

**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT  
AMONG  
UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS,  
ATOKA COUNTY,  
AND THE OKLAHOMA STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE,  
REGARDING  
REPLACEMENT OF BRIDGE AND APPROACHES ON BETHEL ROAD  
OVER NORTH BOGGY CREEK**

**WHEREAS**, the Atoka County Commissioner, plans to replace the existing bridge carrying Bethel Road over the North Boggy Creek, Atoka County, Oklahoma, by constructing a new bridge on alignment for State Job Piece 28607(04) (SWT-2020-302); and

**WHEREAS**, the Project requires compliance with Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, specifically a Nationwide Permit, Linear Transportation (NWP 14) and General Conditions 20 and 32 for pre-construction notification, for which the Atoka County Commissioner has submitted a Department of the Army Permit Application to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Tulsa District for review (SWT-2020-302); and

**WHEREAS**, the USACE review and verification of NWP 14 verification for a project that may affect a Historic Property makes the project an undertaking subject to compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA, 54 U.S.C. § 300101 et seq), using the USACE current procedures for addressing the requirements of Section 106 and its implementing regulations (36 CFR Part 800) in 33 CFR Part 325 Appendix C, as well as USACE Interim Section 106 Guidance Memos of 2005 and 2007; and

**WHEREAS**, USACE has consulted with the Oklahoma State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and has determined that the Project will have an adverse effect to the North Boggy Creek Bridge (ODOT Structure # 03E1660N3930003 [NBI #1140]), a historic property determined eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with 36 CFR Part 800.6(a)(1), the USACE has notified the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) of its adverse effect determination with specified documentation and the ACHP has chosen not to participate in the consultation; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, USACE, Atoka County Commissioner, and the Oklahoma SHPO, agree that the undertaking shall be implemented in accordance with the following stipulations in order to take into account the effect of the undertaking on historic properties.

USACE, ATOKA COUNTY, SHPO MOA  
03E1660N3930003 [NBI #1140] SWT-2020-302

## STIPULATIONS

USACE will ensure that the following measures are carried out. Measures will be met within the timeframes presented for each stipulation.

- I. **Documentation.** Prior to the construction of the new bridge and removal of the existing FAbridge, Atoka County Commissioner will have the existing bridge (ODOT Structure #03E1660N3930003 [NBI #1140]) recorded by a person(s) who meets the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines Professional Qualifications in Architectural History, Architecture, Historic Architecture, or History. The bridge will be recorded at the equivalent of Level II documentation as specified by the Historic American Engineering Record (HAER).
  - A. High Quality, digital photographs (preferred) or 35 mm black and white photographs, of the bridge documenting its present appearance and major structural or decorative details, together with all negatives on archival gold CD as digital TIFF files that meet or exceed the minimum requirement for pixel depth. Photographs are to be submitted by Atoka County and approved by SHPO as meeting the conditions outlined above before any work takes place that will affect the property. The photographs will be a minimum 4" x 6" and no larger than 8" x 10", and will be clearly labeled with the following information:
    - a. Name of property;
    - b. Location (county, city, state, and street address);
    - c. Name of photographer;
    - d. Date of photograph
    - e. Location of photographic negative;
    - f. Indication of direction camera is pointing; and
    - g. Number of photograph in series
  - B. The document will include photographic reproduction of selected original (as-built) construction plans and historic photographs, if they exist.
  - C. The document will include a preparation of a brief written technical description of the bridge and historical summary.
  - D. All documentation will be edited, catalogued and packaged in a manner acceptable to the Oklahoma SHPO. The Oklahoma SHPO will be the repository for the documentation.
  - E. Atoka County will provide all research documentation, research materials, copies of photographs, and HAER documentation of the bridge to the Oklahoma SHPO

and the USACE for review. After SHPO confirms the documentation is acceptable to meet the terms of this MOA, USACE will notify Atoka County Commissioner that demolition of the bridge may proceed. Demolition may not proceed until approval is provided by USACE.

**II. Duration.** This MOA will be null and void if its stipulations are not carried out within ten (10) years from the date of its execution. At such time, and prior to work continuing on the undertaking, USACE shall either (a) execute a MOA pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.6, or (b) request, take into account, and respond to the comments of the ACHP under 36 CFR § 800.7. Prior to such time, USACE may consult with signatories to reconsider the terms of the MOA and amend it in accordance with Stipulation VII below. USACE shall notify signatories as to the course of action it will pursue.

**III. Post-Review Discoveries.** If potential historic properties are discovered or unanticipated effects on historic properties found, Atoka County shall follow ODOT Spec 107.09, Protection of Archeological and Unmarked Human Burial Sites as well as comply with General Condition 21 of the Department of the Army Permit. Consultation will be completed in accordance with USACE current procedures for addressing the requirements of Section 106 and 36 CFR § 800.13.

**IV. Dispute Resolution.** Should any signatory party to this MOA object at any time to any actions proposed or the manner in which the terms of this MOA are implemented, USACE shall consult with such party to resolve the objection. If USACE determines that such objection cannot be resolved, USACE will:

- A. Forward all documentation relevant to the dispute, including USACE's proposed resolution, to the ACHP. The ACHP shall provide USACE with its advice on the resolution of the objection within thirty (30) days of receiving adequate documentation. Prior to reaching a final decision on the dispute, USACE shall prepare a written response that takes into account any timely advice or comments regarding the dispute from the ACHP, signatories and concurring parties, and provide them with a copy of this written response. USACE will then proceed according to its final decision.
- B. If the ACHP does not provide its advice regarding the dispute within the thirty (30) day time period, USACE may make a final decision on the dispute and proceed accordingly. Prior to reaching such a final decision, USACE shall prepare a written response that takes into account any timely comments regarding the dispute from the signatories and concurring parties to the MOA, and provide them and the ACHP with a copy of such written response.

C. USACE's responsibility to carry out all other actions subject to the terms of this MOA that are not the subject of the dispute remain unchanged.

V. **Amendments.** This MOA may be amended when such an amendment is agreed to in writing by all signatories. The amendment will be effective on the date a copy signed by all of the signatories is filed with the ACHP.

VI. **Termination.** If any signatory to this MOA determines that its terms will not or cannot be carried out, that party shall immediately consult with the other parties to attempt to develop an amendment per Stipulation V, above. If within thirty (30) days (or another time period agreed to by all signatories) an amendment cannot be reached, any signatory may terminate the MOA upon written notification to the other signatories.

Once the MOA is terminated, and prior to work continuing on the undertaking, USACE must either (a) execute an MOA pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.6, or (b) request, take into account, and respond to the comments of the ACHP under 36 CFR § 800.7. USACE shall notify the signatories as to the course of action it will pursue.

Execution of this MOA by USACE and SHPO and implementation of its terms evidence that USACE has taken into account the effects of this undertaking on historic properties and afforded the ACHP an opportunity to comment.

**Signatory**

**MOA for SWT-2020-302; State Job 28607(04) Bridge and approaches on Bethel Road over  
North Boggy Creek, Atoka County, Oklahoma  
(ODOT Structure # 03E1660N3930003 [NBI #1140])**

United States Army Corps of Engineers



BY: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: April 6, 2021 \_\_\_\_\_

Andrew R. Commer  
Chief, Regulatory Office

Signatory

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Atoka County Commissioner, District 3

BY: Marvin Dale Jr 1/18/21 DATE:  
Commissioner Marvin Dale  
Atoka County Commissioner, District 1

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Oklahoma State Historic Preservation Office

BY:  DATE: 3/22/21  
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Mr. Trait Thompson  
State Historic Preservation Officer

**Concurring Party**

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Oklahoma Archeological Survey

BY: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kary Stackelback, Ph.D.  
State Archaeologist