Project Purpose

- Provide a safer, more efficient roadway
- Improve regional connectivity for the traveling public and commercial traffic
- Fulfill legislative mandates for expressway construction (LB 632 and LB 84)
- Satisfy the 1988 Nebraska Highway Needs Study by completing the Columbus to Fremont Expressway







Project Need - Legislative Mandates

1988: Legislative Bill (LB) 632 and Highway Needs Study

- Develop a statewide expressway system
- Connect urban centers
- Serve commercial traffic
- Provide regional continuity
 Identified US-30 as an expressway corridor

2011: Build Nebraska Act Legislative Bill (LB) 84

- Provides funding for state highway capital improvement projects
 - 25% dedicated for expressway construction
 - Projects have been divided into three tiers
- U.S. 30 Schuyler to Fremont is a Tier 2 project
 - Schuyler to Rogers construction begins in 2016; Rogers to Fremont construction begins in 2018.





Project Need - Regional Connectivity

- 442 miles of the 602 mile expressway system completed
- US-30 is a key piece in the northeast Nebraska roadway system and connects key urban centers
 - Fremont: 6th largest city
 - Columbus: 10th largest city
- US-30 is part of Nebraska's
 Priority Commercial System that carries higher traffic volumes, especially commercial vehicles







Project Need - Traffic Volumes







