

State Headquarters 1500 Highway 2 Lincoln, NE 68502-5480 Communication Office: (402)479-4512

April 1, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

National GIS Leaders To Meet in Lincoln

The Eighteenth Annual "Geospatial Information Systems for Transportation" workshops

and symposium will be held at the Lincoln Cornhusker Hotel, April 3-6, hosted by the Nebraska Department of Roads.

This year's GIS-T symposium will emphasize the migration of GIS and highlight the

many uses of geospatial technologies relating to the transportation industry.

Guests will be welcomed to the symposium by Lincoln Mayor Coleen Seng, Nebraska

Governor Dave Heineman and Nebraska Department of Roads' Director John Craig.

A wide variety of presentations and state-of-the-art demonstrations in technology hall

will be available for transportation professionals, industry executives and for public and private

GIS professionals throughout the four days.

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For additional information contact: Dick Genrich, GIS Mgr., (402) 479-4550.

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April 4, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

National Work-Zone Safety Awareness Week April 3-9

April 3-9 is National Work-Zone Safety Awareness Week, an effort to heighten public awareness of work-zone safety, for the driver as well as the highway worker. Nebraska Governor Dave Heineman signed a proclamation designating the week as Nebraska Highway Work-Zone Safety Awareness Week.

The Nebraska Department of Roads and their transportation partners, the United States Department of Transportation/Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Nebraska State Patrol, and the Associated General Contractors of Nebraska are dedicated to enhancing work-zone safety for both the worker and the traveling public. They believe that increased worker training and enhanced awareness on the part of motorists and highway workers will lead to a reduction of fatalities and injuries for both. This year's national focus is on enforcement.

On average there is a work zone for every 50 miles traveled on U.S. roads. More than 1,000 people were killed and more than 40,000 injured nationwide in construction work zones in 2003. Nine of those deaths were in Nebraska.

The key reason for most work-zone crashes continues to be drivers' failure to pay attention, according to law enforcement officers' reports. Drivers often contribute to construction-zone accidents by speeding, running off the road or crossing into the wrong lane.

More motorists are injured in work-zone crashes than highway workers. Therefore, drivers need to stay alert when driving near highway construction sites any time of day. Drivers should observe lower speed limits, heed posted warning signs and be alert for variations of the roadway in work zones. Drivers and their passengers are urged to wear seat belts at all times. Motorists are also reminded to avoid distractions while driving, including the use of cell phones.

The importance of law enforcement in monitoring highway work zones will be stressed with increased staff at the Nebraska State Patrol this year.

It is important to remember that highway work zones are much more than a temporary inconvenience. Work zones are essential to building safer, smoother, improved roads that may ultimately save lives. *Remember: when you're in the driver's seat, you make the difference. Drive safely in work zones.*

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For additional information, visit the NDOR website at <u>www.nebraskatransportation.org</u>. NR791



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April 4, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Work on Hallam Spur to Begin April 18

Work is scheduled to begin April 18 on the Hallam Spur (S55H), according to the

Nebraska Department of Roads.

Pavers, Inc. of Lincoln has the \$798,715 contract for milling, asphalt surfacing, and

shoulder work. The project begins at the junction of Highway 77 and the Hallam Spur and runs

4 miles west to Hallam. There will be a 10' width limit in the work area. Work is anticipated to

be completed in late May.

The Department's manager for this project is Paul Dodson of Lincoln.

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For additional information contact:

District Construction Engineer Mike Sklenar in Lincoln, 471-0850, ext. 1069, or Paul Dodson in Lincoln, 471-0850, ext. 1071. RD-S55H(1016)

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April 6, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Roads Standards Board to Meet

The Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards will meet at 9:00 a.m. on

April 15, 2005, in the Nebraska Department of Roads' Central Building Auditorium at 1500

Highway 2 in Lincoln.

The agenda includes:

- Addition of projects to the Gage, Fillmore and Wayne Counties of One- and Six-Year Road and Street Improvement Plans.
- State-Aid Bridge Fund applications from Dodge, Frontier and Wheeler Counties.
- Informal hearings:

9:30 a.m. Buffalo County request for Relaxation of Standards for replacement of a wood structure with culverts on a Minimum Maintenance Road;

9:40 a.m. Custer County request for Relaxation of Standards for placement of an auto gate on a Minimum Maintenance Road.

The meeting is open to the public.

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Detailed agenda as of April 6, 2005 enclosed

For additional information contact: LeMoyne D. Schulz (402) 479-4436.

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Agenda

for the Meeting of

Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards

April 15, 2005, 9:00 a.m.

Nebraska Department of Roads Central Headquarters Building Auditorium 1500 Highway 2, Lincoln, Nebraska

Call to Order – Chairman

Roll Call – Secretary

Changes to Published Agenda – Secretary

Minutes of the March 18, 2005, meeting

Status Report – 2004-2005 Standardized System of Annual Reports (NDOR, 93 County and 527 Municipal reports received, 4 Municipal reports are delinquent)

Update on of suspension of Highway Allocation funds to the following Municipalities for failure to submit the 2004-2005 Standardized System of Annual reports in accordance with Neb.Rev.Stat. Sec. 39-2120 and 39-2121 (suspension requested 4/4/05)

Cedar Bluffs Magnet Osmond

Consideration of lifting of suspension (none as of 4/6/05)

Status Report – 2005 One- and Six-Year Highway, Road, and Street Plan Submittals (89 County and 513 Municipal plans received, 18 Municipal plans are delinquent)

2005 One- and Six-Year Highway Road, and Street Plan Revisions (number of projects in parentheses)

- A. Gage County (1) replace bridge with culverts.
- B. Fillmore County (1) grading, aggregate surfacing and replace bridge.
- C. Wayne County (2) replace a bridge and a timber structure with culverts.

State Aid Bridge Fund Applications (4) – Dodge, Frontier and Wheeler Counties

9:30 a.m. Informal Hearing – Buffalo County request for Relaxation of Standards for replacement of a wood structure with culverts on a Minimum Maintenance Road, Project C-10(840). Consideration of request.

9:40 a.m. Informal Hearing – Custer County request for Relaxation of Standards for placement of an auto gate on a Minimum Maintenance Road. Consideration of request.

Other Business:

• Report on State and Federal Legislative Issues

Correspondence and General Information:

• Miscellaneous correspondence

Acknowledgement of visitors

Next meeting May 20, 2005, 9:00 a.m., Ramada Limited South, Goldenrod Room, 1511 Center Park Road, Lincoln, Nebraska

Adjournment

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April 8, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Road Superintendents Receive Advanced Licenses.

152 persons are the first recipients of the new Class A County Highway and City Street Superintendent's license. Created in 2003 by the Unicameral Legislature and administered through recently approved regulations, the Class A license recognizes experience. A Class A license is renewable every three years upon evidence of continuing education. The list of Class A licensees follows below.

Nebraska's unique system of voluntary licensure was enacted in 1969 as part of a comprehensive initiative to improve county, municipal and state highways, roads and streets. To qualify for the basic (Class B) Superintendent's license, an individual must pass a rigorous examination or hold a Registered Professional Engineer's license.

Applicants for a Class A license must hold a Class B license and must have either two years' experience as a county's or municipality's employed highway or street superintendent, or four years of comparable experience. Counties and municipalities with a Class A Superintendent qualify for double the annual Incentive Funds payment for having a licensed superintendent.

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There are 418 Nebraska licensed individuals (Class B or Class A) serving the majority of the state's 93 counties and 531 municipalities. Superintendents are qualified to administer city and county street and road programs, including:

- preparing one- and six-year improvement plans,
- assisting in preparing annual budgets and financial reports,
- supervising the annual program for roadway design, construction and maintenance, and
- coordinating plans with adjacent counties and cities and with the Nebraska Department of Roads.

Gering Senator Adrian Smith introduced the legislation creating the Class A license.

The roster of the members of the Board of Examiners also is provided.

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Attachments:

- Names/towns of Class A licensees
- Roster of the Board of Examiners

For additional information contact:

LeMoyne Schulz (402) 479-4436 or Andy Cunningham (402) 479-4569

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Recipients of Class A County Highway or City Street Superintendent License

Board of Examiners for County Highway and City Street Superintendents State of Nebraska 4/1/05

Gene R. Acklie, Scottsbluff Dennis L. Allen, Oshkosh Kent H. Anderson, Paxton Gregory J. Anderson, Juniata Jean C. Andrews, Fremont Wavne T. Bach. Franklin John T. Baker, Scottsbluff Kevin R. Barta, Niobrara Timothy A. Baxter, Holdrege Ronald Kirk Beguin, Rushville Rex A. Behrends, Beatrice Terry L. Birnbaum, Chadron Philip Mark Bohl, Gering Victor W. Campbell, Oshkosh Mark E. Casey, Emerson Richard C. Cayer, Alliance Edgar Coatman, Fairbury Gary P. Connot, O'Neill Scott A. Cowles, Wahoo Russell L. Daehling, Staplehurst Kevin B. Daily, Elkhorn Orville R. Davidson, York Gerhard H. Dicenta, McCook Phillip W. Dixon, Pleasanton Stephen W. Dodd, Fremont Michael D. Dolezal, Venango Alan D. Doll, Blair Richard J. Douglas, Hastings Thomas D. Doyle, Omaha Larry G. Duval, Holdrege Michael E. Eberhardt, Aurora Galen D. Engel, Beatrice Dwight H. Englert, North Platte Marlon G. Eskew, Imperial Kara D. Essman, Chappell Roger A. Figard, Lincoln Bruce H. Filipi, Milligan Robert D. Fleming, Nebraska City Terry L. Frank, Humboldt Sarah M. Fredrick, Ashton Dale E. Frickey, Bridgeport LeRoy G. Gerrard, York Keith L. Gilmore, Columbus

Bruce L. Gilmore, Columbus John G. Goldman, Bellevue George H. Graham, Bellevue Dennis C. Graham, Holdrege Jimmie L. Graves, Central City Bobby R. Hamilton, Orleans William J. Hansel, Fairbury James W. Hawks, North Platte Richard E. Heinrichs, Hebron Elmer W. Hessheimer, Geneva Jerry L. Hitchcock, North Platte Daniel J. Hostler, Grand Island Chris P. Jacobsen, Broken Bow Pat L. Jacobson, Cozad Dennis E. Jeppson, Wahoo Donald J. Jiracek, Verdigre Scott M. Johnson, Grand Island Stanley V. Johnson, Kearney Richard C. Johnson, Norfolk Troy M. Johnston, Wahoo Barbara J. Keegan, Hemingford Marlin G. Kliewer, Beatrice Lary G. Kment, Hooper James D. Koch, Norfolk Anthony J. Krajewski, Paxton Thomas L. Krueger, Hastings Brian L. Langenberg, Bertrand Marty J. Leming, Papillion Maxon E. Leth, North Loup Larry A. Lewis, Lincoln Merlin E. Lindahl, Columbus Frederick M. Liss, Columbus Mark W. Mainelli, Lincoln James K. McDonald, David City Brian E. McDonald, Norfolk Richard G. McKenney, Ord Terry J. Mead, Norfolk Leona C. Meier, West Point Michael S. Mell, Ogallala Larry R. Merz, Falls City Rickey A. Meter, Gering Jay T. Meyer, Scotia Dawn R. Miller, Hastings

Christopher A. Miller, Kearney Reed A. Miller, Kearney Billy Joe Mitchell, Chappell Elaine J. Mossman, Columbus Donald M. Neary, Tekamah Thomas L. Noel, Sidney Calvin A. Nordmeyer, Seward Carla J. O'Dell, Brady Jeff R. Palik, Grand Island Steven A. Parr, Wahoo Kim D. Parsons, Holdrege Cheryl K. Parsons, Fort Calhoun Donald L. Pettigrew, Valentine Robert J. Piontkowski, Loup City Kevin L. Prior, Grand Island Bruce G. Raddatz, Holdrege Clay H. Radtke, Sidney Scott D. Rathjen, York Steven J. Rix, Clearwater Don L. Robb, Superior Richard L. Robinson, Lincoln Kathryn M. Russell, Minden Milo J. Rust, Chadron Timothy W. Ryan, Keystone James E. Ryschon, Kimball Sidney A. Saunders, Wayne M. C. Schaff, Scottsbluff Allen R. Schoemaker, Omaha Linda Siel, Guide Rock Ronald G. Sklenar, Ravenna Timothy L. Smith, Benkelman Peggy L. Smith, Decatur Lloyd C. Smith, Valentine

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Michael J. Snyder, Edison Joseph H. Soucie, Jr., Papillion Richard E. Speck, Farnam Glen P. Steffensmeier, Clarkson Gary W. Story, Kearney Darla J. Svoboda, Aurora Brian R. Sweeney, Scottsbluff Darold E. Tagge, Holdrege C. Ardell Talkington, Red Cloud Don R. Thomas, Lincoln Donald E. Thompson, Sutherland Jim J. Truksa, David City Robert C. Tyler, Mitchell Hugh D. Uglow, Kimball Kathryn K. Uhl, Hartington Henry T. Vieregger, Omaha David L. Wacker, Hastings Brett J. Wawers, Omaha Keith G. Weber, Cook Richard W. Weber, Bellevue William L. Wehling, Beatrice Thomas C. Werblow, North Platte Jeffrey R. Wernsman, Sidney Evan B. Wickersham, Nebraska City Gilbert R. Wilcox. Holdrege Randy M. Wilkins, Plattsmouth Michael D. Winter, Gordon Jeff Wolfe, Gerina Steve W. Wolford, Hastings Greg A. Wolford, McCook Gregory D. Wood, Lincoln Ronald J. Woracek, Omaha Jerry Blaine Yardley, Rushville

STATE OF NEBRASKA **BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR COUNTY HIGHWAY** AND CITY STREET SUPERINTENDENTS

Member, Town	Responsibility	Term Expires	Representation
	County Represe	entatives (4)	
Kent H. Anderson, Paxton	Arthur & Dundy Counties Highway Supt.	10-27-06	Class 1 County
Thomas D. Doyle, Omaha	Douglas Co. Highway Supt. (Co. Engineer)	10-27-06	Class 7 County
Dale E. Frickey, Bridgeport	Morrill County Highway Supt.	10-27-07	Class 2 County
Lary G. Kment, Hooper	Dodge County Highway Supt.	10-27-07	Class 5 County
	Municipal Repres	sentatives (3)	
Orville R. Davidson.		10-27-06	Eirot Cloop City:
York	Director of Public Works, York	10-27-00	First Class City; Congressional Dist. 3
Thomas F. McDonald, Omaha	former Street Maintenance Supt., Omaha	10-27-06	Metropolitan or Primary Class City; Congressional Dist. 2
Larry R. Merz, Falls City	Director of Public Works, Falls City	10-27-07	Village or 2 nd Class City; Congressional Dist. 1

The seven members are appointed by the Governor to four-year terms. All members must hold a current license as a county highway or city street superintendent prior to appointment. Of the four county representatives, no more than one member shall be appointed from each class of county. Of the three municipal representatives, no more than one shall be appointed from each congressional district, one of whom shall be a representative of a city of over 100,000 population (Omaha or Lincoln) one of whom shall be a representative of a city of 5,000 to 100,000 population (First Class City), and one of whom shall be a representative of a municipality having less than 5,000 population (Second Class City or Village). (39-2304 Neb.Rev.Stat.)

COUNTY CLASSIFICATIONS (23-1114.01 NEB.REV.STAT.)

- Class 1 Less than 3,000 Population (21 counties)
- Class 2 3,000 to 8,999 Population (37 counties)
- Class 3 9,000 to 13,999 Population (15 counties)
- Class 4 14,000 to 19,999 Population (5 counties) Class 5 20,000 to 59,999 Population (12 counties)
- Class 6 60,000 to 199,999 Population (Sarpy County)
- Class 7 Over 200,000 Population (Lancaster and Douglas Counties)

Notice of Pre-Appraisal Meeting Ord to Burwell May 3, 2005 4:00-6:00 p.m.

The Nebraska Department of Roads will hold a public information meeting about plans to improve Nebraska Highway 11 from Ord to the Garfield County line. The meeting for Project STPD-11-3(108), known as "Ord to Burwell," will be held on May 3, 2005, 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the Veterans Club Ballroom, 246 S. 15th, Ord, Nebraska.

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS NOTICE OF PRE-APPRAISAL MEETING

Date: May 3, 2005 Time: 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Place: Veterans Club Ballroom 246 S. 15 Ord, Nebraska

The Nebraska Department of Roads will hold a public information meeting about plans to improve Nebraska Highway 11 from Ord to the Garfield County line.

Personnel from the department will be available to visit one-on-one about the proposed improvements. Displays will be available for public inspection, and NDOR staff will receive comments and questions. No formal presentation is planned.

The proposed project in Valley County, identified as STPD-11-3(108) and known as **Ord to Burwell**, will widen almost 12 ¼ miles of Nebraska 11 with 2 foot surfaced shoulders. Improvements include grading, surfacing, drainage and irrigation structures, realigning some intersecting roads, and roadway lighting at some intersections.

In Ord, Nebraska Highway 70 will be widened to add a right-turn lane for westbound traffic turning north onto Nebraska 11. The new lane will begin just west of 25th Street and end just west of the junction with Nebraska 11.

Also in Ord, Nebraska 11 will be widened at the intersection with Dane Creek Drive. Left-turn lanes will be added to serve northbound and southbound traffic turning from Nebraska 11. Additional roadway lighting is under consideration.

In Elyria, the location of the highway will be shifted towards the northeast to facilitate realigning some intersecting roads. No street closure is planned in Elyria. Additional roadway lighting is under consideration within the corporate limits of Elyria.

The project will be constructed under traffic. Temporary roads around work zones will be used during some phases of construction. Construction of culverts under the highway may temporarily reduce traffic to one lane around the work zone.

Private property must be acquired for highway right-of-way throughout the length of the project. Control of access to the highway may be continued near the intersection of Nebraska 11 and Nebraska 70 in Ord.

Construction will impact wetlands areas and mitigation will be required for about 1 acre. The department intends to establish replacement wetlands at a site within the area watershed. The mitigation site has yet to be determined. The site also will provide wetlands mitigation for three other highway projects planned between North Loup and Burwell.

In order to construct the Ord-Burwell project, two drainage channels lie within the limits of construction and must be shifted. The ditches run parallel to the east side of the highway in Sec. 9 and Sec. 15 of T20N-R15W. Relocated channels must include a 50-foot-wide buffer zone under federal rules.

Where possible, the Department of Roads will provide an accessible meeting facility for disabled people. Appropriate provisions for people who are hearing and visually challenged will be made if the department is notified by April 18, 2005. Notification should be submitted to: Public Hearings Officer, Department of Roads, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4759, voice telephone (402) 479-4871. TDD telephone is (402) 479-3834.

Preliminary plans developed by the Nebraska Department of Roads are available for public inspection at the District 4 Office, 211 N. Tilden St. in Grand Island, and at the NDOR Headquarters, 1500 Highway 2 in Lincoln. Information also is available at *www.dor.state.ne.us* on the internet.

For further information regarding the proposed project, contact Ed Palandri of the Roadway Design Division in Lincoln at (402) 479-4601.



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April 11, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Douglas County

Tuesday, April 12, 2005 @ 10:00PM Until Wednesday, April 13, 2005 @ 6:00AM

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Wednesday, April 13, 2005 @ 10:00PM Until Thursday, April 14, 2005 @ 6:00AM

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Thursday, April 14, 2005 @ 10:00PM Until Friday, April 15, 2005 @ 6:00AM

Weather Permitting

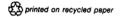
Northbound & Southbound 108th Street will be Closed at West Dodge Road.

These Closures are necessary for the partial removal of the West Dodge Road Bridge over 108th Street.

Chas. Vrana & Son Construction Company is the Contractor on this project.

For additional information contact:

Marvin Lech PE District Construction Engineer





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April 12, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Work Set to Begin April 25 on Highway 4 Between Plymouth and Beatrice

Construction work on Highway 4, between Plymouth and Beatrice, is set to begin

April 25, according to the Department of Roads.

Werner Construction, Inc. of Hastings has the \$999,402 contract for milling, patching

and an overlay of the existing surface. The project is expected to be completed by June of this

year. Traffic will be maintained with the use of signs, flaggers, and pilot cars in the construction

work zones.

The Department of Roads manager for this project is Dennis Endorf of Fairbury.

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For additional information on this project contact:

Department of Roads Construction Engineer Mike Sklenar in Lincoln, (402) 471-0850, ext. 1069, or Dennis Endorf in Fairbury, (402) 729-3489.

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April 14, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Public Hearing April 28 for Hwy. 1 Improvements in Elmwood Area

The Nebraska Department of Roads and the State Highway Commission will hold a Public Hearing Thursday, April 28, regarding reconstruction of Nebraska Highway 1 and widening of two bridges near Elmwood. The hearing will be held at 7:30 p.m., at the Fire Station, 601 N. 4th Street, in Elmwood.

The proposed project in Cass County begins at the junction with U.S. Highway 34 and proceeds north for about 2¹/₂ miles.

The project involves grading, asphalt surfacing, drainage structures and lighting. The completed two-lane highway will have 8-foot-wide shoulders, two feet of which will be surfaced next to the driving lanes. New concrete surfacing, curb and gutter, storm sewer and sidewalks will be constructed in Elmwood.

Bridges proposed for widening as part of the project involve the bridge over the North Branch of Weeping Water Creek, located just north of Elmwood, and the bridge over Beaver Creek, located about two miles north of town.

During construction, through traffic will be detoured along U.S. 34 and Nebraska Highway 50. Temporary roadways around work zones may be used during some phases of construction. Private property must be acquired for highway right-of-way throughout the length of the project.

Construction will impact wetlands areas and mitigation will be required for less than ½ acre. The department intends to establish replacement wetlands either along the project or at one of the wetlands mitigation banksites located in Lancaster County.

Interested persons are invited to stop at the hearing location from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., before the hearing, for informal discussions with Department of Roads' personnel on any aspect of the project.

Preliminary plans developed by the Nebraska Department of Roads are available for public inspection at the NDOR District 1 Office, 302 Superior Street, in Lincoln, and at the Roadway Design Division, 1500 Highway 2, in Lincoln. Information also is available on the Internet at www.dor.state.ne.us.

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For additional information contact:

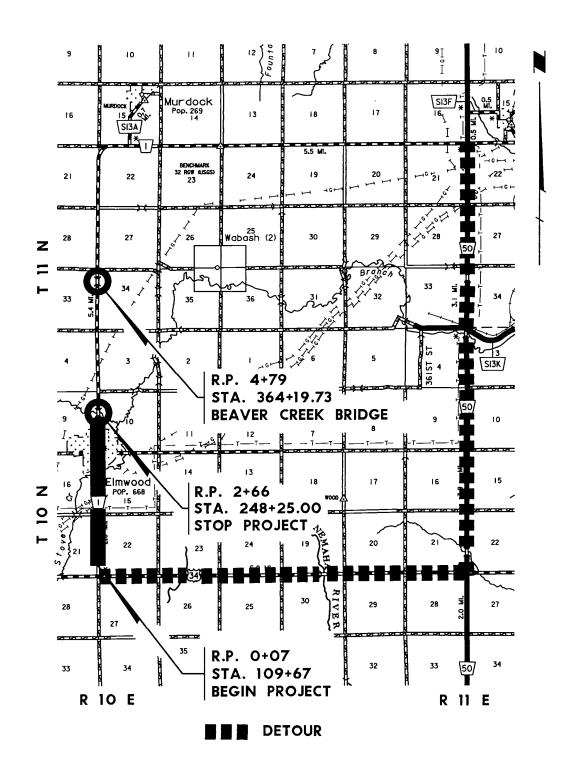
Gerald Bartek, Roadway Design Division in Lincoln, (402) 479-4618.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

NDOR, City of Lincoln Studying Future of U.S. Highway 6/Sun Valley Boulevard

The Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) and the City of Lincoln are planning improvements for U.S. Highway 6/Sun Valley Boulevard, to accommodate future traffic demand and also to improve mobility, safety and security of the public.

The existing US-6/Sun Valley Boulevard is a two-lane north-south diagonal connection between Cornhusker Highway and West "O" Street. It currently handles an average of about 20,350 vehicles per day near Cornhusker and 15,500 near West "O". These volumes are anticipated to increase in the future.

The project is in the study stage, with construction tentatively planned after 2010. The actual construction schedule will depend upon available funding.

NDOR and the City have hired The Schemmer Associates of Lincoln and Carter & Burgess of Denver to conduct a location study and Environmental Assessment (EA) of the corridor.

The EA considers the project's expected effects on the environment, assessing impacts to homes, businesses, parks, traffic, water resources, hazardous waste sites and natural habitats. The following three alternatives are part of the Environmental Assessment process:

Alternative 1

- Realign US-6 (north of Westgate Boulevard) so that it connects to Cornhusker Highway at 1st Street.
- Widen the road to provide two through lanes in each direction, separated by a raised median. Turning lanes would be provided at intersections.
- Remove the existing two-lane Sun Valley Boulevard from Line Drive northeast to 10th Street, including the overpass over Interstate 180.

Alternative 2

 Widen the road to provide two through lanes in each direction along the existing alignment, separated by a raised median. Turning lanes would be provided at intersections.

Alternative 3 ("No Build")

 US-6/Sun Valley would remain two lanes on the existing alignment, with some minor intersection improvements.

A project newsletter and webpage have been developed and are available by visiting

www.schemmer.com/projects/sunvalley.php. Information is also available in Spanish.

Links to this website are also available on the NDOR website,

www.nebraskatransportation.org/projects; or the City website, www.lincoln.ne.gov (follow

"City Construction Projects" link).

A public hearing on the project is currently scheduled for early 2006, following the release of the Draft EA document. The study process is scheduled to conclude by mid- to late-2006, with final review by the Federal Highway Administration. Once the studies conclude, engineering design can begin.

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For additional information, contact: Steve McBeth, NDOR Corridor Studies Engineer, 479-4417; Virendra Singh, City of Lincoln Long-Term Planning Manager, 441-7835.

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April 14, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Work to Resume April 18 on US 136, Fairbury to Jensen

Asphalt overlay, guardrail, and shoulder work is to resume on U.S. Highway 136,

April 18, according to the Department of Roads.

The construction project will begin at the intersection of U.S. 136 and County Road 566

west of Fairbury and continue east through Fairbury to the intersection of U.S. Highway 136 and

County Road 573 on the west edge of Jensen. Werner Construction Company of Hastings has

the \$1,843,308.36 contract for this project.

Traffic will be maintained on U.S. 136 with the use of signs, flaggers, and pilot cars in the

work zones. Anticipated completion of this project is slated for July.

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For additional information contact: Allen A. Vandegrift in Fairbury, (402) 729-3489.

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April 15, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Douglas County

Saturday, April 16th 2005

6:30 A.M. Until 9:00 A.M.

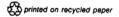
Westbound 120th Street Off-Ramp from Dodge Street to 120th Street will be Closed

These closure is necessary for bridge work.

Hawkins Construction Company is the contractor on this project.

For additional information contact:

Marvin Lech PE District Construction Engineer





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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

State Highway Commission Monthly Agenda Announced

The State Highway Commission will hold its regular monthly meeting April 22, at 10:00 a.m., in Room 103, at the Nebraska Department of Roads' Central Headquarters, 1500 Highway 2, Lincoln, Nebraska. This meeting is preceded by their educational briefing and discussion, held in the Nebraska Department of Roads' Director's Conference Room.

The public is invited to attend. A copy of the meeting agenda can be obtained from the Executive Secretary for the Commission, Room 105, Nebraska Department of Roads' Central Headquarters, Lincoln, Nebraska by calling (402) 479-4530 or by checking the NDOR website at <u>www.dor.state.ne.us</u>.

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Friday, April 22, 2005



District 1

Nebraska State Highway Commission

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8:30 a.m. Educational Briefing and Discussion – Director's Conference Room 10:00 a.m. Monthly Meeting Reconvenes, Rm 103

Call to Order: Chair, John F. Kingsbury, District 3

Roll Call

Approval: March 2005 Meeting Minutes

Introductions/Correspondence/Announcements

Old Business/New Business

Agenda Topic:

1) WASHTO 2005 Highlights, NDOR Deputy Director, John Jacobsen and Tim Weander, District 2 Engineer

Questions/Comments

2) Discussion - WASHTO Boards and Commissions Meeting and Agenda Topics

Project Approvals:

"Yankton Bridge", Control No. 31315 Lou Lenzen, Roadway Design Engineer, requests Location Approval of the "Yankton Bridge" Questions/Comments/Commission Vote

Public Meeting Schedule

April 28, 2005 *(Acklie)* "Elmwood North & South", C .N. 12209 Information Open House, 3:00-5:00 p.m. Public Hearing, 7:30 p.m. Fire Station, Elmwood, NE

May 3, 2005 *(Wanitschke)* "Ord to Burwell", C.N. 41199 Pre-Appraisal Public Meeting, 4:00-6:00 p.m. Vets' Club, Ord, NE

May 17, 2005 *(Wolford)* "Orleans West", C.N. 70511 Pre-Appraisal Public Meeting, 4:00-6:00 p.m. Village Office, Orleans, NE

Public Input

Adjournment

Next Scheduled Meeting

Friday, May 20, 2005, 10:00 a.m. NDOR Central Complex, Lincoln, Nebraska





District 4







District 6



District 7



District 8



Nebraska State Highway Commission

Educational Briefing & Discussion

Friday, April 22, 2005

8:30 a.m., NDOR Director's Conference Room NDOR Central Complex, Lincoln NE

Agenda

Follow-up and Comments in re: Commission Transportation/Telecommunications Committee Dinner Meeting – 4/21/05

Preview of Annual Surface Transportation Program Book – Roger Winkelhake

Update - NDOR's Rules, Regulations, and Policies, John Jacobsen, Deputy Director

Funding – "Lincoln West & South Beltways", NDOR Staff

Update – Retention/Elimination of a District Construction Engineer Position – NDOR Staff



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April 18, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Temporary Cornhusker Highway Closure Tuesday, April 19

Cornhusker Highway at the I-80 Airport Interchange, north of Lincoln, will be closed

Tuesday night, April 19, in both directions from 9:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m., Wednesday, to allow

for placing girders on newly constructed bridge support (weather permitting).

A marked detour will be provided for Cornhusker Highway. Traffic for eastbound

Cornhusker would follow westbound I-80 to Exit 397 and return on I-80 eastbound.

Westbound Cornhusker will be detoured on eastbound I-80 to the I-180 interchange and

return to Cornhusker Highway on westbound I-80.

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For additional information contact:

Dan Lange in Lincoln (402) 471-0850, ext. 1115 or Mike Sklenar in Lincoln (402) 471-0850, ext. 1069

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website. www.doi.state.ne.u

State Headquarters 1500 Highway 2 Lincoln, NE 68502-5480 Communication Office: (402)479-4512

April 19, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Information Open House May 3 for Highway 11 Improvements Near Ord

The Nebraska Department of Roads will hold a Pre-Appraisal Information Open House on Tuesday, May 3, regarding plans to improve Nebraska Highway 11 from Ord to the Garfield County line. The open house will be held from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m., at the Veterans Club Ballroom, 246 S. 15th, in Ord.

The proposed project in Valley County will widen almost 12 ¼ miles of Nebraska 11 with two-foot surfaced shoulders. Improvements include grading, surfacing, drainage and irrigation structures, realigning some intersecting roads, and roadway lighting at some intersections.

In Ord, Nebraska Highway 70 will be widened to add a right-turn lane for westbound traffic turning north onto Nebraska 11. Also in Ord, Nebraska 11 will be widened at the intersection with Dane Creek Drive. Left-turn lanes will be added to serve northbound and southbound traffic turning from Nebraska 11. In Elyria, the location of the highway will be shifted towards the northeast to facilitate realigning some intersecting roads.

The project will be constructed under traffic. Temporary roads around work zones will be used during some phases of construction. Construction of culverts under the highway may temporarily reduce traffic to one lane around the work zone.

Private property must be acquired for highway right-of-way and control of access for the highway may be continued near the intersection of Nebraska 11 and Nebraska 70 in Ord.

Construction will impact wetland areas and mitigation will be required for about one acre. The department intends to establish replacement wetlands at a site within the area watershed. The mitigation site has yet to be determined.

In order to construct the Ord-Burwell project, two drainage channels that lie within the limits of construction must be shifted. Relocated channels must include a 50-foot-wide buffer zone.

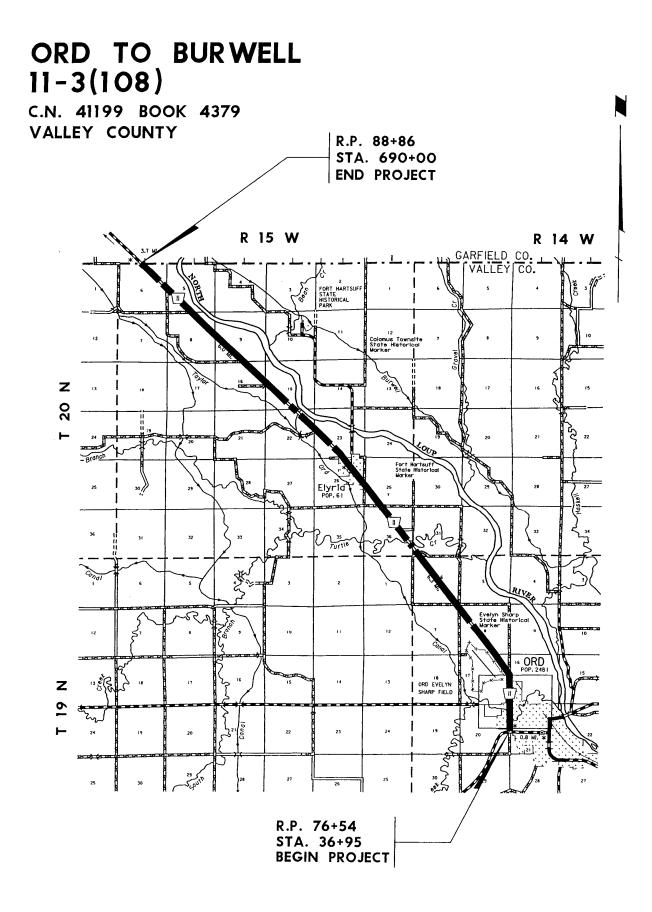
Personnel from the Department of Roads will be available to visit one-on-one about the project. Displays will be available for public inspection, and NDOR personnel will receive comments and questions. No formal presentation is planned.

Preliminary plans developed by the Nebraska Department of Roads are available for public inspection at the NDOR District 4 Office, 211 N. Tilden Street, in Grand Island, and at the NDOR Roadway Design Division, 1500 Highway 2, in Lincoln. Information also is available on the Internet at <u>www.dor.state.ne.us</u>.

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For additional information contact:

Ed Palandri, Roadway Design Division in Lincoln, (402) 479-4601.





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April 20, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Douglas County

Thursday, April 21, 2005 @ 5:00AM until Thursday, April 21, 2005 @ 3:30PM

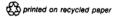
Westbound West Dodge Road Exit Ramp to 120th Street will be CLOSED.

This Ramp Closure is necessary to form the Bridge Deck over the 120th Street Exit Ramp.

Hawkins Construction Company is the Contractor on this Project.

For additional information contact: Karl Burns Public Relations 592-7623

www.westdodge.info



Notice of Pre-Appraisal Meeting Orleans West May 17, 2005 4:00-6:00 p.m.

The Nebraska Department of Roads will hold a public information meeting about a proposed project to reconstruct a segment of highway west of Orleans and to resurface part of the highway in town. The meeting for Project EACSTPD-BR-89-3(104), known as "Orleans West," will be held May 17, 2005, 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the Village Office, 111 West Maple Street, Orleans, Nebraska.

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS NOTICE OF PRE-APPRAISAL MEETING

Date: May 17, 2005 Time: 4 – 6 p.m. Place: Village Office 111 West Maple St. Orleans, Nebraska

The Nebraska Department of Roads will hold a public information meeting about a proposed project to reconstruct a segment of highway west of Orleans and to resurface part of the highway in town.

Personnel from the department will be available to visit one-on-one about the proposed improvements. Displays will be available for public inspection, and NDOR staff will receive comments and questions. No formal presentation is planned.

The project to construct almost 3 miles of Nebraska Highway 89 on new alignment in Harlan County is identified as EACSTPD-BR-89-3(104), known as **Orleans West**.

The two-lane project begins at the county road intersection about ³/₄ mile west of the Republican River and ends just west of the railroad crossing at the edge of Orleans.

Five bridges and a twin box culvert will be constructed on new alignment just north of the current highway alignment. The new roadway will have asphalt surfacing and 6-foot-wide shoulders, 2 feet of which will be surfaced next to the driving lanes. The old roadway will be removed after traffic is shifted to the new lanes.

Most of the project will be constructed under traffic. A temporary detour for through traffic will be used during latter phases of construction. The detour will route traffic on U.S. Highway 136 and Nebraska Highway 46.

About ½ mile of Nebraska 89 in Orleans, from Elm Street to North Street, will be resurfaced as part of the project. The work will be done under traffic.

Additional property must be acquired for highway construction, mostly from the Nebraska Kansas Colorado Railnet.

Construction will impact wetlands areas and mitigation will be required for an estimated 1-2 acres. The department intends to establish replacement wetlands on public right-of-way along or near the project.

Where possible, the Department of Roads will provide an accessible meeting facility for disabled people. Appropriate provisions for people who are hearing and visually challenged will be made if the department is notified by May 3, 2005. Notification should be submitted to: Kevin Dugan, Department of Roads, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4759, voice telephone (402) 479-4871. TDD telephone is (402) 479-3834.

Preliminary plans developed by the Nebraska Department of Roads will be available for inspection at the District 7 Headquarters, 619 Auditorium Dr., in McCook, and at the Roadway Design Division, 1500 Highway 2, in Lincoln. Information also is available at www.dor.state.ne.us on the internet.

For further information regarding the proposed project, contact Ed Palandri of the Roadway Design Division in Lincoln at (402) 479-4601.



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April 21, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Douglas County

Friday, April 22nd 2005

12:01 A.M. Until 8:00 A.M.

Westbound 120th Street Off-Ramp from West Dodge Road to 120th Street will be Closed

This closure is necessary for bridge work.

Hawkins Construction Company is the contractor on this project.

For additional information contact:

Marvin Lech PE District Construction Engineer





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April 21, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Douglas County

Friday, April 22nd 2005

3:00 A.M. Until 3:00 P.M.

Westbound West Dodge Road at 119th Street will be reduced to one-lane of traffic.

This lane closure is necessary for emergency pavement repair.

Hawkins Construction Company is the contractor on this project.

For additional information contact:

Marvin Lech PE District Construction Engineer



Title 411 - NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS - TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION

Chapter 1 - Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, 2000 2003 Edition.

001 ADOPTION OF THIS RULE BY THE NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS

<u>001.01</u> The Nebraska Department of Roads by this Rule does adopt the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, <u>2000</u> <u>2003</u> Edition with Revision Number 1 dated December <u>28</u>, <u>2001</u> <u>December 22</u>, <u>2003</u>, promulgated by the National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices filed herewith.

<u>001.02</u> The Nebraska Department of Roads by this Rule does adopt the Nebraska Supplement to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, <u>2002</u> <u>2004</u> filed herewith.

ANNOTATION

Title 411 Chapter 1 Section 001 Enabling Legislation Neb. Rev. Stat. 60-6,118

Title 411 - NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS - TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION

Chapter 1 - Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, 2000 2003 Edition.

SOURCE LIST			
Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices 2003 Edition (MUTCD)			
Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)			
You may print the entire MUTCD, or any portion, from this address at no charge. http://mutcd.fhwa.dot.gov/kno-2003.htm			
Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE)			
All requests for the MUTCD must include a completed order form. Order forms may be obtained on-line or by calling the number below. <u>http://www.ite.org/bookstore</u> (202)289-0222			
American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO)			
444 North Capitol Street, NW			
Suite 249 Washington, DC 20001			
http://www.transportation.org/aashto/home.nsf/FrontPage			
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American Traffic Safety Services Association (ATSSA)			
15 Riverside Parkway, Suite 100			
Fredericksburg, VA 22406			
http://www.atssa.com/store (800)272-8772			
Nebraska Supplement to the MUTCD			
Nebraska Department of Roads			
Attn: Traffic Engineering			
1500 Highway 2, P.O. Box 94759			
Lincoln, NE 68509-4759 (402)479-4594			
Contact for pricing information on printed or CD-ROM formats.			
You may print the entire supplement, or any portion, from the following web address at no charge. http://www.nebraskatransportation.org/traffeng/mutcd.htm			

Title 419 411 - NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS - RIGHT OF WAY TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION

Chapter 6 - Rules and Regulations Pertaining to the Use of Snowmobiles on the State Highway System

001 DEFINITIONS

001.01 Department shall mean the Nebraska Department of Roads-of the State of Nebraska.

001.02 Freeway shall mean an expressway with full control of access.

<u>001.03</u> Highway shall mean a road or street including the entire area within the right of way, which has been designated a part of the State Highway System.

<u>001.04</u> Interstate highway shall mean a divided arterial highway for through traffic with full control of access and grade separation at intersections which the highway has been designated $\frac{1-29}{1-129}$, 1-76, 1-80, 1-180, 1-480 or 1-680.

<u>001.05</u> Motor vehicle shall mean every self-propelled land vehicle, not operated upon rails, except mopeds and self-propelled invalid handicapped chairs.

001.06 Operate shall mean to ride in or on and control the operation of a snowmobile.

001.07 Operator shall mean every person who operates or is in actual physical control of a snowmobile.

<u>001.08</u> Person shall mean any individual, partnership, corporation, the State and its agencies and subdivision, and any body of persons whether incorporated or not.

<u>001.09</u> Right of way shall mean land, property, or interest therein, usually in a strip, acquired for or devoted to a road, street or highway.

<u>001.10</u> Road shall mean a public way for the purpose of vehicle travel, including the entire area within the right of way. A road designated as part of the State Highway System may be called a highway while a road in an urban area may be called a street.

001.11 Roadway shall mean the portion of a highway, including shoulders for vehicular use.

<u>001.12</u> Snowmobile shall mean a self-propelled motor vehicle designed to travel on snow or ice or a natural terrain, steered by wheels, skis or runners and propelled by a belt-driven track with or without steel cleats.

<u>001.13</u> State Highway System shall mean the roads, streets, and highways shown on the map provided for in Section 39-1311, as forming a group of highway transportation lines for which the Department shall be the primary authority. The State Highway System shall include, but not be limited to: right of ways, connecting links, drainage facilities, and the bridges, appurtenances, easement and structures used in conjunction with such roads, streets, and highways.

Title 410 411 - NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS - RIGHT OF WAY TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION

Chapter 6 - Rules and Regulations Pertaining to the Use of Snowmobiles on the State Highway System

002 NO SNOWMOBILE SHALL BE OPERATED AT ANY TIME WITHIN THE RIGHT OF WAY OF ANY INTERSTATE HIGHWAY OR FREEWAY WITHIN THIS STATE.

003 NO PERSON SHALL OPERATE A SNOWMOBILE WITHIN THE RIGHT OF WAY OF ANY OTHER ROAD OR HIGHWAY ON THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM EXCEPT AS PERMITTED IN SECTIONS 003.01, 003.02, AND 003.03.

<u>003.01</u> In crossing a State Highway, all crossings shall be made as provided in Chapter 60 Neb. Rev. Stat., Section 2013 6,335, Subsections 2 through 4-of the Nebraska Revised Statutes.

003.02 In Snow Emergencies in which:

003.02A The road has been closed to motor vehicle travel by the department and;

<u>003.02B</u> Snowmobiles are the only practical mode of transportation to provide for the health and welfare of the public by performing such services as aiding stranded motorists, delivering medical supplies, fuel, food and livestock supplies and not for recreational purposes.

<u>003.02C</u> The snowmobile shall be operated only on the roadway of a closed segment of the highway, and shall comply with all licensing and insurance requirements and all applicable rules of the road as established for motor vehicles in the state statutes, and the Nebraska Revised Statutes Neb. Rev. Stat., Chapter 60, Article 29 <u>6</u>.

<u>003.03</u> As a registered contestant in an international or other sponsored snowmobile contest which has received the prior written approval of the Department of Roads.

004 SNOWMOBILE CONTEST PERMITS

<u>004.01</u> The sponsoring group must make application to the department at least six months in advance of any proposed snowmobile contest to be held within the highway right of way.

<u>004.01A</u> The application shall contain the exact location at which the contest is to be held, including point of beginning and point of termination, the route for detouring traffic, the names of all contestants, and a signing plan that will comply with the requirements of the latest edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices as adopted pursuant to <u>Neb. Rev. Stat., Section 60-6,118</u>.

Title 410 411 - NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS - RIGHT OF WAY TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION

Chapter 6 - Rules and Regulations Pertaining to the Use of Snowmobiles on the State Highway System

<u>004.01B</u> The sponsoring group shall obtain the necessary written agreements with the County, City or Village to use the county road or street as a detour for highway traffic. The agreement shall contain a provision that the sponsoring group is responsible to the County, City or Village for any damage to the county road or streets and any damage to abutting land or landowner caused by the traveling public using the detour. Copies of this agreement shall be submitted with the application.

<u>004.02</u> The department will determine if it is in the best interest of the general public to permit the contest on the roadway of such segment of the State Highway System and if the proposal will create undue hardship on the traveling public by requiring the use of a detour. Those requests that are approved will have a permit issued subject to the following conditions:

<u>004.02A</u> The sponsoring group shall be responsible for all cost associated with detouring the traffic from the highway right of way, damages to the highway, and hold the department harmless from any claims that may result from the use of the highway for the snowmobile contest.

<u>004.02B</u> The sponsoring group shall provide a \$10,000 cash performance guarantee to the department to cover any damages to the highway or expenses incurred by the department due to the contest. The performance guarantee will be returned when the contest is over and the highway returned to its original condition. The group shall also provide a liability policy to the department in the amount of one million dollars extended coverage with the department named as additional insured.

<u>004.02C</u> All snowmobile operators shall comply with licensing and insurance requirements for motor vehicles as provided in the state statutes.

ANNOTATION

Title 410 411 Chapter 6 Enabling Legislation 60-20 60-6,335 & 60-6,118 Neb. Rev. Stat.



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April 25, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Dead and Dying Pine Trees Being Removed to Save Healthy Trees

Dead and dying Austrian and Scotch Pines will be removed along the Interstate rights of way, as quickly as possible, to try to limit the spread of "Scotch Pine Wilt". Working with the Nebraska State Forester's office, the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) plans to continue removing the affected trees along the Interstate rights of way, with a special spring clean-up, starting as soon as Tuesday, weather permitting.

Several crews from the NDOR District 1 Maintenance forces will be dispatched along I-80 from the Utica Interchange, east to the Platte River to remove the dead or dying Scotch Pine trees and properly dispose of them. The trees need to be chipped, burned, or buried. The goal is to kill the insects that could emerge from the wood and to limit the spread of the disease to new trees. There is no treatment or cure for this pine wilt disease. The disease spreads quickly and is carried by insects to other trees and has been claiming trees, especially in southeast Nebraska. The Roads Department will continue to remove infected pine trees on state rights of way throughout the growing season.

Motorists should be aware that in the next several days there will be several NDOR trucks departing from and entering the Interstate rights of way to take care of this special spring clean-up to help slow the spread of the Scotch Pine Wilt.

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For additional information, contact: District 1 Maintenance Superintendent Roger Kalkwarf, Lincoln, (402) 471-0850, ext. 1041.

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April 26, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

I-80 Lane Closures on Oak Creek Bridge Wednesday & Thursday Night

Right lane closure will be needed for I-80 westbound traffic over Oak Creek, north of

Lincoln, to install concrete girders, according to the Nebraska Department of Roads. Center

spans will be placed on Wednesday night, and the east spans will be placed on Thursday night,

weather permitting.

Temporary lane closures will take place between 9:00 p.m. Wednesday and 6:00 a.m.

Thursday, and from 9:00 p.m. Thursday to 6:00 a.m. Friday.

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April 28, 2005

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Road and Street Examiners to Meet

The Board of Examiners for County Highway and City Street Superintendents will meet

at 10:00 a.m., May 6, 2005 in Room 103, Department of Roads' Central Headquarters Building,

1500 Highway 2, Lincoln.

The principal agenda items are:

- Licensing of one Professional Engineer
- Grading of the April 1, 2005 written examination

The meeting is open to the public.

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Agenda as of April 28, 2005.

For additional information contact: LeMoyne D. Schulz (402) 479-4436.

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Agenda

for the Meeting of

BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR COUNTY HIGHWAY AND CITY STREET SUPERINTENDENTS

May 6, 2005, 10:00 a.m.

Nebraska Department of Roads Central Headquarters Building, Highway Commission Room 103 1500 Highway 2, Lincoln, Nebraska

(Subcommittee Meeting – 8:30 a.m.)

Call to Order – Chairperson (10:00 a.m.)

Roll Call - Staff

Changes to Published Agenda - Staff

Minutes of April 1, 2005, Meeting

Professional Engineer application for a City Street Superintendent license, Class B: (None)

Professional Engineer application for a County Highway Superintendent license, Class B: (None)

Professional Engineer application for County Highway Superintendent license, Class B and City Street Superintendent license, Class B: (1)

• Mr. Clark A. Boschult, Fremont, NE

Second Licenses issued administratively since April 1, 2005: (None)

Grading of April 1, 2005 County Highway and City Street Superintendent Written Examination *(Executive Session)*

Statewide news release for newly licensed (*Class B*) County Highway and City Street Superintendents.

Consider statement of contracted services for preparation and grading examination.

Review of (0) new applicants and (0) re-applicants for the October 7, 2005, County Highway Superintendent and City Street superintendent examination. (None)

Preparation for October 7, 2005, Written Examination and September 7-9, 2005, Pre-Examination Workshop, including the following:

• New plan reading materials (Deferred)

Preparation of Thirty-Fifth Annual Report and review of distribution list

Implementation of LB 500, County Highway and City Street Superintendents Act

• Review progress on forms and approve new forms as available

Request for Pre-certification of Professional Development Hours: (1)

Nebraska Association of County Engineers, Highway Superintendents and Surveyors

Other Business

Report on State and Federal Legislative Issues

Correspondence and General Information

Acknowledgement of Visitors

Next Meeting: August 19, 2005, 10:00 a.m., Nebraska Department of Roads, Central Headquarters, Materials and Research Building, Room 129, 1400 Highway 2, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Adjournment

Note: The business meeting is open to attendance of the public. The grading of the April 1, 2005, written examination is closed to attendance of the public.