



On the Road to the Future

Welcome to the Oklahoma Department of Transportation's website. The department is responsible for 6,800 highway bridges and more than 30,000 lane miles of highway statewide. However, our commitment to Oklahomans is about more than just numbers. The department's mission is to provide a safe, economical and effective transportation network for the people and businesses of Oklahoma. That means constantly striving to maintain and modernize \$60 billion worth of infrastructure — the state's largest asset.

ODOT has a physical presence statewide with offices in all 77 counties, however, this redesigned website is our portal to the world. Our goal is to make information more accessible and easier to find. Please check back regularly for the most talked about issues and timely announcements scrolling across the top of the website as well as new features still in the development stage.

While a lack of funding plagued the agency for four decades, many strides have been made in the past 10 years thanks to a commitment from Oklahoma's leaders and an infusion of state funds for better highways and bridges. ODOT anticipates having less than 1 percent of its bridges listed as structurally deficient by 2020, down from a high of 1,168 bridges with that designation in 2004. As the bridge system continues to improve, more resources will start going toward addressing highway pavement conditions statewide.

Efforts like the Eight-Year Construction Work Plan and the Asset Preservation Plan require better communication with Oklahomans than ever before. It's why ODOT introduced a new website design for the department at the beginning of 2015. This easy-to-use website is designed to get visitors to their destination. If you want the most up-to-date news, but don't have time to visit our website regularly, then sign up for our email alert service. Look for the blue sign up box on the left side of the homepage and select your areas of interest for news sent straight to your email in box.

I encourage you to get involved with the process of improving the highway system by attending public meetings for future projects and utilizing the information available on our website. The Oklahoma Department of Transportation is here to serve your travel safety needs.

Mike Patterson
ODOT Executive Director

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Patterson", written over a horizontal line.

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