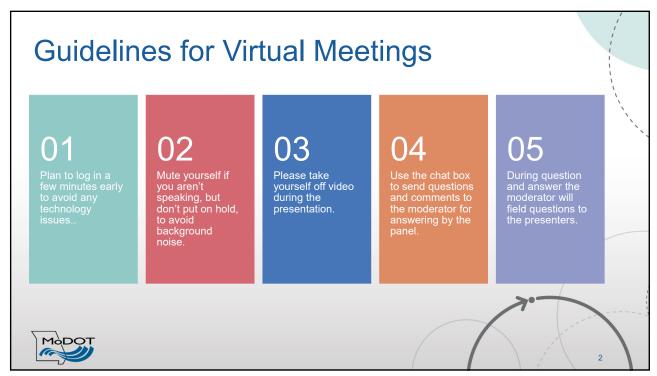
# Interstate 64: Kingshighway Blvd. to Jefferson Ave.

# Planning and Environmental Linkages Study

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# **Key MoDOT Personnel**

- ➤ Tom Evers Assistant District Engineer
- Shaun Tooley Planning Project Manager for the study
- Aaron Groff Design Project Manager for the study
- Melissa Scheperle Environmental Compliance Manager
- Wesley Stephen District Planning Manager
- Jen Wade Area Engineer



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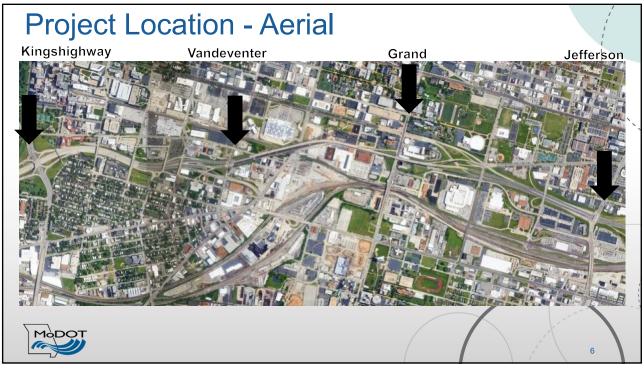
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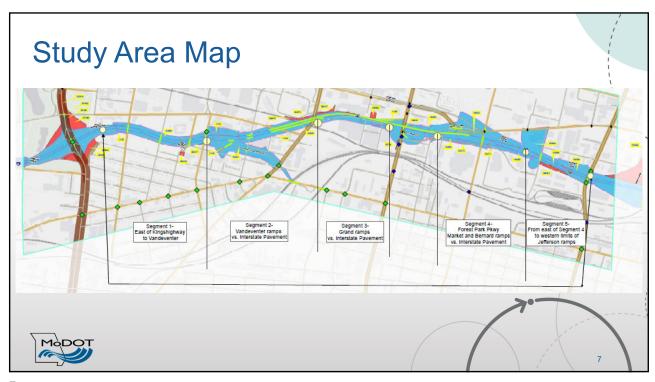
#### **Project Description**

- ▶ NEPA: Planning and Environmental Linkages Study
- ▶ Length: 2.3 mile corridor with three major interchanges
- > Study Duration: 12 months from Notice to Proceed
- Approximate Study Cost: \$1.1 million
- Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Goal: 20% for professional services



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## **Project Description**

- Mainline ADT: 84,432 to 109,161 vehicles per day
- Aged infrastructure
  - » 13 bridges including two major bridges
- Operations and safety issues
  - » Circuitous ramps
  - » Left entrance ramps
  - » Ramp with 20 MPH curve





## **Related Projects**

- Modernization of Jefferson Ave.
  - » Construction underway in 2021
  - » Begins east side of project limits
  - » Converting half-interchange into full interchange
  - » Replaced circuitous ramps and aged infrastructure
- Modernization of I-64 from Kingshighway to Spoede
  - » Completed in 2010
  - » Begins west side of project limits
  - » Replaced aged infrastructure
  - » Replaced ramps with sharp turns





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### **Expectations of Study**

- Develop a vision with the community and stakeholders
- Improve safety
- Improve infrastructure
- Modernize operations
- Develop an actionable and prioritized list of projects for implementation
- Initiate conceptual engineering for corridor (a.k.a. alternatives development in NEPA)



#### Why a Planning and Environmental Linkages Study?

- Study type and process is a Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) recognized innovation by Everyday Counts
- Accelerates project delivery
  - » Identifies logical termini, project sections of independent utility, and recommends project phasing and action plan for implementation
- Streamlines the project development process
  - » FHWA approval of Purpose and Need
  - » Upfront, early coordination with federal regulatory and resource agencies
  - Determines National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 classification of environmental study for projects. The classifications are Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), Environmental Assessment (EA), Categorical Exclusions
  - » Identifies alternatives for carrying forward into NEPA
- Builds community and stakeholder support
  - » Gains early support for projects with local, regional, state, and federal agencies and partners
  - » Gathers meaningful input to shape projects with partners and stakeholders



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#### Why a Planning and Environmental Linkages Study?

- Advances future NEPA work
- Dynamic corridor with major redevelopment happening
- Central Corridor is the region's economic engine
- Significant multimodal transportation facilities today and being planned
- PEL prepares MoDOT to attract additional funding
  - » I.e. INFRA, RAISE, MoDOT cost-share
- Opportunity to address community needs equity, quality of life, economic development, environmental sustainability, support multimodal movement



#### Tasks to Accomplish

#### **Engineering**

- Existing Conditions
- Traffic Modeling and Safety Analysis
- Alternatives Development (a.k.a. conceptual engineering)

#### **Environmental**

Environmental Scan

#### **Planning**

- Community Assessment
- > Purpose and Need
- Alternatives Evaluation
- Public and Stakeholder Involvement
- Funding, Phasing, and Implementation
- Documentation / PEL Questionnaire



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#### **Risk Allocation**

- Potential Risk Areas
  - » Community & stakeholder support
  - » Right of Way tightly constrained
  - » Environmental built before NEPA
  - » Multimodal facilities cross and parallel corridor





#### **Proposed Timeline**

- July: Request for Proposals
- August 9th: Proposals are due
- September: Interviews and select consultant
- December: Study kicks off
- January 2023: Study ends



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#### Prime Consultant Prequalification

Consultant Prequalification | Missouri Department of Transportation (modot.org)

- All prime consultants must be prequalified with MoDOT to perform engineering services;
- Prequalification Requirements for all consultants:
- Step 1 Annual Statement of Qualifications (SOQ)
- Step 2 Register to do business in Missouri
- Certificate of Authority to practice engineering (or surveying, etc.)
- Step 3 Annual E-verify Worker Eligibility Affidavit
- Step 4 Annual Financial Prequalification
- FYI Additional requirement for bridge consultants
- For assistance with steps 1 3 requirements please contact Design Tech Rod Braman 1-573-526-1862 or email CODEConsultPreq@modot.mo.gov.



