



Project: Item No. 99-394.00
 I-71 Corridor
 Jefferson, Oldham, Henry, Trimble, Carroll, Gallatin and Boone Counties
 I-65 in Jefferson County to I-75 in Boone County

Purpose: Stakeholder Meeting #1

Place: General Butler State Park
 Carrollton, KY

Meeting Date: March 29, 2013

Prepared By: Annette Coffey

Attendees:	Bob Yeager Judge Harold "Shorty" Tomlinson Steve Dale Judge Jerry Powell Judge David Voegele Judge Ken McFarland Judge John Brent Jeremy Lukat Tom Springer Annette Coffey	KYTC – D6 County Judge, Carroll Co. Director -Kentucky Connected County Judge, Trimble Co. County Judge, Oldham Co. County Judge, Gallatin Co. County Judge, Henry Co. Qk4 Qk4 Qk4
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Judge Tomlinson opened the meeting and went through the group's regular agenda. When he arrived at the I-71 agenda item, he introduced Bob Yeager of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's (KYTC) District 6 Office to provide an overview of the I-71 Corridor Study. Mr. Yeager is the project manager for this project for KYTC. Mr. Yeager explained that this corridor is unique in that it covers two KYTC districts, two Area Development Districts working together, and a five-county corridor group. He kicked off the overview, stating:

- The purpose is to evaluate safety and needs for this 78-mile corridor.
- This is a cost-plus contract so to provide more flexibility to focus on needed areas as they arise during the study.

- The goal is to have recommendations from this study by the end of this year, so they are available for consideration into the next highway plan.

Mr. Yeager then introduced Annette Coffey, Qk4's Project Manager for this project. Ms. Coffey gave a brief presentation of the purpose and scope of this I-71 study (attached). The I-71 Corridor Study is from I-64 to I-75, nearly 78 miles, and the two main focuses are safety and congestion. That presentation is attached. The key points were:

- The Scope of Work will focus on the segments of I-71 that have not been studied
- The Scope includes stakeholder involvement, a snapshot in time now, and a snapshot of what the corridor may look like 25 years from now. Qk4 will compile and analyze existing conditions (bridges, traffic, crash data, ramps, merge and diverge movements, safety conditions, etc.), perform traffic data collection, analyze existing conditions, improvement options, and recommend improvements and priorities, then document the process.
- Quick Wins will also be identified as a part of this study.
- A draft report is due in October and a final report in December

The County Judges were provided a questionnaire and asked to meet with their industry representatives to assist in providing truck data to help Qk4 better represent the current and future traffic in their counties. This information was requested by April 6, 2013 to help keep the project on schedule. Mr. Springer also discussed the importance of the interstate system to the Federal Highway Administration and the importance of this information requested.

The group requested that a copy of the presentation be provided to them following the meeting. Mr. Dale will draft a letter for each County Judge to aid in meeting with their respective industries to gain the needed information. The regular meeting of this larger group will take place next month; Bob Yeager will provide an update at that meeting.



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Purpose: Stakeholder Meeting #2

Place: John Black Convention Center
 Oldham County, KY

Meeting Date: April 29, 2013

Prepared By: Annette Coffey

Attendees:	Judge Harold "Shorty" Tomlinson Steve Dale Judge Jerry Powell Judge David Voegelé Judge Ken McFarland Judge John Brent Gregory D. Goff Doug Miles Frank Downing Jeff Thelen Felicia Harper Jim Urban Deana Karem Lisa Stethen Roger Hartlale Jimmie Simpson Russ Rose John W. Black Bob Yeager Annette Coffey	County Judge, Carroll Co. Director -Kentucky Connected County Judge, Trimble Co. County Judge, Oldham Co. County Judge, Gallatin Co. County Judge, Henry Co. Carroll Co. Community Development First National Bank Owen County NKADD KIPDA Oldham County Oldham Co. Chamber/Econ Dev. JCTC Henry County Henry County Water District Oldham County Water Oldham County Fiscal Court KYTC – D6 Qk4
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- The Scope of Work will focus on the segments of I-71 that have not been studied
- The Scope includes stakeholder involvement for which this group serves as the only stakeholder involvement.
- A snapshot in time now, and a snapshot of what the corridor may look like 25 years from now is the current focus. Qk4 will compile and analyze existing conditions (bridges, traffic, crash data, ramps, merge and diverge movements, safety conditions, etc.), perform traffic data collection, analyze existing conditions, improvement options, and recommend improvements and priorities, then document the process. We are in the process of collecting this information now and hope to present that "snapshot" in June.
- Quick Wins will also be identified as a part of this study in October
- A draft report is due in October and a final report in December
- Stressed the importance of completing the industry survey for major truck generators

The attendees were provided additional questionnaires and asked to meet with their industry representatives to assist in providing truck data to help Qk4 better represent the current and future traffic in their counties. There was a question as to whether this study would consider collisions with animals. She stated that the number collisions with deer are a concern in Oldham County. Our response was yes, those crashes will be identified and if there are countermeasures, they will be considered.



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MEETING MINUTES

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Purpose: Project Stakeholders Meeting #3

Place: General Butler State Park – Carrollton

Meeting Date: December 12, 2013
12:30 p.m. EDT

Prepared By: Bruce Siria

In Attendance:	Mikael Pelfrey	KYTC, Division of Planning
	Judi Hickerson	KYTC, District 5 - Louisville
	Chris Allen	KYTC, District 5 – Louisville
	Frank Downing	Owen Co. Industrial Authority
	Carolyn Keith	Owen Co. Fiscal Court
	Richard Polk	EOP Architects
	Ken Marks	KCTCS
	John L Brent	Henry Co. Judge-Executive
	Susan Lancho	Kentucky-American Water Co.
	Mike Stafford	Owen Electric Cooperative
	Ken McFarland	Gallatin Co. Judge-Executive
	Steve Dale	Kentucky Connected
	Harold “Shorty” Tomlinson	Carroll Co. Judge-Executive
	Jerry Powell	Trimble Co. Judge-Executive
	Greg Goff	Carroll Co. Community Development Corporation
	Robert Yoder	Carroll Co. Community Development Corporation
	Jeff Thelan	Northern Kentucky Area Development District
	Dave Spatholt	Northern Kentucky Area Development District

David Voegele	Oldham Co. Judge-Executive
Felicia Harper	KIPDA
Randall Embry	KIPDA
Nancy Jarett	ATT
Bill Osborne	Carrollton Utilities
Phyllis McLaughlin	Carroll Co. News Democrat
Renee Bruck	Madison Courier
Susan Carlisle	KCTCS
Annette Coffey	Qk4
Jeremy Lukat	Qk4
Tom Springer	Qk4
Albert Zimmerman	Qk4
Bruce Siria	Qk4

(Note: These minutes reflect only the portion of the December 12, 2013 meeting that concerned the I-71 Study.)

After attendees introduced themselves, Mr. Pelfrey provided a brief project overview.

Ms. Coffey provided an overview of activities conducted since the last meeting in April. Since that meeting, existing roadway conditions have been inventoried, several previous planning studies of portions of the roadway have been reviewed, and traffic and crash data have been collected and analyzed. Current roadway conditions were then compared to current design standards to identify locations of concern and potential need for improvement. The purpose of the project was to identify safety and congestion issues and propose project solutions to improve both.

Qk4 forecasted future year traffic volumes and congestion out to the year 2038 (25 years). Congested locations were then overlaid with high crash spots and geometric design features to pinpoint problem locations. Mr. Siria summarized Qk4's review of more than 1000 crash reports from locations. The crash records from many of these locations did not reveal any discernible pattern, though seven locations within the corridor did have such patterns. Congestion, long vertical grades, and truck volumes along with wet pavements and high vehicle speeds were prevalent at these crash locations, as were vehicle collisions with animals and distracted drivers.

Ms. Coffey distributed a graph which depicted current and future (2038) traffic volumes compared with volumes that signified congested conditions. A list of recommended priority project improvements was distributed for discussion that included major improvements to mainline I-71 (such as truck climbing lanes, widening from four to six lanes, reconstructing vertical and horizontal curves, and adding new interchanges), minor improvements to mainline I-71 (such as median cable barriers, signage, safety barriers and guardrail), and improvements to interchanging crossroads in the

vicinity of I-71. A separate list of recommended priorities for ITS projects was also presented. Four possible locations were considered for a new interchange, with only a location in Carroll County being recommended at this time.

Judge Voegele stressed that Oldham County favored a new interchange where an I-71 overpass is currently being constructed due to the anticipated build-out of a nearby office park. Judge Voegele also asked about the possibility of signage on routes accessing I-71 that could advise motorists of traffic issues on I-71 before they entered the route.

Judge Tomlinson asked if the cost of congestion to major industries and delivery trucks had been estimated for this project. Ms. Coffey responded that such a calculation had not been performed.

Mr. Dale and Judge Tomlinson noted that they had planned to use this report in their recruitment of industries to demonstrate that a plan was in place to widen all of I-71 to six lanes. They would like to start the process of lobbying for the widening to six lanes in the near future.

Ms. Coffey pointed out that periodic reevaluations of this study would need to be conducted in the future as land uses and population growth changed.

In closing, it was noted that a Draft report would be presented in January and made available to the attendees for comment. The Final report is scheduled to be completed in April 2014.

The meeting concluded at approximately 2:30 p.m.