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KDOT 5-County Regional Transportation Study

Yesterday I participated in the first 5-County Regional Transportation Summit to convene KDOT's 5-County Regional Transportation Study. The study will assess the transportation needs and opportunities for the counties of Leavenworth, Wyandotte, Douglas, Johnson, and Miami.

Kansas Secretary of Transportation Deb Miller discussed the challenges facing the State regarding transportation and the budget. Because of the downturn in the economy, the State is having to postpone or cancel hundreds of millions of dollars worth of transportation projects. The good news is the State is also preparing to take advantage of any economic stimulus package that President-elect Obama's administration may approve early next year. They have identified hundreds of projects throughout the State that would be high priority projects to spend any state-allocated funds. Secretary Miller also stated the importance of the 5-County region to the State of Kansas and expressed the desires of KDOT to create a plan to ensure that the area continues to provide economic opportunities for many years to come.

Also discussed were transportation issues in the 5-County region, the affect transportation on climate change, and various technologies that are being implemented throughout the nation to address congestion and other metropolitan transportation issues.

For more information on the 5-County Regional Transportation Study, please visit <http://www.5countystudy.org/>.

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