

YOU SPEAK. KDOT LISTENS. TOGETHER, WE WORK.

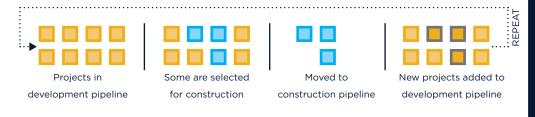
WHAT IS LOCAL CONSULT?



Local Consult is KDOT's public engagement process for the 10-year Eisenhower Legacy Transportation Program (IKE). It takes place every two years to get Kansans' input on a list of potential expansion and modernization projects for each region. It's also an opportunity to strengthen local partnerships, to better understand which KDOT programs matter most to communities, and to get feedback on how we can improve delivery.

HOW DOES THE PROCESS WORK?

The Local Consult process starts with a list of potential projects—some recommended by communities, others by KDOT District staff. Prior to Local Consult meetings, these projects are evaluated based on crash history, current and projected congestion, economic impact, and other factors. They are then given a score based on where they rank relative to each other. But these scores only tell us part of the story. That's why it's so important we hear from you.



The priorities you share at Local Consult help KDOT determine which projects move forward into the development pipeline. Because we know regional conditions and priorities change over time, we come back every two years to ensure we are investing in projects that fit the needs of your region today and into the future.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Following 2019 Local Consult discussions, 44 projects were selected for the development pipeline. This summer, 26 of those projects moved into the construction pipeline. That means it's time to replenish the development pipeline. Unlike in 2019 when we had an empty development pipeline, today the pipeline is partially filled, so fewer projects will move into development. KDOT will use your input to inform the selection of projects for the IKE development pipeline. The selected projects will be announced this winter.

OUR MISSION TODAY:

Provide input to help KDOT prioritize regional modernization and expansion projects to replenish the development pipeline.



LOCAL CONSULT PROJECTS DEFINED

KDOT has many programs; the projects we discuss at Local Consult fall into two categories:

EXPANSION PROJECTS

Major corridor or interchange projects focused on alleviating congestion to keep people and goods moving. Includes traditional congestion in urban areas and nonrecurrent congestion in rural areas due to crashes, weather events or just getting stuck behind a slow-moving vehicle. These projects are scored for congestion, safety, economic impact and input at Local Consult meetings.

MODERNIZATION PROJECTS

Major corridor and interchange projects focused on bringing the roadway up to modern design standards, such as by adding paved shoulders. These projects are scored for engineering factors, including safety and pavement condition, and input from Local Consult meetings.