

# LOCAL CONSULT

## District 3: Northwest 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

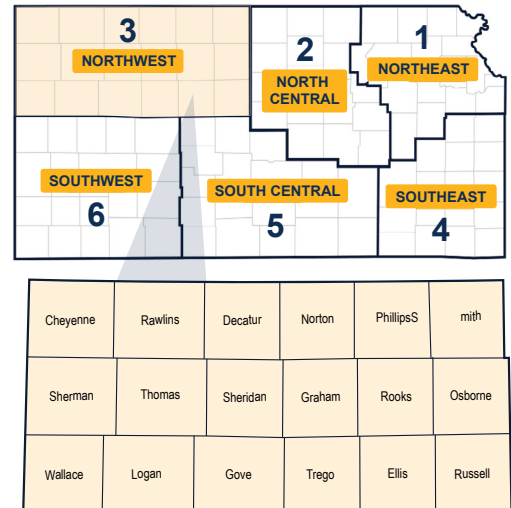
	Modernization & Expansion	Preservation	Total
District 1	\$500 Million	\$1.3 Billion	\$1.8 Billion
District 2	\$70 Million	\$600 Million	\$670 Million
District 3	\$50 Million	\$700 Million	\$750 Million
District 4	\$100 Million	\$550 Million	\$650 Million
District 5	\$300 Million	\$800 Million	\$1.1 Billion
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.





## Northwest Kansas Project Spotlight: K-383 Modernization

The K-383 corridor in Norton and Phillips counties serves as part of a vital link between I-70 in Kansas and I-80 in Nebraska. Initially approved under the T-WORKS transportation program, KDOT is modernizing 26 miles of K-383 by widening the highway and flattening sections of hills to improve visibility for drivers. KDOT has divided the project into three phases for construction:

### Phase I in Phillips County - **Complete**

- \$13 million
- Six miles long starting two miles east of Long Island and ending at the US-183 junction.

### Phase II in Norton County - **Nearing completion**

- \$16 million
- Six miles long starting at the east US-36 junction and ending near Alma.



### Phase III in Phillips and Norton Counties - **Construction scheduled to start in 2026**

- \$50 million
- Fourteen miles long from Alma to two miles east of Long Island

KDOT is committed to completing all T-WORKS projects, as well as preserving, expanding, and modernizing the state's highway system. This investment in northwest Kansas is an example of that commitment.

## Northwest Kansas Project Spotlight: Country Club Drive – City of Colby



Country Club Drive in Colby is a main road connector between US-24 and I-70. To help meet demand, construction is underway from E College Drive north to the first set of railroad tracks. The project is widening the roadway to accommodate three 12-foot lanes, including a two-way left turn lane.

This project was funded in the Fall 2021 round of KDOT's Cost Share Program and received \$1 million.

This work is a continuation of the reconstruction of Country Club Drive happening between I-70 and E College Drive. With increased development on the southern portion of the route, the improvements are helping to make it safer for the increasing amount of industrial traffic using the road.

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