Description of Current Project

The proposed improvements include reconstructing this segment of SH-19 to a 40-foot roadway with 12-foot wide driving lanes and 8-foot wide paved shoulders, and correcting sight distance. Both bridges and all drainage crossings will be replaced and/or extended to clear zone. Alternative 5 was selected as the preferred alternative after considering constructability, cost, and environmental and right-of-way impacts.

Typical includes: two 12-foot driving lanes; 8-foot wide shoulders

PROJECT INFORMATION SUMMARY

- Total Programmed Estimated Cost of these projects: $13.5 Million
- Right-of-Way & Utility Relocation programmed to start in 2019
- Construction programmed to start in 2021
- Current Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) in year 2016: 2,500 Vehicles a day
- Future Estimated AADT by year 2036: 4,000 Vehicles a day
- Construction along existing alignment would require a temporary construction road closure

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Total Road Miles: 1,423.98
Total Interstate Miles: 95.32
Total Bridges: 792
Counties: Caddo, Carter, Comanche, Cotton, Grady, Jefferson, Love, Murray, Stephens

Project Background

The Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), is proposing to improve the safety of SH-19 from 500 feet east of Roaring Creek and extending east-southeast through the town of Bradley approximately 4 miles to about 0.5 miles west of the Washita River located in Grady County. This section of SH-19 has insufficient sight distances, two narrow bridges and several drainage crossings, and no shoulders. The existing highway is a two-lane, open section facility with 12-foot wide driving lanes and no shoulders. The bridge over the Roaring Creek tributary is 56 feet wide and the bridge over Slough Creek is 38 feet wide. Current traffic volumes are estimated at 2,500 vehicles per day (vpd) and are projected to increase to 4,000 vpd by 2035.

ODOT recently tasked a consultant to study four alternatives for improving this segment of highway while taking into consideration the cost of construction, right-of-way and utilities, as well as the identified environmental impacts. The alternatives being considered include:

- Alternative 1: Reconstruct on existing alignment.
- Alternative 2: Reconstruct on a slight offset to the north of existing centerline.
- Alternative 3: Reconstructing the existing pavement, adding shoulders, and doing full corrections to sight distance on a slight offset to the south of the existing centerline.
- Alternative 4: Reconstruct on a mixed offset. The alignment begins with an offset south of existing centerline and then transitions to a north offset east of the Town of Bradley.
- Alternative 5: Reconstruct on a slight offset to the south of the existing centerline from the west end of the project to the Town of Bradley, and then adding shoulders and overlaying the pavement from Bradley to the east end of the project.

All alternatives would meet current design standards and would include reconstructing the existing pavement, adding shoulders, and doing full corrections to sight distance. The highway would remain open during construction for all alternatives considered.

Purpose of Meeting

To present the results of the environmental studies and the alternatives being considered for the proposed improvements to SH-19, located in Grady County, and to obtain public input on the preferred alternative.

Purpose of Project

The purpose of this project is to improve safety by correcting a roadway with poor sight distance and no shoulders.

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