

# Appendix F: Consultation Documentation



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## RE: Request for Consultation on 2050 Plan Candidate Projects

Dear Sir or Madam:

To foster cooperation while promoting communication within State and local agencies responsible for land use management, natural resources, environmental protection, conservation, and historic preservation; the Kalamazoo Area Transportation Study (KATS) is seeking input on its 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan list of Proposed Projects.

Please visit [katsmpo.org/programs/transportation-plan/](http://katsmpo.org/programs/transportation-plan/) and review the Proposed Project list. These projects are for both capacity increases and general maintenance. All are strictly in the developmental stage. This is only a draft list and inclusion in the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan does not guarantee construction.

Please look over the Proposed Projects and reference them to your organization. KATS would appreciate any comment or concern regarding these projects. Please contact us in writing or by email by **June 18, 2021**. Your comments are an important part of the planning process. Without appropriate feedback, it is difficult to foresee potential issues with the Proposed Projects. No comment will be viewed as having no concerns with the draft list.

If you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact KATS.

Thank you in advance for your comments and participation.

Sincerely,

Steve Stepek  
Executive Director

**Kalamazoo Conservation District**

Fri, Jun 18,  
9:29 AM

to me

Good Morning Megan,

I am writing on behalf of the Kalamazoo Conservation District.

In discussing your proposed list of projects, we are questioning the necessity of widening roads especially in the Portage projects. Is the widening due singularly to the addition of bike lanes or is this to accommodate increased traffic? We are especially concerned about the environmental impacts of projects passing through wetland areas. Of special concern is the widening of Oakland Dr through a wetland habitat. Have these projects been investigated for environmental impact?

Thank you,  
Elizabeth Rochow

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