

## PUBLIC INFORMATION OPEN HOUSE MEETING

**VFW Hall, 246 S 15th St., Ord, NE**  
**Tuesday, April 23, 2013; 4:00–6:00 PM**

# STPD-70-4(106) *Ord North*; CN 41914

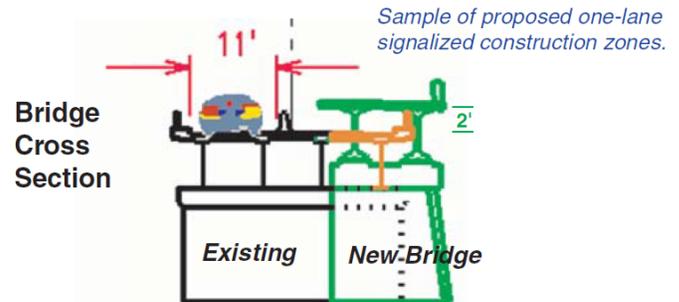
**LOCATION:** This proposed project is located on Nebraska Highway 70 (N-70) northeast of Ord in Valley County. The project starts at the intersection of N-70 and 14<sup>th</sup> Street and ends just east of the N-70 and Haskell Creek Road/Springdale Road intersection due to the slight shift of the North Loup River Bridge.

**PURPOSE AND NEED:** The purpose of the project is to preserve the N-70 asset, improve the reliability of the highway system, and maintain the mobility of the traveling public. The existing bridge structure has reached the end of its service life.

**SCOPE OF WORK:** The project will replace the existing 24-foot clear roadway width, 5-span bridge with a 36-foot clear roadway width, 4-span bridge. To maintain traffic, the new bridge will be constructed slightly north of the existing bridge. Temporary construction platforms on either side of the new bridge will be required within the North Loup River. The shift would require removal of the existing asphalt roadway pavement and reconstruction of roadway segments with 8-inch doweled concrete. N-70 in Ord, from the intersection of 14<sup>th</sup> & G Streets to the west side of the new bridge, would be reconstructed as a two-lane roadway with curb and gutter, a new storm sewer system, and new driveways. The urban portion of N-70 would be shifted one lane north to allow for staged construction while maintaining existing traffic. Outside Ord, the roadway will be realigned to match the shifted bridge location and would include realignment of Springdale Road and Haskell Creek Road to match N-70. Access to the Anderson Island canoe pull-out and park, southeast of the bridge, would be relocated to Springdale Road.

**TRAFFIC VOLUMES:**

<b>Nebraska Highway 70 (N-70; G St.)</b>		
Year	2016	2036
Vehicles Per Day (ADT)	<b>1,350</b>	<b>1,350</b>
% Heavy Trucks	<b>15%</b>	<b>15%</b>



**ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:** Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin as early as spring of 2016 and could be completed as early as mid-fall of the following year.

**PROPOSED ACCOMMODATION OF TRAFFIC:** The proposed construction would be completed “under traffic” meaning without diverting N-70 traffic; however, one-lane signalized construction zones may cause delays. In Ord, temporary surfacing will be provided along the south edge of existing N-70 to maintain existing traffic and local access. Outside Ord, a temporary roadway will be constructed on the south side of N-70 to accommodate traffic while completing the proposed tie-in of N-70 to the existing pavement. The temporary roadway will also provide continuous access to Anderson Island Park during construction. Local access will be maintained to all areas served by the project during construction.

**RIGHT-OF-WAY:** Right-of-way (ROW) acquisitions and temporary easements (TE) are anticipated along the entire length of the project.

**POTENTIAL IMPACTS:** An environmental review is being conducted to determine the environmental impacts associated with the proposed project. Environmental resources to be evaluated include wetlands, threatened and endangered species, cultural resources, environmental justice, noise impacts, aesthetics, and required property acquisition. Approximately an acre of permanent wetland impacts are anticipated and would be mitigated. North Loup River is a recreational facility and strategies are being explored, in partnership with resource agencies, to minimize impacts to recreational use during construction.

**ESTIMATED COST:** The estimated cost is approximately \$4 million.