City of Norman

Proposed Bridge Maintenance Bond Program

Community
Planning &
Transportation
Committee

Thursday, October 27, 2022



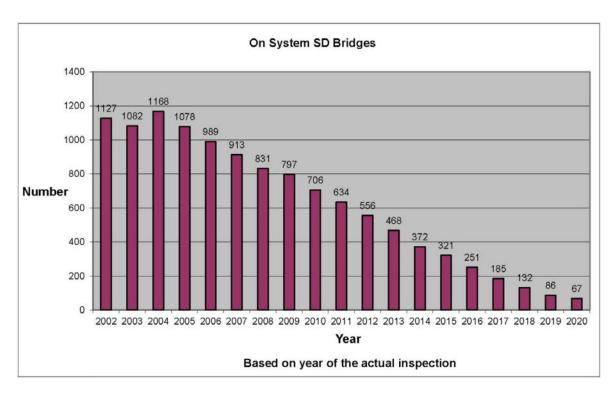




Oklahoma State History

- In 2004, Oklahoma was ranked 49th nationally for **on-system** bridge conditions
- As of April 2021, Oklahoma was ranked 7th nationally for <u>on-system</u> bridge conditions

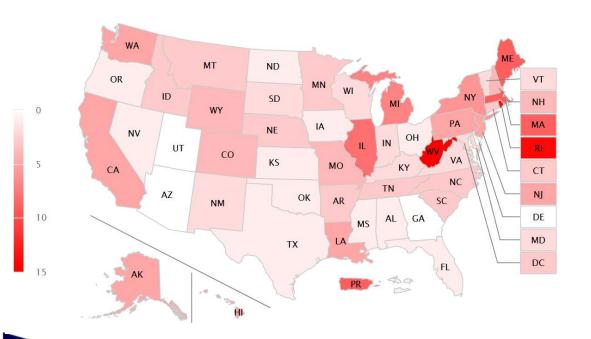
2021				
State	Total No. of Bridges	No. of Bridges Rated Poor	% of Bridges Rated Poor	State Ranking
Georgia	6808	23	0.34%	1
Arizona	4844	32	0.66%	2
lowa	4152	30	0.72%	3
Kansas	5095	37	0.73%	4
Texas	34863	256	0.73%	5
Utah	1846	14	0.76%	6
Oklahoma	6737	67	0.99%	7
Nevada	1155	12	1.04%	8
Florida	5703	64	1.12%	9
Maryland	2554	29	1.14%	10



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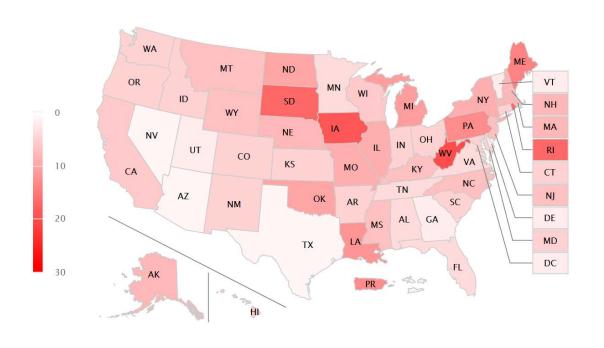
On-System Bridges

As of 2021, Oklahoma's rank for on-system bridges in "poor" condition is **7**th in the nation



Off-System Bridges

As of 2021, Oklahoma's rank for off-system bridges in "poor" condition is **40**th in the nation



History of Norman Bridge Maintenance Program

- The FHWA requires that all off-system bridges be inspected biennially
- HW Lochner has been selected to perform these inspections for the last 3 cycles
- Council adopted first dedicated annual budget for Bridge Maintenance in FYE '18
- Original allocation of \$100,000.00 annually
- Current FYE '23 adopted budget of \$750,000.00
- Total adopted since start of program \$2,050,000.00

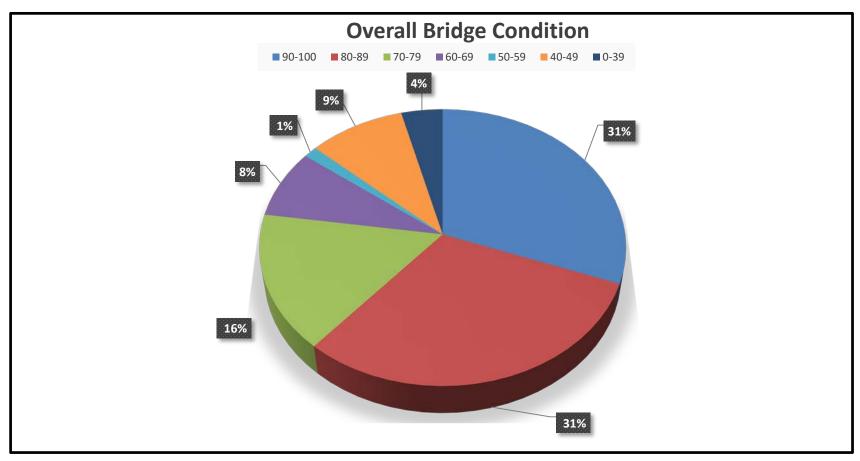


<u>Porter Ave Bridge</u> over Little River (located north of Tecumseh Rd).

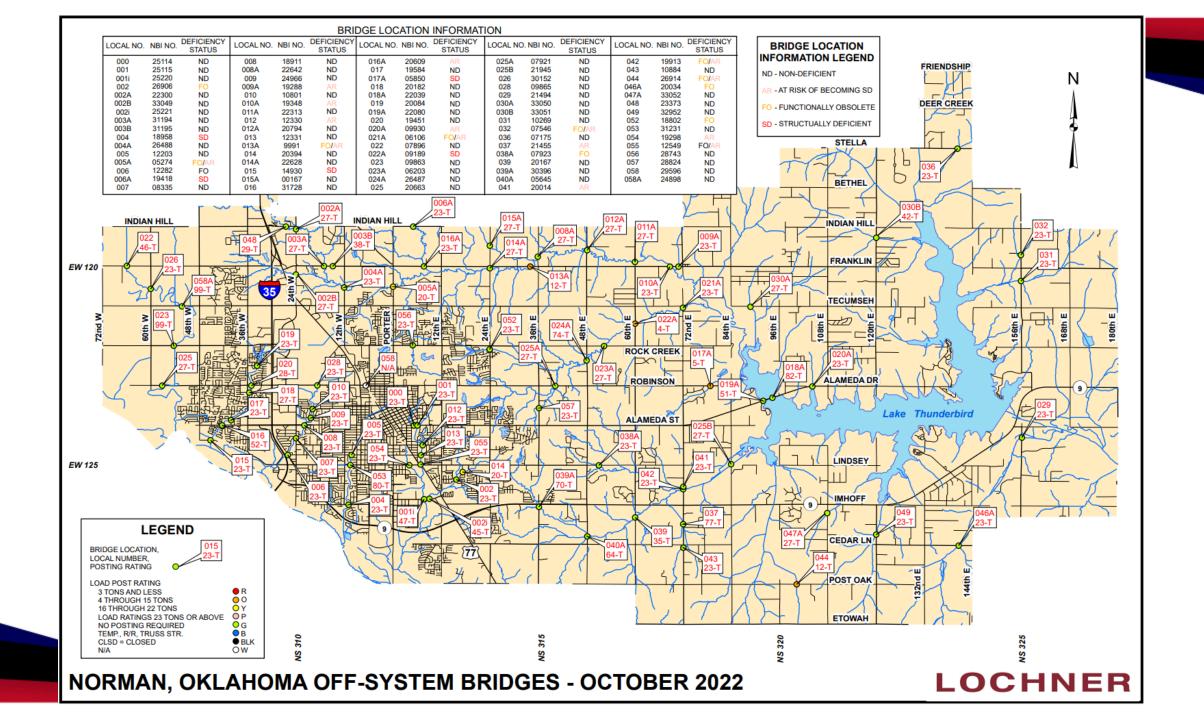
Built in <u>1937</u>.

This Bridge is rated <u>Functionally Obsolete</u> due to its narrow deck width.

Norman History Continued



- 80 Nationally registered bridges within the City of Norman
- 2017 inspection cycle identified 18 structurally deficient bridges (poor rating)
- 2021 inspection cycle identified 5 structurally deficient bridges with 15 bridges being at risk of becoming structurally deficient



Why is this a problem now?

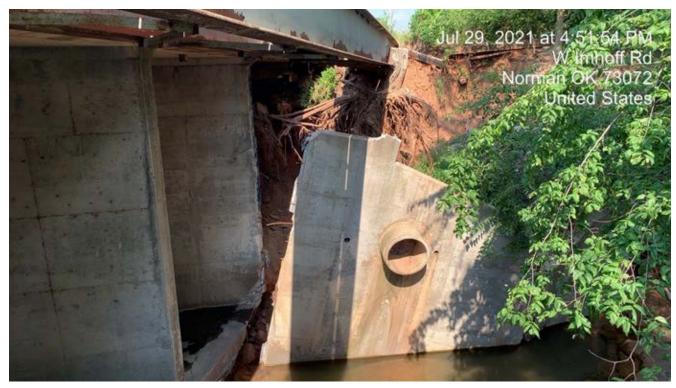
- 3 Bridge failures resulting in serious safety hazards and closure since 2016.
 - Havenbrook Street Bridge-September 2016 (Ward 3)
 - Main Street Bridge- August 2018 (Ward 3)
 - Imhoff Road Bridge- July 2021 (Wards 2/4)



HavenBrook Bridge Failure – September 26, 2016



Main Street Bridge over Brookhaven Creek – August 14, 2018.



<u>Imhoff Road Bridge</u> over Imhoff Creek – July 29, 2021



Aging Infrastructure Limits Mobility





60th Ave NE Bridge over Rock Creek (located north of Rock Creek Rd).

Built in <u>1940</u>.

This Bridge is rated
Structurally Deficient and
Load Posted for <u>4 Tons</u>.

WEIGHT LIMIT 4 TONS





E. Robinson Street Bridge (located east of 72nd Ave NE).

Built in <u>1938</u>.

This Bridge is rated
Structurally Deficient and
Load Posted for <u>5 Tons</u>.

WEIGHT LIMIT 5 TONS





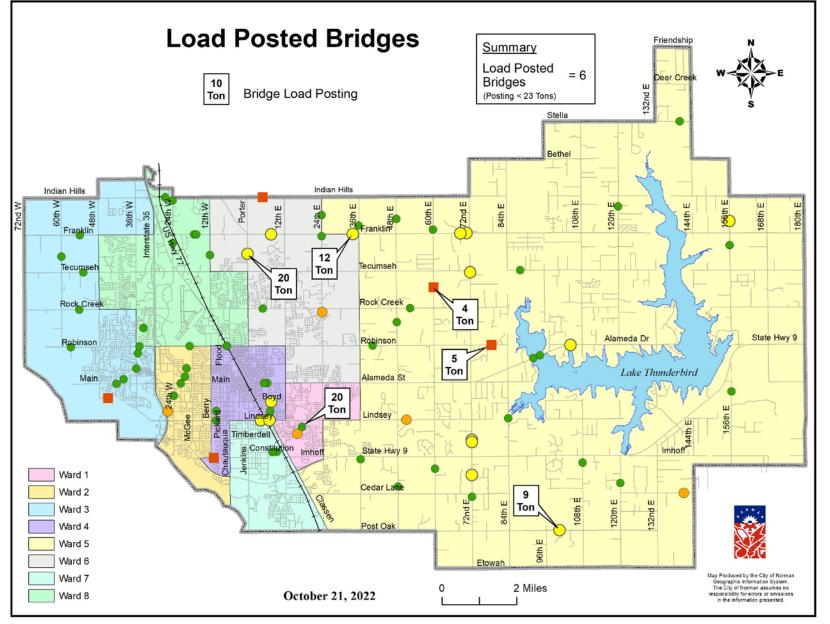
<u>Franklin Rd Bridge</u> over the Little River (located west of 36^{th} Ave NE).

Built in <u>1942</u>.

This Bridge is Load Posted for <u>12 Tons</u>.

WEIGHT LIMIT 12 TONS

Load Posted Bridge Location Map



Bridge Bond Discovery Report

- Staff compiled the data from the bridge inspection reports to generate a rank-ordered list consisting of the City's highest priority locations
- Staff contracted with HW Lochner to review the rank-ordered list and generate replacement and/or rehabilitation cost estimates for each location
- Using the Discovery Report, Staff began investigations related to possible funding opportunities

LOCHNER

City of Norman Bridge Bond Discovery



Submitted by: H.W. Lochner, Inc. April 28, 2022

Proposed Bridge Maintenance Bond Program

- Bridge Replacement
 - 10 Locations Identified
- Major Bridge Rehabilitation and Maintenance
 - 9 Locations Identified



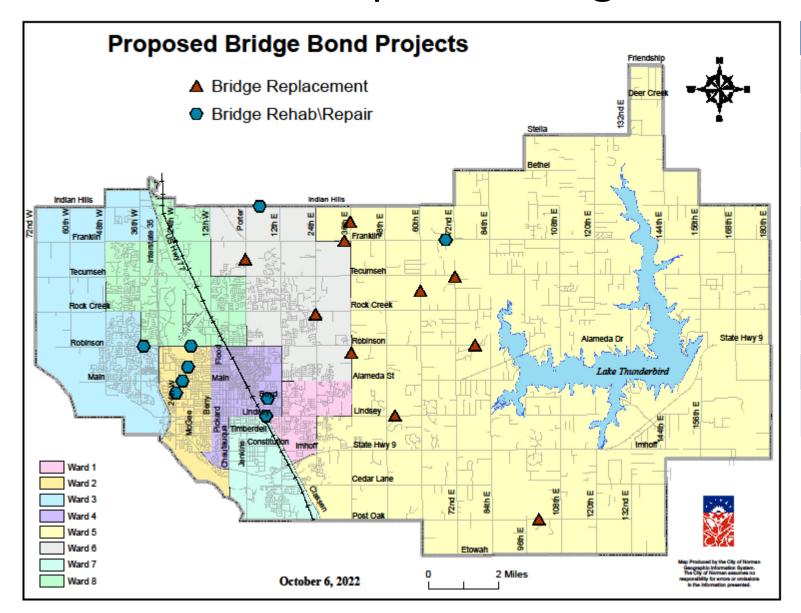
Bridge Replacement – Main Street Bridge over Brookhaven Creek – 2018. \$4,905,000.00

10 Year, \$45 Million Program			
Home Value	Monthly Property Tax Increase		
\$100,000	\$4.54		
\$150,000	\$7.01		
\$200,000	\$9.49		



Bridge Rehabilitation—Imhoff Road Bridge emergency repairs — 2022. \$1,945,803.59

Proposed Bridge Bond Locations



REPLACE [Ward]	MAJOR REPAIR [Ward]
60 TH Ave NE [5]	Indian Hills Rd [6]
N. Porter Ave [6]	Franklin Rd [5]
E. Robinson [5]	24 th Ave SW [2]
72 nd Ave NE [5]	W. Robinson [3/8]
Lindsey St. [5]	Lindsey St. [1/4/7]
24 th Ave NE [6]	Boyd St. [4]
36 th Ave NE [5/6]	Iowa St. [2]
E. Post Oak [5]	E. Robinson [8/2]
Franklin Rd [5/6]	Main St. [2]
36 th Ave NE [5]	

FHWA Bridge Investment Program

- Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) announced new funding opportunities June 13, 2022 through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)
- Created 3 categories of program funding
 - Planning (up to 100% funded)
 - Bridge Projects (80/20 match)
 - Large Bridge Projects (50/50 match)
- Funding to improve safety, efficiency, and reliability of the movement of people and freight over bridges
- Provide financial assistance that leverages and encourages non-Federal contributions
- For bridges in poor condition, fair condition at risk of falling into poor condition, bridges that do not meet current geometric design standards, and bridges that cannot meet the load and traffic requirements of the regional transportation network



<u>72nd Ave NE Bridge</u> over Rock Creek (located south of Tecumseh Rd).

Built in 1938.

This Bridge is rated <u>Functionally Obsolete</u> due to its narrow deck width.

FHWA Bridge Investment Program



<u>Porter Ave Bridge</u> over Little River (located north of Tecumseh Rd).

Built in 1937.

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- The Federal Bridge Investment Program is funded for 5 years
- \$2.4 Billion nationwide annually
- Staff contracted with Garver, LLC to build an application package for a Bridge Investment Program Planning Grant for \$400,000.00
- The Planning Grant application submitted in July '22 was unsuccessful. One Planning Grant was awarded in Oklahoma to ODOT for an on-system bridge over Lake Texoma.
- Nationwide pool of both local and state entities creates very competitive environment

Key Take-Aways

- Norman has 80 bridges and over 300 culvert crossings
- Norman's bridges are safe but some are in need of replacement/major repair
- 23 City of Norman bridges were constructed prior to 1950
- Possible 10-year Bridge Maintenance Bond Election to replace/repair 19 bridges
- No current steady, predictable funding source for bridge replacement/major repair





Next Steps

- On October 11, 2022 Council approved contract K-2223-49 for engineering design for the 60th Ave NE Bridge and Phase 1 Hydraulic analysis and 30% plans for Porter Ave
- Bridges on 60th Ave NE and Porter Ave may qualify for federal grants when engineering design is complete
- Continue pursuit of grant funding opportunities



60th Ave NE Bridge over Rock Creek (located north of Rock Creek Rd).

Built in 1940.

This Bridge is rated Structurally Deficient and Load Posted for 4 Tons.

COUNCIL DIRECTION?

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