits of rail transportation and the opportunities to integrate rail and other modes of transportation.

- We'll see you back in 15 minutes!





# NEXT STEPS & WRAP-UP

