



What We've Learned Along the Way:

MoDOT has met with the public many times to discuss the Route 150 Widening and has developed specific studies to better inform the design of the improved roadway. What's been learned along the way is described below.

- Targeted Stakeholder Meetings:** More than 20 meetings were held with selected corridor stakeholders representing community and business organizations, neighborhood associations, city departments, and elected officials to discuss project issues and concerns. Stakeholder feedback included comments about walking and biking along Route 150, its rural character, wildlife corridors, and water quality best management practices.
- Community Coffees:** Five coffees (small, public open houses) were held for property owners, developers, emergency service providers, neighborhood and corridor groups, school district representatives, and utility companies to discuss specific project issues with MoDOT and the design team in small groups. Participants provided comments related to access, water runoff and flow, noise and congestion, priority roadway enhancements, and other items.
- Public Meetings:** These large, public open houses provided residents and stakeholders another opportunity to ask questions and provide input to designers, first regarding the project scope and later its design. Input collected during the fall public meeting concerned a number of issues including speeding, property acquisition, landscaping, and traffic-calming.

- Noise Study:** MoDOT and the design team performed a noise study to gauge the impact of the roadway improvement on nearby properties. Preliminary study results showed that select properties in the corridor might need sound walls, but later analysis indicated that sound walls were warranted only in a few locations. To be eligible for sound walls, properties must meet specific criteria.
- Access Management Study:** The access management study analyzed the design, operation, spacing, and location of arterial streets and driveways along Route 150 that drivers use to enter and exit the roadway. It also reviewed the use of medians, turning and traveling lanes, accommodations for U-turns, and traffic signal spacing.
- Value Engineering (VE) Study:** The VE study evaluated the design team's recommendations to identify the most cost-effective design for increasing the capacity and safety of the corridor while minimizing displacements. The study represents the second right answer for improving Route 150. Reducing the lane widths from 12 feet to 11 feet was a key study finding. Narrowing the lane widths will reduce project pavement costs and bring the project within its allotted budget. It will also encourage motorists to reduce their speeds and drive the posted speed, thereby resulting in traffic-calming.

Residents at a summer community coffee



A community member discusses issues and concerns about the roadway with staff at the first public meeting



Typical Project Schedule

- Planning
- **Preliminary Design**
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- Right-of-Way Design
- Bridge Design
- Final Design
- Bidding
- Construction (2008-2010)

Background

Project Overview

The Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) plans to widen an eight-mile section of Route 150 between Route 71 and Route 291 from two lanes to four lanes. The project is being funded with Amendment 3 dollars totaling approximately \$30 million. Missouri voters approved Amendment 3 in 2004 to enhance the condition and accelerate the completion of the state's priority road and bridge projects.



Right-of-Way

Rules and Regulations

The Route 150 Widening project is being processed in accordance with federal rules and regulations. Plans will be subject to review by the Federal Highway Administration. If federal funds are used in right-of-way acquisition and/or construction, the percentage of federal funds used will be in accordance with current regulations. As soon as design approval is received, the Missouri Department of Transportation will proceed with final design and right-of-way acquisition and construction will take place.



FAQ's Frequently Asked Questions

Who will determine the value of my property? A qualified appraiser will inspect your property. The appraiser will have a set of roadway plans and will discuss the acquisition with you.

Will I know when my property will be inspected? The appraiser will contact you. MoDOT will try to give you as much notice as possible.

How will the value of my property be determined? The value will be based on your property's current market value.

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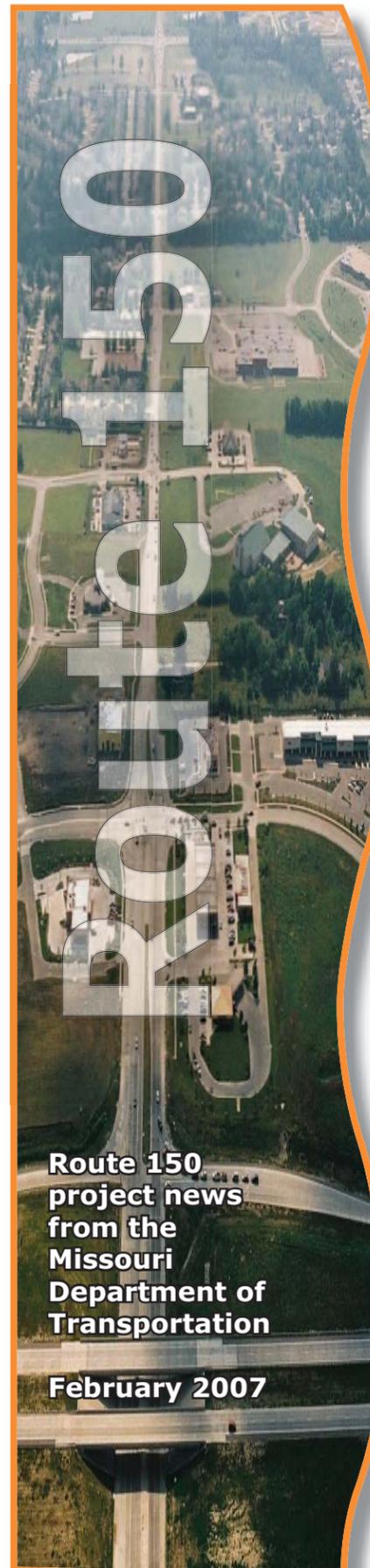
James N. Crain and Tony Preyer, 3rd Ward

Kansas City Council Representatives:

Alvin Brooks, 6th District At-Large
Charles A. Eddy, 6th District

Lee's Summit Council Representatives:

James Hallam and Kathy Hofmann, 1st District
Randall L. Rhoads and Ron Williams, 2nd District



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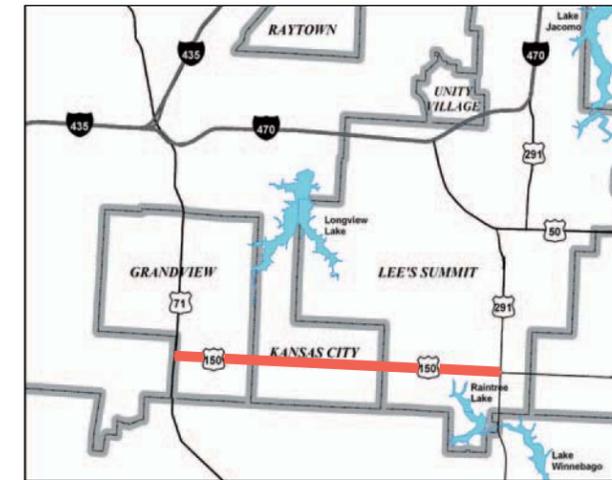
Open House Public Meeting

February 27, 2007 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Meadowmere Elementary School
7010 E. 136th Street
Grandview, Missouri

We Want to Hear from You

Today's open house is for the Route 150 Widening project. It is an opportunity for corridor residents and stakeholders to receive information and learn more about the project. Most importantly, it is your opportunity to review and comment on the project's preliminary design.



As you move through the meeting, be sure to jot down your comments and thoughts on the comment cards provided. Your views will help with the project's final design.

Please note that a transcript of today's meeting will be created and submitted to the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT).



Any additional comments received within 10 working days after the hearing will be made part of the transcript and substantive comments will be addressed.



Questions?

Call 1-888-ASK MODOT or e-mail Stephen.Porter@modot.mo.gov. You can also write MoDOT at 600 NE Colbern Road in Lee's Summit, Missouri 64086.