

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING and NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE APPROVED ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT**

The Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) will conduct a National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Design Public Hearing on **Tuesday, April 27, 2010** to discuss the Interstate 65 Interchange at proposed SR-109 in Robertson and Sumner Counties. The meeting will be held from **5:00 PM to 7:00 PM** at the Portland High School, 600 College Street • Portland, TN.

This NEPA/Design Public Hearing is being held in order to provide the public an opportunity for input on the approved Environmental Assessment (EA) prior to completion of the final environmental document and an opportunity to provide input on the design of the proposed interchange and associated improvements. A brief presentation will be followed by a question and answer period. Representatives from TDOT will be present to address questions pertaining to the general layout and design of the proposed new interchange, along with the social, economic, and environmental impacts associated with it. TDOT will also have representatives available to discuss the steps that will occur following the completion of the environmental phase of the project, including answering questions on the right-of-way acquisition process.

Two alternatives were evaluated in the EA, the No-Build Alternative and one Build Alternative. The No-Build Alternative would mean that no new interchange would be constructed at I-65 and the proposed extension of SR-109 near the existing Lake Springs Road crossing. Secondary roadways would continue to be used to distribute traffic to the nearest existing interchanges located to the north and south of the proposed interchange. The Build Alternative would result in construction of a new grade-separated interchange on I-65 at the proposed extension of SR-109. This interchange would provide improved access to the interstate for nearby communities, including Portland and Mitchellville, and industrial/warehousing sites to the west along Vaughn Road.

The EA was approved by the Federal Highway Administration on January 6, 2010. A copy of the EA can be viewed online at the TDOT project website [www.tn.gov/tdot/i65sr109/](http://www.tn.gov/tdot/i65sr109/). The EA is located under the "Project Library" tab located on the main page of the website. Hard copies of the document are also available for public inspection at the locations listed below.

Gorham-MacBane Public Library  
405 White Street  
Springfield, TN 37172  
(615) 384-5123

Elmer Hinton Memorial Library  
321 Victor Reiter Parkway  
(Temporary Location starting March 16, 2010)  
Portland, TN 37148  
(615) 325-2279

Portland City Hall  
100 South Russell Street  
Portland, TN 37148  
(615) 325-6776

A copy of the EA can also be viewed at the following TDOT Office:

Ms. Kelley Garrett, Project Manager  
Tennessee Department of Transportation  
Project Management Division  
505 Deaderick Street  
Suite 600, James K. Polk Bldg.  
Nashville, Tennessee 37243  
(615) 532-7229

The public is invited to ask questions and make comments during the Public Hearing and will be given the opportunity to make their opinions known concerning the need for the project, their preferred alternative, and any other issues. Anyone with questions regarding the hearing may contact Ms. Kelley Garrett at (615) 532-7229 or [kelley.garrett@tn.gov](mailto:kelley.garrett@tn.gov).

The public is invited to ask questions and make comments during the hearing and will be given the opportunity to make their opinions known concerning the need for the project and any other issues. Anyone with questions regarding this hearing may contact Tom Love at the above address.

Persons with a disability, who require aids or services to participate at the meeting, may contact Ms. Margaret Mahler at the following address no later than ten (10) days prior to the date of the meeting.

Ms. Margaret Mahler  
ADA Compliance  
Tennessee Department of Transportation  
Suite 400, James K. Polk Building  
505 Deaderick Street  
Nashville, TN 37243

or by email: [Margaret.Z.Mahler@tn.gov](mailto:Margaret.Z.Mahler@tn.gov)  
615/741-4984 (phone)  
615/532-5995 (fax)  
615/253-8311 TTY Relay

A court reporter will be available to receive oral statements to be included in the project transcript. In addition, comment sheets are available for those who prefer to make written statements. Written statements and other exhibits to be included in the project transcript may be submitted within 21 days after the meeting date to the following address:

Project Comments-Attn: I-65/SR-109 Interchange  
Tennessee Department of Transportation  
Suite 700, James K. Polk Building  
505 Deaderick Street  
Nashville, TN 37243-0332  
[Tdot.comments@tn.gov](mailto:Tdot.comments@tn.gov)

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# GENERAL LOCATION MAP

ROBERTSON / SUMNER COUNTIES

Proposed Interchange on I-65 at SR-109

Project No. STP-I-65-3 (113)

