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## **CORTPO**

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### Technical Committee - Transportation planning; Okfuskee County

#### Purpose of the Committee

The Technical Committee (TC) is intended to include members who represent specific areas of interest in transportation, or are familiar with the local community. This committee will review documents and make recommendations to the CORTPO Policy Board as necessary throughout the Regional Transportation Planning process.

#### **Function of the Committee**

The Technical Committee will assist with identification of key issues, trends and challenges, strengths and improvements needed. They will represent the vision of the community as determined through public meetings, surveys and public comments.

The TC will review the data collection, the maps and the staff analysis, prior to submission of plan components to the RPO Policy Board. The TC will guide the goals and priorities of the Final Plan in collaboration with the Policy Board.

#### Meetings

TC Meetings will be held once per month; the 2nd Thursday of each month at 9:30 AM at the Courthouse in Wewoka OK. Special meetings have been scheduled at times, when circumstances warrant. It will likely take about 4 months to complete the Okfuskee County Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP).

#### Requirements for Regional/Rural Transportation Planning

The transportation plan must

- ✓ Address a twenty year planning horizon
- ✓ Identify needed pedestrian walkway and bicycle facilities
- ✓ Indicate, as appropriate, the transportation alternative activities within the area
- ✓ Include a financial plan that demonstrates the consistency of proposed transportation investments with sources of revenue already available

The plan is intended to address the eight planning factors required by federal law 23 CFR 450.306 for the transportation planning process listed in Table 2 on the following page.

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#### Table 2: Planning Factors 23CFR 450.306

# PLANNING FACTORS TO BE ADDRESSED IN NONMETROPOLITAN, METROPOLITAN AND STATEWIDE AND TRANSPORTATION PLANNING:

- 1. Support the economic vitality of the United States, the States, nonmetropolitan areas, and metropolitan areas, especially by enabling global competitiveness, productivity, and efficiency.
- 2. Increase the safety of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users.
- 3. Increase the security of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users.
- 4. Increase accessibility and mobility of people and freight.
- 5. Protect and enhance the environment, promote energy conservation, improve the quality of life, and promote consistency between transportation improvements and State and local planned growth and economic development patterns.
- 6. Enhance the integration and connectivity of the transportation system across and between modes, people and freight.
- 7. Promote efficient system management and operation.
- 8. Emphasize the preservation of the existing transportation system
- 9. Improve the resiliency and reliability of the transportation system and reduce or mitigate stormwater impacts of surface transportation; and
- 10. Enhance travel and tourism.

#### Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act

On December 4, 2015, President Obama signed into law the *Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act*, or "FAST Act." It is the first law enacted in over ten years that provides long-term funding certainty for surface transportation, meaning States and local governments can move forward with critical transportation projects with the confidence that they will have a Federal partner over the long term.