

Northwest Region



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Purpose of Today's Highway Discussion:

While we don't have any additional dollars available for the construction of projects, it's important that we have a few projects in the pipeline should more funding become available. In order to have projects ready to go when funding becomes available, KDOT must complete preliminary engineering work. Thus, the purpose of today's meeting is to prioritize a few projects in this area that could be selected for preliminary engineering work.

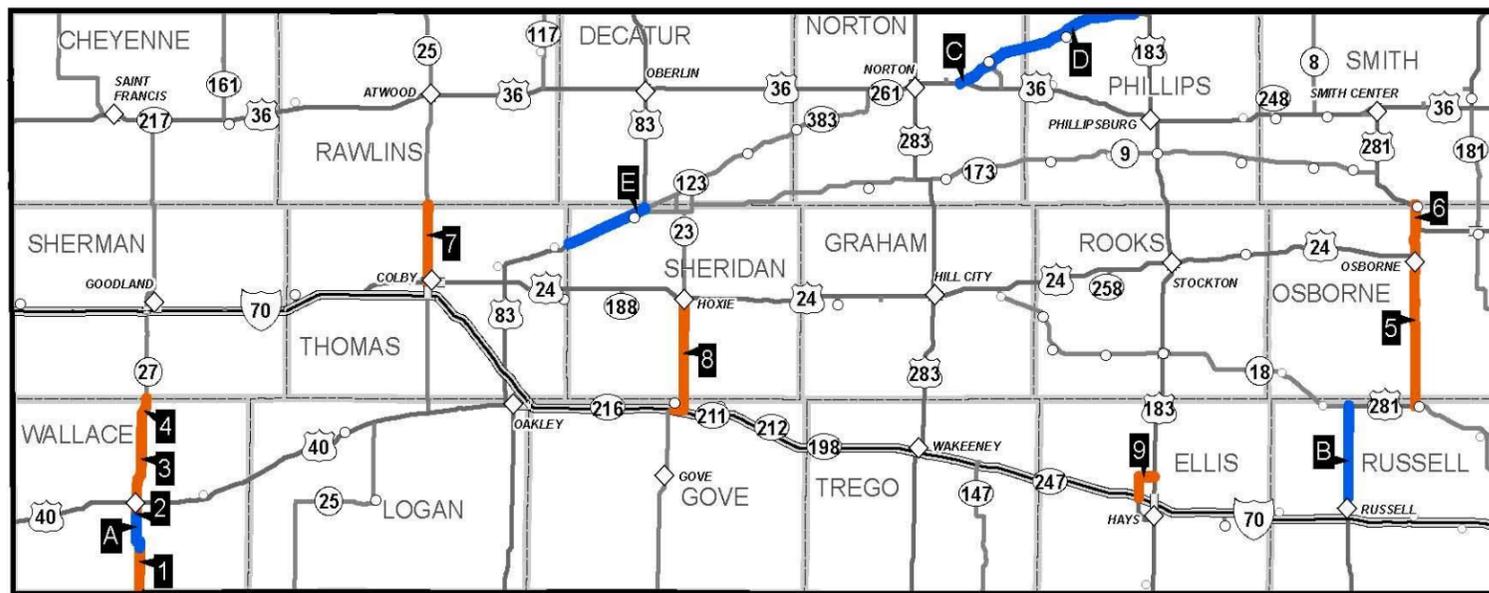
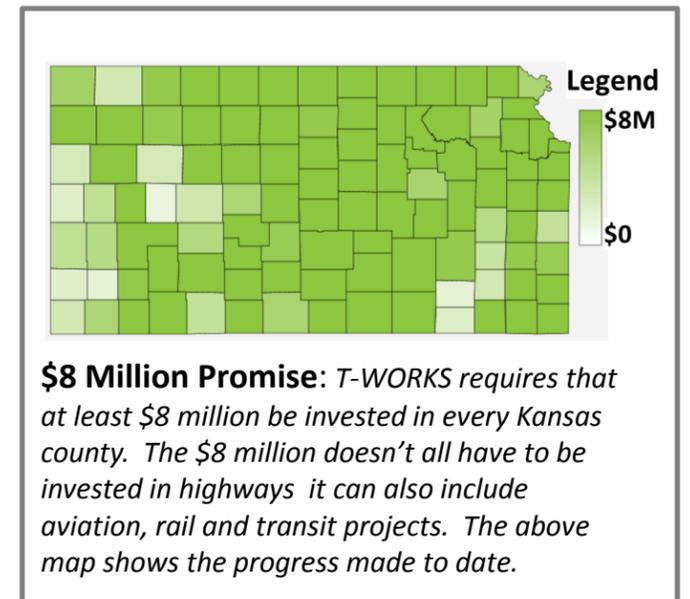
What does Preliminary Engineering (PE) work mean?

Before a highway project can be constructed, several phases of work must be completed. PE refers to things like conducting a corridor study, identifying right of way, purchasing right of way, and completing design work. Projects selected for PE work may include just a phase of PE work like completing a study or it could include multiple/all phases of PE work.

Where did this list of projects come from?

T-WORKS selection process calls for projects to be evaluated using engineering data, economic impact analysis and local input.

The projects listed are a combination of statewide list of priority projects that rose to the top during the selection process for this area but did not get selected for construction or PE work in 2010 or 2012. The list also includes the **projects that were selected for construction** and those that were **selected to go to final design, which is the last phase of PE work**.



- TWORKS Projects
- P.E. Only
- Local Consult Proposed

Will projects be selected today?

No. Today is about getting input from communities. KDOT staff will do additional analysis before announcing what projects have been selected for the PE Only Pool.

If it is selected for PE work, does this guarantee my project will get built?

No. More funding for construction would have to become available. If funding becomes available, KDOT staff will evaluate projects in the PE Only pool to determine what project(s) can be built.

Does completing the PE work of a project increase the chances it will get built?

Yes. If a project is "on-the-shelf" ready to be built, it stands of much better chance of being selected for construction when funding becomes available.



Candidates for Preliminary Engineering Work

Northwest Projects

Cost estimates: Please note these are construction cost estimates. For candidate projects, the estimates are in 2016 dollars.

Notes:

Map ID	Project Description	Scope	FY 2016 Cost (Millions)	Length (Miles)	Notes
K-27 Modernization in Wallace County					
	Corridor study completed				
1	Greeley-Wallace County Line north for 7 miles	Add shoulders	\$12	7	
2	2 miles south of US-40 to 3 miles north of US-40	Add shoulders	\$8	5	
3	3 miles north of US-40 to 10 miles north of US-40	Add shoulders	\$15	7	
4	10 miles north of US-40 to Wallace-Sherman County Line	Add shoulders	\$9	6	
US-281 Modernization in Russell and Osborne Counties					
5	Luray to Osborne	Add shoulders	\$44	22	
6	Osborne to Portis	Add shoulders	\$16	9	
7	K-25 Modernization from Colby to Thomas-Rawlins County Line	Add shoulders	\$23	12	
8	K-23 Modernization from Grainfield to Hoxie in Gove and Sheridan Counties	Add shoulders	\$28	18	
9	US-183 Bypass north of Hays	New 2-lane	\$11	3.5	LC 2012

Projects Previously Selected for Construction or Preliminary Engineering Work

Map ID	Project Description	Scope	Cost (millions)	Length (miles)	Program FY Year	Notes
K-27 Modernization in Wallace County						
A	7 miles north of Greeley County Line to 2 miles south of US-40	Reconstruction and adding shoulders	\$11	5	2015	
US-281 Modernization in Russell and Osborne Counties						
B	Russell to K-18	Reconstruction and adding shoulders	\$32	15	2018	
K-383 Modernization in Norton and Phillips Counties						
C	US-36 northeast to the Norton-Phillips County Line	Reconstruction and adding shoulders	\$23	10	2018	
D	Norton-Phillips County Line northeast to US-183	Reconstruction and adding shoulders	\$31	15	2018	
E	US-83 Thomas/Sheridan county line east to US-83/K-23 junction	Reconstruction	\$17	11	2015	