

MINUTES
OF THE
BIG SANDY AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, August 26th, 2025

Members in Attendance

Matt Wireman, Judge Executive of Magoffin County

Mark McKenzie, Judge Executive of Johnson County

David Ellis, Floyd County Representative

Rick Hughes, Mayor of Prestonsburg

Ronnie Warrix, Martin County Representative

Fabian Little, Pike Co. Road Department Supervisor

Reggie Hickman, Pikeville City Manager

Aaron King, Big Sandy ADD

Joe Jacobs, Big Sandy ADD

Guests in Attendance

Charlie Dale, KYTC HDO 12

Chris James, KYTC HDO 12

Darren Back, KYTC HDO 10

Mary Westfall-Holbrook, KYTC HDO 12

Colten Ray Terry, Big Sandy ADD

Blake Moss, Big Sandy ADD

Nathan Ridgway, KYTC

Call to Order

J/E Mark McKenzie stepped in as chairman. Mr. McKenzie called the meeting to order and made introductions.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. David Ellis moved that the minutes of May 27, 2025, meeting be approved. Mr. Ronnie Warrix seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Committee Business

FY 2026 Plan for Committee Activities

Mr. King gave an overview of the Plan for Committee Activities which was provided in the packet. After discussion, Judge Wireman moved to approve the Plan as presented. Mr. Ellis seconded the motion and the motion carried.

FY 2026 Committee Regional Goals and Objectives

Mr. King gave an overview of the Goals and Objectives which were provided in the packet. After discussion, Mr. Ellis moved to approve the existing Goals and Objectives as presented. Mr. Warrix seconded the motion and the motion carried.

FY 2026 Committee By-Laws

Mr. King gave an overview of the most recent history of the By-Laws which were provided in the packet. Following discussion Mr. Warrix moved to approve the existing By-Laws as presented. Mr. Ellis seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Rural Consultation Survey

Mr. King gave a brief overview of the 2025 Rural Consultation Survey and asked those present if they wanted to participate. A QR Code (link) to survey was presented to the committee. Further, the committee took a few moments to complete survey, if they wished to do so.

SHIFT Prioritization (Boosting) Process

Mr. Joe Jacobs and Mr. King presented the slate of scored projects ranked by score and explained that the committee has only 9 boosts available. As in the last SHIFT cycle, the counties and the City of Pikeville will each identify a number one and number two priority project. Each top priority project will receive a boost. The counties will then present their second priority projects to the committee for consideration and the membership will select which of those projects will be boosted. Committee members broke into county groups for consultation and selected their top two priority projects. Each county's top project was selected for boosting. Each county group then presented their second tier priority for the remaining four boost slots. After discussion, the committee members decided that since there is already broad support for the US 460 widening project between Johnson and Magoffin County (10-80101), and since only 4 boosts remain, that the US 460 project would not be selected for boosting leaving the following slate of 9 projects. (Projects in **Bold** were the first 5 selected for a boost; underlined projects were the last 4 selected for a boost; *italicized* projects were not boosted):

Floyd:

- 1. 12-195.00 - Spot improvements from Branham's creek to John M. Stumbo school.**
2. 12-5019.00 - Address rockfall issues on KY 80 at MP 8 to MP 10 in Floyd County.

Johnson:

- 1. 12-171.00 - Perform a design study to examine potential spot improvements on KY 172 to match Magoffin Co. improvements.**

2. *10-80101- Improve us 460 from the intersection with KY 114 to the interchange with us 23 (Not Boosted)*

Pike:

1. **12-147.00- Mitigate or eliminate rockfall hazards and improve roadway for better flow and efficiency to handle the expected congestion arising from events at the expo center.**
2. 12-80309.00- Make template changes to improve sight distance, drainage, and ingress/egress through this commercial section of US 23

Martin:

1. **12-154.11 - Inez to Warfield, from Little Blacklog to booth fork**
2. IP20230127- Improve safety and geometrics of KY 292 from the intersection of KY 40 in Warfield north to the intersection of KY 908.

Magoffin:

1. **10-80302.00- Reconstruct KY 7 from will bailey branch road to KY 1090.**
2. 10-213.00- Roadway improvements and sidewalk construction along KY 40

David Ellis, Floyd County Representative, made a motion to approve the boost for the 9 projects listed above and Ronnie Warrix, Martin County Representative, seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Project Updates and Concerns

District 12 (Floyd, Johnson, Martin, and Pike Counties)

Mr. Charlie Dale, HDO 12, updated the Committee on current and future projects in District 12 and answered questions.

District 10 (Magoffin County)

Mr. Darren Back, HDO 10, updated the Committee on current and future projects in District 10, and answered questions.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the BSADD RTC will be Tuesday, November 25, 2025, at 11:00 AM, at the Big Sandy ADD.

Adjournment

Mr. David Ellis moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Warrix seconded the motion, and the motion carried.