

**Agenda
For Meeting of
BOARD OF PUBLIC ROADS CLASSIFICATIONS AND STANDARDS**

February 20, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

**Nebraska Department of Transportation Central Headquarters Building Auditorium
1500 Nebraska Parkway, Lincoln, Nebraska**

Call to Order – Chairperson

Roll Call – Secretary

Open Meetings Act Agenda, Material provided by Board's Secretary and Sign-in Sheet –
Chairperson

Changes to Published Agenda – Secretary

Minutes of May 16, 2025, Meeting

Final Status Report – 2024 Annual Certification of Program Compliance (*NDOT, 93 County and 525 Municipal Certifications received, 0 County and 3 Municipal Certifications are delinquent: **Bruno, Snyder & South Bend***). (*The County and Municipal filing deadline was October 31, 2024.*) (*Highway Allocation Funds were suspended from June 2025 through November 2025 and were redistributed to those municipalities that were in compliance*)

Initial Status Report – 2025 Annual Certification of Program Compliance (*NDOT, 93 County and 513 Municipal Certifications received, 0 County and 13 Municipal Certifications are delinquent: **Bee, Bladen, Craig, Elba, Elk Creek, Homer, Melbeta, Miller, Riverton, Santee, Snyder, South Bend, & Taylor***). (*The County and Municipal filing deadline was October 31, 2025*)

- Consideration of Suspension of Highway Allocation funds for failure to submit the 2025 Annual Certification of Program Compliance in accordance with Neb.Rev.Stat. §§ 39-2120 & 39-2121

9:10 a.m. Informal Hearing – NDOT request for a Relaxation of the 428 NAC 2 001.02N, Resurfacing, Restoration and Rehabilitation (3R) Rural – State Highway System, Minimum Standards Clear Bridge Width, Project No. NH-80-4(163), Gothenburg – Cozad, I-80, C.N. 61731. *Consideration of request.*

9:20 a.m. Informal Hearing – NDOT request for a Relaxation of the 428 NAC 2 001.02I New and Reconstructed Municipal – State Highway System, Minimum Standards, Vertical Clearance, Project No. NH-MTIS-80-9(203), I-80 from 50th Street to I-480, C.N. 22855. Consideration of request.

9:40 a.m. Informal Hearing – NDOT request for a Relaxation of the 428 NAC 2 001.02I New and Reconstructed Municipal – State Highway System, Minimum Standards, Clear Bridge Width Notes (C) & (M), Project No. NH-MTIS-80-9(203), I-80 from 50th Street to I-480, C.N. 22855. Consideration of request.

Status on updating Title 428 Nebraska Administrative Code, and, in doing so, update other affected regulations and state statutes as needed:

- Latest NDOT proposed updates to the 428 NAC 2 001 Minimum Design Standards for State Highways – Chairperson
- Outline next steps moving forward – Chairperson
 - Motion #1: Continue to update Board regulations Title 428 Nebraska Administrative Code 2 as it relates to the Minimum Design Standards for State Highways, County Roads and Municipal Streets.
 - If Board Motion #1 is approved, Motion #2: To approve the Chairman’s appointment of a five-person committee: Nathan Sorben representing the state; Steve Rames representing the municipalities; Barbara Keegan representing the counties; Kyle Anderson representing the consultants & municipalities; and Chairman Figard to assist in outreach to public partners.

Other Business:

- Board Merger, LB346 (2025), update on the transition work underway – Benesch
- Report on State and Federal Legislative issues
- Tentative schedule of meetings and examinations for 2026 and 2027 – Chairperson
- Retirement Recognition of Jeff Schroeder, AG Office – Chairperson

Correspondence and General Information:

- Written Complaint Received August 1, 2025, under review by Staff – Secretary
- Status of Board Members (*Members serve until a successor is appointed*):
 - Two (2) NDOT Members: Sorben (*term expired November 30, 2025*) & Varilek (*term expires November 30, 2027*).
 - Three (3) Municipal Members: Litchfield (*term expired November 30, 2025*) & Figard & Rames (*terms expire November 30, 2027*).
 - Three (3) County Members: Keegan (*term expired November 30, 2025*): Kreachbaum (*term expires November 30, 2027*) & the Class 5, 6, 7 County Board Member Representative seat remains vacant since January 2023.
 - Three (3) Lay Members: Wootton (*term expired November 30, 2025*); Anderson (*term expires November 30, 2027*) & the Third Congressional District Lay Citizen Representative seat remains vacant since November 2020.
- Miscellaneous communication and correspondence received.

Comments from the Audience

Acknowledgement of Visitors

Next tentative meeting: May 15, 2026, 9:00 a.m., Nebraska Department of Transportation Central Headquarters Building Auditorium, 1500 Nebraska Parkway, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Adjournment