



300 GRADD Way
Owensboro, Kentucky
42301-0200

GRADD.COM

**GREEN RIVER AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

August 18, 2025
M-I-N-U-T-E-S

The Green River Area Development District (GRADD) Regional Transportation Committee (RTC) met on Monday, August 18, 2025, at 1:04 p.m. at the GRADD Office. A quorum was present with the following members in attendance:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Adam O’Nan, Union County Judge/Executive
Johnny “Chic” Roberts, Hancock County Judge/Executive
Curtis Dame, McLean County Judge/Executive
Charlie Castlen, Daviess County Judge/Executive
David Johnston, Ohio County Judge/Executive
Steve Henry, Webster County Judge/Executive (Rep. by Randy Norman)
Tom Watson, Mayor, City of Owensboro (Rep. by Kevin Collignon)
Brian Howard, Owensboro Metropolitan Planning Commission
Jimmy VanCleve, Area 3 Training Center
Suzanne Craig, Green River District Health Department
Donnie Mayton, Bicycle Owensboro
Amber Gebhard, GRADD Senior Centers

MEMBERS ABSENT

Brad Schneider, Henderson County Judge/Executive
Brad Staton, Mayor, City of Henderson (Rep. by Doug Boom)
Missy Vanderpool, Henderson Economic Development
Brian Wright, Owensboro Riverport Authority
Tristan Durbin, Owensboro-Daviess County Regional Airport
Captain Brenton Ford, Kentucky State Police – Post 16
Mark Calitri, Owensboro-Daviess County Convention Center & Visitor’s Bureau
Chris Stafford, Ohio County School District Transportation
Dan Lanham, Green River Intra-County Transit System (GRITS)
Candance Brake, Greater Owensboro Chamber of Commerce
Charlotte Whittaker, Senior Representative
Mike Baker, Hancock County Industrial Foundation
Shelby Basham, Freight Representative
Larry Tellman, Citizens Representative
Joanne Kendall, Minority Representative



Johnny “Chic” Roberts, Chairman | Adam O’Nan, Vice Chairman | Curtis Dame, Secretary | Charlie Castlen, Treasurer | Joanna Shaka, Executive Director

270.926.4433 | Fax: 270.684.0714 | GRADD.com | TDD Users: 800.648.6056

Serving the Municipal and County Governments of Daviess, Hancock, Henderson, McLean, Ohio, Union, & Webster



GUESTS AND STAFF PRESENT

Dirk Dooper, Daviess County Engineer
Jason Burden, Ohio County Road Department
Deneatra Henderson, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) District Office 2
Nick Hall, KYTC District Office 2
Matt Hughes, KYTC District Office 2
Representative DJ Johnson, Kentucky State Representative
Representative Suzanne Miles, Office of Congressman Brett Guthrie
Anne Lawless, Office of Congressman Brett Guthrie
Mark Brasher, STV Engineering
Blake Edge, GRADD
Tom Lovett, GRADD
Jennifer Alvey, GRADD

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Adam O’Nan called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

II. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Chair Adam O’Nan offered the minutes of the June 16, 2025, meeting of the GRADD Regional Transportation Committee for approval.

A motion was made by Judge Roberts and seconded by Jimmy VanCleve to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2025, GRADD RTC meeting.
A vote was taken and the motion carried.

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. None

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Nominating Committee

Chair Adam O’Nan asked for volunteers to serve on a nominating committee to select candidates for chair, vice chair and secretary. With no volunteers stepping forward, Chair O’Nan asked Curtis Dame, Johnney “Chic” Roberts, and Charlie Castlen to serve. All agreed.

B. Strategic Highway Investment Formula for Tomorrow (SHIFT) Boost Points Allocation

Chair Adam O’Nan called on Jennifer Alvey, GIS Analyst at GRADD, to explain the method of selecting projects to boost in the Strategic Highway Investment Formula for Tomorrow (SHIFT) process. Ms. Alvey explained projects are scored and ranked by KYTC to provide input on the upcoming Highway Plan. The RTC received scores on 21 projects in the region. The committee will choose nine of those projects to boost by

adding 10 points to the total score. The KYTC Highway District 2 Office also has boosts to use. Ideally, the district office will align their choices with the projects the RTC chooses to boost. Ms. Alvey led the committee in a discussion of the projects as the committee decided which projects to boost. The following projects were selected for boosting:

Hancock

- KY-69: Improve connection between US-60 and the Cannelton bridge at Hawesville. (ID# IP20160021; SYP# 2-197.00)
- US-60: Widen from mile 2.2 in Lewisport to KY-1957. (ID# IP20230095; SYP# 2-80306.00)

McLean

- KY-136: Improve alignments and address safety issues with bridges from KY-56 to Ohio County line. (ID# IP20150371; SYP# 2-8812.10)

Ohio

- KY-69: Address the safety concerns of KY-69 from Sunnydale Road to KY-54 at Fordsville. (ID# IP20060112)
- KY-69: Reconstruct KY-69 from KY-85 in Centertown to KY-276 (Goshen Road). (ID# IP20250100)

Union

- US 60: Reconstruct US-60 from Waverly to Corydon. (ID# IP20160026; SYP# 2-80314.00)
- US-60: Reconstruct US-60 from the Morganfield Bypass to Waverly. (ID# IP20160027; SYP# 2-80315.00)

Webster

- KY-138: Address flooding and safety concerns on KY-138 from KY-120 to RR Bridge in Slaughters. (ID# IP20060125; SYP# 2-228.00)
- US-41A: Address safety concerns of US-41A from KY-2836 to Vanderburg-Lisman Road. (ID# IP20250096)

A motion was made by Curtis Dame and seconded by Charlie Castlen to boost the listed projects. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

C. Goals & Objectives FY26 Review

Jennifer Alvey presented members with a draft of the Goals & Objectives for Fiscal Year 2026. Ms. Alvey stated the Goals & Objectives rarely change from year to year because they represent reflect goals that remain consistent, such as regionalism, public involvement, safety, accessibility, and environmental protection. Ms. Alvey said this was a draft document and approval is not required until the next RTC meeting.

D. RTC Bylaws FY26 Review

Jennifer Alvey presented the members with a draft of the RTC Bylaws for Fiscal Year 2026. Ms. Alvey said there are two changes in the draft Bylaws. One change is that the KYTC District 2 Office Engineer is identified as a voting member but should be listed as an advisor to the RTC. The other change is that the word “chairman” will be replaced with “chair.” The RTC will vote on the bylaws at the next meeting.

E. Major Traffic Generators List

Jennifer Alvey shared the Major Traffic Generators list with the Committee and asked members for help updating the list, which will be submitted to KYTC in November. Ms. Alvey explained that any location that draws more than 100 vehicles per day should be considered for the list.

V. UPDATES

A. Highway District Office Update

Deneatra Henderson stated there has been some confusion in the media about the work happening at the Blue Bridge in downtown Owensboro and the Natcher Bridge. Work on the Blue Bridge is nearing completion and is expected to reopen in October.

B. Safe Streets 4 All

Jennifer Alvey reported that data collection is complete. The next step is for the University of Kentucky Transportation Center to create the region's Safety Action Plan. Ms. Alvey said they're hoping to have the plan complete before the next Safe Streets 4 All grant application window opens in the spring.

C. Other Updates

Jennifer Alvey shared these updates:

- Members should contact Ms. Alvey if their community has a Bicycle/Pedestrian plan or is working on one.
- Every 5 years, the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet conducts a Rural Consultation Survey to obtain feedback on the transportation planning process. Ms. Alvey presented a link to the online survey and encouraged all members to take the survey before the deadline of October 1, 2025.

VI. OTHER ITEMS

A. Public Comments

None

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Adam O'Nan adjourned the meeting at 1:39 p.m.

Judge/Executive Adam O'Nan, Chair