



## Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, District 5

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### Planning Study Public Meeting Set for KY 61/Preston Highway Improvements in Jefferson County

*May 21 meeting seeks comments on potential safety, mobility changes*

**LOUISVILLE, Ky. (May 1, 2024)** – A transportation planning study now underway in Jefferson County will evaluate potential improvements to KY 61 (Preston Highway) between Interstate 265 (Gene Snyder Freeway) and Interstate 264 (Watterson Expressway) that would make the drive better for Kentuckians who rely on the state highway. The study, dubbed the Preston Transportation Plan, will identify short-term and long-term highway safety and mobility enhancements for the roughly seven-mile corridor.

This study includes a full analysis of existing conditions along the corridor that will be used to develop practical solutions and improvement concepts to boost roadway safety, address congestion issues and improve traffic flow. The study area spans across KY 61 from Commerce Crossings Drive to Briden Avenue, the 7 miles from the Watterson Expressway to the Gene Snyder Freeway.

As the study transitions into the public involvement phase, the Preston Transportation Plan invites citizens to attend a public meeting Tuesday, May 21, to provide feedback. The public meeting will be an open-house event held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at South Central Regional Library, 7300 Jefferson Boulevard, in Louisville.

Those who are interested may drop in any time to receive handouts containing information and fill out comment sheets. Representatives from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and the project team will be in attendance to answer questions. In 2023, Louisville Metro Government finalized the [Preston Corridor Plan](#), and feedback submitted to Louisville Metro Government's study will be considered for KYTC's Preston Transportation Plan.

Written surveys will be available at the meeting for the public to provide feedback directly to the project team. Comments regarding the plan will be accepted until Tuesday, June 18, 2024, and may be mailed to the KYTC District 5 Office at 8310 Westport Road, Louisville, KY, 40242. An online survey will also be available following the public meeting.

Following the public meeting, displays and materials will be available for review at the KYTC District 5 Office. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Feedback will be accepted until June 18.

Input received from the May 21 public meeting and survey efforts will be compiled and considered as potential study concepts are developed. Outreach will continue throughout the course of the study, with a second public meeting anticipated for this fall to collect input on potential build concepts. A final report is expected to be published by March 2025.

All responses will become part of the official meeting record. Once compiled, the meeting record and supporting documentation will be made available for review and copying only after an Open Records Request has been received and approved. All Open Records Requests must be submitted to the Transportation Cabinet, Office of Legal Services, Transportation Office Building, 200 Metro St, Frankfort, KY 40622, or via [kyc.openrecords@ky.gov](mailto:kyc.openrecords@ky.gov).

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), anyone with a disability requiring assistance at the public meeting is asked to contact Morgan Woodrum at KYTC, no later than Tuesday, May 14. Please call (502) 764-0481, or mail your request to 8310 Westport Road, Louisville, KY 40242. Additionally, in compliance with Title VI, translation services are also offered.

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# Public Information Meeting

## PRESTON TRANSPORTATION PLAN



**TEAM  
KENTUCKY**  
TRANSPORTATION  
CABINET



**Tuesday, May 21  
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**



**South Central Regional Library  
7300 Jefferson Blvd  
Louisville, KY 40219**

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