

NOTICE OF INFORMATION OPEN HOUSE MEETING

McCook – North Platte

S-83-1 (1027); CN 71210

Tuesday, June 5, 2018

5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

McCook Fire Department Training Room
505 West C Street, McCook, NE

Wednesday, June 6, 2018

5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

North Platte Holiday Inn Express
300 Holiday Frontage Road, North Platte, NE

The Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) will hold public information open house meetings regarding proposed improvements to US Highway 83 (US-83) between McCook and North Platte in the counties of Red Willow, Frontier and Lincoln from approximately mile marker (MM) 18.15 to MM 76.71. The meetings will be held at the McCook Fire Department Training Room, 505 West C Street in McCook on Tuesday, June 5, 2018, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. and the Holiday Inn Express, 300 Holiday Frontage Road, in North Platte on Wednesday, June 6, 2018, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Identified as McCook – North Platte, the proposed project would begin approximately a half mile north of the corporate limits of McCook, at about MM 18.15, and extend north to about MM 76.71 where the existing divided highway begins, approximately three miles south of the corporate limits of North Platte.

The purpose of this project is to preserve the transportation asset, improve the reliability of the transportation system and perpetuate the mobility of the traveling public. The need for this project is based on the condition of existing roadways and bridges. The need for passing lanes is to improve the connectivity between McCook and North Platte and reduce delay on US-83 due to significant truck traffic and terrain. This project was named a top priority at two of NDOT's regional meetings, showcasing its broad appeal.

This project would be constructed using a Super 2 approach which involves using the existing two lanes of highway in place and adding passing lanes adjacent to the existing lanes to provide passing opportunities. A resurfacing, restoration, and rehabilitation (3R) strategy would be used to preserve the existing two lanes. Grading would be required at spot locations where culverts are extended, areas of guardrail work, bridge work and where passing lanes are added. Grading would also be required

for the length of this project to accommodate a grade rise for resurfacing. Existing bridges would be assessed and used in place, rehabilitated, or replaced as necessary.

This project would require the acquisition of additional property rights which could include new right-of-way (ROW), control of access (CA), permanent easements (PE), and/or temporary easements (TE). Access to adjacent properties would be maintained during construction. Access to driveways may be limited due to phasing requirements.

Potential impacts to environmental resources would be evaluated as the proposed project design progresses. These resources include, but are not limited to, environmental justice/civil rights, cultural resources, historic properties, publicly owned recreation properties (Section 4(f)), endangered and threatened species, hazardous materials, water quality, and other water resources, including wetlands.

Construction of the passing lanes would be phased to coincide with planned pavement preservation beginning in 2020. This project would be constructed under traffic with lane closures controlled by appropriate traffic control devices and practices.

The public information open house meetings are being held to provide information regarding the project, currently in the design phase, and to receive the public's input. All interested persons are invited to attend and present relevant comments and questions. Design information will be displayed and personnel from NDOT will be present to answer questions and receive comments. The "open house" format allows the public to come at any time during the advertised hours, gather pertinent information about the project, speak one-on-one with project personnel, and leave as they wish. A formal presentation will not be included as part of this information open house.



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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 Language Proficiency (LEP) will be made if the Department is notified by May 28, 2018.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

The public is encouraged to make suggestions or express concerns regarding this proposed project. Comments will be collected through June 21, 2017. Written comments or requests should be submitted to the address below.

Español Si necesita traducción o interpretación de los materiales del proyecto, por favor póngase en contacto con la división de comunicaciones NDOT:

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PROJECT INFORMATION

Information regarding the proposed project will be made available on the NDOT website. Click on the "McCook – North Platte" link at:

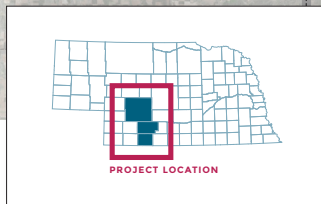
<http://dot.nebraska.gov/projects/future-projects/>

For those without internet access, information may be obtained at NDOT Headquarters, 1500 Highway 2, Lincoln, NE, or by contacting either:

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 - County Boundary