

# LOCAL CONSULT

## District 2: North Central Kansas



### Welcome to Local Consult 2023!

Three years ago, the Kansas Legislature overwhelmingly passed the Eisenhower Legacy Transportation Program-or IKE for short. KDOT got right to work and already, IKE is making a difference in communities across the state.

IKE is a 10-year transportation program that addresses highways, bridges, public transit, aviation, short-line rail and bike/pedestrian needs across Kansas. The program and associated projects are focused on making roads safer, supporting economic growth and creating more options and resources for Kansans and their communities.

IKE is a roughly \$10 billion investment in the future of Kansas. Just over half the program will go to highway preservation. Nearly a quarter will go to highway Modernization and Expansion projects. The remaining quarter will go towards local funding programs, such as Cost Share, Local Bridge and Economic Development, as well as other modal programs.

IKE legislation requires KDOT to establish a minimum level of investment, by KDOT district, for highway Modernization and Expansion projects over the life of the program. In addition, KDOT has estimated what is likely to be invested in highway preservation in each district during the program. The table below shows those minimum investments.

### IKE Minimum Investment Levels

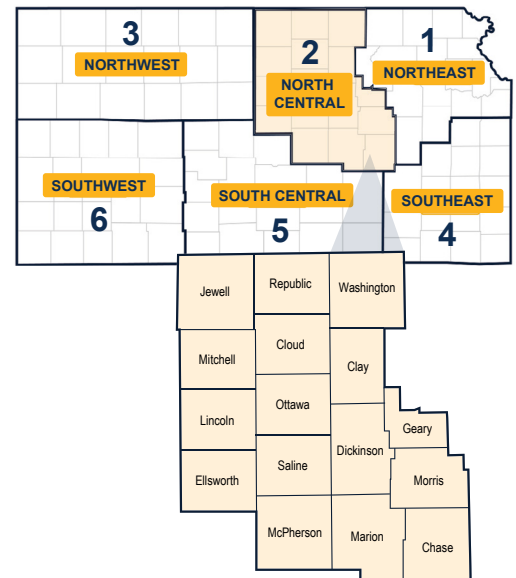
	Modernization & Expansion	Preservation	Total
District 1	\$500 Million	\$1.3 Billion	\$1.8 Billion
District 2	\$70 Million	\$600 Million	\$670 Million
District 3	\$50 Million	\$700 Million	\$750 Million
District 4	\$100 Million	\$550 Million	\$650 Million
District 5	\$300 Million	\$800 Million	\$1.1 Billion
District 6	\$100 Million	\$500 Million	\$600 Million
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1.1 Billion</b>	<b>\$4.4 Billion</b>	<b>\$5.6 Billion</b>

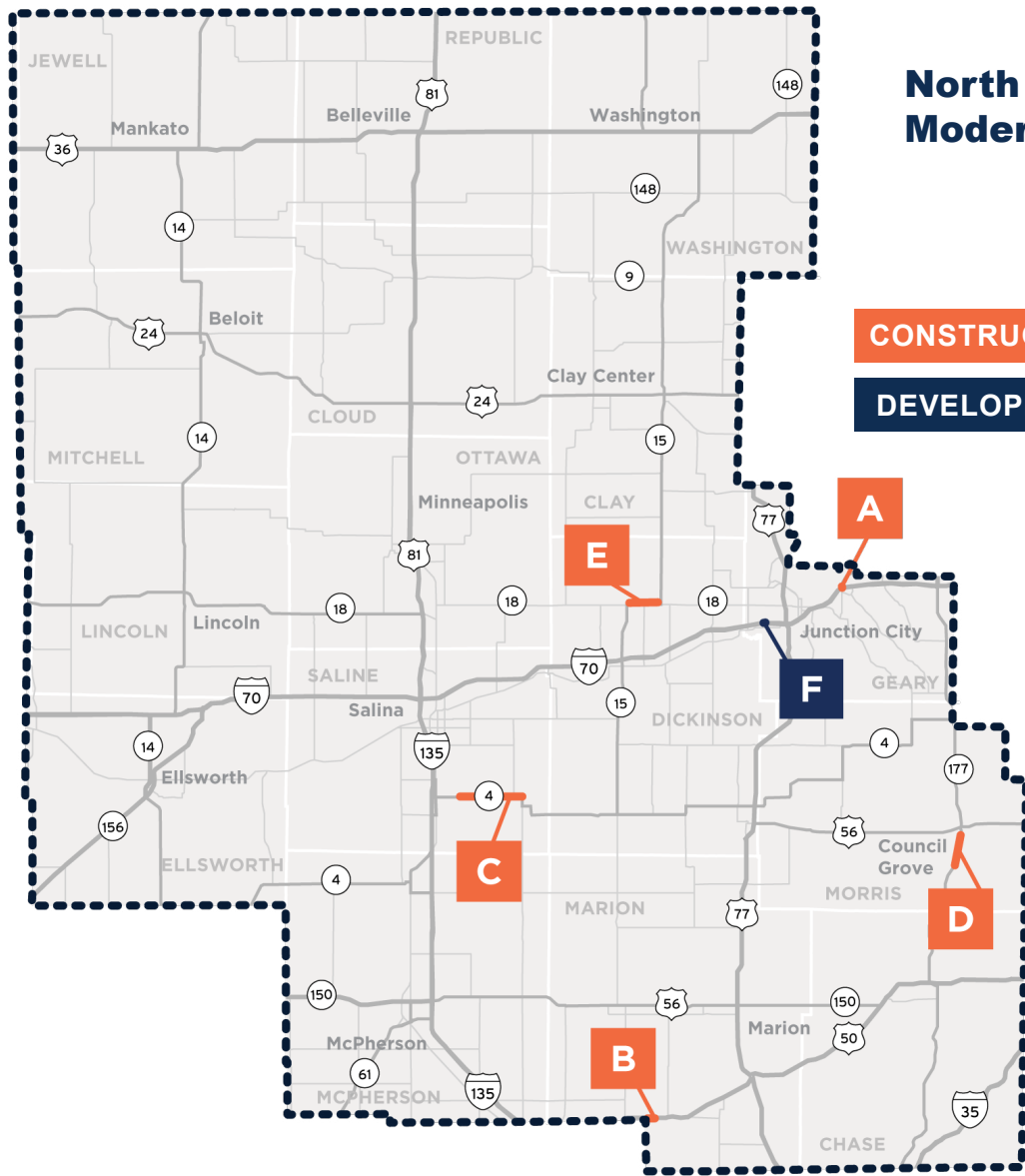
### State Highway Projects Defined

**Preservation:** Projects that keep the highway system in good condition. These projects are selected by KDOT based on pavement and structure conditions.

**Modernization:** 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.

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





## North Central Kansas Current Highway Modernization & Expansion Projects

CONSTRUCTION PIPELINE

DEVELOPMENT PIPELINE

Projects in the Construction Pipeline			
Map ID	Project	Construction Status	Est. Const. Cost in \$M
A	I-70/K-18 in Geary Co. Interchange improvements. KA-6018-01	Scheduled FY25	\$16
B	US-50 in Marion Co. Passing lanes. KA-5787-01	Under construction	\$7
C	K-4 in Saline Co. Reconstruction. KA-3230-02	Scheduled FY25	\$28
D	K-177 in Morris Co. Heavy rehabilitation, adding shoulders, bridge replacements. KA-6017-01	Scheduled FY25	\$8
E	K-15/K-18 in Dickinson Co. Widen shoulders, improve sight distance. KA-6561-01	Scheduled FY28	\$4

Projects in the Development Pipeline		
Map ID	Project	Est. Const. Cost in \$M
F	I-70/Taylor Road in Geary Co. New interchange. KA-6541-02	\$13

### Local Consult 2023

Local Consult is KDOT's public engagement process for the IKE program. It takes place every two years to get Kansans' input on a list of potential highway expansion and modernization projects for each region of the state.

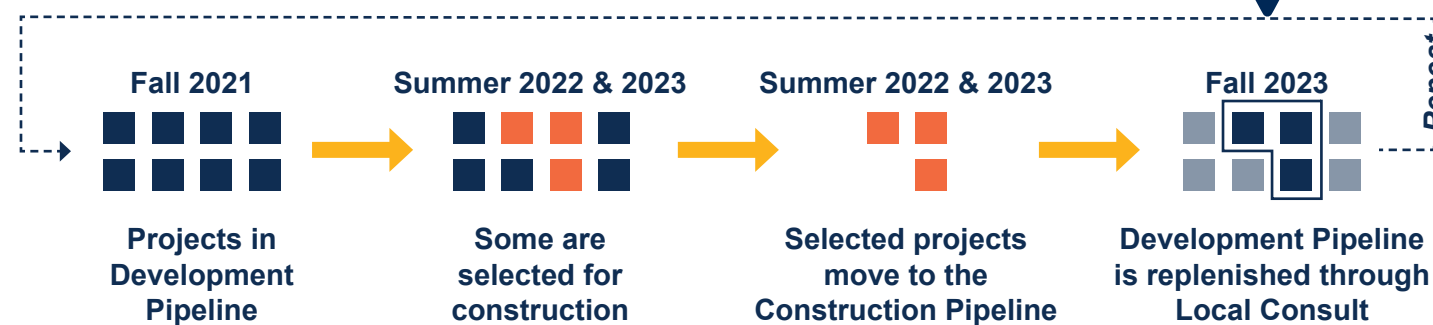
#### How does the Local Consult process work?

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

The priorities you share at Local Consult help KDOT determine which projects move forward into the development pipeline.

Because regional conditions and priorities change over time, KDOT comes back every two years to make sure the state is investing in projects that fit the needs of your region today and into the future.

#### Local Consult Process



**Development Pipeline**

Allows preliminary engineering work (the design and additional advance work) to begin.

**Construction Pipeline**

When ready and budget allows, some of the projects from the development pipeline move to the construction pipeline.

### North Central Kansas IKE Investments 2020 - 2023

Projects completed and open for use

State Highways	\$M	Non-Highway Projects	\$M
Preservation	\$147	Public Transit	\$13
Modernization	\$4	Aviation	\$.1
Expansion	\$0	Rail	\$0
Cost Share	\$5	Bicycle/Pedestrian	\$4
Local Roads	\$22		

**Total \$195**

## North Central Kansas Project Spotlight: K-177

K-177 north of Council Grove is just like new. KDOT is nearly finished rebuilding 20 miles of the highway from north of Council Grove to I-70.

The first phase from just north of the Council Grove reservoir to halfway between the K-4 junctions wrapped up last year.



Work on the second phase which continues north to I-70 is expected to be complete before the holiday season.

This \$56 million project includes widening shoulders and rebuilding the highway to improve visibility.

This was a T-WORKS project originally scheduled for 2017 but had been delayed due to funding.

## North Central Kansas Project Spotlight: Old US-77

The last of four projects to improve US-77 on the west side of Junction City is nearing completion. The series of projects cost \$43 million and included a new diverging diamond interchange (DDI) at I-70 and US-77, transforming the half diamond, half cloverleaf interchange for US-77 and K-18 into a full diamond interchange, and improving the intersection of K-18 and Spring Valley Road.



Now, work is underway on the final project to improve the US-77/Old 77 intersection for drivers who use Old 77 as their entrance into Ft Riley. This intersection now has permanent traffic signals instead of the temporary signals that had been installed nearly a decade ago. Several side roads and entrances were also realigned.

These changes have reduced the number of conflict points along US-77 making travel along this section of roadway better for drivers. These changes have also been made with the potential to improve the corridor to a 4-lane facility, should that be needed.

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