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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lana Gordon at 3:30 P.M. on January 30, 2007 in Room 519-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Kathie Sparks, Kansas Legislative Research Department

Hank Avila, Legislative Research Department

Jason Long, Revisor of Statutes

Ann Deitcher, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Terry Heidner, KDOT

Ray Hammarlund, Dept. Of Commerce

Sarah Larison, Dept. Of Commerce

Others attending:

See attached list.

The Chair introduced Terry Heidner who spoke to the Committee about The Kansas Department of Transportation's Enhancement Program. He explained that these enhancements are federally funded, community based and enhance the transportation experience culturally, historically, aesthetically and environmentally. ([Attachment 1](#)).

Questions and answers followed.

Ray Hammarlund offered a report to the Committee regarding the Wine Industry and Agritourism. ([Attachment 2](#)).

Mr. Hammarlund said that the mission of the Agriculture Marketing Division was "to enhance the value of agriculture products through marketing and new uses, providing greater returns to Kansas producers, processors and rural communities."

Sarah Larison assisted in answering questions from the Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 31, 2007.