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Knox County Engineering & Public Works awarded two TDOT grants

Knoxville, Tenn. — Earlier today, Knox County received two Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality grants from the Tennessee Department of Transportation.

The first grant is for \$105,500 and will be used to retime 20 signalized intersections along four of Knox County's most heavily traveled corridors: Lovell Road, Dutchtown Road, Hardin Valley Road and Peters Road/Ebenezer Road. This project will maximize the efficiency of the existing transportation network by optimizing signal operations. Once a consultant and contractor have been selected, the project is expected to take six months to complete.

The second CMAQ grant is for \$1.4 million and will be used to establish a Traffic Operations Center and the initial portions of the communications infrastructure between the TOC and two heavily traveled corridors: Maynardville Highway and Cedar Bluff Road. The County will use spare/dark fibers in TDOT's existing communications infrastructure to access these corridors from the County's engineering facility on Baxter Avenue. Once a consultant and contractor have been selected, the project is expected to take 16 months to complete.

For more information visit <http://news.tn.gov/node/12861>.

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