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Dear Chairmen and Members of the Interim Joint Committee on Transportation:

In August, the Kentucky State Police Driver Testing Branch continued efforts to regionalize testing services statewide. Regional testing sites in Madisonville and Owensboro are near completion. Madisonville will service Caldwell, Crittenden, Hopkins, McLean, Muhlenberg, and Webster counties. Most of these locations are already testing in Madisonville due to the closure of the circuit court clerk's office in their area. The respective clerks have been helpful in making the transition and communicating the change locally. Owensboro will serve Daviess, Hancock, and Ohio counties. This location is slated to regionalize on Monday, September 27, 2021 in connection with the transfer of licensing services in Daviess County. We are currently working on a public announcement for both locations.

September will bring the transition of licensing services from the circuit court clerks to KYTC in Boone, Boyd, Clinton, Daviess, Estill, Henry, Johnson, and Monroe counties. KSP has already transitioned testing services in Boyd, Clinton, Henry, Johnson, and Monroe counties. Testing in the remaining counties (Boone, Daviess, and Estill) will transition as follows:

County	Last Day of Testing in Current Location	New Location	First Day of Testing
Boone	September 23, 2021	Driver Testing Regional Office 6159 1 st Financial Drive, Suite #200 Burlington, KY 41005	September 27, 2021
Daviess	September 24, 2021	Driver Testing Regional Office 2620 KY Hwy 81 Owensboro, KY 42301	September 27, 2021
Estill	September 20, 2021	Driver Testing Regional Office 830 Eastern Bypass, Suite A12 Richmond, KY 40475	September 27, 2021

In addition to these changes, residents of Jackson and Clay counties will begin testing at the Driver Testing Regional Office located in Manchester. Beginning Tuesday, September 7, 2021, the written test for these counties will be administered at 25 Marcum Hill Road, Manchester, KY 40962. The road test will be administered from Rail Road Avenue, also in Manchester. Both tests will be offered Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday each week.

Applicants can make appointments for all testing services at each of these new locations by visiting <http://kentuckystatepolice.org/driver-testing/>. Applicants with questions may email the Driver Testing Branch at kspdrivertesting@ky.gov or by calling the Central Office at (800) 542-5990.

In addition to these changes to general testing, KSP will be adding a CDL skills testing lot in the Elizabethtown area. The establishment of this lot is nearly complete, and this supplementary lot could be operational as early as mid-September. The opening of this lot will be extremely helpful to providing skills testing in the Elizabethtown area, and will serve as an overflow lot for the Louisville area.

Finally, KSP has completed the first draft of an informational video about the road test. As the shift to a regional testing model continues, applicants may be required to test in an area other than their hometown, and some have expressed concern about testing on unfamiliar roads. Therefore, one of the goals for this video will be to provide the applicant with a visual representation of the principles and maneuvers outlined in the Kentucky Driver Manual. Familiarization with and mastery of these principles and maneuvers will aid the applicant in navigating the testing process on unfamiliar terrain.

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Moving forward, regionalization efforts will continue statewide with several more locations still in development. However, these efforts will extend beyond the opening of these offices. KSP continuously evaluates each location to ensure maximum efficiency and availability of testing services. We look forward to sharing new updates and progress with the Committee in the future, and welcome any questions regarding this process. Please feel free to contact the Kentucky State Police if we can be of assistance in any way.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Capt. MB Johnson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Captain Marshall B. Johnson
Commander, KSP Driver Testing Branch