Purpose of Open House
The purpose of the Open House meeting is to inform the public of the proposed improvements, solicit input, and answer questions regarding construction activities, sequencing, and scheduling.

Project Background
The Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), proposes to make safety improvements to US-59 from approximately 0.25 mile south of SH-51 in Maryetta and extending north 5.25 miles in Adair County, Oklahoma. This segment of US-59 is a two-lane, open section, principal arterial facility with 12-foot wide driving lanes and varying-width shoulders. There are two bridges and several roadway-sized drainage structures associated with this section of highway. Current traffic volumes are estimated at 10,000 vehicles per day (VPD) from the beginning of the project to one mile north of Maryetta, and 4,800 VPD to the end of the project. The purpose of the proposed improvements is to correct roadway deficiencies, enhance safety, and efficiently accommodate traffic.

Project Description
ODOT is developing design plans for improving this segment of US-59 while taking into consideration the cost of construction, right-of-way and utilities impacts, and environmental constraints. The proposed improvements include widening and resurfacing the highway to create two, 12-foot wide, paved driving lanes with 8-foot wide paved shoulders on existing alignment. Some roadway sections will be curb and gutter, and some segments will have a dedicated passing lane. Turning lanes will be added at some intersections and at the Peavine School to accommodate high traffic counts. The existing bridges and structures will be widened.

The proposed design will meet current standards. Highway access would remain open during construction, and access to residences, businesses and schools would be maintained throughout the project duration.