Project Name:
Oswalt Road Grade, Drain, Bridge, and Surface Project

Recipient:
Oklahoma Department of Transportation

Address:
200 NE 21st Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Amount Requested:
$5,000,000

Project Explanation:
The Grade, Drain & Surface Reconstruction process for Oswalt Road in Love County, OK will involve improvements to roadside drainage throughout the project and reconstruction of the asphalt pavement. The drainage improvements for the project will consist of cutting new ditches and replacing all side drains and cross drains to meet the designed hydraulic needs of the roadway. The drainage improvements will also include the replacement of the bridges throughout the project. As part of the reconstruction process on the project adjustments will be made to the vertical and horizontal profile to improve the safety and drivability of the project as well as help to improve the hydraulic overtopping of the roadway. Once the grading and drainage work is completed the subgrade will be stabilized and prepared for pavement. The pavement reconstruction on this project will include paving the mainline roadway including improving the shoulders to increase safety along the roadway as well as paving all of roadway approaches and driveways throughout the project. The reconstruction of this project will greatly improve the safety of everyone traveling the roadway and remove the ongoing daily burden of Love County having to provide maintenance on the roadway in order to keep it safe for the traveling public.

This has been an ongoing project since 2014 that has been funded by taxpayer money. This project started as a 15-mile grade, drain, bridge, and surface project that was split in 3, 5-mile phases. 10 miles of this project has been completed. Phase 1 was completed in 2015 and Phase 2 was completed in 2019, therefore leaving Phase 3 yet to be finished. There is no better way for taxpayer money to be spent than to give the rural residents a good road to commute and provide good accessibility for all emergency personnel, ambulance, law enforcement, fire apparatus, and emergency first responders.
April 26, 2022

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for a grade, drain, and surface project in Love County, Oklahoma in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Oklahoma Department of Transportation located at 200 NE 21st Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73105. The funding would be used for roadside drainage improvements and reconstruction of the asphalt pavement along Oswalt Road to improve safety and efficiency.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

TOM COLE
Member of Congress