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Nebraska DOT to Host Public Meeting for Proposed Metro Area Projects (US-75 Mainline Reconstruction & Expansion; 24th Street Bridge Replacement and Interchange Removal) and MTIS

December 21, 2021 (Omaha, Neb.) — The Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) will host a public meeting regarding proposed Metro Area Travel Improvement Study (MTIS) projects at the U.S. Highway 75 (US-75) and F Street interchange and the Interstate 80 (I-80) and 24th Street interchange in Douglas County. Additionally, the public meeting will provide an overview of the Metro Area Travel Improvement Study. **The public meeting will be held in the theatre at Omaha South High Magnet School, 4519 S 24th St in Omaha, NE on Wednesday, January 5, 2022 from 4:00 PM to 7:30 PM. There will be formal presentations at 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM with an open house to follow after each presentation.**

Attendees should park in the lot northeast of the school at 23rd and J Streets and enter the building through the theatre entrance. Face coverings are required inside the building.

NDOT will provide information on the following proposed MTIS projects:

Identified as ***US-75 Mainline Reconstruction and Expansion***, the proposed project would improve a section of US-75. Proposed improvements include full reconstruction of US 75, including bridge replacements due to the condition of the freeway and bridges. Capacity improvements would be included as part of the reconstruction project, including additional mainline lanes and interchange reconfigurations to improve safety and traffic operations. To accommodate improvements, the US-75 and F Street interchange is proposed to be closed. This project would potentially be implemented in the year 2032.

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Identified as **24th Street Bridge Replacement and Interchange Removal**, the proposed project would improve a section of I-80. The proposed improvements include replacement of the 24th Street bridge over I-80 due to the age and condition of the bridge. In conjunction with the bridge replacement, the 24th Street ramps to and from I-80 are proposed to be removed to provide wider shoulders along I-80. This project would potentially be implemented in the year 2042.

MTIS was a collaborative effort between NDOT and the Metropolitan Area Planning Agency (MAPA). MTIS evaluated the Omaha area's transportation network, including roads, bike and pedestrian facilities, and transit. The purpose of MTIS was to develop a high-level, multi-modal plan for the interstate and major roadways in the region. The projects described above were identified for implementation along with other MTIS system projects to preserve the US-75 and I-80 transportation assets, improve the reliability of the transportation system, and perpetuate the mobility of the traveling public.

NDOT will make every reasonable accommodation to provide an accessible meeting facility for all persons. Appropriate provisions for the hearing and visually challenged or persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) will be made if the Department is notified by December 28, 2021. 如果您需要翻译或译项目资料，请联系NDOT传播部门。 . Nếu quý vị cần bản dịch hay thông dịch các tài liệu của dự án, vui lòng liên hệ với Ban Truyền Thông của Bộ Giao Thông Nebraska (NDOT). The public is encouraged to provide input regarding these proposed projects. Comments will be collected through January 20, 2022 and should be submitted to: Lucas Nelsen, NDOT Public Involvement, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759, lucas.nelsen@nebraska.gov, voice telephone (402) 479-3890; fax (402) 479-3989.

Information regarding the proposed projects will be made available at ndot.info/MTIS. For those without internet access, information may be obtained through the contact above. For further information contact Tim Weander, NDOT District 2 Engineer, (402) 595-2534, Tim.Weander@nebraska.gov.

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