

BLUEGRASS AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT



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1. Introduction

The purpose of the Bluegrass Area Development District (Bluegrass ADD) Public Involvement Plan is to describe actions the Bluegrass Regional Transportation Committee shall take to provide opportunities for the public to be involved in the statewide transportation planning process. It serves as a guide for Bluegrass ADD to follow in planning public involvement opportunities.

True public involvement is central to good decision making. Without meaningful public involvement, there is a risk of making less than optimal decisions. With it, there can be a lasting contribution to the regional well being of our neighborhoods, cities, and counties.

The goal of the public involvement plan will be to broaden the public input process in an effort to reach more sectors of the public. Public awareness will be a very important element in gaining public input. Emphasizing the importance of communicating and coordinating with other agencies and interests is also vital to the public involvement process. Ultimately, public involvement enhances the ability to implement transportation solutions that improve safety and efficiency, protect natural and human environments, and contribute to community vitality.

In order to gain cooperation in implementing transportation improvements, government, industry, commerce and citizens need to understand what the problems are, what improvements are necessary, what the effects will be and when each element of the program will be ready for public use. Opening transportation planning to the public through advisory committees and publishing and distributing the Transportation Improvement Program are ways to inform the public of such issues.

2. Public Involvement Process

The Bluegrass ADD will conduct a public involvement process that will allow all persons access to the transportation planning process providing opportunities to influence the decision making process. This action will provide opportunity for all persons and interest groups to participate in the identification, evaluation, and recommendation of prioritized transportation needs. This process will involve transportation committee meetings, as well as public meetings with specific interest groups to discuss transportation issues, as deemed appropriate by Bluegrass ADD and/or the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC). The Bluegrass ADD will make every effort to include the transportation disadvantaged and underserved populations, including representatives from minority and low-income populations as well as all other effected populations in the region, on

committees or in public meetings held for the purpose of soliciting input for transportation plans, issues and/or projects.

Bluegrass Regional Transportation Committee

Activities to engage low-income and minority populations will be discussed and developed through efforts of the Bluegrass ADD Regional Transportation Committee. The Bluegrass ADD will encourage participation by minority and low-income populations in the transportation planning process, including but not limited to committee membership, meeting with various civic groups, neighborhood meetings, or other methods of contacting, informing, and obtaining input from subject populations.

The purpose of the Regional Transportation Committee is to promote the development of a safe, economical, accessible, and balanced transportation system. The committee will solicit input and consultation for public involvement pursuant to Federal SAFETEA-LU requirements. The committee will be involved in the identification and review of regional transportation needs, prioritization of Unscheduled Project List items and Six-Year Highway Plan projects as requested by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. The committee will also establish goals and objectives and review those on an annual basis.

Topics to be addressed by the committee include, but not limited to, the following areas:

- Public Involvement Process
- Transportation Needs Evaluation and Prioritization
- Statewide Transportation Planning Process
- Highway Safety Issues
- Highways
- Public Transportation
- Airports
- Navigable Waterways
- Railroads
- Bikeways / Pedestrian Walkways
- Access Management
- Regional and Corridor Plans / Studies

Membership shall consist of “interested persons” of the Area who are willing to give of their time and talents to promote the objectives and purposes of the committee. The membership will include a diverse group of interests that impact or are impacted by the transportation system. The membership will include, at a minimum, representation from each district county and should include representation from the following categories:

- County Judge Executive / Magistrate
- Mayor / City Council
- Law Enforcement Representatives
- Highway / Public Works Representatives from Cities and or Counties
- Emergency Medical Service Representatives / Fire Department Representatives
- Education Representatives
- Human Service Delivery Representatives
- Representatives of Major Trucking, Logistic, Intermodal, Rail, or Airport Entities
- Underserved Populations, Minority Populations
- Planning and Zoning Commissions/Organizations
- Bikeway / Greenway / Pedestrian Representatives
- Economic Development Organizations / Industrial Development Organizations
- Historic Preservation
- Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
- Public Transportation
- District Highway Offices
- Farming / Agriculture / Extension Service
- Public Citizens at Large

The regional committee should not be limited but open and welcome to all individuals willing to participate in the planning process.

Bluegrass ADD Regional Transportation Committee meetings will be open to the public and the meeting agenda will include a public comment period. This action will be made available to allow the public opportunities to provide information, concerns, and issues for consideration by the regional committee. Any comments received will be documented by the Bluegrass ADD Transportation Staff and provided to the KYTC Division of Planning.

The Bluegrass ADD will also hold local and regional public information/input meetings as requested by the KYTC to provide additional opportunities for public comments related to transportation issues and the transportation planning process.

Bluegrass ADD Pubic Involvement activities include:

- Regularly scheduled regional transportation committee meetings
- Local or regional public/information meetings as requested by the KYTC
- Transportation Committee Reports during the monthly Bluegrass ADD Board of Director's meetings
- Utilizing the Bluegrass ADD quarterly newsletter to reach, educate and inform the public on various transportation programs/issues
- Conducting local transportation meetings with local officials and interested persons and agencies
- Using e-mail lists to provide transportation information to interested persons and agencies

3. Regional Transportation Committee Involvement Plan

As a major component of the Public Involvement Process and to comply with the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) and the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) requirements for public involvement the Bluegrass ADD will maintain a Regional Transportation Committee for the purpose of consultation, soliciting input, developing regional goals and direction, identification and review of regional transportation needs, providing transportation information/updates and addressing any other transportation issues in the region. The committee should include a broad-based membership, develop and maintain by-laws consistent with KYTC direction, convene as necessary to complete the tasks assigned to the committee.

In agreement with the FY 2010 KYTC Regional Transportation Work Program Work Element 8b, the Bluegrass ADD transportation planning staff will prepare a Committee Involvement Plan for the Regional Transportation Committee, listing proposed committee meeting dates and describing activities to be undertaken during the year for the purpose of educating/informing the committee of transportation activities.

The Bluegrass ADD transportation planning staff has outlined six tentative meeting dates describing potential activities to be carried out in compliance with Work Element 4. The selected activities are for the intended purpose of broadening the Regional Transportation Committee's knowledge in the statewide planning process, as well as other transportation activities.

PROPOSED FY 2010 COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

July 13, 2009 Meeting (accomplished)

- Assistant Director of Highway Safety Programs, Billie Renee' Johnson, provided the committee with a thorough overview of the current transportation safety efforts throughout the state.
- Brent Wells, KYTC/D9, presented the committee with an update to a potential bridge project on KY 32 in Nicholas County. The presentation included photographs of the roadway leading up to and including the bridge, and described the current status of the bridge structurally. Nicholas County residents noted that the bridge does not allow for commercial vehicles and passenger vehicles to cross at the same time safely, and improvements would be welcome.
- Nancy Stone offered the committee an update of the 2009 Washington Fly-In. The Fly-In's purpose was to describe to our elected officials in detail the Bluegrass Regions priorities.
- Mayor Ed Burtner brought back into focus the idea of a regional transportation summit to discuss regional transportation issues in further detail. Mayor Burtner was particularly interested in discussing regional mass transit issues for a summit.

September 14, 2009 (accomplished)

- Danny Anderson from KYTC District 8 gave an update on an ARRA project for US 150 between Crab Orchard and Mt. Vernon. There is a significant amount of work being done on the project and an accelerated time table because it is a stimulus project. Comments were positive and the committee was glad to see work being done.
- Reviewed and adopted Regional Goals and Objectives.
- Reviewed the draft of the By-Laws and proposed minor revisions. The revisions will be made and distributed to committee members before the next meeting November 9, 2009.
- Each District Highway Office gave an update on activities of interest.

- Bruce Duncan and Brett McCourt updated the committee about the Planning scope of work and the Transportation Safety scope of work including the following:
 - Major Traffic Generator
 - Major Freight Users
 - Park and Ride Update
 - Highway Safety Program
 - Airport Improvements

November 9, 2009 (accomplished)

- James Ballinger briefed the committee about the possibilities for Regional Transportation Planning within the Bluegrass Region. The main point from this discussion was an effort to get the dialogue started on a regional transportation vision, emphasizing the counties along our Interstate corridors. The process will include continuing meeting with local officials to coordinate a future plan that encompasses an area with two counties in the Lexington Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and six or seven counties working through Bluegrass ADD. The study area also includes one county, Franklin, in District Highway Office 5; while the remainder are in District Highway Office 7..
- Tom Creasey from Entran delivered a presentation regarding a traffic study of the NE section of Georgetown, KY where there has been significant development in recent years. The presentation laid out problem areas of congestion, and road improvement within the area and provided short-term, medium-term, and long-term solutions to help mitigate the problematic areas.
- Update of activities from each of the six District Highway Offices in the ADD.
- Report on Annual Work Program activities.
- Update on Project Identification Form updating project.

January 11, 2010 accomplished)

- Ben Edelen and staff from HDR gave an update on the FEI World Equestrian games traffic planning. The presentation began by noting that Lexington was effectively starting from scratch due to the differing transportation systems between Lexington and the previous host city in Germany.

- Adopted By-Laws revised at the September 14 meeting.
- Update of activities from each of the six District Highway Offices in the ADD.
- Report on Annual Work Program activities.

March 18, 2010

- Presentation by Shane New, Information and Technology Director at the ADD, on new software for transportation and economic development modeling.
- Review and discussion of new unscheduled projects, contingent upon PIF update project.
- Update of activities from each of the six District Highway Office in the ADD.
- Report on Annual Work Program activities.

May 10, 2010

- Update on efforts to initiate the Bluegrass Regional Transportation Study.
- Update on various corridor and other transportation studies.
- Presentation on transportation related legislation passed (or not passed) by the 2010 General Assembly.

Additional Topics at a Meeting to be Determined

- Potential commuter rail service in the region.
- Update on current aviation activities and options for funding upgrades and/or new facilities.
- Additional discussion of Regional Public Transit.
- Status of railroads in the district.

4. Outreach Efforts for Minority, Low Income and Underserved Populations

The Bluegrass ADD transportation planning staff will review and revise a plan to encourage participation by minority and low-income populations in the public involvement process and include those populations in the transportation planning process, including but not limited to committee membership, county committees, meeting with various civic groups, neighborhood meetings, or other methods of contacting, informing, and obtaining input from subject populations.

Title VI was enacted as part of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. It prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, and national origin in programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance. Public Outreach activities will include efforts to involve the traditionally underserved groups (i.e. minorities, elderly, low-income persons) in the transportation planning process. These potentially underrepresented populations may also be youth of the community, persons with disabilities, senior citizens, and others who may be unable to attend public meetings. These efforts may include, but not limited to the following:

- Identifying areas in the region with concentrations of minority, elderly, and low-income populations
- Including organizations that deal directly with minority groups on the stakeholder lists
- Posting notification of meetings, public hearings, and open houses in county health departments and senior centers, local community centers, post offices and churches
- Publishing notification of meetings, public hearings, and open houses in Spanish
- Regional Transportation Committee members to include representation from the traditionally underserved community. This may include housing authorities, senior citizen centers, public transportation providers, and public health departments.
- Including speakers/guests at committee meetings to discuss public transportation issues and pedestrian issues for minority and low income populations in their communities

The Bluegrass Area Development District includes the counties of Anderson, Bourbon, Boyle, Clark, Estill, Fayette, Franklin, Garrard, Harrison, Jessamine, Lincoln, Madison, Mercer, Nicholas, Powell, Scott, and Woodford. In 2000, the Bluegrass ADD comprised 16.97 percent of the state's population. The following table indicates the underserved populations in each county.

Table 1

Counties	Total Population	Black	Asian American/ Pacific Islander	American Indian/ Alaskan Native	Hispanic	Low-Income 18yrs +	Age 65 Years Old +	Occupied Units With No Vehicles	Disabled Over 5 Years Old	Speak English Less Than Well
Anderson	19111	446 2.33%	118 0.62%	11 0.06%	96 0.50%	962 6.85%	2072 10.84%	356 4.86%	3612 20.43%	97 0.51%
Bourbon	19,360	1,284 6.63%	0 0.00%	7 0.04%	526 2.72%	1,753 12.08%	2,631 13.59%	820 10.68%	4,079 22.52%	744 3.84%
Boyle	27697	2559 9.24%	209 0.75%	34 0.12%	468 1.69%	2010 9.38%	3715 13.41%	851 8.05%	5334 22.11%	173 0.62%
Clark	33,144	1,695 5.11%	189 0.57%	44 0.13%	203 0.61%	2,268 9.10%	4,125 12.45%	1,065 8.18%	7,287 23.51%	810 2.44%
Estill	15307	5 0.03%	18 0.12%	13 0.08%	55 0.36%	2790 24.03%	2010 13.13%	822 13.79%	4578 33.38%	9 0.06%
Fayette	260,512	34,728 13.33%	5,850 2.25%	643 0.25%	8,677 3.33%	23,924 11.67%	26,174 10.05%	8,590 7.93%	42,433 17.36%	20,381 7.82%
Franklin	47,687	4,441 9.31%	239 0.50%	95 0.20%	533 1.12%	3,567 9.66%	5,885 12.34%	1,621 8.14%	10,136 22.63%	1,628 3.41%
Garrard	14792	475 3.21%	26 0.18%	12 0.08%	233 1.58%	1444 12.90%	1790 12.10%	351 6.11%	3492 25.12%	126 0.85%
Harrison	17983	382 2.12%	24 0.13%	98 0.54%	264 1.47%	1403 10.40%	2525 14.04%	480 6.85%	3642 21.65%	29 0.16%
Jessamine	39,041	1,286 3.29%	407 1.04%	68 0.17%	322 0.82%	2,487 8.74%	3,717 9.52%	902 6.50%	6,745 18.65%	1,148 2.94%
Lincoln	23361	523 2.24%	37 0.16%	22 0.09%	259 1.11%	3268 18.82%	3051 13.06%	761 8.27%	6178 28.40%	101 0.43%
Madison	70,872	3,012 4.25%	552 0.78%	223 0.31%	639 0.90%	8,175 14.77%	6,933 9.78%	2,086 7.69%	13,807 20.80%	2,347 3.31%
Mercer	20817	794 3.81%	115 0.55%	32 0.15%	307 1.47%	653 4.15%	3037 14.59%	604 7.17%	4508 23.17%	150 0.72%
Nicholas	6813	83 1.22%	0 0.00%	4 0.06%	70 1.03%	653 12.55%	1047 15.37%	315 11.62%	1580 24.75%	7 0.10%
Powell	13237	64 0.48%	0 0.00%	38 0.29%	53 0.40%	1981 20.40%	1402 10.59%	469 9.30%	3946 32.02%	18 0.14%
Scott	33,061	1,641 4.96%	188 0.57%	23 0.07%	477 1.44%	1,790 7.34%	2,936 8.88%	708 5.85%	5,599 18.33%	1,200 3.63%
Woodford	23,208	1,212 5.22%	60 0.26%	14 0.06%	550 2.37%	1,189 6.87%	2,414 10.40%	521 5.86%	4,308 19.80%	850 3.66%
Region	686,003	54,630 7.96%	8,032 1.17%	1,381 0.20%	13,732 2.00%	60,317 11.45%	75,464 11.00%	21,322 7.81%	131,264 20.44%	29,818 4.35%
Kentucky	4,041,769	291,735 7.22%	27,644 0.68%	8,424 0.21%	56,414 1.40%	417,549 13.70%	504,793 12.49%	148,691 9.35%	874,156 23.15%	148,473 3.67%

Table 1: Statistics for Underserved Populations in the Bluegrass Region

Table 2

Counties	Total Population	Black	Asian American/ Pacific Islander	American Indian/ Alaskan Native	Hispanic	Low-Income	Age 65 Years Old +	Occupied Units With No Vehicles	Disabled Over 5 Years Old	Speak English Less Than Well
Anderson	0.47%	0.15%	0.43%	0.13%	0.17%	0.23%	0.41%	0.24%	0.41%	0.07%
Bourbon	0.48%	0.44%	0.00%	0.08%	0.93%	0.42%	0.52%	0.55%	0.47%	0.50%
Boyle	0.69%	0.88%	0.76%	0.40%	0.83%	0.48%	0.74%	0.57%	0.61%	0.12%
Clark	0.82%	0.58%	0.68%	0.52%	0.36%	0.54%	0.82%	0.72%	0.83%	0.55%
Estill	0.38%	0.00%	0.07%	0.15%	0.10%	0.67%	0.40%	0.55%	0.52%	0.01%
Fayette	6.45%	11.90%	21.16%	7.63%	15.38%	5.73%	5.19%	5.78%	4.85%	13.73%
Franklin	1.18%	1.52%	0.86%	1.13%	0.94%	0.85%	1.17%	1.09%	1.16%	1.10%
Garrard	0.37%	0.16%	0.09%	0.14%	0.41%	0.35%	0.35%	0.24%	0.40%	0.08%
Harrison	0.44%	0.13%	0.09%	1.16%	0.47%	0.34%	0.50%	0.32%	0.42%	0.02%
Jessamine	0.97%	0.44%	1.47%	0.81%	0.57%	0.60%	0.74%	0.61%	0.77%	0.77%
Lincoln	0.58%	0.18%	0.13%	0.26%	0.46%	0.78%	0.60%	0.51%	0.71%	0.07%
Madison	1.75%	1.03%	2.00%	2.65%	1.13%	1.96%	1.37%	1.40%	1.58%	1.58%
Mercer	0.52%	0.27%	0.42%	0.38%	0.54%	0.16%	0.60%	0.41%	0.52%	0.10%
Nicholas	0.17%	0.03%	0.00%	0.05%	0.12%	0.16%	0.21%	0.21%	0.18%	0.00%
Powell	0.33%	0.02%	0.00%	0.45%	0.09%	0.47%	0.28%	0.32%	0.45%	0.01%
Scott	0.82%	0.56%	0.68%	0.27%	0.85%	0.43%	0.58%	0.48%	0.64%	0.81%
Woodford	0.57%	0.42%	0.22%	0.17%	0.97%	0.28%	0.48%	0.35%	0.49%	0.57%
Region	16.97%	18.73%	29.06%	16.39%	24.34%	14.45%	14.95%	14.34%	15.02%	20.08%

Table 2: Statewide Comparison for the Bluegrass Region

Regional Quick Facts

The Bluegrass region contains:

- 18.73 percent of the State Black Population
- 29.06 percent of the State Asian-American and Pacific Islander Population
- 16.39 percent of the State American Indian / Alaskan Native Population
- 24.34 percent of the State Hispanic Population
- 14.45 percent of the State Low Income Population
- 14.95 percent of the 65 Years Old and Over Population
- 14.34 percent of the State Occupied Units with no vehicles
- 15.02 percent of the State Disabled Population Over 5 Years Old and Over
- 20.08 of the State Population That Does Not Speak English at Home

Bluegrass Counties Quick Facts

- Fayette County, Franklin County, and Boyle County have a higher percentage of Blacks than the statewide average. Fayette County has the largest overall and Black percentage population in the region at 34,728 (13.33 percent of the Fayette County total population) accounting for 11.9 percent of the state total. 9.31 percent of the Franklin County population is Black accounting for 0.86 percent of the state total. 9.24 percent of the Boyle County population is Black accounting for 0.88 percent of the state total.
- Fayette, Jessamine, Madison, and Boyle Counties have a higher percentage of Asian Americans than the statewide average. 2.25 percent of the total Fayette County population is Asian American accounting for 7.63 percent of the state total. 1.04 percent of the Jessamine County population is Asian American accounting for 1.47 percent of the state total. 0.78 percent of the Madison County population is Asian American Accounting for 2.65 percent of the state total. 0.75 percent of the Boyle County population is Asian American accounting for 0.76 of the state total.
- The Counties of Harrison, Madison, Powell and Fayette have a higher percentage of American Indians / Alaskan natives than the statewide

- average. 0.54 percent of the Harrison County population is American Indian / Alaskan Native accounting for 1.16 of the state total. Fayette County has 643 American Indians / Alaskan Natives accounting for 7.63 percent of the state total. Madison County has in 223 in this category and accounts for 2.65 percent of the state total.
- Hispanics exceed the total statewide percentage of the population (1.4 percent) in the Counties of Fayette, Bourbon, Woodford, Boyle, Garrard, Harrison, Mercer, and Scott.
 - Fayette County has the largest Hispanic overall and percentage population in the region at 8,677 (3.33 percent) of the total Fayette County population) accounting for 15.38 percent of the state total. As a percentage of the state total population, the following Counties and their percentage is noted: Madison (1.13 percent), Woodford (0.97 percent), Franklin (0.94), Bourbon (0.93 percent), Scott (0.85 percent), and Boyle (0.83 percent).
 - While the regional Low-Income average of 8.5 percent is below the statewide average of 10.33 percent, the following Counties are above the statewide average: Estill (24.33 percent), Powell (20.59 percent), Lincoln (19.07), Garrard (13.03), Nicholas (12.78 percent), Madison (11.53 percent), Harrison (10.60 percent), and Boyle (10.57 percent).
 - The largest total number of Low-Income residents are located in the regions two Counties with the greatest population, 23,924 in Fayette and 8,175 in Madison.
 - Nicholas County has the largest percentage (15.37) of “Age 65 Years Old and Over”. The largest population by County in this category is 26,174 in Fayette.

Summary

The concentrations of underserved populations in Bluegrass ADD is consistent with, or lower than, statewide trends at a regional level. While the percentages of certain underserved populations are above the state average in some counties in the region, the overall total populations in these concentrations is still relatively small. It would therefore appear that no significant concentrations of underserved populations exist in the region.

Outreach Strategy

The Bluegrass strategy for public involvement will use a multi-faceted approach to insure involvement opportunities for all segments of the regions’ citizens including the traditionally underserved. Third party group members will be identified across the region to aid in the outreach efforts of the traditionally underserved. The use of newspapers, radio, and television can be used to potentially reach the underserved, particularly publications and radio / television programming geared to target audiences. Traveling exhibits can be utilized during local events and strategically placed locations throughout the region to reach the underserved populations.

Third Party Groups

The process will seek to increase public outreach to the underserved populations by contacting third party groups and asking for their assistance in creating public awareness concerning transportation related issues. The agencies, groups or people that wish to provide assistance can be utilized to distribute materials pertaining to the statewide planning process. The members may be able to utilize their brochures, newsletters, word of mouth, etc. concerning public meetings, announcements of public review and comment periods for statewide planning documents by sharing and distributing the information with the populations they service. These groups may include, but not limited to the following:

- CATS – Community Action Transit Services
- Bluegrass Community Action Council
- Kentucky River Foothills Organization
- Lextran
- Frankfort Transit System
- Lexington Red Cross
- Federated Transportation Services of the Bluegrass
- Salvation Army
- Japanese American Society of Kentucky
- Lexington Chinese Christian Church
- Lexington Korean United Methodist Church
- Chinese Students and Scholars Association (UK)
- Lexington Chinese School
- Kentucky Association of Chinese American Professionals
- Central Kentucky Japanese Saturday School
- Lexington Korean Presbyterian Church
- Asia Grocery
- Hong Kong Market
- Sagar India Market
- Seoul Supermarket
- Yu Yu Asian Supermarket
- North Central Area Health Education Centers
- Hispanic Association of Lexington
- Capilla Christiana Church
- Cardinal Valley Community Center
- St. Peter Catholic Church
- Office of Hispanic Outreach and Services – Bluegrass Community and Technical College
- La Unica Mexican Grocery
- El Milagro Grocery
- La Decliciosa de Texas
- La Guadalapana
- Super Mercado Aquascalientes

- Taqueria Aquascalientes
- Iglesia Puerta del Cielo
- Bluegrass Farmer's Health Center
- Diocese of Lexington Hispanic Affairs Branch
- Nicaraguan Prison Ministry, Inc.
- American Baptist Council
- YMCA of Central Kentucky Black Achievers Program
- NAACP – Danville, Frankfort, Georgetown, Lexington, and Richmond
- Urban League
- Lyman T Johnson African-American Alumni Club
- Project on African American Heritage (UK)
- Kentucky State University Alumni Association (KSU)
- Social Security Offices – All Counties
- Senior Citizen Centers/Agency on Aging (Bluegrass ADD)
- Bluegrass Council of the Blind
- Special Olympics – District Wide
- Cardinal Hill Rehabilitation Hospital
- Department of Blind and Hard of Hearing
- Bluegrass Regional Mental Health
- Local Health Departments – All Counties
- Post Offices – All Counties
- County Clerks Offices – All Counties
- Housing Authorities

Public Meetings

The Bluegrass ADD will hold local or regional public information/input meetings as requested by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet or by the Regional Transportation Committee to provide additional opportunities for public comments related to transportation issues and the transportation planning process.

Newspapers

Information can be sent to the local newspapers in the region. The following list contains the daily, weekly, and “target audience” newspapers such as publications targeting Hispanics:

Anderson County

The Anderson News
P. O. Box 410
Lawrenceburg, KY 40342
Phone: 502-839-6906
Fax: 502-839-3118
e-mail:
news@theandersonnews.com

Bourbon County

Bourbon County Citizen
P. O. Box 158
Paris, KY 40361
Phone: 859-987-1870
e-mail: citadinc@aol.com

Boyle County

The Advocate Messenger
P. O. Box 149
Danville, KY 40422
Phone: 859-236-2551
Fax: 859-236-9566
e-mail: advocate@amnews.com

Clark County

The Winchester Sun
P. O. Box 4300
Winchester, KY 40392
Phone: 859-744-3123
Fax: 859-745-0638
e-mail: rpatrick@winchestersun.com

Estill County

Estill County Tribune
6135 Winchester Road
Irvine, KY 40336
Phone: 606-723-5012
Fax: 606-723-2743

Fayette County

Lexington Herald-Leader
100 Midland Avenue
Lexington, KY 40508
Phone: 859-231-3100
Fax: 859-231-3534
e-mail: boritz@herald-leader.com

Kentucky Kernel
University of Kentucky
626 Grehan Bldg.
Lexington, KY 40506
Phone 859-257-2871
Fax: 859-323-1906
e-mail: news@KyKernel.com

Ace Weekly
486 West Second St.
Lexington, KY 40507
Phone: 859-225-4889
e-mail: acelist@aceweekly.com

La voz de Kentucky
Spanish Newspaper
P. O. Box 54516
Lexington, KY 40555
Phone: 859-621-2106
Fax: 859-293-0539
e-mail: lavozdeky@yahoo.com

El Mundo Noticias
Spanish Newspaper
2265 Harrodsburg Rd.
Lexington, KY 40504
Phone: 859-373-0942

El Nuevo Siglo
Spanish Newspaper
2039 Rainbow Rd.
Lexington, KY 40503
Phone: 859-381-1619
Fax: 859-381-1982
e-mail: nuevosigloky@aol.com

Iglesia Nueva Vida
749 Addison Avenue
P. O. Box 4189
Lexington, KY 40544
Phone: 859-230-3385
e-mail: chknox@mindspring.com

La Actualidad
Spanish Magazine
1412 Village Drive
Lexington, KY 40504
Phone: 502-489-5633
e-mail: info@digraphicsgroup.com

Franklin County
Frankfort State Journal
P. O. Box 368
Frankfort, KY 40601
Phone: 502-227-4556
Fax: 502-607-0123
e-mail: khenderson@state-journal.com

Thorbred News
Kentucky State University
400 East Main St., HH 317
Frankfort, KY 40601
Phone: 502-597-5915

Garrard County
Garrard Central Record
P. O. Box 800
Lancaster, KY 40444
Phone: 859-792-2831
Fax: 859-792-3448
e-mail: centralrecord@alltel.net

Harrison County
Cynthiana Democrat
P. O. Box 160
Cynthiana, KY 41031
Phone: 859-234-1035
Fax: 859-234-8096
e-mail:
bbarnes@cynthianademocrat.com

Jessamine County
Jessamine Journal
P. O. Box 8
Nicholasville, KY 40340
Phone: 859-885-5381
Fax: 859-887-2966
e-mail:
news@jessaminejournal.com

La Esperanza
Spanish Newspaper
Asbury College
Wilmore, KY 40390
Phone: 859-858-4923
e-mail: mlonginow@asbury.edu

Lincoln County
Interior Journal
111 East Main St.
Stanford, KY 40484-1252
Phone: 606-365-2104
Fax: 606-365-2105
e-mail:
editor@theinteriorjournal.com

Madison County
Richmond Register
P. O. Box 99
Richmond, KY 40475
Phone: 859-623-1669
Fax: 859-623-2337
e-mail: lore@richmondregister.com

Berea Citizen
P. O. Box 207
Berea, KY 40403
Phone: 859-986-0959
Fax: 859-986-0960
e-mail: bereacitizen@alltel.net

Eastern Progress
Eastern Kentucky University
Combs Bldg. 326
521 Lancaster Ave.
Richmond, KY 40475
Phone: 859-622-1881
Fax: 859-622-2354
e-mail: progress@eku.edu

Siete Dias de Kentucky
Spanish Newspaper
620 Eastern Bypass, Ste H PMB 147
Richmond, KY 40475-2667
Phone: 859-625-1314
e-mail: alberto@holakentucky.com

Mercer County
Harrodsburg Herald
P. O. Box 68
Harrodsburg, KY 40330
Phone: 859-734-2726
Fax: 859-734-0737
e-mail:
newsroom@harrodsburgherald.com

Nicholas County
Nicholas News
P. O. Box 11
Carlisle, KY 40311
Phone: 859-289-6425
Fax: 859-289-4000
e-mail: nicholasnews@excitc.com

Nicholas Countian/Carlisle Mercury
218 Locust St.
Carlisle, KY 40311
Phone: 859-289-6426
Fax: 859-289-6947
e-mail: nichco@bellsouth.net

Powell County
Clay City Times
108 Court Street
Irvine, KY 40336
Phone: 606-663-5546
Fax: 606-663-6397

Scott County
Georgetown News-Graphic
1481 Cherry Blossom Way
Georgetown, KY 40324
Phone: 859-863-1111
Fax: 859-863-6296
e-mail: news@news-graphic.com

Woodford County
Woodford Sun
P. O. Box 29
Versailles, KY 40383
Phone: 859-873-4131
Fax: 859-873-0300
e-mail:
information@woodfordsun.com

Also Serving The Region
Courier-Journal
525 West Broadway
Louisville, KY 40202
Phone: 502-582-4011
Fax: 502-582-4979
e-mail: jtaylor@courier-journal.com

Radio

There are currently 55 radio stations licensed in the region; however several stations provide programming from outside sources and do not provide news and community information.

Anderson

WKYL 102.1 FM

1010 Industry Rd
Lawrenceburg, KY 40342
Phone: (502) 839-1021

Bourbon

WYGH 1440 AM

P.O. Box 50
Falmouth, KY 41040
Phone: (859) 472-1075
Fax: (859) 472-2875
Contact: wygh@fuse.net

Boyle

WDFB 88.1 FM

P.O. BOX 106
Danville, KY 40423
Phone: (859) 236-9333
Fax: (859) 236-3348
Contact: wdfb@searnet.com

WDFB 1170 AM

P.O. BOX 106
Danville, KY 40423
Phone: (859) 236-9333
Fax: (859) 238-3348
Contact: traffic@searchnet.com

WHIR 1230 AM

2063 Shakertown Road
Danville, KY 40422
Phone: (859) 236-2711
Fax: (859) 236-1461

WMGE 107.1 FM

2063 Shakertown Road
Danville, KY 40422
Phone: (859) 236-2711

WRNZ 105.1 FM

324 Main Street
Danville, KY 40422
Phone: (859) 236-7106

Estill

WCYO 100.7 FM

128 Big Hill Ave.
Irvine, KY 40475
Phone: (859) 624-1067
Website: www.wcyofm.com
Contact: rmcintyre@wcyo.com

WIRV 1550 AM

P.O. BOX 231
Irvine, KY 40336
Phone: (859) 723-5138

Fayette

WBTF 107.9 FM

401 W. Main Street
Suite 301
Lexington, KY 40507
Phone: (859) 233-1515

WBUL 98.1 FM

2601 Nicholasville Road
Lexington, KY 40503
Phone: (859) 422-1000
Fax: (859) 422-1071
Website: www.wbul.com
Contact:
karynczar@clearchannel.com

WBVX 92.1 FM

401 W. Main Street
Suite 301
Lexington, KY 40507
Phone: (859) 233-1515
Website: www.b92fm.com

WCDA 106.3 FM
401 W. Main Street
Suite 301
Lexington, KY 40507
Phone: (859) 233-1515
Website: www.cd1063.com

WCGW 770 AM
3270 Blazer Parkway
Suite 101
Lexington, KY 40509
Phone: (859) 245-1000
Website: www.wcgwam.com

WGKS 96.9 FM
401 W. Main Street
Suite 301
Lexington, KY 40507
Phone: (859) 233-1515
Fax: (859) 233-4148
Website: www.wgks.com
Contact: lmartin@lmcomm.com

WGKS 96.9 FM
P.O. BOX 11788
Lexington, KY 40578
Phone: (859) 233-1515

WJMM 106.3 FM
3270 Blazer Parkway
Suite 101
Lexington, KY 40509
Phone: (859) 245-1000

WKQQ 100.1 FM
2601 Nicholasville Road
Lexington, KY 40503
Phone: (859) 422-1000
Fax: (859) 422-1071
Website: www.wkqq.com
Contact:
karynczar@clearchannel.com

WLAP 630 AM
2601 Nicholasville Road
Lexington, KY 40503
Phone: (859) 422-1000
Fax: (859) 422-1071
Website: www.wlap.com
Contact:
karynczar@clearchannel.com

WLKT 104.5 FM
2601 Nicholasville Road
Lexington, KY 40503
Phone: (859) 422-1000
Fax: (859) 422-1071
Website: www.wlkt.com
Contact:
michaeljordan@clearchannel.com

WLRO 101.5 FM
300 W. Vine Street
3rd Floor
Lexington, KY 40507
Phone: (859) 253-5900
Fax: (859) 253-5943
Website: www.1015theplanet.com

WLTO 1480 AM
300 W. Vine Street
3rd Floor
Lexington, KY 40507
Phone: (859) 253-5900
Fax: (859) 253-5943

WLXG 1300 AM
401 West Main Street
Suite 301
Lexington, KY 40507
Phone: (859) 233-1515
Fax: (859) 233-4248
Website: www.wlxg.com

WLXO 96.1 FM

401 West Main Street
Suite 301
Lexington, KY 40507
Phone: (859) 233-1515 Fax:
Website:
<http://www.supertalk961.com>

WLXX 92.9 FM

300 West Vine Street
3rd Floor
Lexington, KY 40507
Phone: (859) 253-5900
Fax: (859) 253-5943
Website: www.wlxxthebear.com
Contact: marshall@wlxxthebear.com

WMKJ 105.5 FM

2601 Nicholasville Road
Lexington, KY 40503
Phone: (859) 422-1000
Fax: (859) 422-1071
Website: <http://www.magic1055.com>
Contact:
karynczar@clearchannel.com

WMXL 94.5 FM

2601 Nicholasville Road
Lexington, KY 40503
Phone: (859) 422-1000
Fax: (859) 422-1071
Website: www.wmxi.com
Contact:
karynczar@clearchannel.com

WRFL 88.1 FM

University Street North
P.O. Box 777
Lexington, KY 40506
Phone: (859) 257-4636
Fax: (859) 323-1039
Website: www.wrfl881.org
Contact: news@wrfl881.org

WUKY 91.3 FM

University of Kentucky
340 McVey Hall
Lexington, KY 40506
Phone: (859) 257-3221
Website: www.wuky.uky.edu
Contact: wuky@uky.edu

WVLK 590 AM

300 W. Vine St
3rd Floor
Lexington, KY 40507
Phone: (859) 253-5900
Fax: (859) 253-5943
Website: www.wvlkam.com
Contact: news@wvlk.com

WWYC 100.1 FM

2601 Nicholasville Rd
Lexington, KY 40503
Phone: (859) 293-0563
Contact:
karynczar@clearchannel.com

WXZZ 103.3 FM

300 W. Vine St
3rd Floor
Lexington, KY 40507
Phone: (859) 253-5900
Fax: (859) 253-5943
Website: www.zrock103.com

Franklin**WFKY 1490 AM**

120 Mero Street
P.O. BOX 757
Frankfort, KY 40602
Phone: (502) 223-8281

WKED 1130 AM

306 W Main St #509
Frankfort, KY 40601
Phone: (502) 875-1130

WKED 103.7 FM
306 W Main St #509
Frankfort, KY 40601
Phone: (502) 875-1130

WKYW 104.9 FM
120 Mero Street
P.O. BOX 757
Frankfort, KY 40602
Phone: (502) 223-8281

Harrison
WCYN 1400 AM
P.O. BOX 398
Cynthiana, KY 41031
Phone: (859) 234-1400
Fax: (859) 234-1425
Website: www.wcyn.com

WCYN 102.3 FM
P.O. BOX 398
Cynthiana, KY 41031
Phone: (859) 234-1400
Fax: (859) 234-1425

Jessamine
WMJR 1380 AM (catholic radio)
2909 Richmond Rd
Nicholasville, KY 40509
Phone: 859 2591380
Fax: (859) 278-0426
Contact: info@wmjr.net

Lincoln
WRSL 1520 AM
P.O. BOX 300
Stanford, KY 40484
Phone: (859) 365-2126

WRSL 95.9 FM
P.O. BOX 300
Stanford, KY 40484
Phone: (859) 365-2126

Madison
WCBR 1110 AM
College Park Center
P.O. BOX 570
Richmond, KY 40476
Phone: (859) 623-1235

WEKU 88.9 FM
Eastern Kentucky University
102 Perkins Bldg
Richmond, KY 40475
Phone: (800) 621-8890
Fax: (859) 622-6276
Website: www.weku.com
Contact: weke@acs.eku.edu

WKXO 1500 AM
406 Chestnut Street
P.O. BOX 307
Berea, KY 40403
Phone: (859) 986-9321

WKXO 106.7 FM
406 Chestnut Street
P.O. BOX 307
Berea, KY 40403
Phone: (859) 986-9321

WLFX 106.7 FM
128 Big Hill Ave.
Richmond, KY 40475
Phone: (859) 624-1067
Contact: contact@wlfxfm.com

WMCQ 101.7 FM
College Park Center
P.O. BOX 570
Richmond, KY 40476
Phone: (859) 623-1235

Mercer
WHBN 1420 AM
P.O. BOX 247
Harrodsburg, KY 40330
Phone: (859) 734-4321

Powell

WBFC 1470 AM

2401 Paint Creek Road
P.O. BOX 577
Stanton, KY 40380
Phone: (859) 663-2888
FAX: (859) 663 -2267
Contact: info@wbfcam.com

WSKV 104.9 FM

28 West Hall's Road
P.O. BOX 610
Stanton, KY 40380
Phone: (859) 663-2811
Fax: (859) 663-2895

Hispanic Radio

Radio Vida

Spanish Radio
2001 South Main Street
Paris, Kentucky 40361
Phone: (859)420-5544
www.radiovida.net
E-mail: don@radiovida.net
dinorah@radiovida.net
Contact: Don Souleyrete

La Pantera

Spanish Radio
1580AM
1380 Alexandria Drive
Lexington, Kentucky 40504
Phone: (859)231-0950
E-mail: saludos@radiopantera.com
Contact: Salvador Aguilar

Scott

WRVG 89.9 FM

700 Lemmons Mill Road
Georgetown, KY 40324
Phone: (502) 868-6565

7 Radio (1580AM)

Spanish Radio
(Saturday Program from
7:00PM to 8:00PM)
620 Eastern Bypass Ste H PMB 147
Richmond, Kentucky 40475
Phone: (859)625-1314
E-mail: alberto@holakentucky.com
www.holakentucky.com
www.sanzcomunicacion.com
Contact: Alberto Sanz

Television

There are four commercial broadcast television stations located in the district and seven additional commercial broadcast television stations located out of the district but serving various communities within the district. There are also various cable access channels and local message boards on various information channels operated by local cable providers that may be utilized in creating public awareness.

Television Stations In The Region

WLEX-TV

Channel 18
1065 Russell Cave Road
Lexington, KY 40505
Phone: 859-259-1810
e-mail: lexnews@wlex.com

WKYT-TV

Channel 27
285 Winchester Road
Lexington, KY 40509
Phone: 859-299-0411
Fax: 859-299-2494
e-mail: Bill.Bryant@wkyt.com

WTVQ-TV

Channel 36
6940 Man-O-War Blvd.
Lexington, KY 40509
Phone: 859-294-3636
e-mail: news26@wtvq.com

WDKY-TV

Channel 56
836 Euclid Ave., Suite 201
Lexington, KY 40502
Phone: 859-269-5656
Fax: 859-269-3774
e-mail: community@wdky56.com

Other Television Stations Impacting the Region

WAVE-TV

Channel 3
P. O. Box 32970
Louisville, KY 40232
Phone: 502-561-4150
Fax: 502-561-4105
e-mail: newsrelease@wave3tv.com

WHAS-TV

Channel 11
520 West Chestnut Street
Louisville, KY 40202
Phone: 502-582-7220
Fax: 502-582-7279
e-mail: assign@whas11.com

WLKY-TV

Channel 32
P. O. Box 6205
Louisville, KY 40206
Phone: 502-893-3671
Fax: 502-896-0725

WYMT-TV

Channel 57
199 Black Gold Blvd.
Hazard, KY 41701
Phone: 606-436-5757
e-mail: jim.caldwell@wymtnews.com

WLWT-TV

Channel 5
1700 Young St.
Cincinnati, OH 45202
Phone: 513-412-5000
e-mail: cinnnews@wlwt.com

WCPO-TV

Channel 9
2010 Sportys Drive
Batavia, OH 45103
Phone: 513-732-1404
Fax: 513-721-7717
e-mail: newsdesk@wcpo.com

WKRC-TV

Channel 12
1906 Highland Ave.
Cincinnati, OH 45219
Phone: 513-421-6872
Fax: 513-421-3820
e-mail: programming@wkrc.com

Cable Access Television**GTV3**

101 East Vine Street, Suite 300
Lexington, KY 40507
Phone: 859-258-3495
e-mail: jhatton@lfucg.com

Traveling Exhibits

Traveling exhibits at local festivals, fairs and various community events may be used to display information about public meetings, review of statewide documents and the statewide planning process. The following are some of the community events that serve the general population as well as the underserved citizens of the region:

- Burgoo Festival – Lawrenceburg
- County Fairs – District Wide
- Pumpkin Festival – Bourbon County
- Great American Brass Band Festival – Danville
- Junction City Railroad Days
- Daniel Boone Pioneer Festival – Winchester
- Mountain Mushroom Arts and Crafts Festival – Irvine
- Cinco de Mayo Festival – Lexington
- Bluegrass Fair – Lexington
- Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration – Various Communities
- St. Patrick's Day Parade – Lexington
- Mayfest Art Fair – Lexington
- Fourth of July Events – Various Communities
- Bike Lexington
- Woodland Arts Festival – Lexington
- Berea Craft Festival
- Christmas Parade – Various Communities
- Icthus Christian Music Festival – Wilmore
- Capital Expo Festival – Frankfort
- Folklife Festival – Frankfort
- International Kite and Culture Festival – Georgetown

- Cincinnati Bengals Summer Camp – Georgetown
- Buffalo Daze – Georgetown
- Midway Fall Festival
- Millville Hillbilly Festival
- Bluegrass State Games – Lexington
- Special Olympics – Various Communities
- Midnight Madness – Lexington
- Boys Basketball High School State Tournament – Lexington
- Girls Basketball High School State Tournament – Richmond
- Jessamine Jamboree - Nicholasville
- Roots and Heritage Festival - Lexington
- Latino Festival – Lexington
- Career Days (at Local High Schools)
- Chinese Moon Festival – Lexington
- Chinese New Year’s Celebration – Lexington
- Fall Festival – Lancaster
- Taste of Harrison County Festival
- Homecoming Festival – Stanford
- Berea Arts and Crafts Festival
- Spoonbread Festival – Berea
- Battle of Richmond Reenactment
- Fort Harrod Beef Festival – Harrodsburg
- Blackberry Festival – Carlisle
- Corn Festival – Stanton

5. REVIEW AND EVALUATION

The public involvement process is flexible and evolving. Other methods may also be identified to allow the public opportunity to review plans, discuss alternatives, question recommendations and express their view. The Bluegrass Area Development District Public Involvement Plan will be reviewed on an annual basis. During this evaluation process the Regional Transportation Committee should discuss and explore new opportunities and methods for obtaining public input for inclusion into the plan and consider removing inefficient and ineffective methods.

All efforts to inform and educate the public, including the traditionally underserved will be documented by the ADD utilizing the quarterly report system that is required by the KYTC. If additional documentation is requested by KYTC, then the documentation will be provided as outlined in the Annual Work Program for the ADD.

A constant constraint in any project is funding. The Regional Transportation Committee has limited resources to accomplish objectives. It must ensure that funds are spent in ways that will achieve the desired results. The Regional Transportation Committee must periodically assess the effectiveness of its public involvement techniques to ensure that funds and efforts are achieving the public involvement objective.