

INTRODUCTION

The Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WAMPO) plays a vital role in enhancing the quality of life for residents in the Wichita metropolitan area. As the region continues to experience growth in population, economic activities, and transportation demands, ensuring efficient and reliable transportation networks is paramount. Congestion on the area transportation network not only hampers economic development but also diminishes the overall quality of life for residents. Addressing congestion challenges requires a strategic and comprehensive approach. One portion of that approach is utilization of a Congestion Management Process (CMP).

This document summarizes the Congestion Management Process tailored for WAMPO in support of the overall Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). The CMP serves as a guiding framework designed to systematically identify, analyze, and manage congestion-related issues within the transportation system. By employing data-driven methodologies, innovative technologies, and community engagement, WAMPO aims to optimize the existing transportation infrastructure and develop sustainable solutions to alleviate congestion. Through continued collaboration with various stakeholders, including government agencies, local communities, businesses, and transportation experts, WAMPO endeavors to create a process that not only addresses immediate concerns but also lays the foundation for a resilient and efficient transportation network in the future.

The CMP emphasizes the importance of a holistic approach, considering various modes of transportation, emerging technologies, and the unique needs of different communities within the Wichita metropolitan area. This document represents just one piece of the larger commitment from WAMPO to proactively address congestion challenges, enhance transportation accessibility, and foster economic growth. By implementing the strategies outlined in this CMP to collect data, track performance, and utilize tools such as the travel demand model (TDM), WAMPO endeavors to create a seamless, reliable, and efficient transportation system that enriches the lives of residents, supports local businesses, and ensures the long-term prosperity of the Wichita metropolitan area.



Vehicle Traffic Queues at K-96 and Rock Road