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## **KDOT to host Local Consult in Newton Oct. 5** *Meeting will focus on transportation priorities in south central Kansas*

The Kansas Department of Transportation is hosting nine meetings in October as part of the Eisenhower Legacy Transportation Program (IKE) Local Consult process. KDOT holds Local Consult meetings every two years to discuss regional transportation project priorities with Kansans.

The third meeting will be in Newton and focus on transportation in south central Kansas (KDOT District 5). **It will take place on Thursday, Oct. 5, from 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m., at the Meridian Center in Newton.**

Those who attend will have an opportunity to share their region's transportation priorities, hear about more investments being made in transportation and learn about various grant funding programs available through KDOT. The meeting is open to the public.

This event in south central Kansas will wrap up the first week of a series of meetings being held across the state. These meetings are an important step in collecting public input for the IKE program – the state's current 10-year transportation improvement program.

The remaining Local Consult meeting locations, dates and times are:

- **Northwest Region (KDOT District 3)** – Tuesday, Oct. 10, 9 a.m. – noon, Hilton Garden Inn in Hays.

- **North Central Region (KDOT District 2)** – Wednesday, Oct. 11, 9 a.m. – noon, Hilton Garden Inn in Salina.
- **Southeast Region (KDOT District 4)** – Thursday, Oct. 12, 9 a.m. – noon, Bowlus Fine Arts Center in Iola.
- **KC Metro** – Tuesday, Oct. 17, 1 p.m. – 4 p.m., Lenexa Hyatt Place Kansas City/Lenexa City Center in Lenexa.
- **Wichita Metro** – Wednesday, Oct. 18, 9 a.m. – noon, WSU Eugene M. Hughes Metropolitan Complex in Wichita.
- **Virtual Meeting** – Tuesday, Oct. 24, 5 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. For those unable to attend an in-person meeting, they may attend a virtual meeting on Zoom. Please register here <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMvf-uppjMsHdaOpjIXnRIJQV-xQrcEpb1A>

More information about the Local Consult process is available online at: [ike.ksdot.gov/local-consult-process](http://ike.ksdot.gov/local-consult-process).

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