



# PUBLIC INFORMATION OPEN HOUSE MEETING

Falls City Senior Center, 221 West 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Falls City, NE

Tuesday, July 14, 2015; 4:00 – 6:00 P.M.

## NH-73-1(118) *In Falls City and North*; C.N. 13208

**LOCATION:** The proposed project would involve approximately 2.94 miles of U.S. Highway 73 (US-73) located in Richardson County, starting roughly 0.17 miles north of the southern corporate limits of Falls City, at mile marker (MM) 3+63, and extending north to MM 6+57, approximately 0.99 miles north of the northern corporate limits of Falls City. Construction may begin and/or end approximately 200 feet ahead of or beyond the actual project limits to accommodate transitioning the pavement.

**PURPOSE AND NEED:** The purpose of the proposed project is to preserve the US-73 transportation asset, improve the reliability of the transportation system, and perpetuate the mobility of the traveling public. The need for this proposed project is based on the condition of the existing roadway and recent inspections showing that the pavement distresses of US-73 require rehabilitation.

**SCOPE OF WORK:** Proposed improvements would include milling (a process of grinding the roadway surface) and resurfacing the existing roadway and shoulders. Additional improvements would include stabilizing the surfaced shoulders, earth shoulder construction, transitioning foreslopes, concrete repairs, ADA curb ramp construction, and removing guardrail. The four lane section from 7<sup>th</sup> Street to 19<sup>th</sup> Street would be reduced to three lanes, which would include a northbound, southbound, and a center two-way left-turn lane. The three lanes would be reconstructed with full depth concrete pavement.

**TRAFFIC VOLUMES:**

	US-73	MM 3+63 – MM 6+57	
Year	2017	2027	
Vehicles Per Day (ADT)	5865	5865	
% Heavy Trucks (HT)	5%	5%	

**CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:** Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin as early as spring of 2017 and could be complete by the fall of the same year.

**ACCOMMODATION OF TRAFFIC:** The proposed project would be constructed under traffic with lane closures controlled with approved temporary traffic control. The roadway section between MM 3+63 and MM 4+48 would be phased to accommodate traffic during construction. The roadway may be reconstructed half at a time by shifting traffic on the opposite side and providing one lane in each direction.

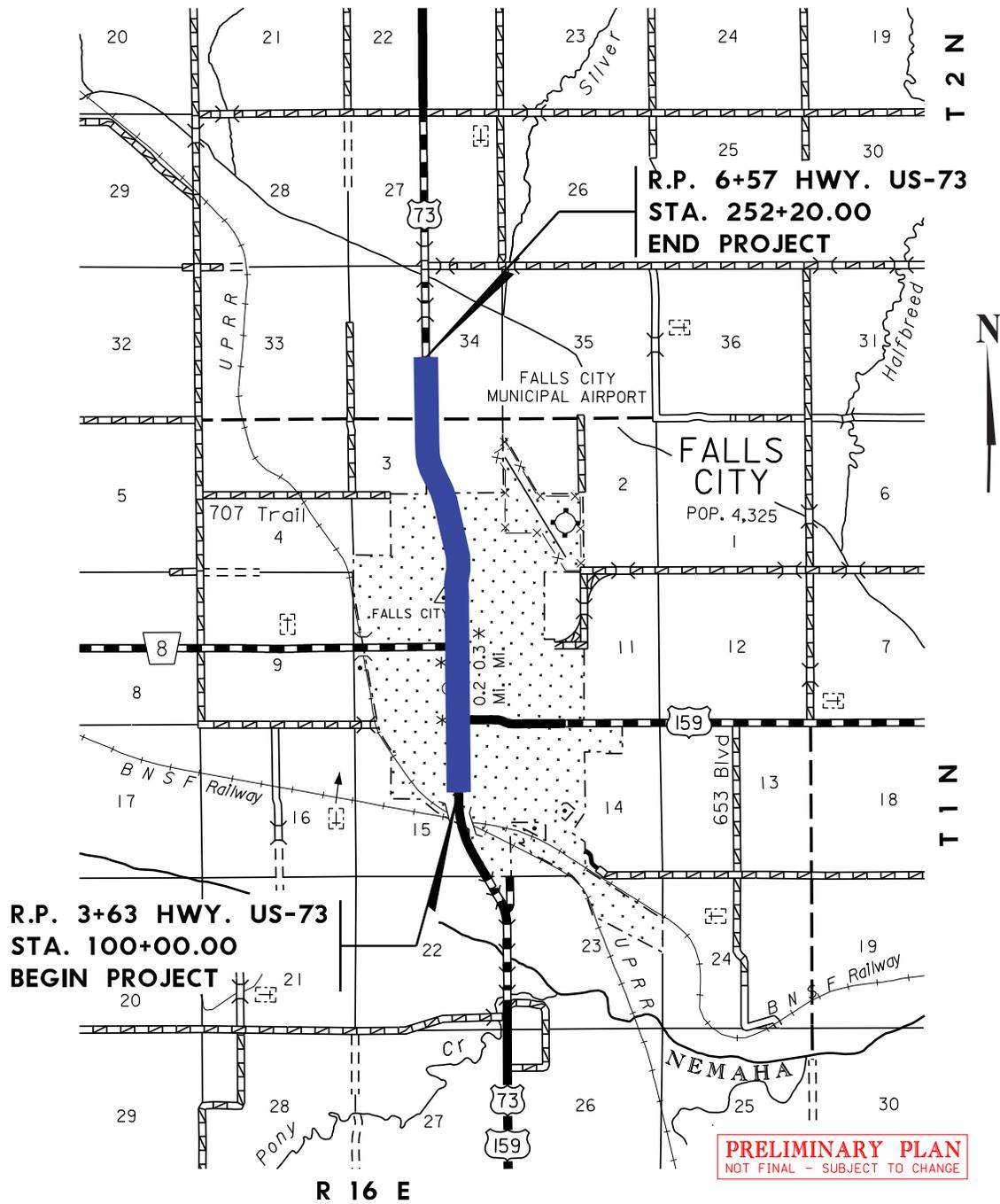
**RIGHT-OF-WAY:** The proposed project would require the acquisition of additional property rights including new right-of-way (ROW), and temporary easements (TE) due to the proposed reconstruction of sidewalks and curb ramps to meet ADA requirements. Access to adjacent properties would be maintained during construction but may be limited at times due to phasing requirements.

**POTENTIAL IMPACTS:** Wetland impacts are not anticipated.

**ESTIMATED COST:** The cost of the proposed project is approximately \$2.9 million and would derive from state and federal funding sources.

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