Thursday, May 26, 2022

# Public Information Meeting



KDOT is studying future improvements to East Kellogg in Wichita and Andover and is looking at those improvements in two phases: 1) From I-35/K-96 in east Wichita through 159th Street in Andover; and 2) From east of 159th Street to east of Prairie Creek Road in Andover.

To comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), in cooperation with KDOT, is initiating an Environmental Assessment for the complete project (phases one and two).

#### **NEED**

KDOT has identified the following initial needs along the East Kellogg corridor being studied:

- 1 Provide capacity to accommodate forecasted population growth and travel demand
- 2 Improve mobility and route continuity
- Improve operational and safety performance within the corridor

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the project is to provide a cost-effective, environmentally-sustainable, and safe transportation facility that improves mobility and connectivity to support current and forecasted increases in traffic.

## PROJECT GOALS



Improve travel time reliability



Support economic growth in the region



Minimize duration of construction impacts in the region



Deliver project efficiently and within budget

#### What is an Environmental Assessment?

The Federal National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires KDOT to complete an Environmental Assessment (EA) to document the impacts a transportation project may have on the human and natural environment.

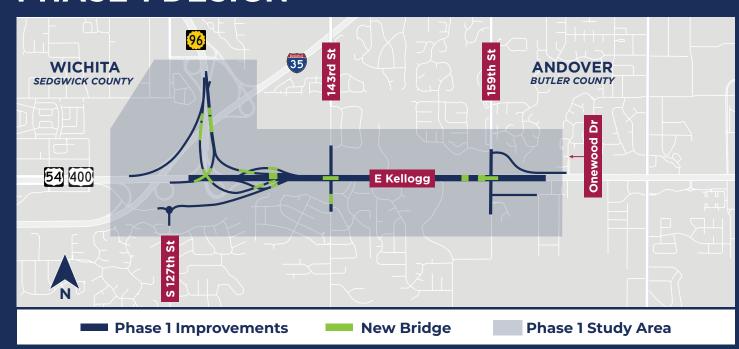


## **NEPA PROJECT CORRIDOR**



Phase 1 is fully funded and final design/construction is anticipated to begin shortly after completion of the NEPA process. Phase 2 is being included in the Environmental Assessment so that FHWA approval can be obtained and the project can move forward for development when funding is available.

## **PHASE 1 DESIGN**



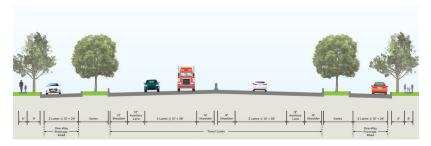
Phase 1 will include reconstruction of approximately 2.5 miles of East Kellogg from K-96 to just east of 159th Street. Work will include adding travel lanes and frontage roads as well as grade-separated interchanges at K-96, 143rd Street, and 159th Street.

## **PHASE 1 SCHEDULE**

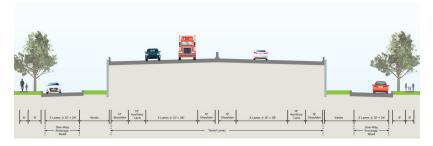


#### **ALTERNATIVES BEING CONSIDERED**

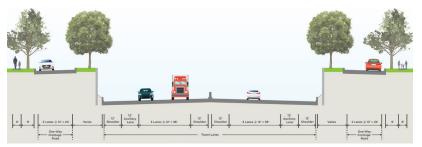
AT GRADE - Being Considered for Phase 1 & 2



**ELEVATED -** Being Considered for Phase 1 & 2



**DEPRESSED -** Being Considered for Phase 2



## Design Needs/ Considerations:

- Will need 300-375 feet of right-of-way
- More right-of-way will be needed at interchanges and grade separations
- Designing a 6-lane divided, access-controlled freeway, with three travel lanes in each direction
- Designing 2-lane one-way frontage roads on each side
- A concrete barrier would separate the main driving lanes on the freeway
- Designing 6-foot-wide sidewalks on the outside of the frontage roads



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