SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING/OPEN HOUSE

Project P-BRF 6403(6); PCN 00CL; Pennington County

Environmental Assessment and Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation for South Rochford Road Pennington County, South Dakota

Public Information Meeting

Date: Wednesday, April 20, 2016 **Time:** 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. MST

Place: Hill City High School

488 Main Street Commons Area Hill City, SD 57745

The South Dakota Department of Transportation (SDDOT), Pennington the Federal Highway and Administration (FHWA), will hold an open house style Public Information Meeting as part of the public availability of the Environmental Assessment (EA) concerning proposed roadway improvements on South Rochford Road, located south of the Town of Rochford in Pennington County, South Dakota (the Project).

The open house will be informal and include a brief presentation to begin at 5:30 p.m. The presentation and displays will provide an update on the EA including the mitigation and avoidance measures that have led to the Project documentation being updated from an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to an EA. Staff will be available to discuss the Project and answer questions. An opportunity to submit written comments will also be provided. This Project is being developed in compliance with state and federal environmental regulations.

The EA document is available for public review at the following locations:

Pennington County Highway Department (3601 Cambell Street, Rapid City, SD 57701)

SDDOT Becker-Hansen Building (700 E. Broadway Ave., Pierre, SD 57501)

HDR Engineering, Inc. (703 Main Street, Suite 200, Rapid City, SD 57701)

Comments will be accepted until May 16, 2016.

Notice is further given to all individuals with disabilities that this meeting is being held in a physically accessible place. Please notify the SDDOT ADA Coordinator at least 48 hours prior to the open house meeting if you special needs for which this department will need to make arrangements. The telephone number for making special arrangements is 605-773-1-800-877-1113 or (Telecommunication Relay Services for the Deaf).

All persons interested in this Project are invited to attend this meeting. For further information regarding this Project, please contact Alice Whitebird (SDDOT) at (605) 773-3309 or Alice.Whitebird@sd.state.us or Marion Barber (FHWA) at (605) 776-1102 or Marion.Barber@dot.gov. Information presented at the meeting will be posted on the project website when available at www.southrochfordroad.com.