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TODAY'S WEATHER
62° / 37°
Sunny · 10% rain

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YESTERDAY
0.00″
of rain at the Guthrie Mesonet

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BREAKING NEWS

Turning Lanes, Lighting and Radar-Activated Warning Lights Coming to SH-33 and Broadway ↗

The $1.98 million project will add turn lanes, lighting and radar-activated warning signs at a west Guthrie intersection with a history of fatal crashes.

By OSC Staff

GUTHRIE, OKLA — It won't be a traditional stop light, but an innovative radar-detection warning system will highlight the long-planned effort to improve safety at State Highway 33 and Broadway, under a recently approved project now set to begin no later than March 1, 2027.

The approximately $1.98 million project will add dedicated turn lanes, roadway lighting and a radar-activated flashing warning system at the intersection west of Guthrie, where repeated collisions have claimed lives and prompted years of requests for improvements.

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Photo of the Day. GUTHRIE, Okla. — (November 15, 2026) A rainy predawn greets uptown Guthrie on Sunday, with highs forecast in the 40s and showers expected to linger throughout much of the day. More photographs ↗

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First Capital Forecast ↗

Tuesday: Sunny, high 62, low 37. Patchy fog until about 9 a.m. No rain expected. Sunrise 7:08 a.m., sunset 5:20 p.m.

"Patchy fog greets the First Capital this morning, so slow down and use your low beams. Once it lifts, Guthrie gets a sunny, pleasant Tuesday."

Mesonet Yesterday at the Guthrie Mesonet: high 53, low 41, no rain. mesonet.org ↗

WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
66°	67°	69°	66°	57°
42°	49°	54°	40°	34°
sunny	*sunny*	*sunny*	*mostly cloudy*	*partly sunny*

Weather data from Google.

Your Morning Commute

Slowdown on southbound Broadway Extension, Edmond to downtown Oklahoma City: 22 minutes at 7:49 a.m., about 3 minutes more than on an open road. Slowest near the I-44 junction. What we know: a road closure reported near downtown Oklahoma City; a road closure reported near the I-44 junction.

Southbound I-35, Guthrie (Exit 157) to the I-40 junction: 37 minutes at 7:49 a.m. No slowdown.

Southbound SH-74, Crescent to Lake Hefner Parkway: 45 minutes at 7:49 a.m. No slowdown.

Southbound Broadway, SH-33 west of Guthrie to 2nd Street in Edmond: 25 minutes at 7:49 a.m. No slowdown.

Eastbound Waterloo Road, Broadway to I-35: 6 minutes at 7:49 a.m. No slowdown.

Westbound Waterloo Road, Douglas Boulevard to I-35: 4 minutes at 7:49 a.m. No slowdown.

Logan County Public Safety Radio ↗

These are over-the-air radio reports, not confirmed facts.

MON 12:40 P.M. **Truck and trailer pulled from ditch north of Camp and Midwest** ↗

Logan County Sheriff

Sooner Fire pulled a truck and trailer from a ditch north of Camp and Midwest. A deputy escorted the vehicle to firmer ground and reported it back on pavement before clearing.

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Turning Lanes, Lighting and Radar-Activated Warning Lights Coming to SH-33 and Broadway

Earlier this month, the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT) officially signed off on the $1,976,881.05 bid of Bridgeco Contractors. It was the lowest out of six bids, coming in approximately $354,742 below the engineer's estimate.

The construction documents detail a flexible start date, 300 calendar days of contract time and temporary detours affecting Broadway and University Avenue.

Under the contract's *"Flexible Notice to Proceed"* provision, ODOT anticipates issuing its notice approximately 30 days after the award. The contractor may begin after that authorization, but must start by March 1.

The improvements will extend approximately 1,935 feet along Highway 33 and include left- and right-turn lanes approaching Broadway from both directions. The work also includes highway widening and resurfacing, reconstruction of portions of Broadway and University Avenue, drainage improvements, rumble strips, new pavement markings and two roadway lights.

The flashing warning system is a central feature of the plans. Radar equipment will detect approaching highway vehicles and vehicles on the Broadway approaches, activating signs warning drivers about potential conflicting traffic.

Highway motorists will see signs reading *"Traffic Entering When Flashing,"* while Broadway motorists will see *"Traffic Approaching When Flashing"* signs.

Stop signs will remain on Broadway. The awarded plans specify flashing yellow warning beacons, rather than a conventional red-yellow-green traffic signal.

In the spring of 2021, after a collision killed the driver and passenger of a Ford Taurus, Guthrie officials, State Rep. Garry Mize and Sen. Chuck Hall met with ODOT Division 4 Engineer Trenton January, and the department installed flashing LED stop signs for northbound and southbound Broadway traffic.

However, the safety issues still remain a concern more than five years later.

On September 3, 2026, two motorists were killed when their Jeep collided with an eastbound commercial vehicle.

ODOT's approved bid report identifies approximately $1.58 million in federal funding and $395,376 in state funding for the construction contract, an 80% federal and 20% state split.

ODOT's plans divide the work into four phases, maintaining two lanes on Highway 33 while crews widen and rebuild different portions of the intersection. Broadway north of the highway will be detoured during one phase. Broadway south of the highway and University Avenue will be detoured during another.

The plans require changeable-message boards to be placed two weeks before road work begins.

THE MORNING REPORT

GUTHRIE, Okla. — Good morning, First Capital. We lead with turning lanes, lighting and radar-activated warning lights coming to SH-33 and Broadway. Monday afternoon, deputies and Sooner Fire were called to pull a truck and trailer from a ditch north of Camp and Midwest. The State of the County Luncheon is at 11:30 a.m. in Guthrie, and the Guthrie City Council and Public Works Authority meets at 6:30 p.m. As reported by OSC yesterday, KOCO reports a homeowner fired shots as burglary suspects fled, sparking a Sunday overnight manhunt on in Logan County. Watch for patchy fog early before a sunny day.

YOUR GOVERNMENT MEETS TODAY

City of Edmond: Edmond Economic Development Authority Board Meeting, 8:15 a.m. The board will review the October 2026 financial reports and the November 2026 claims report and cash assets.

City of Edmond: City Council Special Meeting, 10 a.m. In closed session, the council will talk about three pending legal cases with the interim city attorney: a district court lawsuit, Kelly Corner, LLC v. The Harland Oil Company, LLC...

City of Edmond: Visit Edmond Tourism Advisory Board Meeting, 12 p.m. The board will consider sponsoring two events, the Oklahoma Coaches Association event and the Oklahoma Hazardous Materials Conference, and will hear reports on lodging tax, hotel and vacation-rental figures...

City of Edmond: Employee Pension & Retirement Fund Board Meeting, 1:30 p.m. The board will consider paying a $18,750.00 invoice from Fiducient Advisors, a $11,075.10 invoice from Harvest Fund Advisors LLC and $2,079.68 in travel...

City of Edmond: Capital Improvement Projects Advisory Board Meeting, 3:30 p.m. The board will discuss the monthly sales tax report and how to rank capital improvement projects in order of priority.

City of Guthrie: City Council and Public Works Authority Meeting, 6:30 p.m. The council will consider five subcontracts recommended by Crossland Construction Company, Inc. for Bid Package No. 2 of the Fire Station No. 2 project, totaling $215,218.68...

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

State of the County Luncheon 11:30 a.m. · Guthrie

LOGAN COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO ↗

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MON 7:42 A.M. **Van hits telephone pole on Noble west of Division near Stables** ↗

Guthrie Police

Police and fire crews responded at 7:42 a.m. to a reported crash on Noble west of Division near Stables after a passerby came to the police lobby and said a white van had hit a telephone pole, with the driver slumped over in the passenger seat, dispatchers said. Medic 1 and Rescue 1 reported on scene, and Tanker 1 was turned back after crews said they were off the road. The van was later moved to the library parking lot, and an officer requested an information report.

MON 2:25 P.M. **Logan County deputies report three people in custody** ↗

Logan County Sheriff

Three people were in custody and being taken to the station, according to Logan County sheriff's radio traffic.

— OTHER TRAFFIC —

MON 4:21 P.M. Police take report of threats at Golden Age in 400 block of East Oklahoma ↗

Guthrie Police

MON 6:45 P.M. Police check reported shots near Springer and Pine; officers hear fireworks ↗

Guthrie Police

ON THIS DAY · 1898

Governor and territorial officers head to banquet for Frisco president

Governor Barnes, Territorial Secretary Jenkins, the clerk of the supreme court and banker M. L. Turner left Guthrie on the noon train Thursday for Oklahoma City. They went to a banquet that night in honor of D. B. Robinson, president of the Frisco railroad.

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AROUND THE STATE AND BEYOND

From other newsrooms, each credited to its own; every headline opens the story where it was published.

— LOCAL —

'Told to drive anyway': Records show Edmond CityLink bus drivers pleading for repairs ↗ NONDOC

Homeowner fires shots as burglary suspects flee, sparking overnight manhunt in Logan County ↗ KOCO

Guthrie sergeant's follow-up on abandoned vehicle helps identify injured pedestrian ↗ GUTHRIE NEWS PAGE

Man faces six felony charges; sheriff details field training assignment ↗ GUTHRIE NEWS PAGE

Wings of Hope appoints longtime clinical leader Mary Melton as CEO ↗ GUTHRIE NEWS PAGE

— STATE —

Dialing change coming in Oklahoma's 580 area code ↗ OKLAHOMA ENERGY TODAY

'A clear message': Mazzei naming Lindel Fields chief of staff, Rebecca Pellam literacy director ↗ NONDOC

Sooner State Party taking second crack at getting on the ballot ↗ KFOR

— NATIONAL —

Chuck Schumer's Looming Leadership Fight ↗ THE DISPATCH

Trump, Musk back campaign to reinstate Jensen Huang as Nvidia CEO ↗ NEWSNATION

Nationwide Emergency Alert System to be tested Tuesday: What to know ↗ THE HILL

Trump responds to 'dirty bomb' threat from Iran: 'They happen to be crazy' ↗ NEW YORK POST

— INTERNATIONAL —

Estonia to shut Russia border crossings ↗ TAIPEI TIMES

Bennett 'very optimistic' at unity tent as Eisenkot bloc weighs coalition with Netanyahu ↗ JERUSALEM POST

Iran claims another attack targeting U.S. radar site in Bahrain ↗ CBS NEWS WORLD

AT THE AIRPORT ↗

Guthrie-Edmond Regional, 6:50 a.m. Monday to 6:50 a.m. Tuesday: 22 takeoffs, 20 landings and 6 touch-and-goes, by 16 aircraft.

Law enforcement: 2004 Cessna 206H (N809EM), owned by Department Of Homeland Security of Washington, D.C., landed at 11:41 a.m. Monday, took off at 11:54 a.m., touched down and went again at 11:55 a.m. and landed at 11:56 a.m.

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