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ABOUT

The study is the first step in a multi-year process to upgrade this section of U.S. 412 from two lanes (one in each direction) to multiple lanes in each direction. The study will focus on a 20-mile stretch of Route 412 from Route AC near the Arkansas border to just east of Route Y near Kennett, Missouri. Although funding has not been secured for future construction on this corridor, it has been designated as an unfunded transportation need by the Bootheel Regional Planning Commission.

PRIMARY GOALS FOR THE PROJECT

- Improve safety along the corridor and at crossroad intersections.
- Achieve system continuity. The US 412 corridor in the study area is the only remaining portion of two-lane roadway within this area.

TENTATIVE TIMELINE

▼ SEPTEMBER 2022

Preliminary Environmental Review Begins

DECEMBER 2022

Public Involvement Meeting #1

SPRING 2023

Community Survey
Public Involvement Meeting #2

SUMMER/FALL 2023

Public Hearing

2024 AND BEYOND

Seek Funding for Design and Construction

EXPLORING THE ALTERNATES

This study is following requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to evaluate potential impacts to water quality, farmlands, natural resources, wildlife, habitat, endangered species, and more. MoDOT has been working with a consultant to consider NEPA requirements and incorporate input from the public meeting held in December 2022. After extensive review, two alternatives have been identified: Alternative A is a 4-Lane Divided Highway and Alternative B is a 5-Lane Highway with a Two-Way Left Turn Lane (TWLTL).





ALTERNATIVE A: 4-LANE DIVIDED	
Safety	 Provides a lane for passing slower vehicles. Provides significant separation between opposing directions of traffic. Median provides a refuge area for vehicles turning left from crossroads. Reduces the number of conflict points by eliminating left turns at many driveways and crossroads.
Mobility/ Access	Opportunities for left turns are limited to specific intersections.
Route	Provides a 4-lane facility between Arkansas and
Continuity	Kennett.
Right of Way	Additional right of way needed to create
Impacts	separation between each direction of travel.
Construction	Additional pavement and grading are required to
Costs	create separation between each direction of travel.



ALTERNATIVE B: 5-LANE WITH TWO-WAY LEFT TURN LANE (TWLTL)

Safety	 Provides some separation between opposing directions of traffic. Provides a lane for passing slower vehicles.
Mobility/ Access	■ Mobility patterns generally remain the same as today.
Route Continuity	Provides a 4-lane facility between Arkansas and Kennett and is consistent with the current lane configuration in Arkansas.
Right of Way Impacts	■ Potentially less right of way needed.
Construction Costs	Only requires widening existing roadway.