

Safety & Improvement Ideas

Safety and traffic congestion are factors in a popular Jessamine County road



The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and EA Partners are exploring solutions for improving the safety of West Brannon Road in Jessamine County. Concerns stem from the steady increase in traffic volume and the large number of accidents that have occurred during the past 10 years. Narrow lanes, insufficient shoulders, and poor visibility due to numerous hills and curves are contributing factors to many of the accidents.

263 accidents from 2003-2013:

- Collision with fixed object: 102
- Rear end collision: 67
- Side-swipe collision: 49
- Head-on collision: 5
- Vehicle off road or overturned: 22
- Other: 18

Traffic increase from 2003-2013:

- 2002: 2,800 vehicle average per day
- 2005: 2,900 vehicle average per day
- 2010: 5,080 vehicle average per day

No decisions have been made regarding road improvements. Residents are invited to learn more about the Brannon Road safety and improvement project by visiting

[Facebook.com/BrannonRoad](https://www.facebook.com/BrannonRoad).



The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's Project Manager, Joshua Samples, gave a brief presentation regarding the safety issues of Brannon Road at a June 20 public meeting.

Nearly 200 Attend First Public Meeting

The first public meeting regarding Brannon Road safety concerns was held on Thursday, June 20, at Southland Christian Church.

Nearly 200 residents attended, providing input on safety issues and improvement options for the road. Joshua Samples, Project Manager for the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet presented an overview on safety and traffic issues along the three-mile road. Exhibits illustrating these issues and possible improvement examples were displayed. Project officials were available to answer questions and receive feedback from the public.

Attendees were also invited to share their concerns about the road by completing a questionnaire. The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and EA Partners will review the questionnaires and begin to consider improvement options.

The next public meeting will be scheduled in early 2014 to present improvement design options to the public.



Residents gathered at Southland Christian Church to provide input about safety concerns regarding Brannon Road.

Project Team

EA Partners is a Lexington-based consulting firm comprised of engineers, land surveyors and landscape architects. Over its 34-year history, the firm has worked on a wide array of projects pertaining to transportation design, traffic engineering and landscape architecture.

Past EA Partners area road projects include:

- U.S. 25 Fayette & Scott counties
- U.S. 68 Bourbon & Nicholas counties
- I-64
- I-75

The **Kentucky Transportation Cabinet** is responsible for overseeing the development and maintenance of a safe, sufficient, transportation system to the Commonwealth. It manages more than 27,000 miles of roadway. The Cabinet divides the state into 12 districts. Jessamine County is part of District 7, with offices at 763 W. New Circle Road in Lexington.



EA Partners' Jerry Cottingham showed residents the various examples of how Brannon Road could be improved at the first public meeting.

What's Next?

Alternate design solutions to be presented to the public in 2014

- **KYTC six-year plan dates:**
 - Right of way phase: 2016
 - Utility phase: 2017
 - Construction phase: 2018

Public input is critical to the success of this project. In addition to the meeting, the public is able to provide input via email at joshua.samples@ky.gov or by telephone at **(859) 246-2355**.

For more information on this project, visit <http://www.facebook.com/BrannonRoad>.

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