The Oklahoma Department of Transportation will host a virtual open house to present the proposed improvements to US-281 Bridgeport Bridge over the South Canadian River at the Canadian and Caddo county line. This open house will present the design for the project and allow the public to submit input. Due to concerns over the spread of COVID-19, this will be a web-based format (no in-person meeting). The information will be available beginning Sept. 29, 2020, and comments are requested by Oct. 18, 2020.

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September 24, 2020

Dear Stakeholders, Property Owners and Utility Owners:

RE: Virtual Open House for US-281 Bridgeport Bridge over the South Canadian River at the Caddo County line; State Job Piece Number JP 26360(04), Canadian County.

The Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), is proposing to correct the existing structurally deficient bridge (Bridgeport Bridge) on US-281 over the Canadian River at the Canadian County/Caddo County line. The purpose of the project is to improve safety by addressing the bridge's deficient conditions and preserve the historic integrity of the Route 66 corridor.

Due to ongoing concerns about COVID-19, ODOT will host a virtual open house from Sept. 29 to Oct. 18, 2020, to present the design for the project and ask the public to submit input. This pamphlet contains additional information about the virtual open house.

The improvements would rehabilitate the bridge with a new deck, widening the roadway from 24-feet with 12-foot wide lanes in each direction, to 28-feet with 14-foot wide lanes in each direction. The bridge will retain the existing concrete piers and the truss members to maintain the historic feel and appearance of the bridge. These updates will extend the design life of the bridge by 75 years.

The bridge will be closed to traffic during construction for approximately 18 months with incentives to reduce the closure time. The proposed detour map is included on the last page of this pamphlet. The project is currently scheduled to be let for construction in November 2021, with construction anticipated for early 2022. While the state highway detour will be signed for the through state highway traffic, the local traffic will be able to utilize local county or city roads. ODOT will have additional public involvement to inform the public of the construction closure prior to start of construction. Any comments relative to the road closure such as time and duration of closure and any other potential impacts to the surrounding community such as school bus or emergency route impacts, etc. are appreciated.

Should you have any questions regarding this project, please email environment@odot.org, or call 405-325-3269 and leave a detailed message.

Respectfully,

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Environmental Programs Division Engineer

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