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TO: Recipients of the 2024 Enacted Highway Plan

On behalf of Governor Andy Beshear, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) is pleased to present the 2024 Enacted Highway Plan. As required by the Kentucky Revised Statues, Chapter 176, this plan is the means by which major highway improvement projects scheduled for the next six years were submitted to, and enacted by, the 2024 Kentucky General Assembly. The 2024 Enacted Highway Plan outlines scheduled highway project activities for FY 2024 through FY 2030.

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's mission is to provide a safe, efficient, environmentally sound, and fiscally responsible transportation system that delivers economic opportunity and enhances the quality of life in Kentucky. In developing Kentucky's 2024 Enacted Highway Plan, KYTC is using highway system performance data to address bridge and pavement needs determined through "asset management" scenario planning.

Alongside the use of KYTC's SHIFT (Strategic Highway Investment Formula for Tomorrow) mechanism for ranking proposed highway mobility projects across the state, the 2024 Enacted Highway Plan is largely a data-driven document, seeking to balance priority existing system investments with needed safety, regional access, and economic development projects located across the Commonwealth.

The plan provides substantial state and federal funding to help address the backlog of needed pavement repairs and deficient bridges. Through the SHIFT Process, KYTC worked with legislators, Area Development Districts (ADDs), and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to weigh the relative need of individual projects. The SHIFT prioritization tool used technical data analyses to produce relative scores for projects being considered for the Highway Plan and was augmented by those local discussions. The SHIFT input factors helped determine mobility projects to be considered for inclusion in this edition of the Highway Plan, but engineering judgement and KYTC's long-range vision and goals also contributed significantly to the ultimate prioritization of Highway Plan investments.

For the 2024 Enacted Highway Plan, FY-2025 through FY-2030 funding estimates total nearly \$9.6 billion, including \$6.4 billion in federal funds, \$1.4 billion in required state matching funds, \$114 million in local matching funds, \$950 million in state construction funding expected to be available for state priority "SPP" projects, \$20 million of state road funds in FY-2025 and



\$20 million of state road funds in FY-2026 for a County Priority Project ("CPP") program, \$450 million in State General Fund money identified for "High Growth Counties" projects, and \$300 million of State General Fund revenue that was made available for the I-69 Ohio River Crossing (ORX) and Mountain Parkway Extension projects should federal MPDG grants be awarded for those two projects. The federal dollars are based on the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) enacted by Congress in November 2021. The new federal law reauthorized existing federal transportation programs and provided numerous opportunities for competitive discretionary highway grant funding. It is KYTC's goal to continue to compete favorably for those grants to help fund some of our larger projects while also working closely with local governments to aggressively pursue grant funds for locally important projects.

The 2024 Enacted Highway Plan provides a core group of projects designed to responsibly address infrastructure priorities across Kentucky for the next six years. The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet is pleased to present this regionally diverse, prioritized highway program.

Sincerely,

Jim Gray Secretary