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Governor Kelly Announces More than \$930M in Highway Projects Added to IKE Development Pipeline

TOPEKA – Governor Laura Kelly and Kansas Transportation Secretary Calvin Reed today announced the addition of 17 highway modernization and expansion projects – a total investment of \$932 million – to the Eisenhower Legacy Transportation Program’s (IKE) Development Pipeline. IKE is the Kelly administration’s bipartisan 10-year, \$10 billion transportation program.

The announcement clears the way for preliminary engineering work to begin on these projects, which are in every region of the state.

“These highway projects tackle long-standing transportation needs across the state – improving safety, expanding economic development opportunities, and strengthening our communities,” **Governor Kelly said.** “My administration is committed to making short- and long-term infrastructure improvements to benefit future generations of Kansans.”

The 2024 Development Pipeline announcement took place in the Kansas Statehouse. Joining Governor Kelly and Secretary Reed to provide remarks were stakeholders representing three of the selected projects: Dr. John Wyrick, Superintendent of Labette County Public Schools, USD 506; Corey Peterson, President, Lindsborg City Council; and Kevin Schoendaler, City of Hoxie Councilmember.

Today’s announcement results from the Kansas Department of Transportation’s (KDOT) fall 2023 statewide Local Consult listening tour. More than 1,400 Kansans from across the state participated in these public meetings.

Secretary Reed said input from Kansans helped determine what investments were of the highest priority to rural and urban communities. He said the selection process is flexible to meet economic needs and is based on engineering data, local consultation, and geographic distribution.

“The projects being moved into the IKE Development Pipeline represent a mix of local and regional highway improvement priorities as identified by stakeholders and based on data,” **said Secretary Calvin Reed.** “We appreciate how the Local Consult process gives KDOT an opportunity to strengthen local partnerships, to better understand which KDOT programs matter most to communities, and to get feedback on how we can improve delivery.”

More information about IKE Modernization and Expansion projects, including a summary of the most recent Local Consult process and outcomes, can be found at www.ike.ksdot.gov.

2024 Development Pipeline Projects

District / Region	Description	Est. Const. Cost in \$M	Project Type	Scope
1 Northeast	U.S. 75 from Holton north to K-20 in Jackson County	\$126	Expansion	4-lane expressway
1 Northeast	I-35/U.S. 56 interchange in Johnson County	\$25	Modernization	Interchange improvements
1 Northeast	K-5, from U.S. 73 southeast to I-435 in Wyandotte/Leavenworth Counties	\$35	Modernization	Reconstruct on new alignment
2 North Central	I-135/I-70 interchange in Saline County	\$70	Expansion	Interchange improvements
2 North Central	U.S. 56 from east of McPherson to east of Marion in McPherson County	\$20	Expansion	Passing lanes
2 North Central	K-4 and Bethany Drive at Lindsborg in McPherson County	\$8	Modernization	Reconstruct on new alignment
2 North Central	K-14, from K-140 north to I-70 West interchange in Ellsworth County	\$29	Modernization	Reconstruct and add shoulders
3 Northwest	K-27 from 2.4 miles north of E. U.S. 40 junction north to Zigzag Road in Wallace County	\$35	Modernization	Reconstruct and add shoulders

3 Northwest	K-23 from I-70 north to County Road 406 in Sheridan/Gove counties	\$40	Modernization	Reconstruct and add shoulders
4 Southeast	U.S. 169 from U.S. 160 north to U.S. 400 in Montgomery County	\$10	Expansion	Passing lanes
4 Southeast	U.S. 160, from 2 miles east of southern U.S. 169 junction east to Altamont, Montgomery/Labette Counties	\$50	Modernization	Reconstruct and add shoulders
4 Southeast	U.S. 160, from southern U.S. 169 junction, east through first curve in Montgomery County	\$10	Modernization	Resurface and add shoulders
5 South Central	U.S. 54 from 1 mile west of K-11/U.S. 54 to existing 4-lanes east of Kingman in Kingman County	\$173	Expansion	Bypass: 4-lane freeway
5 South Central	K-254 at Webb and Rock roads in Sedgwick County	\$50	Expansion	New interchange, overpass, and connector road
5 South Central	U.S.54, Kellogg Ave. east of 159 th Street and east to Prairie Creek Road in Butler County	\$200	Expansion	6-lane freeway
5 South Central	U.S.50/Meridian Street interchange in Newton, Harvey County	\$30	Modernization	Interchange improvements and bridge replacement
6 Southwest	K-156 from Finney/Hodgeman County line east to 4 miles west of Jetmore in Hodgeman County	\$21	Modernization	Add shoulders

Photos from today's announcement, for media use, can be found below.

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