WELCOME!

Thank you for participating in our online public meeting for the K-10/23rd Street Bridge Replacement project.

We hope you will offer comments at the end of this presentation. The comment period ends August 6, 2010.

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July 2010





Project Background

KDOT has been working on design alternatives to replace the existing bridge on K-10/23rd Street, between Barker and Haskell Avenue.

The original bridge was built in 1931 and widened in 1971.





Project Background

Although structurally adequate to carry today's traffic, the bridge's condition is being monitored and KDOT is planning for its replacement. A new structure will improve safety, address capacity, and provide for pedestrian connectivity, while meeting the needs of adjoining landowners.







Project Background

Opportunities to minimize impacts to traffic on 23rd Street during construction are also being considered.











Stakeholder Engagement

KDOT hosted a stakeholder workshop and a public meeting in 2008 and has been working with property owners and stakeholders throughout the process to discuss impacts, construction, access



and other issues regarding the use of the bridge and 23rd Street.





Community Concerns

Property owners adjacent to the project voiced their concerns:

- Access to 23rd Street during construction;
- Keeping vehicular access under the bridge; and
- Improving sight distance along the corridor.





Community Concerns

Other concerns include:

- Safety
- Pedestrian Connectivity
- Landscaping improvements

(opportunities for improvement along the corridor are being considered within this KDOT project, or in the future.)







Design Alternatives

During the evaluation process, the team studied three alternative design concepts. KDOT and the City of Lawrence collaboratively selected the preferred alternative to carry forward into the final design phase for engineers to evaluate in more detail.





Concepts Considered

Pedestrian-only box

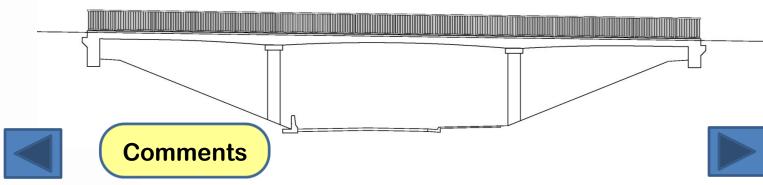


 CONSPAN structure





Open Span Bridge



Design Concepts

Pedestrian-only box structure

(not selected)

 This structure would accommodate pedestrian traffic only, and would not provide significant sight distance improvement.







Design Concepts CONSPAN structure

(not selected)

 This structure would accommodate both vehicular and pedestrian traffic, but would not allow for significant lowering of 23rd Street at the bridge or significant sight distance improvement.

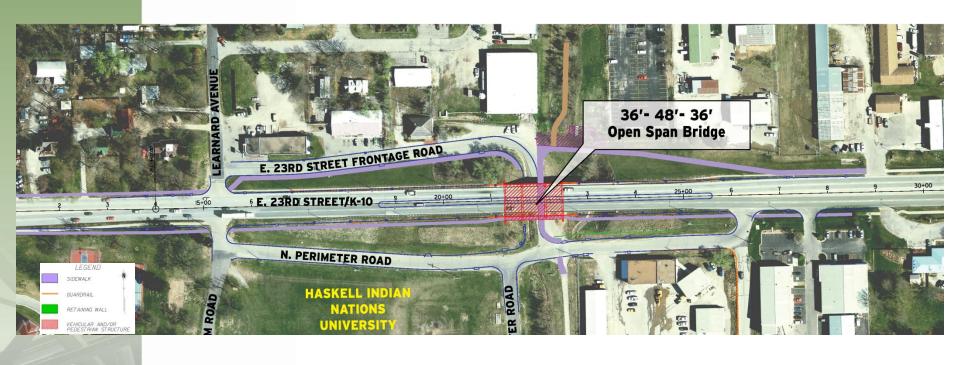






Design Concepts Open Span Bridge

(selected)









Recommended Design

Open Span Bridge

- Most cost effective structure that accommodates both vehicular and pedestrian traffic under 23rd Street.
- Lowers roadway approximately 8 feet at bridge.
- Improves sight distance along 23rd Street.
- Alternative with best sight lines beneath structure.
- Four-lanes of traffic through the work zone during construction.



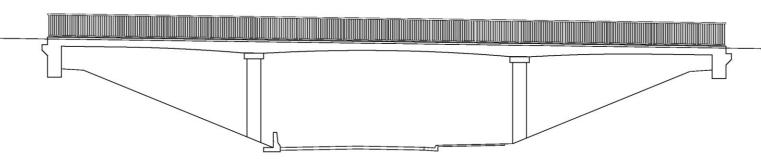


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Elevation View

 The open span bridge will pass over E. 23rd Street Frontage Road and the pedestrian trail connecting the existing Haskell Rail Trail to the Burroughs Creek Rail Trail currently being constructed to the north.

Looking North at ground-level





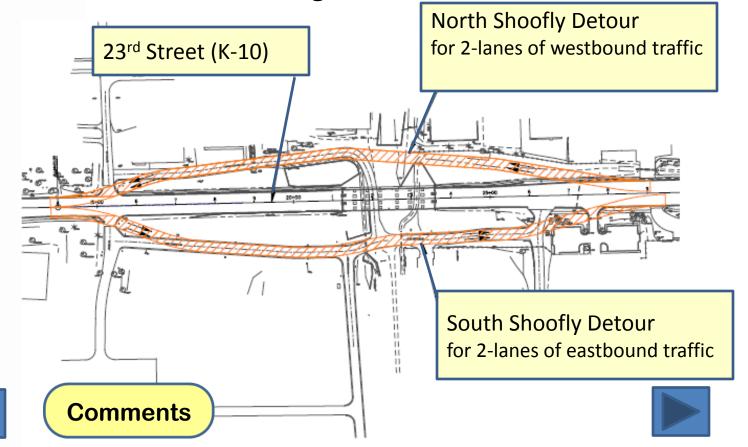




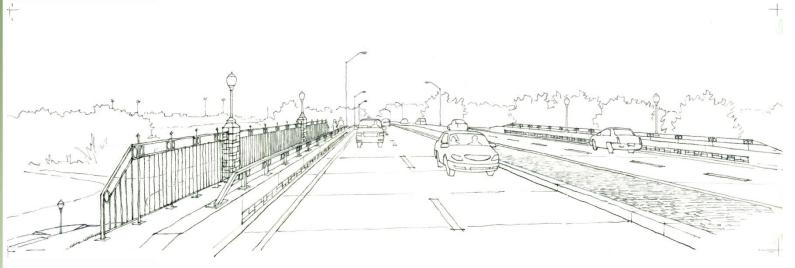
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Maintenance of Traffic During Construction

 Two-lanes of traffic will be maintained in each direction during construction.



Bridge Aesthetic Concept



The bridge concept includes a black painted decorative fence adjacent to the sidewalk with a shorter version repeated on the corral rails. The concrete posts outside the sidewalk, and the corral rails, will have a stained ashlar stone formliner treatment. Decorative acorn lights will be located on each side of the bridge.



Comments



Rails to Trails Connectivity

The trails north and south of 23rd Street will be connected with a trail that passes beneath the new bridge.







Next Steps

- The right-of-way process will begin in August 2010.
- Final design and plans completed in 2011.
- Let for construction in January 2012.
- Project construction to begin in spring of 2012 and will be completed by the end of 2012.
- Estimated construction cost \$4.6 million.





THANK YOU!

- We need your input! Please send comments through the link below OR
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