



Meeting Summary

ICT Safe: A Regional Transportation Coalition

Wednesday, November 6, 2024 @ 9:30 AM

Online meeting

Meeting Duration: 101 minutes

Attendees		
Sharon Ailsieger, <i>Wichita Documenters</i>	Dora Gallo, <i>WAMPO</i>	Sahaj Kaushal, <i>K-State</i>
Raven Alexander, <i>Wichita Transit</i>	Kevin Gehrer, <i>Bike Walk Wichita</i>	Megan Kocher, <i>MADD</i>
Rosa Aranda, <i>KTSRO</i>	Kailyn Hogan, <i>City of Haysville</i>	Kim Negrete, <i>WAMPO</i>
Fabian Armendariz, <i>USD 259</i>	Emily Jensen, <i>Sedgwick County</i>	Lizeth Ortega, <i>City of Wichita</i>
Mike Armour, <i>City of Wichita</i>	Markey Jonas, <i>WAMPO</i>	Jodi Pew, <i>KTSRO</i>
Doug Ballou, <i>Blue Window</i>	Alan Kailer, <i>Bike Walk Wichita</i>	Tia Raamot, <i>Sedgwick County</i>
Chris Bortz, <i>KDOT</i>	Suzanne Loomis, <i>City of Newton</i>	Noel Schneider, <i>KDOT</i>
Jack Brown, <i>KUMC</i>	Joel Lomurno, <i>Wichita Thunder</i>	Dan Squires, <i>Derby</i>
Adrienne Byrne, <i>Sedgwick County</i>	Suzanne Loomis, <i>Newton</i>	Bill Sullivan, <i>KDOT LEL</i>
Jane Byrnes	Patricia Middleton, <i>KTSRO</i>	Holly Terrill, <i>Bike Walk Wichita</i>
Georgie Carter, <i>City of Haysville</i>	Peter Mohr, <i>WAMPO</i>	Ingrid Vandervort, <i>KDOT</i>
Mike Cooper, <i>Vyper</i>	Lem Moore, <i>Derby Police Dept</i>	James Wagner, <i>City of Wichita</i>
Nick Flanders, <i>WAMPO</i>	Aaron McGuire, <i>Wichita Police Dept</i>	Jessica Warren, <i>WAMPO</i>
	Scott Knebel, <i>City of Derby</i>	Troy Wells, <i>KDOT LEL</i>

I. Welcome & Introductions

Kim Negrete, WAMPO, opened the meeting at 9:32 AM, welcoming everyone to the November 2024 meeting of ICT Safe: A Regional Transportation Coalition.

II. August 2024, Meeting Summary

There were no edits or additions to the August 2024 meeting summary.

III. World Day of Remembrance for Traffic Victims: Nov 17, 2024

Kim shared that World Day of Remembrance for Traffic Victims in the U.S. is November 17, 2024. More information is available at <https://wdor-usa.org>. Bike Walk Wichita will be creating a memorial and hosting a walk & ride on Nov 17th at 2pm. You can find social media posts and other content ready for use at <https://wdor-usa.org>



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IV. Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP) Progress

Kim provided a review of the strategies that pertain to the coalition. Most strategies are being implemented and are on target. The WAMPO Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP) and Countermeasures Toolkit are available online at www.wampo.org/safety.

A. Haysville Road Safety Audit

Kim reported that Will Black, Haysville City Administrator helped organize WAMPO's first Road Safety Audit/Assessment (RSA) that was completed on Nov 5, 2024. WAMPO staff helped facilitate the RA along with the Haysville Director of Public Works and Chief of Police. The CSAP strategies include conducting two assessments per year. Please let WAMPO know if your jurisdiction is interested. Jane Byrnes asked if WAMPO had a list of safety countermeasures that have been implemented. Kim explained that there is not a single list because applicable countermeasures are often project-specific. Mike Armour agreed and said that it might be beneficial to look at conducting RSAs at "scheduled" project locations so that assessment results might be able to be incorporated into the design before the project is started.

V. WAMPO Updates

A. Safe Routes to School

Kim reported that the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) contract with the consultant is being finalized and efforts will begin before the end of the year. While waiting for the contract, WAMPO staff have been contacting the public and private schools/districts in the WAMPO region. Currently, eight school districts have expressed interest. Staff will continue to reach out to the other schools. If you can help make a connection with a private school, please let Kim know.

B. 2024 Bicycle and Pedestrian Count Results

Dora Gallo, WAMPO, thanked everyone who volunteered and shared details about the 2024 bicycle and pedestrian count event. We had good weather in September and the counts reveal increased activity across the region. The full report is available online at www.wampo.org/bicycle-pedestrian. WAMPO will begin planning next year's count, including whether the count times should be adjusted.

C. Automatic Bicycle and Pedestrian Counters

WAMPO, in partnership with Haysville, Wichita, and Sedgwick County, have purchased 10 automatic bicycle and pedestrian counters. The counters have been received and will be tested for accuracy before being deployed. By investing in state-of-the-art equipment, WAMPO aims to improve its ability to accurately monitor and analyze bicycle and pedestrian traffic patterns, enabling informed decision-making and better allocation of resources to enhance active transportation infrastructure and safety within the region. The counters can also be utilized to help with the Safe Routes to School data collection regarding traffic flow patterns at drop off/pick up times. James Wagner mentioned that these counters should be extremely helpful in gathering more data.

D. Regional Active Transportation Plan

Dora shared that WAMPO plans to hire a consultant in early 2025 to assist with developing the Regional Active Transportation Plan. The plan will build upon the Wichita Bicycle Plan and focus on connections between bicycle and pedestrian facilities throughout the WAMPO region.

VI. Behavioral Safety Grant Update

KDOT is excited to pilot this grant opportunity that focuses on behavioral safety efforts. Bike Walk Wichita was awarded the first grant and will focus on developing a safety awareness campaign “Look, See, and Save” that will include targeted messages and strategies for motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians.

VII. Committee Breakouts – Attendees separated into two committees for further work and discussion.

A. Active Transportation Committee – Dora led a discussion regarding the deliverables this committee would like to see included in the Regional Active Transportation Plan Request for Proposal (RFP). Wheelchairs, scooters, skateboards, and other forms of micro-mobility were discussed as areas that need to be addressed. The committee identified the gap in regulation for non-motorized forms of micro-mobility, addressing barriers in/to active transportation and route planning. The plan will need good public engagement and should address potential policy recommendations. A final draft version of the RFP will be shared with the committee.

B. Drive Safe Sedgwick – Doug Ballou, Blue Window, led discussion regarding the upcoming NCAA Tournament that will be held March 20-22, 2025, in downtown Wichita. This event will attract tens of thousands of people and provides an opportunity to promote *Fans With A Plan* and other safety messaging initiatives. Doug mentioned that the Wichita Sports Commission is involved in the event planning and will be organizing a ride share pick-up/drop-off location that can be co-branded. *Fans With A Plan* is looking for funding to help cover the costs of ride-share trips. The committee will plan another meeting to work on these details and to be able to include more partners.

VIII. Transportation Safety Champions

Kim announced that WAMPO is designing a new outreach program to engage more residents in reaching our goal of zero traffic fatalities. The Transportation Safety Champions (TSC) program will partner with existing organizations/groups and recruit passionate individuals who will host safety conversations, share resources, and promote safe driving messages within their circles of influence. If you are interested in helping develop and/or launch the program...or if you have ideas, please let Kim know. Feedback from the conversations and work will be shared with the coalition. Jack Brown shared that he likes this approach and would be happy to serve as a TSC and host a conversation with his cycling group.

IX. Announcements

A. KDOT Transportation Safety Conference – The 2025 KDOT Transportation Safety Conference will be held March 4-5, 2025, at the Hyatt in Wichita (with a pre-conference on March 3rd for law enforcement). The conference is open to anyone interested in transportation safety and will include a variety of breakout presentations. Registration will open in January.

B. KDOT DTZ Coalition Update – KDOT will be hosting Drive to Zero Day at the Kansas Capitol on February 12, 2025. This event will help educate and increase awareness among elected officials and staff. More details and DTZ Coalition meeting dates can be found online at <https://ike.ksdot.gov/drive-to-zero>

C. ICT Safe 2025 Meeting Schedule – Markey Jonas, WAMPO, mentioned that she will be sending out the 2025 calendar invites for the quarterly ICT Safe meetings. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday in February, May, August, and November, at 9:30 AM via Zoom.

X. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:07 AM.