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US 385: L62A to Alliance

JUNCTION L-62A/US 385 TO ALLIANCE

Public Hearing

October 1, 2014

5:00-7:00 pm

**Newberry's
402 Box Butte Ave.
Alliance, NE**

**Junction L-62A/ US 385 to Alliance
NH-385-3(118) - CN 51432**



**U.S. Department
of Transportation
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Administration**



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C.N. 51432

August 2014

Highway US 385: Junction L62A/US 385 to Alliance
Heartland Expressway
Box Butte and Morrill Counties, Nebraska

DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Submitted Pursuant to 42 USC 4332(2)(e) and 23 CFR 771 & 774

to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration
by Nebraska Department of Roads

Project Sponsor signatures indicate verification that the content of this document and the scope of the project are accurate. FHWA signature gives approval to distribute this information for public and agency review and comment. Such approval does not commit to approve any future grant requests to fund the preferred alternative.

For the Nebraska Division Administrator
Federal Highway Administration

For Nebraska Department of Roads
Project Sponsor

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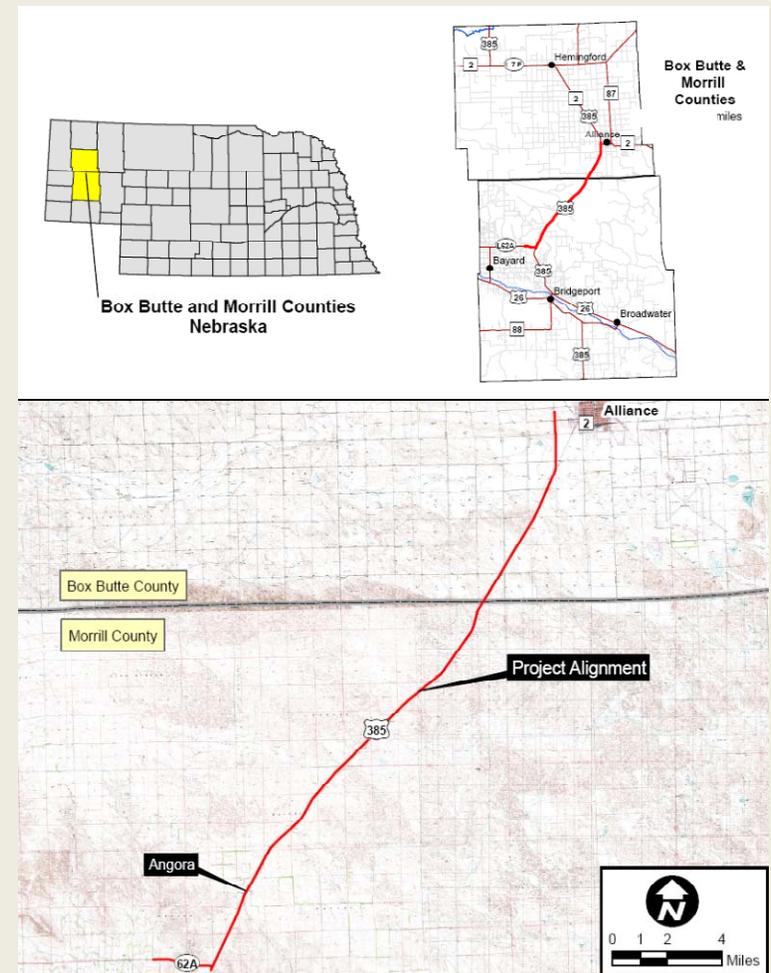


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Purpose and Need

- Purpose
 - to provide an improved north-south highway on a NHS High Priority Corridor that increases the efficiency and safety of travel
 - to fulfill the *legislative intent* of ISTEA, SAFETEA-LU and the Build Nebraska Act
 - to address roadway and operational deficiencies
- An Additional Project Goal
 - to facilitate *economic development* of the region



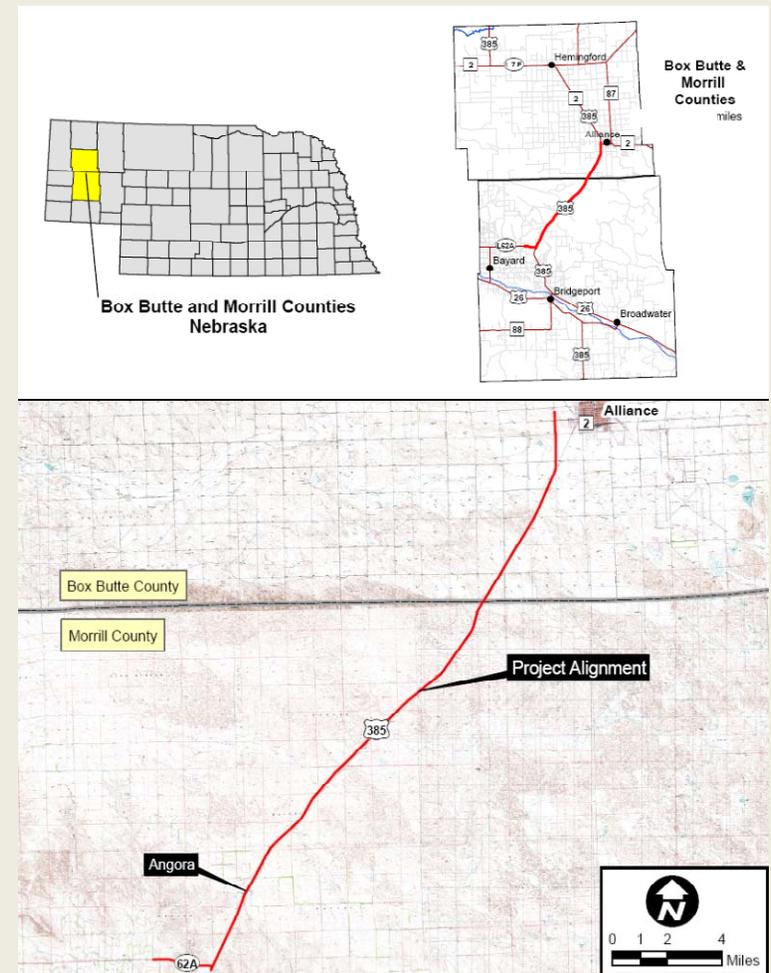


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 - this segment of the Heartland Expressway has the highest traffic volumes, including high truck traffic
 - geometric deficiencies exist in the area traversing the Sandhills

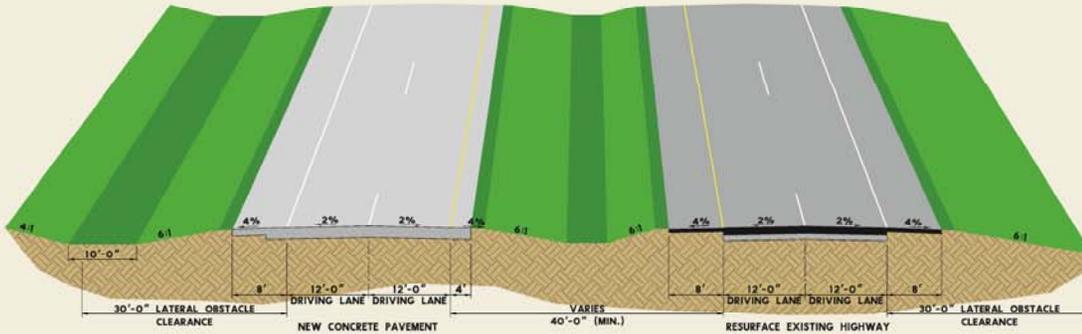




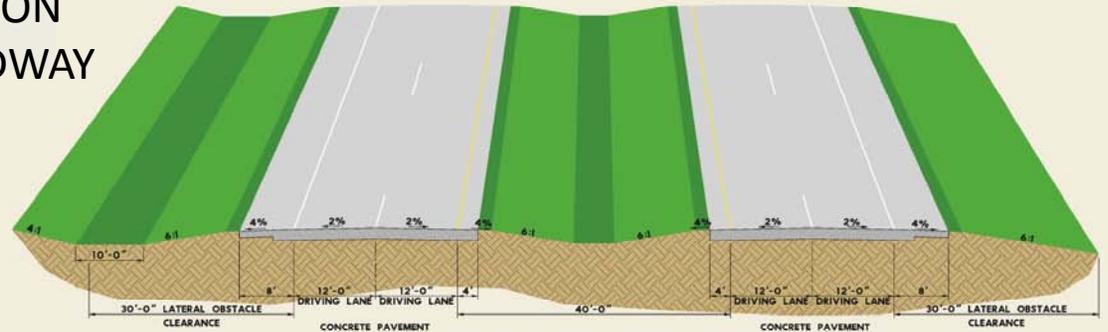
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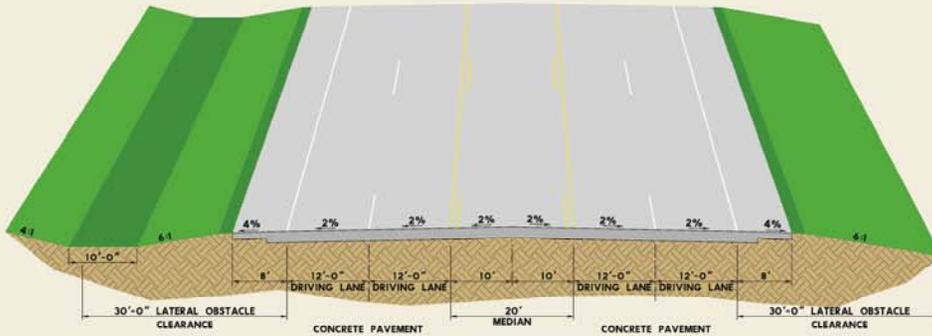
Typical Sections



INITIAL CONSTRUCTION
4-LANE DIVIDED ROADWAY



ULTIMATE CONSTRUCTION
4-LANE DIVIDED ROADWAY



IN ALLIANCE - 5-LANE w/TWO WAY LEFT TURN LANE



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Environmental Review

- Wetlands
- Fish & Wildlife Habitat
- Endangered & Threatened Species
- Water Quality
- Floodplains
- Historic & Cultural Resources
- Land Use
- Farmland
- Recreation Areas
- Community Resources
- Hazardous Materials
- Noise
- Transportation Needs
- Economic Impacts
- Minority & Low Income Populations
- Right-of-Way Relocations
- Access





NEXT STEPS

- 1 • Public Hearing (You are Here)
- 2 • Public Comments (*until October 16*)
- 3 • NDOR Responses (*October and November*)
- 4 • *Final Environmental Document Approval (Winter 2015)*
- 5 • *Right-of-Way Activities (2015)*
- 6 • *Construction – Alliance South (2016)*
- 7 • *Construction – L-62A North (2017)*