

NC Regional Round Table

CAPITALIZING ON BIL FUNDING

Why a Regional Round Table?

"Regionalization wins the day!"

There is much to digest, but we have 5 years

To be competitive, projects must be larger and more comprehensive with greater impact – partners are key

Projects should be cross sector

Measure capacity and need for proposal preparation and administration



Goals for Today



BETTER UNDERSTAND BIL AND KANSAS APPROACH TO SHARING OPPORTUNITIES BEGIN IDENTIFYING KEY PROJECTS FOR REGIONAL EFFORTS. DECIDE ON NEXT STEPS WITH PARTNERS.

Who was invited and why.

Connections in KDOT District 2

Projects will span boundaries and involve partnerships that naturally arise due to geography and project type



Vanessa Lamoreaux, KDOT and the Kansas Hub

•Kansas coordinating entity

- •Helping to connect projects
- •Relaying information to communities
- •Educating entities about BIL
- •Working extensively with transportation dollars

Small Group Round Table Discussion

Please find 6 to 8 people - crosssection of interests - and gather around a table

You will need a note-taker to capture outcomes that can be shared with NCRPC for future efforts

Focus on these questions -

- Identify the top three issues facing your "community" or organization that BIL might solve
- What three projects would change the trajectory of your area/the region for the future?
- Dream big what are the two region-wide projects that would transform the area?

Lunch – Thank you to our sponsors



Small Group Round Table Discussion

Please find 6 to 8 people WITH SIMILAR PROJECT IDEAS and gather around a table

You will need a note-taker to capture outcomes that can be shared with NCRPC for future efforts

Focus on these areas

- Identify the top three project ideas in this focus area.
- Do they overlap with other geographies or project types?
- Will your group continue to meet OR what group should you be part of that continues to meet?

Questions and Answers

| FOR | SPECIFICS |
|---------------------------|--|
| KDOT | Who do we need to contact that is not part of this conversation yet? |
| Others in your community | |
| Others in your focus area | Review information from past NCRPC CIP |
| | survey |

Rate the overall importance of improving the following infrastructure in your community:

Answered: 106 Skipped: 0



Q17 What are the estimated cash reserves of your community?



Resources

HUB address - <u>Kansas Infrastructure Hub (kshub.org)</u>

Thriving Communities Comments - <u>Federal Register :: Request for Information; Thriving</u> <u>Communities Initiative</u>

Rural Playbook - <u>BIL-Rural-Playbook-.pdf (whitehouse.gov)</u>

Rural Fact Sheets - Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Rural Playbook - The White House

Contact your local regional development entity - <u>Service Area - NCRPC</u>

Other supporting entities – not all inclusive – <u>Administrator-Territories-4-30-2021-1.pdf</u> (kansascommerce.gov)

Next Steps and Wrap Up

- Plan for ongoing communication
- Technical Assistance grants
- Complete initial survey