

BIA 2 – Rural Safety and Regional Access Project
BIA 2 Site Photos – Urban Section in Kyle, South Dakota

Kyle, South Dakota is centrally located on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. It is a fast growing community providing commercial development, education opportunities, health care, and goods services to Tribal members. BIA 2 is the east/west arterial bisecting the community.



BIA 2 – looking east at Kyle, SD – Approximate project start



Kyle Health Center is located near the west end of the Project along BIA 2.

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Kyle Health Center is second only to the Pine Ridge Hospital for health care on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.



Kyle Health Center provides airlift services connecting to Pine Ridge Hospital.

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Located along BIA 2 in the center of Kyle is the gas station and convenience store. High volumes of traffic enter and exit BIA 2 at the gas station's two entrances.



An existing a transit bus stop is located along BIA 2 at the gas station and across from Oglala Lakota College. The Kyle Pathway project is planned to connect to the transit bus stop.

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The Oglala Lakota College Center is located along BIA 2 on the north side across from the gas station. Many residents and college students cross BIA 2 in this location. As part of the Project, a crosswalk would be installed across BIA 2 to provide access from Kyle Pathway to the Oglala Lakota College Center.



The Oglala Lakota College Center includes the college, dormitories, a Tribally run day care center, and a Head Start.

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The Kyle Police Department is located south of BIA 2, with BIA 2 as the main route in and out of Kyle.



Little Wound School is a K-12 school that serves the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. Little Wound School busses travel on the Project route east of Kyle, SD daily.

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BIA 2 – looking east at Little Wound School (left side) from the gas station entrance.



BIA 2 – looking east at BIA 4 T-intersection (on right)

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BIA 2 – looking west from BIA 4 intersection at existing inadequate pedestrian crossing for students walking to Little Wound School



BIA 2 – looking west from BIA 4 at busy post office street intersection (on left). To accommodate the heavy traffic, the Project will improve BIA 2 with curb and gutter, 12-ft lanes and a center turn lane.

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The movie theatre is located south of BIA 2 off of BIA 4.



The Lakota Trade Center is located near the east edge of Kyle along BIA 2. It contains several businesses and the local bank.

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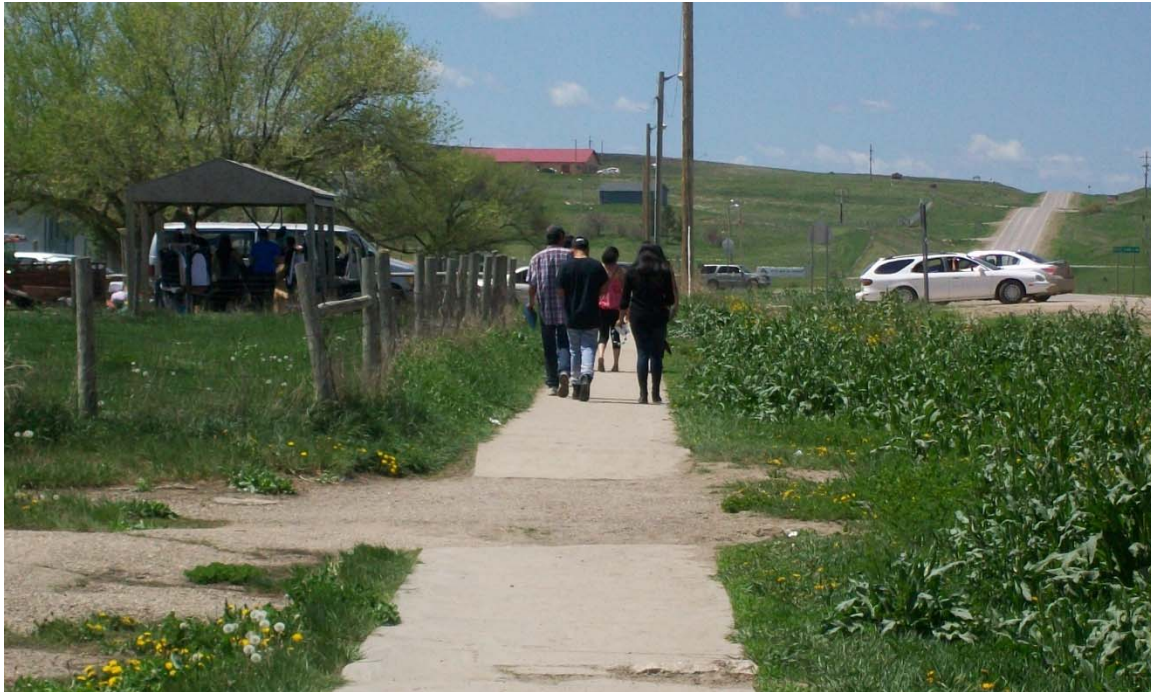
Kyle Grocery is the only grocery store in the region. The store is located along BIA 2 at the east edge of Kyle.



BIA 2 – looking east at Lakota Trade Center driveway (on right), and Kyle Grocery (further east on right), and approximate location for the Project’s proposed transition from urban section to rural section.

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Much of the existing roadway lacks shoulders, so pedestrians and bicyclists are forced to share the roadway with vehicles or to walk in the ditch. Locations where sidewalks do exist, they are not equipped with crosswalks or ADA ramps. The Kyle Pathway Project will reconstruct and add on to existing sidewalk along the south side of BIA 2. The pathway project is only funded for infrastructure and does not include lighting for the pathway. Some lights on power poles exist in Kyle but they are not sufficient to adequately light the new pathway. The BIA 2 project will include lighting for pathway on the south side of BIA 2, intersection lighting, and new pathway and lighting between the K-12 school and college center on the north side of BIA 2.



Little Wound students living within one mile must walk or get a ride to school. Limited existing sidewalk exists along the south side of BIA 2. Ditches do not drain well and are a source of mosquito breeding. The Project will lower BIA 2, include curb and gutter and storm sewer and drain side streets and pathways toward BIA 2's storm sewer.



Some existing pathway signing exists without marked crosswalks and ADA compliant ramps.

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Housing developments exist on both sides of BIA 2, generating significant pedestrian traffic crossing BIA 2 without adequate crosswalk enhancements.



Existing beaten path on the north side of BIA 2 that Little Wound School students use to walk to Oglala Lakota College for college level classes.

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Despite the fact that many individuals walk to school regularly, sidewalk infrastructure does not exist at Little Wound School or Oglala Lakota College. The project would include crosswalks and sidewalk connecting the schools along the north side of BIA 2.



BIA 2 looking west at BIA 4 intersection (on left) and Little Wound School (on right)

No existing crosswalks, sidewalk on Little Wound School side or ADA ramps. With average daily traffic totaling 2,500 and 2,000 for BIA Routes 2 and 4, respectively; stopping traffic for pedestrians crossing these routes will protect future pathway users.