The Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is proposing to improve a segment of SH-51A between County Roads EW-71 and EW-74 located approximately 7.5 miles south of the community of Southard in Blaine County. This segment of SH-51A has two sharp curves, multiple intersecting roads, and rolling terrain, which results in inadequate sight distance to safely pass slow moving or turning vehicles. These factors contribute to a substantial accident history.

ODOT recently tasked a consultant to study several alternative alignments to improve this extent of SH-51A taking into consideration the cost of construction, right-of-way and utilities as well as environmental constraints.

As part of our efforts to keep the public informed and involved in the decision-making process, ODOT has scheduled a public meeting. The purpose of the public meeting is to present the proposed alternatives and to solicit public and agency input to aid in identifying the need for a project and selecting a preferred alternative before moving forward with the completion of the detailed environmental studies, design, and construction if a need is identified.

Should you have any questions regarding the project, please contact Mr. Geoff Canty, CC Environmental, at (405) 761-1225, geoff@ccenviro.net, or Ms. Judy Dennis, ODOT Environmental Project Manager, at (405) 521-2321, jdennis@odot.org.

If you require special accommodations for the meeting, please contact Frank Roesler III, ODOT Public Involvement Officer, at 200 NE 21st Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73105, or (405) 521-2350 or m-coordinator@odot.org, at least three (3) working days in advance of the meeting date.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE.