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## **Public hearings for South Lawrence Trafficway scheduled this week**

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) will be hosting public hearings, with in-person and virtual components, to allow the public to provide input on the South Lawrence Trafficway (SLT) Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) and the Identified Preferred Alternative (IDA).

The public can attend an in-person public hearing on **Wednesday, May 26, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Baker University Wetland Discovery Center**. There will be a presentation during each of the time slots and an opportunity to leave verbal comments with a court reporter, who will document them. To follow social distancing guidelines, participants must [reserve a time slot](#). Sign up links are available at [www.slt-ks.org](http://www.slt-ks.org).

With health and safety in mind, a live virtual public hearing is scheduled on **Tuesday, May 25, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.** It will include a presentation followed by a comment period for participants to view the materials online and submit comments through an electronic comment form. Visit the [project website](#) for more information.

The Draft SEIS Report will be available [online](#) on the project website as well as at the Lawrence Public Library, City of Lawrence City Hall, Public Works Office and Douglas County Public Works Office for the duration of the comment period. The public comment period on the Draft SEIS started April 26 and will conclude June 21.

After the meetings, a summary of questions and comments will be posted on the project website. Visit [www.slt-ks.org](http://www.slt-ks.org) for details, project updates and opportunities to provide input.

For special assistance or more information, contact Kelsey Heavin at 816-527-2468 or [info@slt-ks.org](mailto:info@slt-ks.org).

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