







## I-29/I-35/U.S. 169 Planning and Environmental Linkages Study

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# Study Overview

The Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) has completed the I-29, I-35, U.S. 169 Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study. The completion of the PEL will position MoDOT to move into the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) phase when funding is identified.

In the final round of public engagement activities, an in-person public meeting was held on April 12, 2023, at Northland Neighborhoods Inc. with a virtual component and accompanying survey available from April 12-28, 2023. The goal of the public meeting was to present the seven proposed scenarios and gather thoughts on the preliminary PEL recommendations. The meeting overviewed the alternative screening process, shared information on the scenarios considered, and summarized the results of how each scenario was evaluated based on cost, traffic, safety, multimodal and environmental analysis.

A public survey was also distributed at the meeting and online to gather feedback. Between both surveys, there was overall support for the preliminary PEL recommendations with a total of 41 people expressing their support through the survey and public meeting opinion board. There was no opposition noted.



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MoDOT anticipates incorporating recommendations made as part of the PEL study into future National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) studies, per Title 23 of the U.S. Code, Part 168.

Scenario 5	Scenario 6	Scenario 7
Highway Mainline Capacity + Focus Interchanges Improvement Lite + Complementary Alternatives	Highway Mainline Capacity + Focus Interchanges Improvement Full Build + Complementary Alternatives	Highway Mainline Capacity + Focus Interchanges Improvement Full Build + Consolidated/ Eliminated Access + Complementary Alternatives

# PEL Recommended Scenarios

Scenarios 5 through 7 best satisfied the study Purpose and Need and Study Goals and were recommended to move forward into NEPA.



The Study Team evaluated the needs in the corridor and with input gathered during the PEL, identified these priorities areas and projects.

#### **Priority 1**

- I-35 at Vivion Road (U.S. 69) interchange
- I-35 from west of Antioch Road interchange to Vivion Road
- I-29/I-35 Split (includes Parvin Road, Antioch Road and Davidson Road interchanges)
- I-29 from north of the I-29 at Davidson Road interchange to Waukomis Drive, including N Oak Trafficway interchange and U.S.169 interchange

#### **Priority 2**

• I-29/I-35 from north of the Armour Road interchange to the NE corner of the Kansas City downtown loop (or Independence Avenue).

#### **Priority 3**

• U.S. 169 from the I-29 at U.S. 169 interchange to the U.S. 169 at NW 68th Street interchange

#### **Priority 4**

I-29 at I-635 interchange

#### Needs Outside of the Project Area

- I-635 Across the Missouri River
- I-35 North of I-435
- U.S. 169 North of the NW 68th Street interchange
- Missouri Hwy 152 from I-29 to I-35

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**Projects** 



**MoDOT Committed** 

**Bridge and Pavement** 

These bridge or pavement projects are already identified in the Statewide Transportation Improvements Plan (STIP), so it is important to coordinate recommendations of the PEL

so that work being completed in the corridor meets future needs.

MoDOT is spending **\$234 million** in the project limits over the next 5 years to maintain safe and smooth driving.

Scenario 1: No-Action Note: Scenario includes STIP projects.

## 🗩 Next Steps

As the I-29, I-35, U.S. 169 PEL study concludes, parts will now be ready to move into the NEPA phase, as funding becomes available, which will provide a more detailed analysis of Scenarios 5, 6, and 7.



### Contacts

Study documents can be found on the project webpage. Scan the QR code or visit the webpage at https://www.modot.org/i-29i-35us-169-planning-and-environmentallinkages-pel-study.

### **Questions?**

Email the Study Team at: KC\_I35\_I29\_Corridor@modot.mo.gov

All final PEL reports will be posted in Fall 2023.