Looking Back: 2018 re(ar)view

One of HEA’s main goals is advocacy
2018 Advocacy

- Staff Fly-in
- Meet & greet and attendance at the NE highway commission meeting
- Monthly meetings including Wyoming and Colorado members and partners
2018 Legislative Support

- NDOT designation as a priority
- State legislature allows NDOT to take on environmental assessment responsibilities
- Legislature okays the Design-Build procedure for highway construction
Economic Development

- Increased safety as transportation needs grow
- New business investments in Chadron and Alliance along the route
- Continuing opportunities for expansion
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Celebrating the Wins
$18.3 Million Grant
Historical Ports-to-Plains Expansion Projects
Nebraska

Construction Total Through 2018
$156,442,000

2016
U.S. 385 - Four Lane Expansion
- Alliance South Phase I - 12 miles - $5,674,000

2011
U.S. Highway 26 - New Overpass
Spanning highway and BNSF Railroad at Highway 26 and Highway 71 - 1.3 miles - $5,466,000

2011
Nebraska Highway 71 - Kimball, NE to Scottsbluff,
NE - Phase I - Kimball North - Four Lane, Grading, Structures, Paving - $15,884,000

2011
Kimbball Reliever Route - 5 miles - $28,467,000

1997
Nebraska Highway 71 - Kimball, NE to Scottsbluff,
NE - Phase III - Kimball North - Four Lane, Grading, Structures, Paving - $8,221,000

1995
Nebraska Highway 71 - Kimball, NE to Scottsbluff,
NE - Phase II - Kimball North - Four Lane, Grading, Structures, Paving - $7,924,000

1994
Nebraska Highway 71 - Kimball, NE to Scottsbluff,
NE - Phase I - Kimball North - Four Lane, Grading, Structures, Paving - $5,428,000

2004-2005
Reliever route at Scottsbluff/Gering
connecting Nebraska Highway 71 and U.S. Highway 26 - $33,964,000
Put it in Drive: 2019

Goals

- Continue affiliation with Ports to Plains
- Increase efforts to educate new community members through leadership development programs and annual trips to Lincoln
- Continue partnerships with associations such as 4 Lanes 4 Nebraska, Ports to Plains Alliance, and Teddy Roosevelt Expressway
- Provide additional networking opportunities with State Legislators
Thank You!

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