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Greg Thomas
Secretary

December 2, 2019

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Dear : **PLEASE SEE ATTACHED RECIPIENT LIST FOR RECIPIENTS OF THIS LETTER**

Subject: Mall Road Interchange Connector Feasibility Study
Boone County
KYTC Item No. 6-446.00

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) has assembled a study team to identify and evaluate the feasibility of improvements to mobility and connectivity between the I-75/Mall Road interchange and KY 237 (Pleasant Valley Road) in Boone County, Kentucky. Through examination of roadway characteristics, traffic patterns, crashes, and environmental features in the study area, this study will identify costs and impacts associated with a new east-west connection.

We are requesting your agency's valuable input and comments on this study as part of the KYTC process.

The draft purpose and need of this project is as follows:

The purpose of the Mall Road Interchange Connector project is to improve east-west connectivity and mobility for all modes from KY 237 through KY 842 to the Mall Road/I-75 interchange.

The project need derives from the following:

Limited East-West Links

Previous efforts determined there are limited east-west connections in the vicinity of the study area. Beyond US 42, the nearest arterial connection to the north is 2.5 miles away at KY 18 (Burlington Pike); to the south, 2.0 miles of travel is required to reach KY 536 (Mt. Zion Road). Each has an interchange with I-75 and carries substantial peak hour traffic.

Alongside the lack of highway connections, pedestrians and bicyclists in the study area attempting to reach AM Yealey Elementary School, Lincoln Woods Park, Transit Authority of Northern Kentucky (TANK) transit center, and Florence Mall require substantial detours using US 42.



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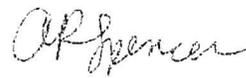
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We respectfully ask that you provide us with your comments by **January 31, 2020**, to ensure timely progress in this planning effort. We appreciate any input you can provide concerning this project. Please direct any comments, questions, or requests for additional information to the following:

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stephen.dewitte@ky.gov

Please include a return address on such correspondence. Thank you in advance for your response.

Sincerely,



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Director
Division of Planning

AS/SD/BC

Enclosures

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Bob Koehler, OKI
Jeff Thelen, NKADD
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John Moore
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United States Department of Agriculture

December 26, 2019

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Kentucky Transportation Cabinet
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200 Mero Street, 5th Floor West
Frankfort, KY 40622

RE: Mall Road Interchange Connector Feasibility Study-Boone Co KYTC Item #6-446.00

Dear Mr. DeWitte:

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has reviewed the information submitted for the subject Transportation Cabinet project in Boone County. The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is concerned with potential impacts that projects might have upon prime farmland soils, farmlands of statewide importance, PL-566 watershed structures, wetlands identified under the Food Security Act, Wetland Reserve Program (WRP) and Grassland Reserve Program (GRP) easements. Based upon the information provided, Kentucky NRCS does not anticipate the proposed actions will affect these resources or special environmental concerns.

NRCS is not aware of any existing USDA easements, plans or activities related to ongoing efforts in the defined project area. However, the area in question does appear to contain prime farmlands and farmlands of statewide importance. If it is anticipated that federal dollars will be used to permanently convert wetlands or important prime farmlands from agricultural uses to non-agricultural uses, a Form AD-1006 (or Form NRCS-CPA-106 if the project is a corridor type project) must be submitted to the local NRCS office. These forms may be obtained from any local NRCS office and are also available as electronic forms on the web at <http://forms.sc.gov.usda.gov/eForms/welcomeAction.do?Home>.

NRCS has no further environmental comments regarding the proposed project. We appreciate the opportunity to provide input on the scoping of this project. If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact Casey Shrader, NRCS KY State Biologist at (859) 224-7372 or Casey.Shrader@ky.usda.gov.

Sincerely,

GREG STONE
State Conservationist

cc: Casey Shrader, State Biologist, Lexington, KY
Steve Blanford, State Soil Scientist, Lexington, KY

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Re: **Mall Road Interchange Connector Feasibility Study**
Boone County
KYTC Item No. 6-446

Dear Mr. De Witte,

Thank you for your submission of the report cited above which is pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. Sec. 470f) and implementing regulations at 36 C.F.R. Part 800. We understand that KYTC has assembled a study team to identify and evaluate the feasibility of improvements to mobility and connectivity between the I-75/Mall Road interchange and KY 237 (Pleasant Valley Road) in Boone County, Kentucky.

At this time we would like to refer you to the Administrative Branch Manager, Dan Davis, at the Department of Environment Analysis (DEA) to review this project. After DEA has had an opportunity to review the project, identify possible cultural resources and make a determination of eligibility and effects, our office will be happy to give comment as part of the Section 106 review process.

Sincerely,

Craig A. Potts,
Executive Director and
State Historic Preservation Officer

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CC: Stephanie Lechert, Dan Davis, Stephen De Witte, P.E. (KYTC, Division of Planning)

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Subject: FW: KYTC Item NO. 6-446.00

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Sent: Friday, December 27, 2019 11:41:52 AM
To: De Witte, Stephen G (KYTC) <Stephen.DeWitte@ky.gov>
Subject: KYTC Item NO. 6-446.00

No permit is required for the proposed project, the highway structures associated with the project will be shielded by surrounding structures.

If a crane is used in the construction phase and exceeds the heights of surround structures, it will require a permit from the KAZC.

Thank you

Kentucky Airport Zoning Commission (KAZC)
John Houlihan, Administrator
Department of Highways, District 6
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KAZC webpage: <https://transportation.ky.gov/Aviation/Pages/airportzoning.aspx>

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Subject:

FW: Request for Comment on Mall Road Interchange Connector Feasibility Study

From: Ricks, Sharon L (HHS/OASH) <Sharon.Ricks@hhs.gov>
Sent: Monday, December 30, 2019 1:32:05 PM
To: De Witte, Stephen G (KYTC) <Stephen.DeWitte@ky.gov>
Cc: Jordan, Karen (HHS/ORD) <Karen.Jordan@hhs.gov>
Subject: Request for Comment on Mall Road Interchange Connector Feasibility Study

Dear Mr. De Witte,

Thank you for your letter to Mr. John McGough requesting HHS' input and comments on the Mall Road Interchange Connector Feasibility Study. We have no comments at this time, but we encourage you to connect with the county health department in Boone County to ensure that there are no environmental factors that may impact health outcomes.

Sharon L. Ricks

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Kentucky Department of Agriculture

January 8, 2020

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Reference: Kentucky Transportation Cabinet
Mall Road Interchange Connector Feasibility Study
Boone County
KYTC Item No. 6-446.00

Dear Mr. De Witte,

After researching the referenced request from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, I can identify no PACE properties to be affected by improvements to mobility and connectivity between the I-75/Mall Road interchange and KY 237 (Pleasant Valley Road) in Boone County.

At this time, there are no PACE properties in Boone County.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Benjamin C. Benton".

Benjamin C. Benton
PACE Program Coordinator





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**ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT CABINET
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January 22, 2020

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Re: Mall Road Interchange Connector Feasibility Study--KYTC 6-446.00-- SERO 2019-45

Dear Mr. De Witte,

The Energy and Environment Cabinet serves as the state clearinghouse for review of environmental documents generated pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Within the Cabinet, the Commissioner's Office in the Department for Environmental Protection coordinates the review for Kentucky state agencies. We received your letter requesting an environmental review for this project. We have reviewed the document and provided comments below.

Division of Water

Water Quality Branch:

No comments. Questions should be directed to Andrea Fredenburg, Water Quality Branch, (502) 782-6950, Andrea.Fredenburg@ky.gov.

Water Resources Branch:

In accordance with Kentucky Revised Statute 151.250(1), the construction, reconstruction, relocation or improvement of any dam, embankment, levee, dike, bridge, fill or other obstruction across or along any stream, or in the floodway of any stream constructed by the Department of Highways is exempt from the permitting or approval by the Kentucky DOW. Questions should be directed to Shawn Hokanson, Floodplain Management Section, (502) 782-6977, Shawn.Hokanson@ky.gov.

A Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification from the DOW is required for this project. Questions should be directed to Samantha Vogeler, Water Quality Certification Section, (502) 782-6995, Samantha.Vogeler@ky.gov.

Watershed Management:

The proposed project is within the Louisville Water Company designated Source Water Protection Area, Zone 3 (Zone of Potential Impact). Questions should be directed to Chloe Brantley, Water Supply Section, (502) 782-6898, Chloe.Brantley@ky.gov.

The proposed work is endorsed by the Groundwater Section of the Watershed Management Branch. However, the proposed work is located in an area with a high potential for karst development where groundwater is susceptible to direct contamination from surface activities. It is our recommendation that proposed work be made aware of the requirements of 401 KAR 5:037 and the need to develop a Groundwater Protection Plan (GPP) for the protection of groundwater resources within that area. Questions should be directed to Adam Nolte, Groundwater Section, (502) 782-1312, Adam.Nolte@ky.gov or David Jackson, Groundwater Section, (502) 782-6986, DavidA.Jackson@ky.gov.

Field Operations Branch:

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's project plans need to include (1) approval from DOW's Surface Water Permits Branch for site's storm water impacts by obtaining a General Kentucky Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit for Storm Water Construction Activities and (2) project site will need to be covered under a Best Management Plan and Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan to mitigate runoff and erosion and to ensure protection of waterways adjoining and within the project area. Questions should be directed to Connie Coy, Field Operations Branch, (502) 782-6587, Constance.Coy@ky.gov.

Division of Waste Management

UST Branch records indicate the following underground storage tank site issues identified within the project impact area:

Active Sites:

Speedway #9692

MASTER AI ID: 37235

LONGITUDE: -84.652602

LATITUDE: 38.981383

Blue Pantry #1

MASTER AI ID: 37171

LONGITUDE: -84.657258

LATITUDE: 38.978393

Murphy Express #8711

MASTER AI ID: 37262

LONGITUDE: -84.651389

LATITUDE: 38.981944

Kroger A-466 Fuel Station

MASTER AI ID: 117566

LONGITUDE: -84.656

LATITUDE: 38.997

Closed Sites:

Stop-N-Go

MASTER AI ID: 47240
LONGITUDE: -84.656504
LATITUDE: 38.978207999999995

Steffens Tool Crib Inc

MASTER AI ID: 66038
LONGITUDE: -84.655921999999999
LATITUDE: 38.978733999999996

Valvoline Instant Oil Change

MASTER AI ID: 47247
LONGITUDE: -84.650111
LATITUDE: 38.983556

Rosetta Lift Station

MASTER AI ID: 116539
LONGITUDE: -84.657664
LATITUDE: 38.984303

If any UST's are encountered during the project construction they should be reported to KDWM. Any UST issues or questions should be directed to the UST Branch.

Superfund Branch records indicate the following superfund site issues identified within the project impact area:

F & L Holdings

MASTER AI ID: 52312
SUBJECT ITEM DESIGNATION: 50515
CLOSURE OPTION DESC: Option A No Action Necessary
CLOSURE DATE: 01/02/2002
LAT LONG SOURCE: SI
LONGITUDE: -84.673729999999999
LATITUDE: 38.98244

Quast Asphalt

MASTER AI ID: 53080
SUBJECT ITEM DESIGNATION: 53622
CLOSURE OPTION DESC: Option C Restored
CLOSURE DATE: 06/01/2000
LAT LONG SOURCE: SI
LONGITUDE: -84.660733999999999
LATITUDE: 38.975491

Any superfund issues or questions should be directed to the Superfund Branch.

Solid Waste Branch records indicate no active or historic landfill sites within the project impact area. Solid Waste records include the following site issues:

MASTER AI ID: 74520
MASTER AI NAME: Tire Discounters
USER GROUP DESCRIPTION:
DWMSWB- General
ALTERNATE AI ID:
LONGITUDE: -84.649194
LATITUDE: 38.982278

MASTER AI ID: 45940
MASTER AI NAME: Midas
USER GROUP DESCRIPTION:
DWMSWB- General
ALTERNATE AI ID:
LONGITUDE: -84.649472
LATITUDE: 38.982222

Any solid waste issues or questions should be directed to the Solid Waste Branch.

Hazardous Waste Branch records indicate the following hazardous waste issues identified within the project impact area:

CVS Pharmacy #7648

MASTER AI ID: 125645

ALTERNATE AI ID: KYR000069344

USER GROUP DESCRIPTION: EPA ID Number (RCRA)

LONGITUDE: -84.661304

LATITUDE: 38.972941999999996

Any hazardous waste issues or questions should be directed to the Hazardous Waste Branch.

RLA Branch records indicate no RLA tracked open dumps within the project impact area.

Any questions or issues should be directed to the RLA Branch.

All solid waste generated by this project must be disposed of at a permitted facility.

If asbestos, lead paint and/or other contaminants are encountered during this project contact the Division of Waste Management for proper disposal and closure.

The information provided is based on those facilities or sites that KDWM currently has in its database. If you would like additional information on any of these facilities or sites, you may contact the file room custodian at (502) 782-6357. Please keep in mind additional locations of releases, potential contamination or waste facilities may be present but unknown to the agency. Therefore, it is recommended that appropriate precautions be taken during construction activities. Please report any evidence of illegal waste disposal facilities and releases of hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants or petroleum to the 24-hour Environmental Response Team at 1-800-928-2380.

Division for Air Quality

401 KAR 63:010, Fugitive Emissions, states that no person shall cause, suffer, or allow any material to be handled, processed, transported, or stored without taking reasonable precaution to prevent particulate matter from becoming airborne. Additional requirements include the covering of open bodied trucks, operating outside the work area transporting materials likely to become airborne, and that no one shall allow earth or other material being transported by truck or earth-moving equipment to be deposited onto a paved street or roadway. Please note the Fugitive Emissions Fact Sheet located at <https://eec.ky.gov/Environmental-Protection/Air/Documents/Fugitive%20Dust%20Fact%20Sheet.pdf>

401 KAR 63:005 states that open burning shall be prohibited except as specifically provided. Open Burning is defined as the burning of any matter in such a manner that the products of combustion resulting from the burning are emitted directly into the outdoor atmosphere without passing through a stack or chimney. However, open burning may be utilized for the expressed purposes listed on the Open Burning Brochure located at <https://eec.ky.gov/Environmental-Protection/Air/Pages/Open-Burning.aspx>

The Division would like to offer the following suggestions on how this project can help us stay in compliance with the NAAQS. These air quality control strategies are beneficial to the health of citizens of Kentucky.

- Utilize alternatively fueled equipment.
- Utilize other emission controls that are applicable to your equipment.
- Reduce idling time on equipment.

The Division also suggests an investigation into compliance with applicable local government regulations.

This review is based upon the information that was provided by the applicant. An endorsement of this project does not satisfy, or imply, the acceptance or issuance of any permits, certifications or approvals that may be required from this agency under Kentucky Revised Statutes or Kentucky Administrative Regulations. Such endorsement means this agency has found no major concerns from the review of the proposed project as presented other than those stated as conditions or comments. If you should have any questions, please contact me at (502) 782-0863.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Louanna C. Aldridge". The signature is written in a cursive style with a clear, legible font.

Louanna Aldridge



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KYTC Item No. 6-446.00

Dear Mr. De Witte:

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) has received your request for information pertaining to the subject project. The Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Information System indicates that the federally-listed Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) is known to occur within 10 miles of the project site. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service-Kentucky Field Office may have specific guidelines regarding possible tree-clearing on-site for the proposed project. The state-listed Redback Salamander (*Plethodon cinereus*), Northern Leopard Frog (*Rana pipiens*), Brown Creeper (*Certhia Americana*), Rose-Breasted Grosbeak (*Pheucticus ludovicianus*), and Red-Breasted Nuthatch (*Sitta canadensis*) are known to occur within one mile of the project site. Please be aware that our database system is a dynamic one that only represents our current knowledge of various species distributions.

KDFWR recommends that you contact the appropriate US Army Corps of Engineers office and the Kentucky Division of Water prior to any work within the waterways or wetland habitats of Kentucky. Additionally, KDFWR recommends the following for the portions of the project that impact streams:

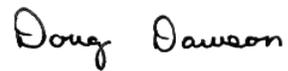
- Channel changes located within the project area should incorporate natural stream channel design.
- If culverts are used, the culvert should be designed to allow the passage of aquatic organisms.
- Culverts should be designed so that degradation upstream and downstream of the culvert does not occur.
- Development/excavation during low flow period to minimize disturbances.
- Proper placement of erosion control structures below highly disturbed areas to minimize entry of silt into area streams.
- Replanting of disturbed areas after construction, including stream banks, with native vegetation for soil stabilization and enhancement of fish and wildlife populations. We recommend a 75 foot forested buffer along each stream bank.
- Return all disturbed instream habitat to a stable condition upon completion of construction in the area.
- Preservation of any tree canopy overhanging any streams within the project area.



To minimize impacts to the aquatic environment, the KDFWR recommends erosion control measures be developed and implemented prior to construction to reduce siltation into waterways and/or karst features located within the project area. Such erosion control measures may include, but are not limited to silt fences, staked straw bales, brush barriers, sediment basins, and diversion ditches. Erosion control measures will need to be installed prior to construction and should be inspected and repaired regularly as needed.

I hope this information is helpful to you, if you have questions or require additional information, please call me at 502-892-4472.

Sincerely,

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Doug Dawson
Environmental Section Chief

Subject:

FW: Mall Road Interchange Connector Feasibility Study

From: Haywood, Matthew (EEC)**Sent:** Thursday, January 23, 2020 9:30 AM**To:** De Witte, Stephen G (KYTC) <Stephen.DeWitte@ky.gov>**Subject:** Mall Road Interchange Connector Feasibility Study

The Kentucky Division of Forestry has no State Forests or Champion Trees in the impact area. Nor do we have any ongoing projects that would be affected in this area.

Thank you

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January 31, 2020

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RE: Mall Road Interchange Connector Feasibility Study, Boone Co, KYTC Item No. 6-446.00

Ms. Spencer,

On behalf of the Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce (NKY Chamber), we offer our support of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's (KYTC) efforts to create a new road for the Mall Road Interchange Connector in Boone County.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide comments and input into this valuable east-west connector for the fastest growing county in the Cincinnati MSA.

The NKY Chamber represents over 1,500 employers in northern Kentucky and the surrounding region. We enjoy a diverse economy, with broad representation of employment in all sectors of the economy, including manufacturing, distribution, agriculture, finance, and services. Our region has enjoyed and is positioned for economic growth. We are committed to protecting human health and the environment and at the same time preserving and empowering a robust economic climate in our community.

This new road will improve east-west connectivity and mobility for all modes from KY 237 (Pleasant Valley Road) through KY 842 (Hopeful Church Road) to the Mall Road/I-75&71 Interchange.

The Boone County Transportation Plan, recently updated in 2017, identified this project as a priority and it was fully vetted within our community at that time. This plan was completed by the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments at the request of the Boone County Fiscal Court.

As the members of the largest business organization in Northern Kentucky, we agree with the need to improve east-west connectivity in Boone County as well as the need to reduce congestion along U.S. 42 in Florence.

Due to the continued development in this region, we would strongly encourage KYTC to develop the 5-lane road, instead of the smaller 3-lane road option presented. While we understand road funding is limited across the Commonwealth, we believe in order to properly address this corridor's growth the multiple lane plan is a priority for our region.

As with any new development or redevelopment project, effective storm water management must be considered. The proposed alignment bisects the South Fork of the Gunpowder Creek watershed and will have direct storm water runoff impacts to property owners served by both the City of Florence and Sanitation District No. 1 (SD1). The portion of Gunpowder Creek impacted by the proposed alignment



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has been evaluated for stream erosion and channel instability by SD1, as well as other entities. The streams in the immediate vicinity are of moderate channel instability risk, with unstable portions just downstream. We strongly suggest coordinating with local jurisdictions on appropriate storm water management strategies.

We are aware the large undeveloped Rehkamp Farm, adjacent to the north of the proposed Mall Road Connector, is scheduled for development in the coming years. Due to this significant residential and commercial development in the coming years, we believe it increases the need for this new east-west connector to Interstates 75/71.

This new road will provide pedestrians and bicyclists easier connectivity to Yealey Elementary School, Lincoln Woods Park, TANK's Florence Transit Hub and Florence Mall. All of which fits into Boone County's overall goal of improved bicycle and pedestrian connectivity and safety.

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to provide input for this main artery from KY 237 (Pleasant Valley Road) through KY 842 (Hopeful Church Road) to the Mall Road/I-75&71 Interchange.

Sincerely,

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