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
Total	\$1.1 Billion	\$4.4 Billion	\$5.6 Billion

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.



Cheyenne	Rawlins	Decatur	Norton	PhillipsS	mith
Sherman	Thomas	Sheridan	Graham	Rooks	Osborne
Wallace	Logan	Gove	Trego	Ellis	Russell

Northwest 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		
А	US-183 bypass/I-70 in Ellis Co. Reconstruct interchange. KA-5608-01	Scheduled FY24	\$18		
В	US-281 in Osborne Co. Reconstruct, add shoulders, bridge replacements. <i>KA-6020-01</i>	Scheduled FY25	\$25		
С	K-23 in Sheridan Co. Reconstruct, add shoulders, bridge replacements. <i>KA-6019-01</i>	Scheduled FY24	\$26		
D	K-25 in Thomas Co. Reconstruct, add shoulders, bridge replacement. <i>KA-6021-01</i>	Scheduled FY26	\$23		

	Projects in the Development Pipeline			
Map ID	· I Project			
Е	US-281 in Russell/Osborne Co. Reconstruction. KA-6562-01	\$4		
F	K-27 in Wallace Co. Heavy rehabilitation with shoulders. <i>KA-5740-01</i>	\$13		

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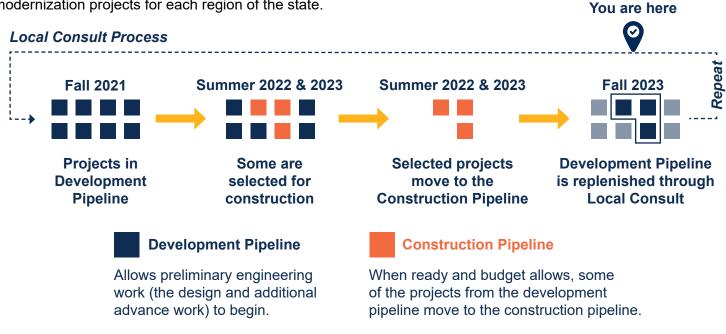
Local Consult is KDOT's public engagement process for the IKE program. It takes place every two years to get Kansans' input on a list of potential highway expansion and modernization projects for each region of the state.

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.



Northwest Kansas IKE Investments 2020 - 2023

Projects completed and open for use

State Highways	\$M	Non-Highway Projects	\$M
Preservation	\$92	Public Transit	\$2
Modernization	\$8	Aviation	\$.7
Expansion	\$0	Rail	\$0
Cost Share	\$2	Bicycle/ Pedestrian	\$0
Local Roads	\$15	· Sussilian	

Total \$120

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 Almena.



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

- \$50 million
- Fourteen miles long from Almena 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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