

**Campbell County Conservation District Survey 2017  
Comments Thematically Organized**

**COMMENTS ON LIFE IN SOUTHERN CAMPBELL COUNTY**

**Farms and farming are important to community (30)**

*Protect farms and farming (16)*

Development of any Class I, II, III, land should be strongly discouraged. When that is gone you have no agriculture base to preserve!

I've already gave up land for a new bridge for nothing to help out. Stay away. No more. It's the family farm.

We must preserve American Agriculture, the only true necessary industry.

Kroger does not raise your food You don't have to have a building or road on every acre of land

Hay is only product raised here. Another farmer cuts hay for his use. I like to see green grass on the farm, not a bunch of houses.

Keep the city the city and the county the county. We need farms!

I dislike how cities try to push farms out, and look down on people with small farms. The County needs to support small farms and stand up against cities and transients who move in from out of the area.

The construction projects should bypass farm land wherever possible and not fragment one owners land.

This is the most destructive and ridiculous "developmental plan" that I have ever heard of effecting the farmers in Southern Campbell County. I DO NOT approve and will be the resistance.

We need MORE farms not less!

It is obvious that all property taxes will increase tremendously; this plan will destroy the remaining farmers that utilize their land to provide for their families by homesteading

We firmly believe that the preservation of agricultural land in all of Kentucky is critical to our economic and productive reputation.

If expansion goes south of proposed highway, this will affect agriculture in Southern Campbell Co

Keep our farm land free

We need to keep farms in America; scattered across America

The land in Campbell Co. is still utilized in many agricultural manners for family sustenance (livestock, crops, etc.). The Bypass would hurt the livelihood of Campbell Co. families

*Protect farming way of life and heritage (7)*

Fix what need fixing first before destroying peoples lives and stop thinking that city life is better. Farming is a way of life for me and my family.

Putting this road in could hurt our agricultural way of life.

Widening a road that already exists is an entirely different desire than taking family farms for a new highway. Many families are well established on the proposed land the Cincy Eastern Bypass would take over. There is no available, unoccupied land appropriate for a Bypass in Southern Campbell Co.

Creating the proposed "Cincy Eastern Bypass", as well as expanding the KY 536 corridor is going to damage many farms and properties. Clearing a path for these roadways may lead to predictable fast food, motels, outlet malls and drive in bank chains. Southern Campbell County residents are made up of a rural heritage and the damage to be done to the agricultural resources and the environmental quality will simply be insurmountable.

While I think it would be great to do a bypass & bridge across the river, I think it will change southern Campbell County's agricultural feel to give way for suburbs & businesses.

I feel it is necessary to keep rural - rural. Campbell County is losing its farming heritage. Once lost it will be lost forever.

I am concerned about any road improvement. I always take farm land because it is cheap. So far we have had the AA Highway; water to Silver Grove; upgrade of electric service along four mile like and worst high pressure sewage pumping from Silver Grove. All of these projects do little or nothing for farmer but take land from them. All of these are for business, population growth and most of all more tax dollars.

*Family farm affected by roads and other development (7)*

Do not want Cincy Eastern Bypass to go through our farmland

I am greatly upset by the continued insistence of the Eastern Bypass. I have lived in the Grant's Lick area my entire life; we are farming my grandfather's farm. We built our home ourselves and it's beautiful! The bypass route appears to be extremely close to our land.

My family has been farming/living in or around Claryville for 100+ years. My farm overlooks the Visalia Bridge on 536. Many in my family live along the proposed bypass. If either is completed I will leave the home my grandfather, mother, and aunts & uncles were born in to preserve the rural upbringing for my children that I was afforded in southern Campbell County.

The Cincy Eastern Bypass will take my farm and the family farm that has been in my family since 1884.

I am glad to see the opportunity for public feedback, especially about the matter of the 536 extension and eastern bypass. These construction projects are of major concern to me because they would pave over almost all of our farm property.

There should be laws to pass land from parents to children to keep land in the same family

Small farms and business cannot make a profit due to taxes, licenses and insurance

### **Maintain rural character of southern Campbell County (27)**

#### *Value the rural character of southern Campbell County (15)*

The key to maintaining the rural nature in southern Campbell County are policies that encourage economically viable agriculture and zoning that directs residential development in around existing communities and facilitates cluster development on lot size of less than one acre.

I love the rural nature of Campbell County. I consider Cold Spring KY to be the best of urban living combined with the best of rural living.

We live in rural Campbell County to be away from city life. We value very much our privacy and rural lifestyle.

We live here for a reason. We love the rural small town areas.

I would like southern Campbell Co. to stay rural so I can hunt and target practice with my kids

Increases in both roads & subdivisions in the county will eventually result in a non rural county, if not regulated now! In my lifetime, with the development of AA HWY and now at 27 (expansion) that easy access has resulted in a total shift in the rural county to residential. Once the land is lost it can't be replaced!! Only takes one owner to decide to sell to make money and the landscape is changed forever!!

Thank you for considering the rural character of Campbell County

I have lived long enough to see the loss of rural vista/landscape which continues – Sad!

Preserve and keep the land we have left

Please keep our lands as they are.

Please save rural Campbell County

Growth is inevitable. But I won't always consider it progress. We have a beautiful county. I feel blessed to live here. Protect it! Cherish it – once it's gone, it's gone forever. I love that I can see the stars at night, hear the coyotes howling, the cows, goats and chickens. I moved here in 2004. Don't let this county become a Boone County –sprawl – We know our politicians love growth/progress. More tax dollars. Empire Building. Balance is the Key. Thank you.

We need to preserve rural life style. You make new roads & bypasses. It's not a big deal to leave rural area & be in cluster of rest, factory, houses and etc.

We are a municipality and relish the rural atmosphere but welcome businesses to our community for our residents. We want to continue our residential growth but at a controlled rate.

Change & development is good and necessary, but try to combine the beauty & rural areas. Put business by main highways like AA.

*Moved here for the rural character of the area (7)*

I moved to (bought property & build a home on it) Southern Campbell Co. 10 years ago to get away from Highways & people (when at home)... This would be taken away from me & so many others if the C.E.B. is created.

I moved here to be in the country

We are not from Campbell Cty, only buying a farm/home here in 2004 due to jobs in Cincinnati. We grew up in rural areas further South in KY – Nice area but is way behind in many respects.

We moved here from the city to get away from the city. We bought 10+ acres and are enjoying ourselves very much.

I live, grew up & love living in a rural area. I enjoy not having a highway in my back yard. I also know when I moved to a rural area there were some conveniences I would have to give up. But the rewards are greater.

We love Campbell County and have lived here our entire lives. Although a quick access to "town" would be nice, please don't ruin our rural county with more traffic. I'd rather drive a longer time to get to where I need to go. It's worth the time... I don't want an interstate in Campbell County.

I moved back to Campbell County to retire and be close to family. I like the small town feeling. I do not want a lot of traffic and noise in my neighborhood. I want my privacy and I cannot afford higher taxes.

*If wanted suburban or urban living would move to it (5)*

If I wanted to live in an area with high traffic I would have moved there. Leave this area the way it is. PLEASE

I will be devastated if the Cincy Eastern Bypass is approved. It will come very close to my house. I will strongly consider leaving Campbell County.

I recognize the need for improved road systems to decrease congestion, however, it should not come at the cost of hardworking rural landowners. If we wanted access to major highways/interstate roads we would have moved closer to them.

Most people live and own land in rural areas to be away from the urban and suburban developments (highways, shopping/office centers, housing developments). Growth is important and needed, but not at the cost of the land & environment.

The recent sale of land next to our farm and the immediate construction of a home on that land has me considering for the first time that we will need to move when we retire. Perhaps Wyoming or Montana to get the environment we want.

### **Protect the natural resources base in southern Campbell County (10)**

*Value the wildlife and hunting in southern Campbell County (7)*

Putting this road in could hurt the wildlife population

New 536 Highway will eliminate my hunting & fishing on my property!

I don't believe anyone will continue farming after I quit but my daughter and son-in-law would like to keep it to hunt on as a wildlife habitat

The AA has created a great deal of noise over the past few years. With the loss of ash trees & the overall tree canopy loss in southern Campbell County, an additional highway would disturb the communities and wildlife even more.

We are, and know Hunters. We need to keep land for the animals to live. Many use hunting to provide meat for their families. Cancer rates are so high already in NKY. The more commercial and subdivisions you allow, the more air quality and water resources go down. Many of our strip malls can't keep the stores viable - but they want to build more - use up the land - then move on

Look at land not being used for farming to build a lake for recreation, something bigger than A.J. Jolly, Hunting/Fishing

The wildlife is & has been out of control here for many years. It seems like not one cares. I might have to quit farming because of it. I'm tired of fighting it by myself and can't afford it any longer. I used to love to farm. But now this problem has me frustrated & disappointed, wore out & can't afford it. I have talked to the county agent. He says you have to be open minded, really. That's hard to do when you are the one losing money & your farm. I talked the wildlife dept. & worked with them & it always comes back to me doing all the work & problems with neighbors & hunters. The wildlife was not a problem when I was a kid. But the wildlife dept. created it & let it get out of control. We have killed 25 to 50 deer on our property almost every year the last 10-15 years & the deer & turkey just keep getting worse.

*Southern Campbell County natural areas need to be protected (3)*

Southern Campbell County is a natural and cultural treasure. Dividing the land will disturb wildlife migration patterns, cause soil erosion and compaction, which can damage streams and local plants and animals. Please keep our land whole!

Develop an Open Space Conservation Plan to avoid the loss or damage to Campbell Counties unique places, important natural areas & cultural resources. These include: farmland forests, treasured historic sites, & recreational & water resources.

It is important to preserve/conservate woodlands in addition to farmlands.

**Infrastructure already inadequate and have no money to do these repairs (23)**

*Concerns about the sewer pipeline (8)*

I am strongly opposed to the raw sewage pipeline proposed to come through Camp Springs as it will ruin this beautiful valley & the historic values which exist here

Allowing a forced sewer main through a historic district when other options are available is unacceptable

No pipeline in Camp Springs!

NO to high pressure sewer lines

Stop SDI's forced main through Camp Springs. Go around or include a gravity sewer line for us. Take 11% taxes off - insurances Kenton County has no taxes.

We need sewers.

Many parts of the county do not have sewers

Southern Campbell County has no city sewers for large scale development at this time

#### *Concerns about public water infrastructure (8)*

I would like to see city water in southern Campbell Co. in more spots like Burns Rd.

Water is a huge issue for Southern Campbell.

We need to get city water down the roads around here

City water in Grant's Lick would be nice, as long as the hook up fee is not too much for people who live far off the road

We need more city water to rural property.

Many parts of the county do not have water

Have been amazed at the lack of planning in this County relative to infrastructure – the lack of city water in rural areas & we are 30 min from a major city

Southern Campbell County has no city water for large scale development at this time

#### *Concerns about storm water management (5)*

If these plans are implemented development will soar. Storm water management will be a problem unless developers are forced to use common delayed drainage practices – detention & retention ponds.

Better water control from subdivisions

Better drain water management is needed

Stop the rain tax its unfair. It's meant for subdivisions who let their rainwater run off.

Better support is needed to help property owners keep gravel wash offs into the main roads managed - Too many accidents from riding or driving across loose gravels in the roads - Too many slick spots on roads from water draining into the roads from gravel driveways then freezing.

*Other infrastructure concerns (2)*

The schools need sidewalks.

Rural Campbell County is behind the times in infrastructure & economic development

### **Need better planning and more enforcement of existing policies (14)**

*Need more code enforcement (6)*

I think we need more code enforcement on these farms, so trash and debris can not be left on the land year after year.

It seems as though there is very little enforcement on existing zoning policies!  
Driveways (gravel) washing out into roads from new houses. Vacant buildings for years! Thriftway allowing acres & acres of junk cars similar to that on U.S. 27 & 4 mile. Mobile homes & junk/trash next to farms leaching whatever?

Can the planning and zoning or county do something about the dumps and cars around southern Campbell Co?

Enforce the Fence Laws No Fence No Farms

No farm land should be used for illegal or legal gun ranges or off road facilities like the one at 10217 Locust Pk. which destroys the peace and environment of both Kenton Co. and Campbell Co. residents. Other illegal gun ranges are operating in California in Campbell Co and southern Ohio.

Getting noisy in the country -- What can we do to curtail loud ATV's, dirt bikes (motorcycles), gun shooting in evening & nite?

*More effective planning needed (4)*

PLAN is a 4 letter word not often used in communities. When we build without a long-term plan, areas tend to end up looking junky & run down quickly

I believe the emphasis should be on long range planning with a view to retain as much as possible of the rural environment with development carefully planned to achieve that end.

It seems as though there is very little planning

As much as I hate to see more roads/development come to our rural landscape, something is going to have to happen to alleviate traffic on US 27. Uncontrolled development and poor planning by NKP&Z and city P&Z have made congestion and dangerous conditions.

*Need planning to limit growth (4)*

No more growth in Campbell County!

If we continue to plop subdivisions down willy nilly, US 27 will not be able to handle the load. It barely can now.

I have lived in Campbell County since 1990 and have seen development happen in a haphazard fashion with no thought to what these buildings will look like once built. The planning & zoning if it exists in Alexandria/C.C. develops with no plan in mind & zoning is poor at best in separating business from residential. Sad.

With the excess growth in Campbell County compared to when I first lived here, if I could afford to move further south, Bracken, Mason County, I would in a minute. All the powers to be are more concerned in are subdivisions and the greater populations and not the individual family farms & rural homesteads that built this county. That has been proven during flood and tornado. Sad thing is nobody will do a thing to change that direction

**Would like to see the CC Conservation District offer (12)**

*Thanks for all you do (6)*

Love the work you all do. God Bless.

You do a great job and I hope you continue to have more educational programs and information to help improve our family farms. One of our precious resources.

Thanks for considering Conservation in Southern Campbell County

I am grateful for the work the conservation district does

I feel this survey was needed to get the feelings of Southern C.C. Seems like were forgotten by everyone else north of Alexandria. Thank you.

If you want to know what we few farmers left think or show us programs do it like in the old days. Come out and talk to us

*Suggested programs and activities for CCCD (6)*

There are programs in Bracken County such as Funds for Barns and Fence Assistance and ponds. Does not exist in Campbell County.

Would like to see the Conservation District plan for wildlife corridors.

Rampant development of big box stores, acre on acre of parking lots and more and more misuse of farm land is an overpowering example of negligent and thoughtless short and long term planning. We urge the Conservation District to be the questioning voice and the encouraging convener of all voices who reside in this county and in our beloved Commonwealth. If we are silent we have only ourselves to be held accountable. Thank you.

A lot of these (Conservation District Programs) are LIMITED to 10 acres or more. This is very unfair to those of us running small farms under 10 acres. We have 8 acres and don't qualify for farm dump clean up due to this. So the water quality and pollutants are somehow less important here? There are lots of small farms in Campbell County & KY as a whole w/less than 10 acres

We should support efforts to remove bush honeysuckle. Our woodlot has been damaged by ash borer, and by strong winds. Deer eat the seedling trees I plant to replace bush honeysuckle.

No where do you mention Water Quality or Erosion! Two major concerns that need to be addressed immediately. Allowing "Feed Lots" in the creeks and farming up to the edge merely exacerbates these problems. More needs to be done!! I see little action....

**There is too much sprawl (9)**

The Eastern bypass will NOT solve our road problems but create more problems with suburban sprawl. This project needs to die.

Stop the suburban sprawl I feel there is enough.

Stop subdivisions!

Please no more subdivisions should be allowed in southern CC

Over development is never good.

We don't need any more condominiums or apartment buildings in this area.

I think we have enough stores, subdivisions, and roads. Let's repair and use what we have.

My biggest concern is if the county continues to develop, it could turn into another Florence/Hebron area. The traffic and overall congestion is horrible. I'd hate to see that happen here.

We have enough pollution, stores, roads, subdivisions. We don't want to see this all go away, we have had enough progress we please don't need more. Thank you.

### **Poor Internet services (7)**

Services such as Internet are not available at all in parts of S. Campbell County this should change its 2017.

High speed internet service is badly needed.

We need better Internet service

Especially need internet to existing and new residential areas  
Internet is a huge issue for Southern Campbell.

Internet access is critical for us, yet the service that is only available to some (Zoomtown) is terrible.

Rural Campbell County is behind the times in infrastructure & economic development. Many parts of the county do not have Internet.

### **Need more housing choices (6)**

The highest and best use of our steep lands is residential access to jobs in our area. We want a rural character but agriculture is limited here. We need jobs for our kids here, not someone's dream agricultural countryside. Residences take precedent.

I feel houses need to have at least 3 acres of land to keep the rural area fee.

I'm also concerned about affordable housing, not just the huge homes for the wealthy.

Hilly topography will naturally want development

I worry about the low income person who can only afford a mobile home. Where could they live? There are no new mobile home parks or land. Campbell Co. is anti-mobile home. I do not live in a mobile home, but on acreage w/a ranch style home. A well designed & maintained mobile home park could be an asset for our county & the revenue base. Think nice playground, pool & community building w garden areas, paved streets, etc. It would provide a decent place for lower income families.

I personally would rather see cluster housing (designated acreage 50 – 200 acres) hopefully juxtaposed to existing communities where infrastructure, fire – police and educational amenities exist rather than piano key 5 acre tracts

### **Don't limit property owners' rights (5)**

I don't want to be someone who tries to tell someone else what they can or cannot do with their own property.

Our (land) farm should be up to us as individuals to use as we choose. I am very much for farming, sometimes health or possibly other reason may allow us to retire from farming and I may want to use my farm (land) for hunting or other retirement purpose maybe other form of recreational use

Property rights should be No 1 consideration in any restrictions.

I do not want another layer of policy makers telling me what I can do with my property. Already have zoning & that should be enough.

I strongly believe in individual rights for land owners regarding the use, sale and transfer to the next generation.

### **Comments about specific communities in southern Campbell County (4)**

Alexandria needs to be cleaning up the city & make it like Cold Spring. Too many vacant, not well taken care of property - disgrace.

I would like my land re-zoned commercial. It is close to US 27 and has highway access off the AA. It is near the Crossroad Elem & Kroger Plaza.

At least in Highland Heights the section of 27 has quality zoning & planning with thought to what development will look like to community & others.

We have been considering moving from Alexandria to California, due to the heavy traffic in Alexandria these days. 27 is horrible in the evenings.

### **Employment/development needs (3)**

I would like to see more career jobs in the area, instead of fast food & outlet stores. Thank you for asking about this.

I am all for development in Campbell Co. to help property values. Sad to say, but farming in a Campbell Co. for the most part is a thing of the past to have much or any profit from the farm.

We do not attract businesses. We are behind the times, we need development

## **COMMENTS ON PROPOSED ROAD PROJECTS**

### **Opposed to Eastern Cincy Bypass (46)**

*Bypass will negatively effect rural character of southern Campbell County (15)*

A beltway highway will be populated w/semis that will simply pass through and will add sound & air pollution. Employment opportunities abound closer to the city. Southern Campbell County would become an area of sprawl and lose its rural character forever. We look to you at the District to stop this highway project! Thanks for putting this survey out & alerting us.

We live in Southern Campbell Co because we want to be in a rural environment. We do not support the Cincy Eastern Bypass. This would be counter productive to the reason we want to live in Southern Campbell Co.

I strongly oppose the Cincy-Eastern bypass. I moved here to live in a rural area, start a farm and live in a quiet community and that will all change with the bypass.

I am not interested in a highway of this type in this area. I have lived here as my residence and farmed since 1966. Health reasons have caused me to change my farming operation.

NO to the "Cincy Eastern Bypass"!!! Ruining homes and beautiful acreage in our area is NOT WORTH IT!

I am concerned a road of this size would greatly impact the rural/agricultural environment of the area

A highway through Southern Campbell County will destroy the intact rural character. There is no doubt

New roads, like the ones mentioned, would severely impact the rural quality of Southern Campbell County. They are unnecessary and not wanted.

Part of Campbell County's appeal is its rural landscape. I feel that putting in more roadways will destroy this county's culture.

This is what sets Campbell County apart. It would be destroyed! No to Hwy!

The bypass is being proposed by developers so they can ruin the southern end of the county with subdivisions and make themselves a ton of money. We have a nice rural community here, we don't need more subdivisions and fast food garbage. If people want to live close to things like that they shouldn't have moved out here. Please do not go through with the bypass! Preserve rural Campbell County! Love it here.

Full-heartedly disagree with implementation of the Cincy Eastern Bypass. We moved out here for quiet county living and have absolutely NO desire to have a 4-lane HWY thru our neighborhood. Please don't take our peace or our stars away.

The Cincy Eastern Bypass would destroy much of the rural character of southern Campbell County.

This (the bypass) would destroy our landscape.

*Bypass of no benefit to southern Campbell County (8)*

The bypass I don't see a benefit for our residents as most work in Cincinnati and will not travel the bypass. It seems the bypass will only benefit travelers not wanting to go to Cincy.

XXX is the only one who will benefit from this HWY. Southern Campbell County will be ruined!

We see no benefit for the residences of Campbell Co.

This new road is not for the benefit of C.C. residents, rather it benefits those that either don't live here yet or those hoping to make money thru land speculation or construction. Why should my way of life suffer so that strangers can get quickly between I-75 and Ohio?

It will be a huge disservice to this community to build an interstate that will fundamentally shift the landscape for the worse. I see no way that this will benefit those most deeply impacted by the addition of an interstate through this beautiful countryside.

A highway, that will benefit us in no way, shape, or form, will lower our country way of life - as this will directly affect us. This will cause noise, pollution, and our view.

We strongly disagree with the proposal of Cincy Eastern Bypass. Any roadway proposal needs to preserve the Campbell Co. Community well-being.

I do not think the Cincy Bypass is intended to benefit rural Campbell Co. It's intent is to aid traffic flow in Cincinnati by destroying our great rural area. Developers want this to happen so they can make money.

*Simply oppose bypass (7)*

I am opposed to the Cincy Eastern Bypass.

I highly disagree with putting the Cincy Eastern Bypass in. All people in this area do not want this to happen!!!!

We do not need an expressway!

I'm horrified by the Cincy Eastern Bypass!

I pray that the "C.E.B." proposal be DENIED

I had NO clue talk was had about the Cincy bypass. I highly oppose that road becoming reality. High traffic! Yuck! Too fast speeds

This is another plan for the Globalist and big government to take over control of the population to have them congregated in an Urban setting to further monitor their day to day lifestyle.

*Need to protect AJ Jolly Park (4)*

The bypass would ruin AJ Jolly Park

Concerned with the proximity of proposed Cincy Eastern Bypass to A.J. Jolly park. -  
Noise pollution

Very concerned about the proposed route for the Cincy Eastern Bypass as it looks as if it would be very close to A.J. Jolly.

If they are going to build the Cincy Eastern Bypass, why not push it farther south in Campbell County. The map looks like it would run through AJ Jolly park which I would totally disagree with doing.

*Bypass too costly (4)*

I strongly oppose the Cincy Eastern Bypass for several reasons. 1. Cost – We cannot afford maintenance on existing roads and bridges so certainly cannot afford new ones.

Will it [Cincy Eastern Bypass] raise taxes? Can't afford any more & none of the neighbors can.

All budgets must be balanced. How do you spend money you don't have? Our infrastructure roads/dams/waterways are in bad shape. These need fixed first. How do you spend money you don't have. Budgets must be balanced. Deficits at 0 dollars owed. What kind of stupid people do we have in office?

This will eventually raise our taxes!

*Bypass will not solve traffic problems (3)*

This Bypass will not fix the problem of traffic. We already have too many other road/bridge projects going on to spend money on an unnecessary highway/bypass.

The Cincy Eastern Bypass will be too far out of route to be effective. Thru traffic doesn't use 275 now because it's 19 miles out of route or 27 mi out of route around the West side.

I strongly oppose the Cincy Eastern Bypass for several reasons. 2. Unneeded – No one will use it to bypass Cincinnati as it is too long. Truckers balked at using 275 rather than the Brent-Spence Bridge

*Bypass too close to or across respondent's land (2)*

The Bypass would literally go through my house and land. The people heading this project are only worried about making money and development subdivisions and could care less about people's homes and farmlands that they have worked their whole life for.

Road proposal could affect my home and land. Just not sure of the line (hard to distinguish). Another road really not needed, we have enough traffic in the area and some not wanted

*Negative environmental impact of bypass (2)*

Our property backs up to Licking River. I am very concerned about water quality being compromised with the Cincy Eastern Bypass (CEB) not so much by the road & bridge but with the development that will surely follow. Progress must be well thought out.

We believe that if both these new HWY constructions occur, with the urban sprawl that would follow, that conservation in the county would cease to exist, as the northern & central areas of the county are already heavily developed & this would finish out the urban sprawl to the southernmost regions of the county, resulting in the loss of any rural character, & the forfeit of the county to development.

*Bypass will create urban sprawl (1)*

The proposed bypass will only bring more urban sprawl, pollution and noise

#### **Comments opposing the 536 expansion (4)**

While the 536 improvement will help me get to work in Florence, it will bring more traffic and pollution. The thought of being sandwiched between two Interstates is very unappealing to me. My fiancée used to live next to I-75 in Richwood. She always had problems with asthma and allergies. Since we moved here she has gotten remarkably better

I also oppose the KY 536 expansion.

This county is going to grow, but doubt 536 growth is needed too.

I am deeply concerned that the proposed 536 will destroy my home and property. It looks as if it will go directly through my home.

#### **Comments opposing both Eastern Cincy Bypass and Hwy 536 (8)**

*Expressways not needed (5)*

On the flip side I don't want to drive an hour to get to work. I understand some infrastructure is needed but not express ways.

I would not like to see Campbell County sliced up by more 4 lane highways.

We didn't know Campbell County had poor or substandard roads until the AA highway was completed and city people moved out, bought an acre, and started complaining.

I think we don't know what real traffic problems/gridlock are. Trend to autonomous cars/ride sharing in future - electric cars - less tax \$ for road maintenance

Best investment will be small buses with centralized pick up points to express commuters to work. OKI could partner with major downtown companies – Kroger, 5/3 Bank, etc. for shuttle services. Ultimately, the goal should be efficient light rail commuting. More highways are not the answer!!

*Roads bring unneeded development (3)*

We would prefer no major road expansions nor major commercial/residential development.

Any road projects always brings more development which I am against (more traffic & congestion).

Once these highways are built the surrounding areas for miles will look like US 27 section by Walmart/Ford dealership section

**Support the proposed roads (40)**

*Support the Cincy Eastern Bypass (16)*

Campbell County needs the Cincinnati Eastern By-Pass

I'd be in favor of a bypass road in Southern Campbell Co

We need roads

Campbell County's southern area is in desperate need for better transportation. US 27 and the AA highway only run approximately north and south. The bypass will allow for east west travel and will make a better alternative for those of us living south of I-275 when we want to go further into Kentucky or to Columbus or Dayton Ohio. The bypass will also lighten the traffic load on the Brent Spence Bridge and save that end of Covington from the destruction needed to expand the highway.

As I understand it the "Cincy Eastern Bypass" would be less costly to build, relieve congestion on I-75/71, and open the southern ends of Campbell and Kenton counties for development. It would also help Grant, Pendleton and Bracken counties with access to good transportation. Seems like a win/win for all taxpayers to speed our transportation dollars on a project that helps the entire region instead of only moving the traffic congestion from north of the BSB to the south end.

This county is going to grow. I believe the lower beltway is needed

We already have sufficient access to AAA highway. Cincinnati Eastern bypass will change the complexion of Southern Camp. Co. but will meet a transportation need.

We must have a bypass around Alexandria. We must have easier East/West access to I71/I75. All the above will happen eventually, let's do it while it will be less expensive & inconvenience less owners.

It will also provide a more direct route to Interstates 71 / 75 to the south and Interstates 275 / 71 and 75 to the north.

Roads & Bridges are needed but done in a responsible way. And it looks like an acceptable plan. Approved. :)

NKY desperately needs this bypass! Please do all you can to make it happen!

I believe we need to address the growing need for highway infrastructure

The new roads would make the back roads safer and allow rural areas to access services such as medical offices and hospitals, grocery stores, etc.

Southern Campbell County doesn't have over 1/2 dozen farmers that full time farm. I don't think any future road projects will hurt them too bad. I am 71 years old.

I would like to see the Cincy Eastern Bypass cross 27 further South. 3-5 miles.

We need to have easier access to south bound I 75

### *Support both road projects (10)*

The addition of these two projects will improve property values and quality of life for Southern CC residents. Conservation = Wise Use! If done responsibly, these can be good projects.

Both roads are welcome and a long time need in the community

I support the road projects mainly because all main roads run North-South. There is good East-West roads. The county maintains roadway well. The state roads are poorly maintained, especially trimming along roadway.

An Eastern corridor access route can reduce traffic coming thru Cincinnati downtown

Northern Ky. has 0 East West Routes in our Area!!

The flow of traffic from 471 going south from NKU is completely outdated. It always seems residential housing comes 1st in every nook and cranny with the same roads to service the population upsurge. This is way overdue.

The new roads would give us access to Florence business district and a quicker route to 75 & 71. Save gas.

Add'l infrastructure would likely take a lot of people outside of our city, thus lessening the traffic flow from Pendelton Co. residents thru US 27, as well as others.

i know it is hard to agree on the need for these highways knowing that it will undoubtedly have agricultural & environmental effects but I do believe these highways will ultimately be helpful.

If this survey is mainly directed toward the road projects that should be addressed first. Some of my opinions would have been different. I strongly support both projects. Way over due!

#### *Support KY 536 expansion (10)*

Rt 536 expansion is greatly needed from Boone County to AA Highway in Campbell & even Ohio River to Rt #8. This has been planned for years & should be completed.

The expansion of 536 would save a lot of time to getting to the West side of Northern KY and reduce a lot of traffic in Wilder.

The 536 I agree could benefit residents of Campbell County.

536 is already being used as a cross country HWY, I live on 536 in the morning between 6 AM to 9 AM & afternoon between 4 to 6 I can't get out of the driveway it's bumper to bumper vehicles, semi's & cars

I would love to see a 536 expansion!

KY 536 from 27 to AA would help with access and safety to the high school for people along AA HWY South! Students & parents.

536 expansion will not occur in Campbell County. The improvements will be in Kenton and some in Boone. It calls for only 2 lanes with a turning lane, still not suitable for semi trucks. We need the By Pass for economic development. Farms get agriculture exemption on property taxes while the rest of the county pays higher taxes to make up the difference. There are very few farms in Southern Campbell now where a family makes a living by farming. Time we catch up with Kenton and Boone. Bring development to ease the tax burden on single family homes. We need jobs in Campbell not Boone.

The 536 should be 4 lane limited access to be an improvement.

If Kenton County residents want an upgrade on KY 536, it would benefit residents of Southern Campbell and Pendleton Counties in readily accessing I-75. Greatest improvement for Campbell Co. residents will be to get Ohio commuters off of I-471 Bridge.

Assuming that the Cincy Eastern Bypass would be used as the primary route for hazardous cargo being transported around the more densely populated areas, will there be any added funding for the Emergency Response and clean-up resources needed to support the additional traffic in these rural areas? Also with the much higher volume of pass-through traffic from the Bypass will the local law enforcement departments be adequately staffed up to handle the increased traffic that will be moving through the rural areas?

*Road projects will bring needed economic development (4)*

We need the Cincy By Pass for economic development.

If the Cincy Eastern by-pass is constructed it will open the south end of the county for development which is greatly needed in Campbell County.

Southern Campbell and Kenton counties need this added infrastructure in order to help grow the tax base of the counties

I love the rural aspect of Campbell County. However, if done right, I believe there can be a mix of commercial/residential development in Campbell County to allow for Campbell County residents to shop in their own county and thus support their own county from a tax perspective. Currently we have to travel to Boone/Kenton for many goods/services. It's Campbell County's turn for growth!

**Other ideas for road development (14)**

*Replace Brent Spence Bridge (5)*

The proper public policy is replacing the Brent Spence Bridge with funding by Federal/State/Private partnership

I am very opposed to a 71/75 Bypass! They need to focus on building a replacement for the Brent Spence & not tearing through N. Ky!!!

Is there any other meetings on this subject. Being educated about the subject would be helpful to understand the positives and negatives. Can the state really afford this? The state needs to concentrate on replacing the I-75 Bridge

I don't think we need another highway. The Brent Spence Bridge needs to be replaced  
Replacement of the Brent Spence Bridge should be on top of list.

*Improve access to and use of AA (3)*

The AA provides us as much access as we need for employment and shopping.

A link to I-27 and AA HWY may also improve traffic flow and reduce congestion.

The AA & 27 provide an excellent way into town

*Improvements for Cincy Eastern Bypass (2)*

The Cincy Eastern Bypass needs to be 3 lanes East & 3 lanes west

Move the Cincy Eastern By Pass farther out Pendleton Co.

*Need roads with different routes (2)*

Seems like it might make more sense for an outer loop tying Pendleton County to I-75 & AA Highway. They have an airport used by private planes to come to business locations, the Ark, and other areas & Rt. 22 is horrid as a connector. Also Pendleton Co. is depressed compared to Camp. Co.

I propose that the roads being proposed move down into Bracken County to open up their development.

*Road projects need public comment (2)*

My agreement to new roads, assumes public involvement in early stages.  
Communication & planning most important!

Well, wherever this road is to go in the county, land owners within 2 miles of this road should be invited to a meeting discussion everything you plan to do & how it would be done

## **Need to maintain current roads (24)**

### *General need to improve existing roads (17)*

Focus should be on roads that exist already and need repairs. This is especially true of the county maintained roads.

Maintaining the present roadways and bridges should be at the top of this list for uses for tax money earmarked for transportation. Additional construction on roads that aren't absolutely necessary in this beautiful and historic area will do nothing more than place an even greater strain on dwindling funds. How about we maintain what we have and get that up to par before we build additional things that will fall into disrepair?

Our current roads need work.

The roads we currently have are fine & could use improvements

Fix our roads

Maintain the road we have now

I think the side roads in SCC needs better attention & better landscaping on side of road

The roads are in poor condition,

Roads in southern Campbell Co. are in terrible condition!

Many of the roads need improvement and widening

Why build a new road, when our old roads need repair

Too many houses for the existing roads to support.

We do not need more highways in Southern Campbell Co. Need to maintain roads & bridges in our county instead of letting them fall apart.

We can't even seem to afford to fix the Brent Spence Bridge or current roads and now they want a new road? How will that get paid for? It's crazy and un-wanted. Maintenance of some of our rural roads, both state and county, is poor. But they do a pretty good job of mowing the edges of most roads. And they are good at snow removal.

County roads need lighting.

When is the county going to clean out the gutter along the roads again and patch the holes in the blacktop, they will stand in one hole to patch another.

They don't have/spend enough \$ on the roads and bridges we already have!

*Need to fix specific roads (5)*

We don't get maintenance on the current roads how can they even suggest building new ones. I live on 915 which is one of the busiest side roads off the AA Hwy and it is in horrible condition. What "patching" they did last summer made it worse than ever.

Fix the road at 547, Riley Road, Poorhouse Hill. There have been over 25 wrecks in the past 10 years.

I am not for construction of any new roads and bridges when we have current roads that need repair and improvement. 71 needs to be 3 lanes to service the amount of travel that utilizes it on a daily basis AA needs to increase to 3 lanes with a better on and off system. Turn lanes, ramps etc. no more direct access.

Indian Trace Rd. needs to be blacktopped. The water dep. has destroyed it. We have been driving on uneven patch jobs from them putting in water lines for 3 years now.

Upgrade Rt 50/Rt 52 Columbia Parkway to Express highway and roads bringing traffic to it.

*Need bike lanes on existing roads (2)*

Bike lanes would be a welcome addition to the roads.

Does Campbell County have a greenspace plan or a parks/rec plan? I think that including hiking/biking plans into any transportation plan to expand road should be considered. The cost of including biking trails at a safe distance from these project would not increase costs much if done at the same time.

## **GENERAL COMMENTS**

### **Not enough information to answer questions (11)**

I would need more information before answering questions about the road construction. It would be nice to know how long it would take to complete, when construction would start, etc.

Would like to learn more about Cincy by-pass & 536

Not sure if proposed 536 and Eastern Bypass will affect my property or not

The map is not very clear to me regarding KY 536 current route and planned changes.

If the map was bigger & in color it would be helpful not very clear

Are these plans in the near future or will I be long gone before highway plans are implemented??

The support of the bridge questions is not clear enough.

I need more information on the "Cincy Eastern Bypass" to make good decisions & answer these questions with well informed answers.

I would like to see a more detailed map. It looks like this would run right through my property. I was going to build a house there this year, but if this was going through I would not build.

Map was too grainy to see if it would come near or through my property

A better map would be helpful

### **Other comments (13)**

My property (9 acres) is in eastern Campbell Co. (New Richmond Rd - 1/2 miles from AA Highway)

Farm is 3 MI from 536 on a small rural Rd & as building subdivisions within 1/2 & also 1 1/2 MI. Traffic has increased on Visalia Rd. as it is a short cut to homes.

We are retired - farm is residential only. Farm only enough for 4 people.

My property is used for hay and cattle

We are a family farm 3 separate owners 140 acres total

We have miles of river on both sides of Campbell County. Why no public boat ramp? Kids & I love to fish. Pendry Park was supposed to have a ramp out but it never happened

My property 6.5 acres is north of the proposed road expansion so it will not affect me

I am located in northern Campbell County

Our home is on 1 acre in Alexandria. We have a family farm (minimal farming) in Grant's Lick which is 40 acres.

I'm sorry that I am not more educated on some of the subjects.

NO to sanctuary cities. HIGHER penalties for heroin

Less bars is better = Less drugs = Less crime

If a disaster happens they have to rely on other countries then we will be their servants.  
They will own us. Live & let live.

### **Bad survey (4)**

You are not interested in our thoughts

The value of this survey is questionable. The questions are loaded in favor of a purely rural environment. Even though I agree that end result is desirable, being realistic we know that will not be the case.

This survey is slanted in opposition to the Eastern bypass.

I intentionally left a couple of questions blank because they were loaded questions that did not apply to my situation.