

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION OPEN HOUSE MEETING HSIP-2-7(125) Palmyra East & West; C.N. 13573

The Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) will hold a public information open house meeting regarding the proposed intersection improvements to Nebraska Highway 2 (N-2) from west of the N-2 and Nebraska Highway 43 (N-43) intersection to just east of the N-2 and Nebraska Spur 66A (S-66A) intersection in Otoe County, Nebraska.

Date: Thursday, April 3, 2025

Time: 5-7 p.m.

Location: Palmyra Junior-Senior High School, 425 F Street, Palmyra, NE 68418

Identified as *Palmyra East & West*, the proposed project would consist of intersection improvements to N-2 in Otoe County. The project is approximately 1.5 miles in length beginning west of the N-2 and N-43 intersection and extending east to just east of the N-2 and S-66A intersection.

The purpose of the proposed project is to reduce the frequency and severity of crashes, improve the reliability of the transportation system, and perpetuate the mobility of the traveling public. The need for this project is based on crash trends.

Improvements on this project would consist of constructing a combined Restricted Crossing U-Turn (RCUT) at the N-2 intersections with N-43 and I Street and another RCUT at the N-2 and S-66A intersection. A westbound offset right turn lane would be constructed at the N-2 and N-43 intersection and an eastbound offset right turn lane would be constructed at the N-2 and S-66A intersection. Additional improvements would consist of new lighting.

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). If your property is impacted by this project, you will be contacted by a representative once the design footprint has been established. Access to adjacent properties would be maintained during construction but may be limited at times due to phasing requirements. The project would be constructed under traffic with lane closures controlled by appropriate traffic control devices and practices. Construction could begin as early as spring 2026 and be completed by fall 2026.

This meeting is being held to provide information regarding the proposed project and to receive public input. Those interested are invited to attend, share comments and ask questions. Project information will be displayed and NDOT personnel will be available to answer questions and receive comments. The "open house" format allows the public to come at any time and leave as they wish. There will be no formal presentation.

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 NDOT is notified by March 27, 2025.

The public is encouraged to make suggestions or express concerns regarding this proposed project. Comments will be collected through April 18, 2025. Written comments or requests



should be submitted to: Sierra Luhn, NDOT Public Involvement Specialist, PO Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759; sierra.luhn@nebraska.gov; 402-479-3103; fax 402-479-3989.

Information regarding the proposed project is available at www.ndot.info/13573. For those without internet access, information may be obtained through the contact above or at NDOT Headquarters: 1500 Nebraska Parkway, Lincoln, NE 68502. For more information, contact: Brandon Varilek, NDOT District 1 Engineer, at brandon.varilek@nebraska.gov or 402-471-0850.