



US 51 STUDY AT BARDWELL

Fact Sheet



1. Who is conducting the study?

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) is conducting a study of US 51 in the vicinity of Bardwell, KY. KYTC has selected the consulting engineering firm of Parsons Brinckerhoff to prepare the planning study and to conduct a comprehensive public involvement program. The Federal Highway Administration and the Purchase Area Development District are working together with KYTC on the project. A similar study is also being conducted for US 51 in Clinton, KY by the same project team.

2. What is the purpose of the study?

- Examine US 51 in Bardwell to determine where (or if) there are problems or deficiencies;
- Develop a range of alternative improvements to address identified problems;
- Evaluate and compare the proposed alternatives (including the no-build option), considering transportation, community, environmental, and economic benefits and impacts; and
- Recommend a preferred alternative or set of alternatives for implementation.

3. What are the boundaries of the study?

The study area runs along US 51 from north of the railroad overpass north of Bardwell to south of KY 1377 south of Bardwell. To the east and west, the study area extends over one mile from US 51 near US 62 and KY 123. (Refer to map on back)

4. What alternatives will be examined?

The study will examine the complete range of improvement alternatives from doing nothing to sidewalk improvements to upgrading US 51 to new roadway alignments. All options put forth will be considered. There is no predetermined solution for this study. All alternatives will be evaluated to determine which best addresses the study area issues and deficiencies. The evaluation will consider a broad range of transportation, community, environmental, and economic benefits and impacts.

5. How far along is the study and when will it be complete?

Currently the alternatives to be studied are being developed (through technical study and public input). The next step will be to evaluate the alternatives. The study will be completed in March 2003.

6. How can I get involved?

(1) Attend public meetings. There will be public meetings during the course of the project. The meetings will be widely advertised in advance. The meetings provide you with the opportunity to express the issues you think are important for the study to consider. They also give you the opportunity to provide input and feedback on the alternatives to be studied. KYTC and the entire project team want to hear your views on the study from the initial stages through the entire study process.

(2) Fill out comment forms. Comment forms will be available at public meetings and other special public involvement events. Please take the time to fill out these forms and give us your feedback.

(3) Watch for announcements. Watch for news of meetings, special events, or other project developments

7. If you have further questions or comments please contact:

By Telephone:
Charles David Martin, P.E.
Division of Planning
Kentucky Transportation Cabinet
Tel: 502-564-7183

Or Write to:
Annette Coffey, P.E., Director
Division of Planning
Kentucky Transportation Cabinet
125 Holmes St.
Frankfort, KY 40622