

# AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009

## CORRIDOR TO EXPANDING MILITARY & BIOSCIENCE COMPLEXES

### *Kansas: K-18 Ogden to Manhattan* *(Only Partial Funding Available)*

#### Why it Matters?

**Connects National-Scale Initiatives** - Explosive growth has come to this region as the Big Red One returns to Fort Riley along with soldiers from other BRAC closures. The City of Manhattan, located 16 miles away via K-18, is home to Kansas State University and was recently selected as the new home for the National Bio and Agro-defense Facility (NBAF). Consider this:

- **Population growth** – 19,000 soldiers + 10,000 additional employees.
- **Job growth** – The new \$450 million NBAF facility will employ 500 people. And 50 additional research-related firms may locate in the area. The facility will also result in about 1,200 construction jobs and will make Manhattan home to more international conferences.

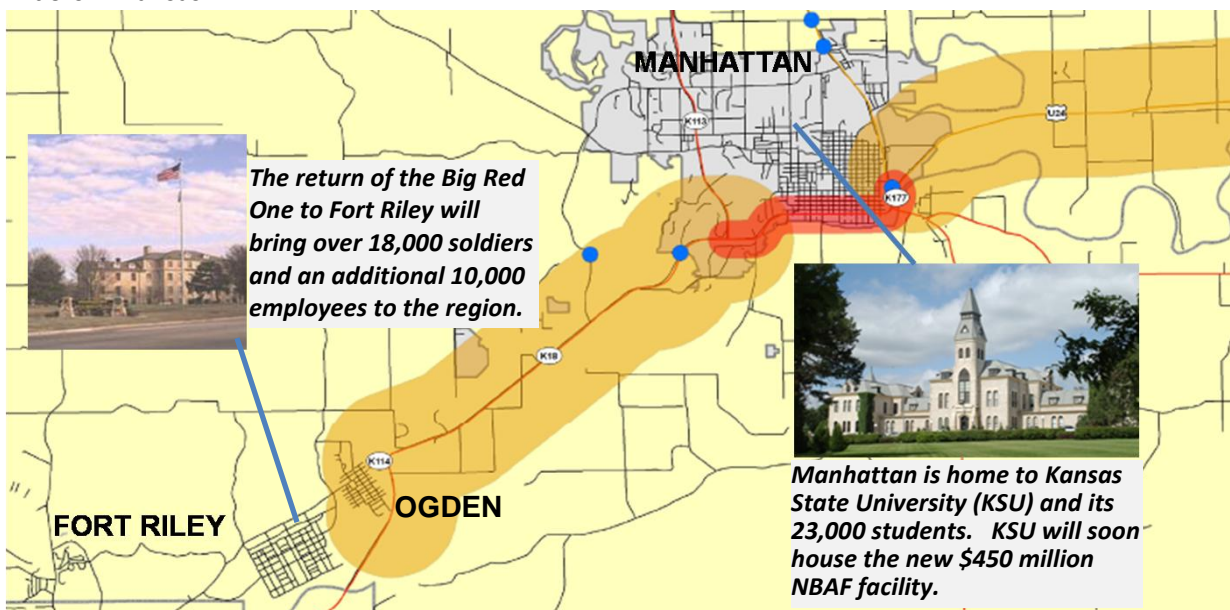
#### Notable Project Facts

- Can be let to construction in ARRA timeframe
- Could not be completed without ARRA funding.
- K-18, with a 24 percent growth in traffic from 2000-2008, is one of the fastest growing corridors in Kansas.

#### Solid Investment.

This project showcases both immediate returns to the economy and creates lasting value by connecting growing communities via a safer and easier to travel freeway.

- **Creates/sustains jobs now** - 4,200 construction jobs will be created/sustained.
- **Stimulates economy** - Has a projected 20-year economic impact of \$3 billion. And \$350 million increase in annual economic output.
- **Builds on other infrastructure investments** – More than \$50 million has been invested in this corridor in the last 5 years and this last section completes previous work.
- **Can be phased** – Full funding for this \$140 million project is not available. Several factors including how much funding is made available through the ARRA and the costs for other projects will have to be assessed. Construction could be phased.
- **Aligns with State's Initiatives**—Kansas has made a substantial investment to make this area a leader in bioscience research and this project will help serve these efforts.



**The \$140 million project will complete the 4-laning of the K-18 corridor which connects rapidly growing Fort Riley to the city of Manhattan, site of the new NBAF facility. This is one of the fastest growing corridors in the state and a 4-lane is desperately needed.**