OKLAHOMA Transportation

Project Budget

Bridging The Gap: Multimodal Connections On I-35 Over the Oklahoma River

Oklahoma Department of Transportation

Fiscal Year 2025 Large Bridge Grant Application

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The Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) is requesting $87 million in Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 BIP Large Bridge funds to replace the I-35 northbound (NB) and southbound (SB) bridges, I-35 ramp Bridge, and rehabilitate the I-35 bridge over the Stillwater railroad. The Project cost totals $180,136,500.

Cost estimates were developed by ODOT based on estimated quantities and recent similar projects. **Table 1** includes a 30 percent preliminary estimate for the Project with the cost breakdown of the anticipated components, which does not include the $9.01 million in previously incurred costs. To account for potential cost overruns, ODOT included a 30 percent contingency to the Project budget. ODOT has consistently seen a contract growth of less than 3 percent, which is covered by other formulas federal funds or Oklahoma State Rebuilding Oklahoma Access and Driver Safety (ROADS) funds. In addition to the $89 million requested in BIP Large Bridge funds, ODOT will use $55,109,200 in other Federal funds. To cover the 20 percent match, ODOT will contribute $36,027,300 of state funds. **Table 2** shows how non-federal (state and local), BIP Large Bridge, and other federal funds will be allocated to the budget. As noted in Director Gatz's funding commitment letter, the non-federal sources will be provided by the State of Oklahoma. As shown in **Table 3**, the Project is in Census Tract 1053, which is a historically Disadvantaged Community and an Area of Persistent Poverty.

Design and environmental costs for all components of the Project will be covered 100 percent by ODOT's state transportation funds. ODOT will use 49.41 percent BIP Large Bridge funds, 30.59 percent in other Federal Funds, and 20 percent state funds to construct the Project, which meets the statutory cost-sharing/matching requirements. The source of the $36,027,300 in non-federal funds (state funds) is the ROADS Fund created by Title 69, Section 1521, Oklahoma Statutes. This state funding has no limit or conditions to satisfy. Based on a State statute, ODOT obligates all required construction funding prior to advertising a project for construction and again prior to awarding a contract for construction.

ODOT is responsible for the maintenance of on-system facilities throughout the state. As such, ODOT has a $500 million 4-Year Asset Preservation plan which is both federally and state funded to address pavement and bridge conditions throughout the state. ODOT has dedicated funds for maintenance and ODOT has an approved Transportation Asset Management Plan (TAMP). The TAMP dedicates funding to improving surface conditions, rehabilitating bridges, and providing access improvements.

This Project is currently programmed in ODOT's Eight-Year Construction Work Plan (CWP) for construction in 2028 but could be accelerated with an infusion of BIP Large Bridge Grant funds. The 2024-2031 Eight-Year CWP is funded with a baseline of $351.26 million in Oklahoma State funds, which will average $401.64 million across the years of the CWP, along with around $669 million in Formula Federal funds as a benchmark amount. The Eight-Year CWP is annually rebalanced and managed to address cost escalation and project development issues to ensure all federal and state funding is utilized in the current fiscal year. As such, ODOT will ensure funding is appropriated as needed to deliver these projects. This may require some other non-

priority projects to be delayed but it will be addressed in both the Eight-Year CWP and the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

Table 1: Project Budget by Item

Item and Component	Total Cost
Roadway	
Construction	$31,000,000
Other Items (Traffic Control, Striping, etc.)	$4,500,000
30% Contingency	$10,650,000
Roadway Total	$46,150,000
I-35 Bridges	
I-35 SB over Oklahoma River (21723)	$44,700,000
I-35 NB over Oklahoma River (21356)	$32,000,000
I-35 Ramp over Oklahoma River (new)	$19,500,000
Double 10'x10' RCB Extension (14239)	$305,000,000
I-35 over Stillwater RR Bridge Rehab (21708 and 21335)	$3,100,000
30% Contingency	$29,881,500
Mainline Bridge Aesthetics	$4,500,000
Bridge Total	$133,986,500
Total	**$180,136,500**

SOURCE: ODOT

Table 2: Project Budget by Funding Sources

Funding Source	I-35 Bridges, Roadway & Ramp	Total Funding	Percent
BIP Funds	$89,000,000	$89,000,000	49.41%
Other Federal Funds	$55,109,200	$55,109,200	30.59%
Non-Federal Funds	$36,027,300	$36,027,300	20.00%
Total	**$180,136,500**	**$180,136,500**	**100%**

SOURCE: ODOT

Table 3: Project Budget by Census Tracts

Census Tract	Project Costs per Census Tract
1053	$180,136,500

SOURCE: ODOT