Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Programs

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS

Under Title 23 of the United States Code pertaining to transportation, communities with population greater than 50,000 are required to have a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The MPO's are responsible for the coordination of transportation planning efforts in their communities. There are currently five MPO's in Kansas: the Mid-America Regional Council for the Kansas City area, the Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Office, the Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Metropolitan Topeka Planning Organization and the St. Joseph Area Transportation Study Organization which serves the northeast corner of Kansas.

The planning by MPO's is to encompass all modes of transportation and to cover both short-range and long-range transportation planning. MPO plans and programs are reviewed by the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration. The role of the MPO is to acts as a liaison between local communities, their citizens, and the state departments of transportation. MPO's help determine how and where available state and federal dollars for transportation improvements will be spent. As defined by federal and state transportation regulations, the primary functions of the MPO are to:

- Establish the goals, objectives and policies governing transportation planning in the region.
- Approve an annual Unified Planning Work Program and budget.
- Direct the preparation and adoption of the Long-Range Transportation Plan goals objectives, and priorities.
- Program projects for implementation through the adoption of the Transportation Improvement Program.
- Dependent on attainment status: Perform the air quality conformity determination for the Transportation Improvement Program and Long-Range Transportation Plan.

Below is contact information and current Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) in effect for the five urbanized areas in Kansas. When new TIPs are adopted by each MPO, the new documents will be amended into this STIP by reference.

Kansas City Area

FFY 2010-2014
Transportation Improvement Program

Approval by the Mid America Regional Council Board (MARC) on October 27, 2009.

Approval by KDOT on November 30, 2009

Approval by FHWA/ FTA on December 14, 2009.

Long Range Plan: "Transportation Outlook 2040 Update":
Approval Date: June 29, 2010
Expiration Date: June 29, 2010

Mid America Regional Council
600 Broadway, Suite 200
Kansas City, MO 64105
www.marc.org/transportation/

Wichita Area

FFY 2010 - 2013
Transportation Improvement Program
Wichita-Sedgwick County Metropolitan Area

Approval by the Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WAMPO) on September 8, 2009

Approval by KDOT on September 16, 2009

Approval by FHWA/FTA on October 1, 2009

MTP: "2035Transportation Plan for WAMPO"
Approval Date: July 13, 2010
Expiration Date: July 13, 2015

WAMPO
455 N. Main
Wichita, KS 67202
www.wampoks.org/

Topeka Area

Transportation Improvement Program
Topeka Metro Area
FFY 2008-2012 Planning Program

Approval by the Metropolitan Topeka Planning Organization on April 14, 2008.

Approval by KDOT on May 2, 2008.

Approval by FHWA/FTA on May 9, 2008.

Long Range Plan: "2034 Long Transportation Range Plan"
Approval Date: April 26, 2007
Expiration Date: April 26, 2012

Topeka Metropolitan Planning
620 SE Madison
Topeka, KS 66607
www.topeka.org/planning

Lawrence Area

Transportation Improvement Program
For the Lawrence Urbanized Area
FY 2008 – 2012

Approval by the Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Commission on April 23, 2008

Approval by KDOT on April 24, 2008

Approval by FHWA/FTA on May 1, 2008

Long Range Plan: "Transportation 2030 Lawrence/Douglas County Long Range Transportation Plan"
Approval Date: March 26, 2008

Expiration Date: March 26, 2013

Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Office
6 East 6th Street, Box 708
Lawrence, KS 66044
www.lawrenceks.org/pds/MPO

St. Joseph Area

Transportation Improvement Program
For the St. Joseph Area
FY 2010-2013

Approval by the SJATSO Coordinating Committee on June 11, 2009

Approval by FHWA/FTA on July 2, 2009

Long Range Plan: "2035 St. Joseph Area Long-Range Transportation Plan"
Approval Date: February 11, 2010
Expiration Date: February 11, 2015

St. Joseph Metropolitan Planning Office
1100 Frederick Avenue, Room 204
St. Joseph, MO 64501
www.ci.st-joseph.mo.us/publicworks/mpo.cfm

Following are the internet links to the Five Kansas Metropolitan Planning Organizations current TIP's:

- Mid America Regional Council (MARC) TIP
  http://www.marc.org/transportation/tip/TIP10-14.htm

- Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WAMPO) TIP
  http://www.wampoks.org/Publications/Transportation+Improvement+Program.htm

- Metropolitan Topeka Planning Organization TIP
  http://www.topeka.org/planning/transportation_planning.shtml

- Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Organization TIP
  http://www.lawrenceks.org/pds/tr-tip

- St Joseph Area Transportation Study Organization TIP
  http://www.ci.st-joseph.mo.us/mpo/tip.cfm