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July 30, 2024

**Board of County Commissioners** 

Re: Memorandum of Understanding between the Muscogee (Creek) Nation and Muskogee County

### Dear Commissioners:

The Muscogee (Creek) Nation (MCN) wishes to add roads to the Nation's National Tribal Transportation Facility Inventory (NTTFI). To add these roads to the Nation's NTTFI there must be a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the MCN and the County. Attached you will find a Tribal Resolution, maps, and MOU detailing which roads the Nation wishes to add to the NTTFI. The MOU basically states that the County is allowing the MCN to place these roads on the Nation's NTTFI and that the County will continue to own and maintain these roads. If the County agrees please sign the attached MOU and return it to the MCN Department of Transportation by email to treiner@MuscogeeNation.com or in person by September 6, 2024.

If you have any questions concerning this MOU, please contact Todd Reiner at 918-732-7910 or treiner@muscogeenation.com

Sincerely,

David Ford Federal Roads Manager 918-732-7916 dford@muscogeenation.com Muscogee (Creek) Nation



## TR 24-087

**CLASSIFICATION: #28. LANDS AND MINERALS** 

A TRIBAL RESOLUTION OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AUTHORIZING THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF TO EXECUTE A SEPARATE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH NINE OKLAHOMA COUNTIES FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF ROADWAYS AND ASSOCIATED RIGHTS-OF-WAY CONSTRUCTED OR IMPROVED BY THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

## Be it resolved by the National Council of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation:

WHEREAS, the Nation's Tribal Transportation Program has funds available to make improvements to various public roadways and associated rights-of-way designated as Tribal Transportation Program Routes located in Rogers, Mayes, Wagoner, Creek, Okfuskee, Okmulgee, Muskogee, McIntosh and Seminole Counties in Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, the Nation's Tribal Transportation Program has an inventory of proposed public roadways and associated rights-of-way located in Rogers, Mayes, Wagoner, Creek, Okfuskee, Okmulgee, Muskogee, McIntosh and Seminole Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Nation and Rogers, Mayes, Wagoner, Creek, Okfuskee, Okmulgee, Muskogee, McIntosh and Seminole Counties, in the State of Oklahoma, have memorialized their understanding that should the Nation construct Tribal Transportation Program Routes in an aforementioned County, each County agrees to maintain such routes and rights-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the Nation will enter into a separate Memorandum of Understanding with each County; and

WHEREAS, Article VI §7(b) of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Constitution requires National Council approval of any government-to-government agreement with a federal, state, or local government entity.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the National Council hereby authorizes the Principal Chief to execute a separate Memorandum of Understanding with Rogers, Mayes, Wagoner, Creek, Okfuskee, Okmulgee, Muskogee, McIntosh and Seminole Counties for the maintenance of public roadways and associated rights-of-way constructed by the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Tribal Transportation Program.

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ENACTED by the Muscogee (Creek) National Council on this 27th day of July, 2024.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Speaker of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council has hereto attached his signature.

Randall Hicks, Speaker National Council

Muscogee (Creek) Nation

## CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing is a true extract from the minutes of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council comprised of Sixteen members with <u>Fifteen</u> members attending this meeting on the <u>27<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>July</u>, <u>2024</u> and that the above is in conformity with the provisions therein adopted by a vote of <u>14</u> in favor, <u>0</u> against and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way and the above is the signature of the Speaker of the National Council.

Alicia Stroble, Recording Secretary
Muscogee (Creek) National Council

## <u>APPROVAL</u>

I, the Principal Chief of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, hereby affix my signature this 30 day of 2024 to the above Resolution, TR 24-087 authorizing it to become a Resolution under Article VI., Section VI., of the Constitution of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

David W. Hill, Principal Chief Muscogee (Creek) Nation

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

#### BETWEEN

## MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION

### AND

## MUSKOGEE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

This memorandum sets forth an understanding between the MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION in Okmulgee, Oklahoma, hereinafter referred to as the TRIBE, and MUSKOGEE COUNTY, hereinafter referred to as the COUNTY.

This understanding relates to the maintenance responsibilities for sections of roadways, more specifically described as the improvement of routes listed in Muskogee County Attachment "A".

# The COUNTY owns and maintains these sections of roadway and the associated rights-of way.

WHEREAS, the Tribal Transportation Program, formerly known as the Indian Reservation Roads Program, funded through the Federal Highway Administration, assists tribes in the improvement of the roads in their tribal areas; and

WHEREAS, the TRIBE administers these improvements under the Tribal Transportation Program (TPP); and

WHEREAS, the TRIBE identifies these sections of roadway as an integral part of the road system serving Tribal members; and

WHEREAS, the TRIBE wishes to incorporate these sections of roadway among a list of Tribal routes in the Tribal Transportation Program Facility Inventory identified for possible improvement; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY and the TRIBE may enter into a cooperative agreement to improve these sections of road in the foreseeable future,

NOW THEREFORE, be it understood that the TRIBE and the COUNTY understand that the ownership and maintenance responsibilities shall continue to rest with the COUNTY and that the TRIBE may contribute to the improvement of routes listed in Muskogee County Attachment "A" at some point in the future.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereunto affix their hands a Sworn & subscribed to before me this  124 day of ,20 ,20	and seals the day and year above writter
COUNTY CLERK COUNTY	
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION
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## MUSKOGEE COUNTY - ATTACHMENT A

Route	Route Name	County	Length	Constr. Need	Owner-ship
1509	Eco Friendly Dr	Muskogee	0.3	2	5
150E	W 133rd St S	Muskogee	8.3	2	5



