

# LOCAL CONSULT

## District 4: Southeast 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

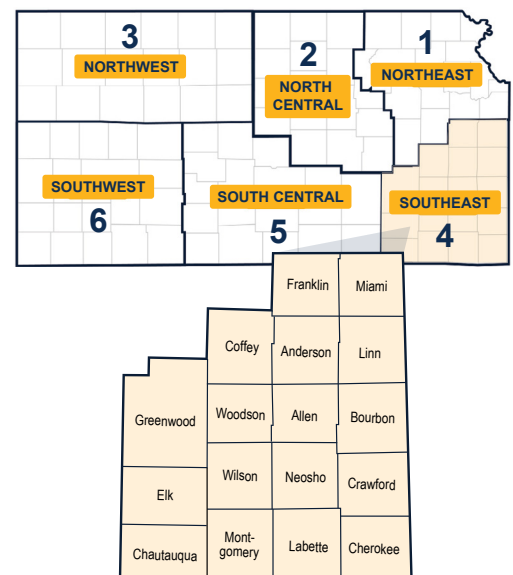
	Modernization & Expansion	Preservation	Total
District 1	\$500 Million	\$1.3 Billion	\$1.8 Billion
District 2	\$70 Million	\$600 Million	\$670 Million
District 3	\$50 Million	\$700 Million	\$750 Million
District 4	\$100 Million	\$550 Million	\$650 Million
District 5	\$300 Million	\$800 Million	\$1.1 Billion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

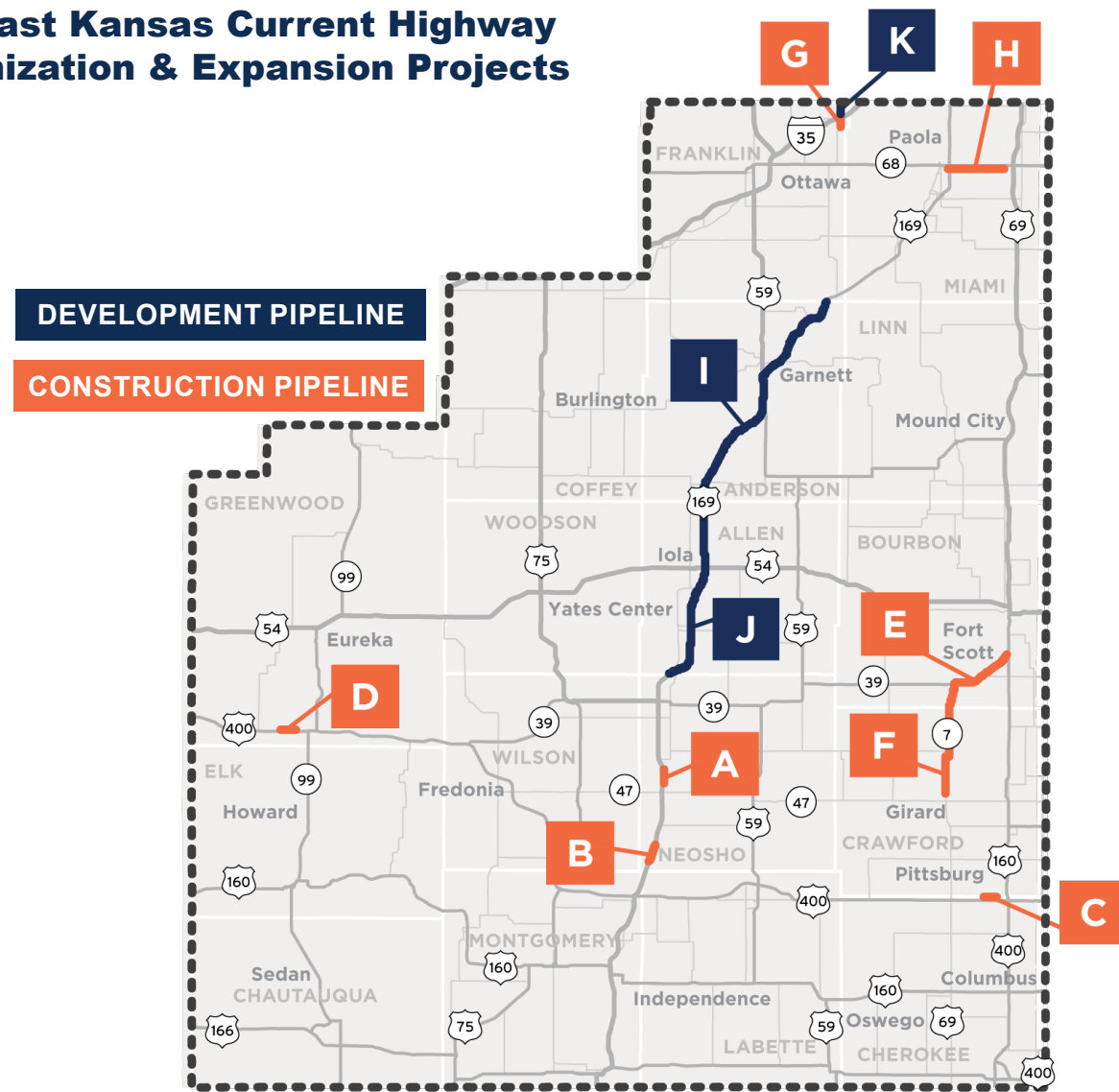
**Preservation:** Projects that keep the highway system in good condition. These projects are selected by KDOT based on pavement and structure conditions.

**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.



# Southeast Kansas Current Highway Modernization & Expansion Projects



Projects in the Construction Pipeline			
Map ID	Project	Construction Status	Est. Const. Cost in \$M
A	US-169 in Neosho Co. Passing lanes. KA-5788-01	Under construction	\$7
B	US-169 in Neosho Co. Pavement replacement, passing lanes. KA-5789-01	Under construction	\$8
C	US-400 in Cherokee Co. Passing lanes. KA-2375-10	Scheduled FY24	\$8
D	US-400 in Greenwood Co. Passing lanes. KA-5790-01	Under construction	\$9
E	K-7 in Bourbon Co. Widen and add shoulders. KA-5804-01	Scheduled FY25	\$18
F	K-7 in Crawford Co. Widen and add shoulders. KA-5803-01	Scheduled FY25	\$16
G	K-33 in Franklin Co. Reconstruction, bridge replacement, interchange improvements. KA-6472-01	Scheduled FY25	\$10
H	K-68 in Miami Co. 4-lane expressway. KA-2373-04	Scheduled FY26	\$65

Projects in the Development Pipeline		
Map ID	Project	Est. Const. Cost in \$M
I	US-169 in Anderson Co. Passing lanes. KA-6560-03	\$37
J	US-169 in Allen Co. Passing lanes. KA-6560-02	
K	K-33 in Franklin Co. Reconstruct, add shoulders. KA-6550-02	\$4

## Local Consult 2023

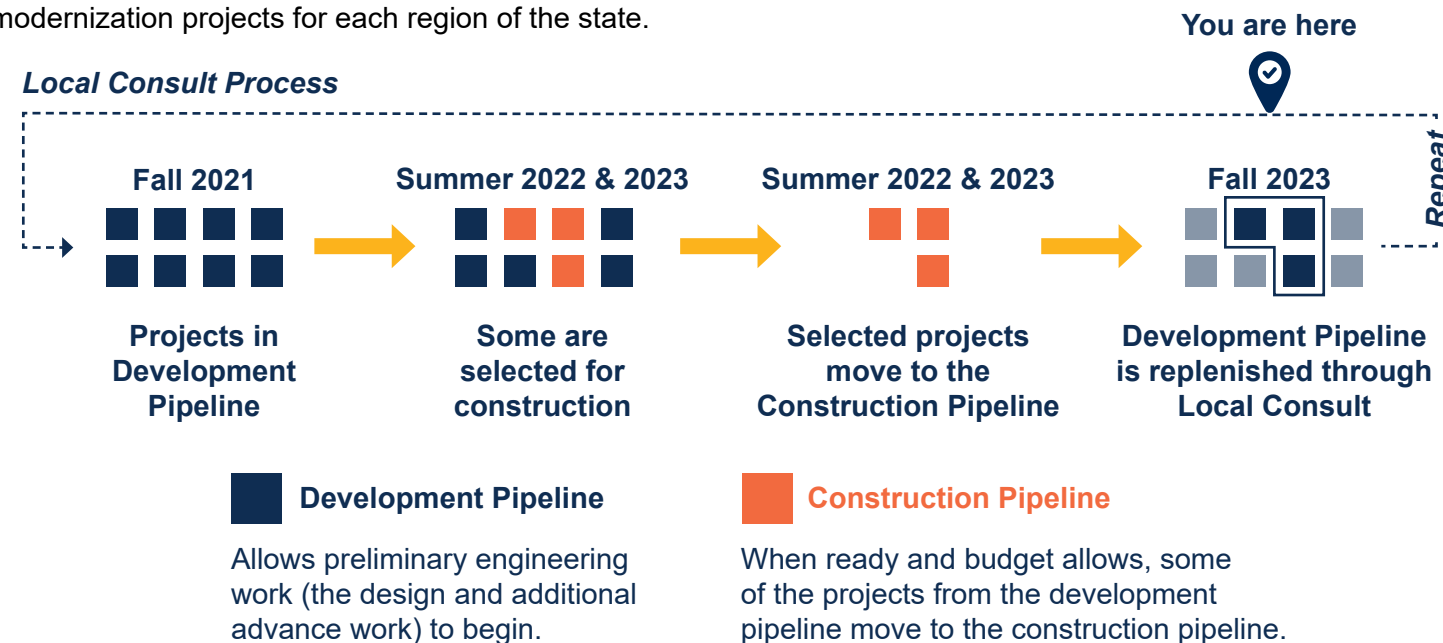
Local Consult is KDOT's public engagement process for the IKE program. It takes place every two years to get Kansans' input on a list of potential highway expansion and modernization projects for each region of the state.

### 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.



## Southeast Kansas IKE Investments 2020 - 2023

*Projects completed and open for use*

State Highways	\$M	Non-Highway Projects	\$M
Preservation	\$170	Public Transit	\$5
Modernization	\$.7	Aviation	\$.1
Expansion	\$0	Rail	\$2
<b>Cost Share</b>	<b>\$2</b>	Bicycle/Pedestrian	\$1
<b>Local Roads</b>	<b>\$35</b>		

**Total \$216**

## Southeast Kansas Project Spotlight: US-169 in Anderson County

In the fall of 2021 KDOT completed a reconstruction and rehabilitation project on US-169. The highway was completely rebuilt from Welda north to the US-59 junction. Continuing north, KDOT widened and replaced the pavement all the way to the roundabout south of Garnett. This \$21 million project also flattened the road and hills to make it easier for drivers to see ahead and more safely pass slow-moving vehicles.



## Southeast Kansas Project Spotlight: K-68 Corridor Between US-69 and US-169

Work is nearing completion on two K-68 improvement projects in Miami County. The work includes adding turn lanes and access roads at various locations, widening K-68 to a four-lane expressway from Spring Valley Road east to US-69 at Louisburg, building left-turn lanes at K-68 and Somerset Road, and constructing an access road to the Louisburg Cider Mill. KDOT expects these \$19 million improvements to be open to traffic by November 2023. The two projects precede the expansion of the K-68 corridor to four lanes between US-69 and US-169. Construction is tentatively set to start in 2026.



## Southeast Kansas Project Spotlight: US-166/400 expansion, Cherokee County

KDOT started work on a project to expand and realign a six-mile section of US-166/400 in Cherokee County during January 2022. A four-lane expressway is under construction between the US-166/US-400 and US-166/K-26 junctions. The roadway tapers to two lanes south of K-26 to the Kansas-Missouri state line. The \$60 million dollar project also includes constructing interchanges at US-400 and K-26. The four-lane section is being built on an offset alignment south of the existing US-166. KDOT expects the expanded US-166/400 highway and interchanges to open to unrestricted traffic in the summer of 2024, weather permitting.



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