

Next Steps

After tonight's meeting, following are the steps to be taken for this project:

1. The Project Team will meet to review and consider all comments received from this public meeting.
2. Aerial mapping and traffic projections will be updated.
3. A design consultant will be selected to perform the final design for the preferred alternative. Final design should begin by mid 2013.
4. It is anticipated that the acquisition of right of way will begin in the fall of 2014. Relocation of utilities will follow.
5. Bids will be solicited and a construction contract awarded whenever construction funds become available. The earliest this project would likely be ready for construction would be in late 2015 or early 2016.

Thank you for your attendance and the input you have provided for this important highway project.

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KY 185 Reconstruction/Relocation Pruitt Road to the Green River Bridge

December 11, 2012



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The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) welcomes you to tonight's public meeting for the Reconstruction/Relocation of KY 185 from just south of the Pruitt Road intersection to the bridge over the Green River. The purpose of this meeting is: 1) to present the preferred alternative; 2) to gather any additional or new information on the preferred alternative; and 3) to discuss project goals. Comments on the preferred alternative and its potential impacts are requested from the general public to further assist in the continuing development and design of this project.

Your involvement is very much appreciated and we encourage you to visit the two information displays and talk with the project team members. The KYTC recognizes that a vital part of the design process comes from public involvement. Please take the time to look around, ask questions, and submit the "Comment Form" provided. Please leave the completed form in the box near the sign-in table as you leave. If you would like to take the form home and submit it at a later date, please feel free to do so. Pre-addressed envelopes have been provided. All written comments will be accepted until December 28, 2012.

Project Summary

The existing KY 185 roadway from the beginning point of the project to the Green River Bridge consists of two 10-foot lanes with grass shoulders. There are numerous horizontal and vertical deficiencies throughout this section of KY 185 especially north of the old location of the Mt. Pleasant Church of Christ. Upgrading this roadway would provide a safer facility for a segment of the Butler County population that drives KY 185 into Warren County daily for their jobs, local residents accessing both their homes and churches located along KY 185, school buses along the route, and recreational traffic to Shanty Hollow Lake.

It was the recommendation of the Project Team that the new roadway facility should not follow the existing roadway's alignment for the following reasons:

- ◆ Existing horizontal curves are substandard for a 55 mph design speed.
- ◆ Minimum sight distance requirements are not met at the existing roadway sags and crests.
- ◆ Steepness of the existing roadway profile at many locations is above the maximum allowable grade.
- ◆ Acquisition of multiple homes adjacent to the existing roadway would be necessary to provide the required clear zone widths for safety and vehicle recovery.
- ◆ Maintenance of traffic during construction would be very costly and disruptive.
- ◆ Extensive relocation of utilities would be necessary.

Two Corridor Alignments, an eastern and western alternative, were presented at the public meeting held on October 18, 2007. A 500-foot wide corridor was shown for a general location of each potential alternative. The first corridor

alignment was shown on the east side of KY 185 from Pruitt Road to the Green River Bridge. The second corridor alignment stayed primarily on the west side of KY 185 then crosses KY 185 somewhere between Bratcher Road and Anna Raymer Road before tying to the Green River Bridge. After all public comments were received and considered, the Project Team selected the Eastern Alternative as the Preferred Alternative. Several variations of the Eastern Alternative were studied in order to reduce project costs and to minimize environmental impact. On March 13, 2012, a Preliminary Line and Grade Meeting was held and the alternative being shown at tonight's meeting was approved as the preferred alignment.

Preferred Alternative Costs

Estimated Year 2012 costs at the Preliminary Line and Grade Stage for the preferred alternative are:

Phase	2012 Highway Plan Budgets	Eastern Alternative
Right-of-Way Acquisition	\$3,700,000	\$3,000,000
Utilities Relocation	\$2,250,000	\$2,234,000
Construction	\$24,500,000	\$23,827,863
TOTAL	\$30,450,000	\$29,061,863

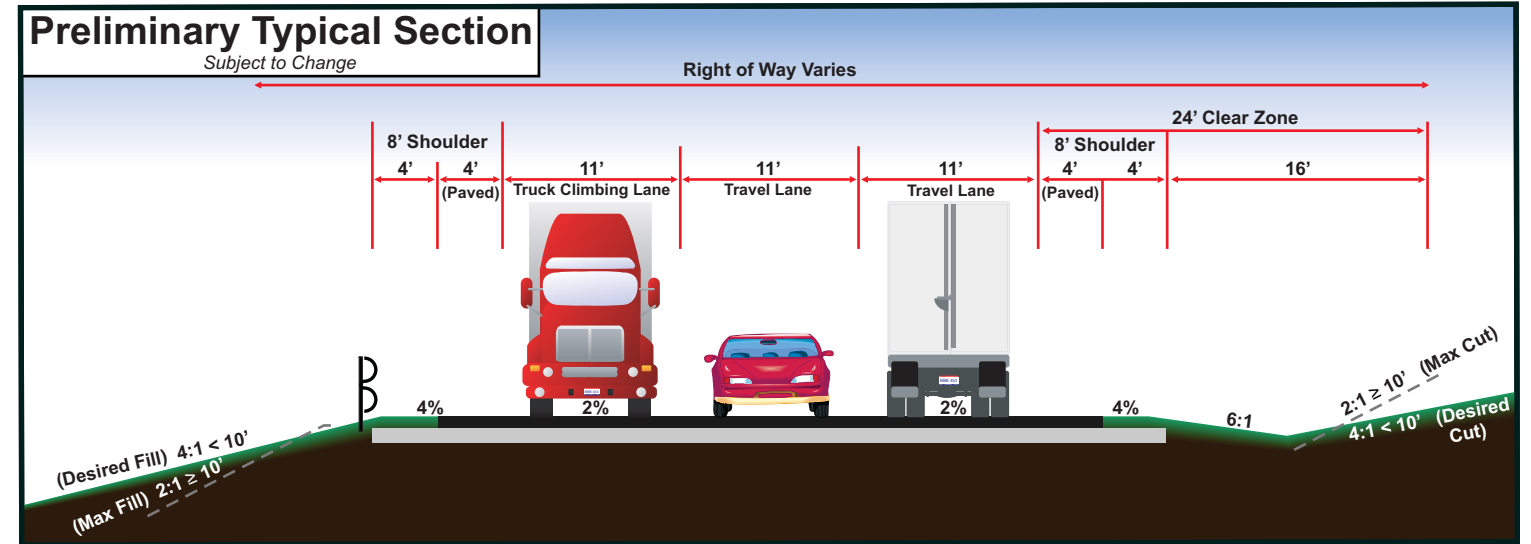
KY 185 is classified as a Rural Collector. For this class of highway, the posted speed limit would be 55 mph. The travel lane widths would be two 11-foot lanes with 8' shoulders (4' being paved). Truck climbing lanes would be added where warranted. The recommended typical section for the new roadway is shown on the next page.

Project Goals

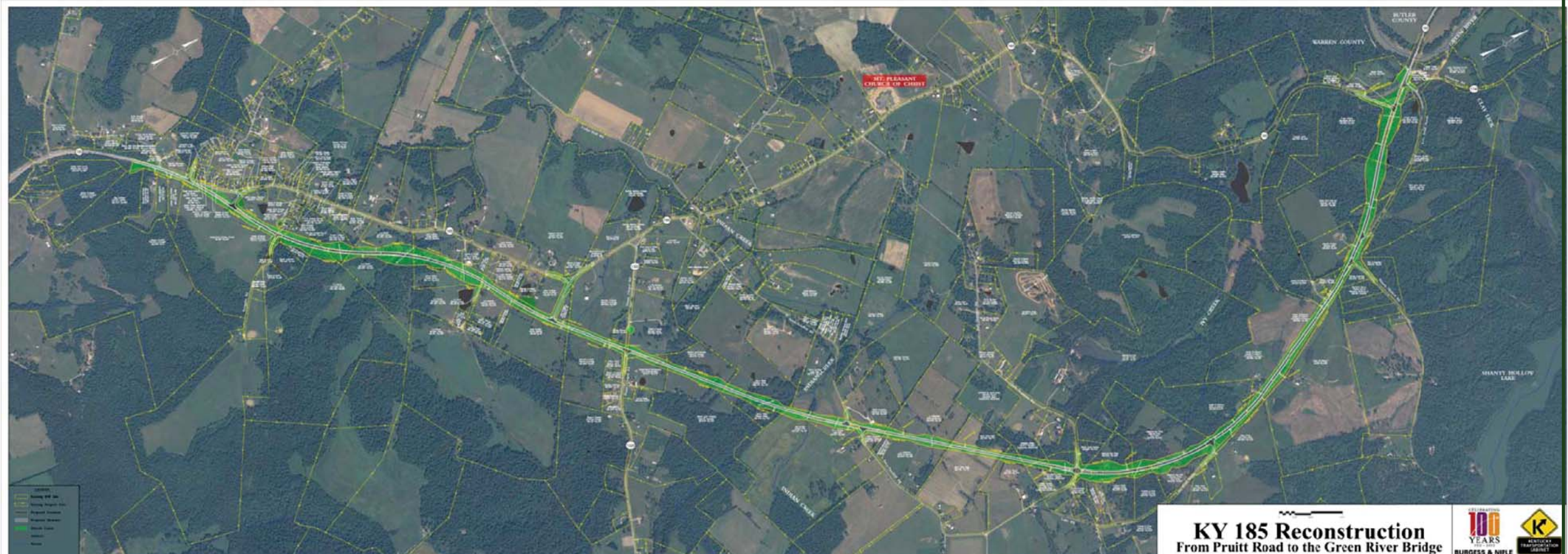
During the early stages of a project's evaluation, the Project Development Team identifies goals for the project. These project goals include:

- ◆ To increase safety and reduce accidents.
- ◆ To improve capacity and level of service of the roadway.
- ◆ To accommodate the forecasted increase in automotive and commercial truck traffic on KY 185. (Year 2006 - 4000 vehicles per day with 6.6% trucks; Year 2035 - 9400 vehicles per day with 10.2% trucks)

- ◆ To facilitate the movement of goods and services reinforcing economic development efforts in Warren and Butler Counties, while minimizing adverse economic, environmental and community impacts in a most cost-effective manner.
- ◆ To provide a roadway facility that meets current design standards.



All exhibits, displays, and materials presented at this meeting are available to the public upon their request from the district office. A nominal charge may be made for the reproduction of these displays.





KY 185 Reconstruction/Relocation Comment Sheet



**Public Information Meeting
Mt. Pleasant Church of Christ
10219 KY 185 – Bowling Green, Kentucky
December 11, 2012 - 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.**

You can help us better understand your transportation problems, issues, concerns and the potential impacts of the KY 185 Reconstruction/Relocation. The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet will use your comments to further evaluate the KY 185 Reconstruction/Relocation Project.

Please *return this form* before leaving the meeting, or request a postage paid envelope today and return your comments by mail no later than December 28, 2012.

Name: _____

Representing what organization (if any): _____

Address/City/State/Zip Code: _____

Email: (optional) _____

Your comments: _____

Thank You!

If you did not receive a postage paid envelope, please send your written comments to:

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