

# BOYD-GREENUP

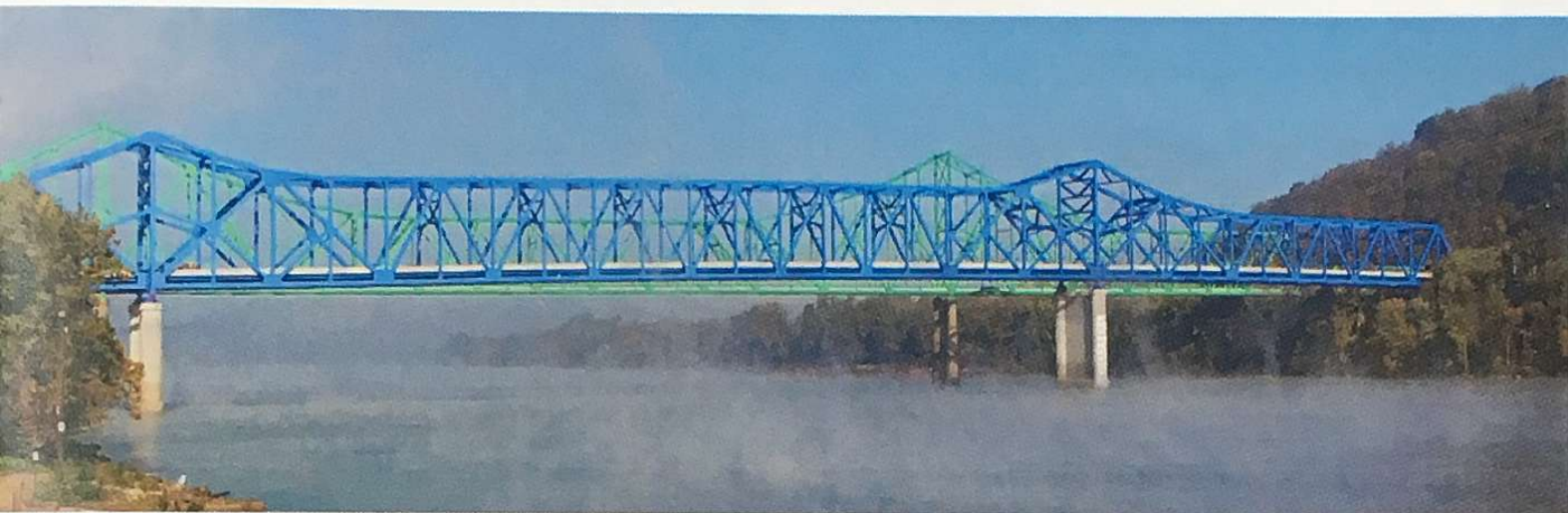
## Small Urban Area Study

KYTC Item No. 9-406.00

Public Meetings

Greenup County – January 21, 2020

Boyd County – January 28, 2020





# Boyd-Greenup SUA Study 2020

## STUDY BACKGROUND

In June 2019, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) and the Kentucky-Ohio-West Virginia Planning Commission (KYOVA) initiated a Small Urban Area (SUA) study for the urbanized areas of Boyd and Greenup Counties, Kentucky, to identify and examine transportation issues related to safety and congestion in the corresponding cities and surrounding developed areas.

## AVAILABLE FUNDING

The study is funded through KYOVA's Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBGP). Future planning, design, right-of-way, utility, and construction phases identified for potential improvement projects are not included in Kentucky's FY 2018-FY 2024 Highway Plan.

## STUDY PURPOSE

With help from local officials, stakeholders and the public, the Project Team will identify existing and future traffic and safety issues on over 90 miles of state-maintained routes and nearly 11 miles of local routes within 50 square miles of study area. Improvement concepts to provide congestion relief and increased safety will be identified and prioritized to meet needs for multi-modal transportation including:

- Trucks
- Passenger vehicles
- Pedestrians/Bicyclists

## STUDY SCHEDULE

The Project Team began evaluating existing conditions in the study area in July 2019. Since then, the first round of Project Team and Local Officials/Stakeholders meetings were held. A website to collect public input on safety and capacity issues in the study area was launched. Remaining study elements include:

- Gather Public Input (Jan/Feb 2020)
- Develop Improvements (Spring 2020)
- Prioritize Improvements (Summer 2020)
- Final Report (August 2020)

## SAFETY: CRASH HISTORY

A total of 3,564 crashes were reported during a 3-year period from January 2016 through December 2018. Crash distribution separated by severity includes:

- Fatal: 6 (<1%)
- Injury: 559 (16%)
- Property Damage: 2,999 (84%)

All fatal crashes occurred in Boyd County: four on US 60, one on KY 5, and one on Winchester Avenue. Two of six fatalities involved pedestrians. Out of 3,564 total crashes, 20 involve pedestrians and 9 involve bicycle strikes.

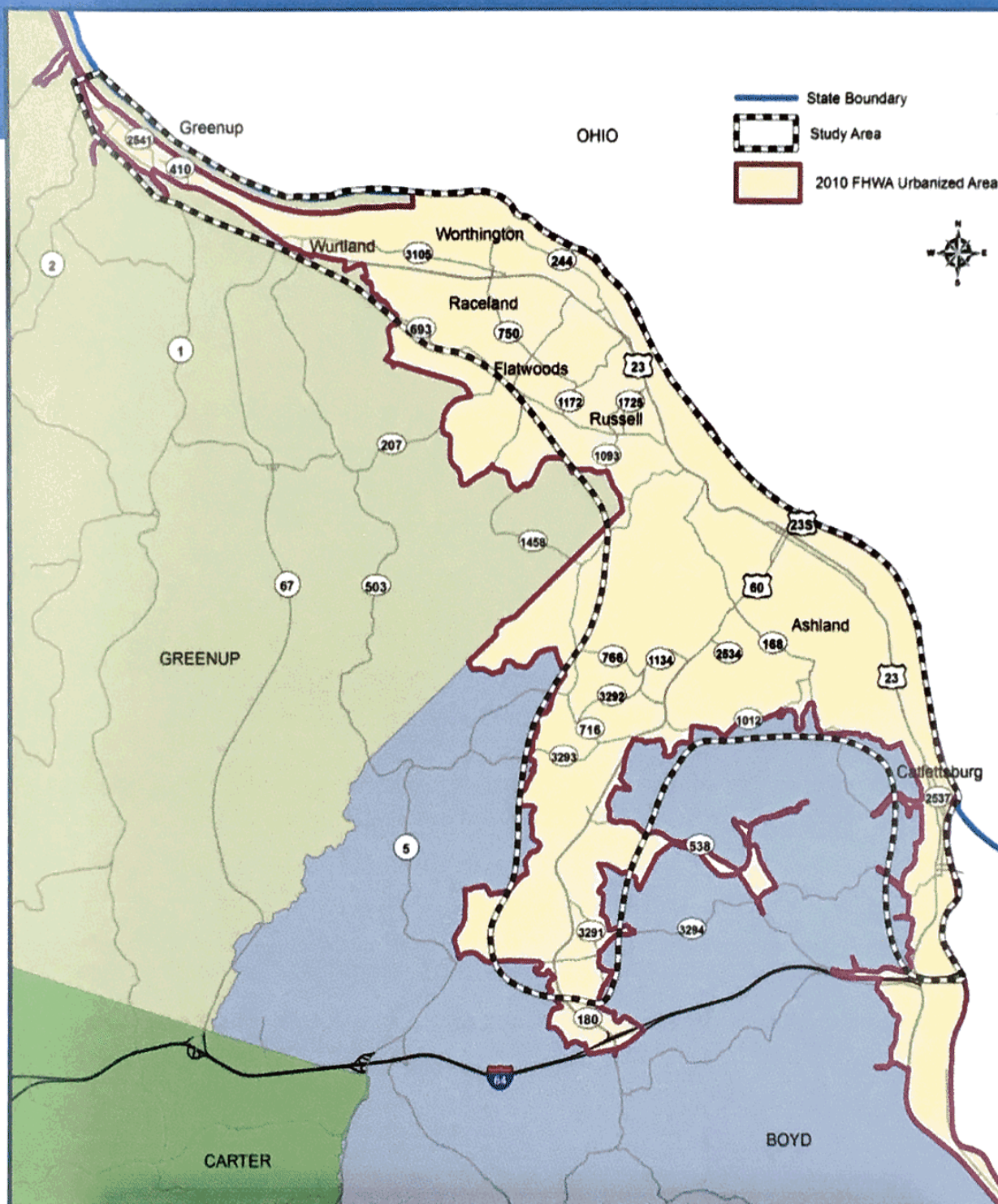
## TRAFFIC OPERATIONS

Traffic analysis shows the majority of study routes have no capacity issues today with two exceptions: KY 5 in Boyd County near the junction with Country Club Drive (KY 1093) and Diederick Blvd (KY 693) in Greenup County near the intersection with Red Devil Lane (KY 1172).

Projecting traffic volumes to year 2050, worsening congestion is predicted on US 60, KY 5, KY 716, Central Ave, Lexington Ave, and River Hill Drive. Increased congestion in Greenup County is shown on Argillite Road (KY 207) and Diederick Blvd (KY 693).



# STUDY AREA



## WE NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU

Project team members are available tonight to answer questions and collect input on transportation issues (including pedestrian and bicycle) encountered by local residents. You can also visit our webpage at the link below before **February 11, 2020** to log your concerns.

<https://tinyurl.com/sza838b>

IPads are available during tonight's public meeting for attendees to complete the online survey.



# Common Questions

## WILL IDENTIFIED PROJECTS BE CONSTRUCTED?

Conceptual improvement projects identified in the Boyd-Greenup SUA study will be evaluated alongside other projects throughout the region and state as part of the Strategic Highway Investment Formula for Tomorrow (SHIFT) process. SHIFT is used to provide a data-driven evaluation to assist in the development of Kentucky's Highway Plan. Kentucky's General Assembly publishes the highway plan every other year, identifying the Commonwealth's transportation budget for the next two-year cycle.

## WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Following tonight's meeting, the Project Team will evaluate input received from roadway users and develop improvement concepts based upon identified areas of concern. Potential environmental impacts will be assessed and planning-level cost estimates developed for each concept. KYTC will further consult with Project Team members and Local Officials/Stakeholders to prioritize potential projects for further project development and programming. The Boyd-Greenup SUA study process will be documented in a final report.

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