



Meeting Minutes

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting Minutes
 Monday, January 26, 2026 @ 10:00 AM

Hybrid Meeting: *Online & 271 W 3rd St., Room 203, Wichita, KS 67202* Meeting
 Duration: 54 minutes

Voting Members in Attendance		
Dan Woydziak, <i>TAC Chair</i> Marcy Aycock, <i>REAP</i> Kelly Broxterman, <i>Wichita Transit</i> Steve Degenhardt, <i>Wichita</i> Joe Dessenberger, <i>Railroad Freight</i> Duane Flug, <i>KDOT</i> Danielle Gabor, <i>SCAC</i> Jolene Graham, <i>Economist</i>	Paul Gunzelman, <i>Wichita</i> Moumita Kundu, <i>Urban Land Use Planning & Development Trends</i> Les Mangus, <i>Butler/Sumner Counties</i> Shawn Mellies, <i>Wichita</i> Lizeth Ortega, <i>Air Quality</i> Lynn Packer, <i>Sedgwick County</i> Justin Shore, <i>SCAC</i>	Allison Smith, <i>KDOT</i> Dan Squires, <i>SCAC</i> Alternates Lily Cherry, <i>Wichita Transit</i> <i>(non-voting)</i>
Other Attendees		
Javier Ahumada, <i>FHWA</i> Chris Brown, <i>SRF</i> Gerri Doyle, <i>FTA</i> Nick Flanders, <i>WAMPO</i> Kevin Graham, <i>Andover</i> Markey Jonas, <i>WAMPO</i> Alan Kailer, <i>Bike Walk Wichita</i>	Alex Lane, <i>Derby</i> Brett Letkowski, <i>GFT</i> Mohamed Moawad, <i>MAPD</i> Peter Mohr, <i>WAMPO</i> Kim Negrete, <i>WAMPO</i> Katie Newman, <i>WAMPO</i> Chad Parasa, <i>WAMPO</i>	Rami Stucky Laura VanBurkleo, <i>WAMPO</i> Tyler Voth, <i>WSP</i> J.B. Wilson, <i>KDOT</i> Kristen Zimmerman, <i>PEC</i>

1. Chair Dan Woydziak called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM.

2. Regular Business

A. Approval of January 26, 2026, Agenda

Discussion: None.

Action: Approve the January 26, 2026, agenda, as presented. (16-0)¹

Motion: Paul Gunzelman

Second: Lynn Packer

B. Approval of November 24, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Discussion: None.

Action: Approve November 24, 2025, meeting minutes, as presented. (17-0)

Motion: Lynn Packer

Second: Paul Gunzelman

¹ One (1) voting TAC member did not arrive until after the vote to approve the January 2026 agenda. WAMPO provides meeting minutes that are not verbatim. TAC and TPB meetings are recorded and hosted on YouTube [@WAMPO Kansas](#). To request assistance accessing meeting recordings call – (316) 779-1313 or email – wampo@wampo.org.

C. Director's Report

i. **Bimonthly TIP Project Statuses**

Peter Mohr, WAMPO, explained that the WAMPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) includes a Reasonable Progress Policy, under which projects programmed to receive WAMPO-suballocated funding that are scheduled to start in the current Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) or that have started but not finished (including projects that started in prior FFYs) are to have progress reports every two months. The TIP Project Statuses report for January 2026 was shared.

January 2026 TIP Project Statuses – <https://bit.ly/January2026-TIP-Project-Statuses>

ii. **PSC Addressing Projected FFY2026-FFY2028 Suballocated Funding Balances**

Nick Flanders, WAMPO, explained that KDOT staff have informed WAMPO staff of changes in how suballocated federal funding is to be managed in FFY2026 and beyond. Previously, awards from a given suballocated federal funding program in a given FFY were restricted to a “Limitation Distribution” of approximately 85% of WAMPO’s Apportionment for that program/FFY. This was to provide a funding “cushion” at the end of each FFY to avoid the accidental overprogramming of funds. Now, there are no more Limitation Distributions and WAMPO is expected to award 100% of the Apportionments for each FFY. During the period when Limitation Distributions were in effect, the resultant unawarded funds accumulated from one FFY to the next, meaning there is now a large balance of carryover funds for WAMPO to award to projects. KDOT expects WAMPO to expend its balance of carryover funds by the end of FFY2028.

To address the large projected surpluses of suballocated federal funding in FFY2026-FFY2028, the WAMPO Project Selection Committee (PSC) met on January 22, 2026, to make funding-award recommendations. Those recommendations will be considered by the TAC on February 23, 2026, and voted on by the TPB on March 10, 2026. Any funding changes that the TPB approves will be reflected in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) through Amendment 8, which will go to the TAC for a recommendation on March 23, 2026, and to the TPB for an approval vote on April 14, 2026.

iii. **Upcoming FFY2027-FFY2030 TIP Call for Projects, February 2-March 6, 2026**

Mr. Flanders provided information about an upcoming Call for Projects for the FFY2027-FFY2030 TIP, February 2-March 6, 2026. WAMPO member jurisdictions will receive instructions on how to submit projects when the Call for Projects opens on February 2, 2026. This is an opportunity for projects to be considered for suballocated federal funding. In addition to projects awarded suballocated federal funding, all other federally funded or regionally significant transportation projects are also required to be listed in the TIP and should be submitted. A tentative schedule for the development of the FFY2027-FFY2030 TIP was presented, wherein the final TPB approval vote would be expected in August 2026.

iv. Household Travel Survey (HTS) Request for Proposals (RFP) Update

Mr. Mohr provided a status update on the procurement process for a consultant team that will perform a Household Travel Survey (HTS) in the WAMPO region. The RFP was issued last year and a consultant selection committee chose one of three submitted proposals to follow up on with contract negotiations. WAMPO is currently in discussions with the selected consultant team and with KDOT staff regarding the particulars of the contract, including the fee schedule.

v. Regional Transit Coordination Committee Formation

Kim Negrete, WAMPO, discussed the potential formation of a Regional Transit Coordination Committee. WAMPO staff propose the establishment of a Regional Transit Coordination Committee to support public-transit-related planning, implementation strategies, and innovative practices in the region. The committee would serve as a forum for WAMPO member jurisdictions, transit providers, and invited stakeholders to share information, discuss transit initiatives, identify priority strategies, and support the implementation of WAMPO's adopted Regional Transit Implementation Plan. WAMPO staff would provide facilitation and technical support. A TAC recommendation and a TPB vote on the formation of such a committee will be sought at upcoming meetings.

3. Public Comment Opportunity

No comments.

4. Action

A. FFY2025-FFY2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment #7

Mr. Mohr asked the TAC to make a recommendation to the TPB on proposed Amendment #7 to the WAMPO FFY2025-FFY2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Amendment #7 is a regularly scheduled TIP amendment and would maintain the fiscal constraint of the FFY2025-FFY2028 TIP. The public comment period for Amendment #7 opened on January 2, 2026, and ran through January 16, 2026. No public comments were received. TIP Amendment #7 adds six (6) new projects and modifies seven (7) projects. There are administrative adjustments to six (6) additional projects, which do not require approval.

Mr. Mohr listed the projects modified/added, discussed the changes in local, state, and federal funding, and explained the federal requirements met by TIP Amendment #7: it is consistent with the current Metropolitan Transportation Plan, MTP 2050, and is fiscally constrained. The financial impact is an additional cost of \$158.8 million. Following approval by the TPB, the amendment will be sent to KDOT to be included in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for review and consideration by the FHWA and the FTA. Federal approval is expected in March 2026.

Discussion: None.

Action: Recommend the TPB approve FFY2025-FFY2028 TIP Amendment #7, as presented. (17-0)

Motion: Dan Woydziak

Second: Paul Gunzelman

B. Supporting KDOT Federal Performance-Measure Targets

Mr. Mohr asked the TAC to make a recommendation to the TPB on whether to support KDOT's current federal performance-measure targets. The FHWA and FTA jointly issued a Planning Rule that establishes various performance measures to assess roadway safety (PM1), pavement and bridge condition (PM2), system performance and freight movement (PM3), transit asset management (TAM), and transit safety. For these performance measures, MPOs are required to either set their own targets or support the targets set by their respective state DOTs. In 2025, WAMPO chose to support KDOT in achieving its federal performance-measure targets. Since then, KDOT has adopted updated PM1 targets.

Discussion:

Steve Degenhardt asked why it appears that some of the KDOT 2026 PM1 targets for crash fatalities and serious injuries are higher than their 2025 targets were. Mr. Mohr explained that the targets, which are 5-year averages, are based on observed data trends and are federally required to be achievable. Targets may be set with the goal of slowing down the rate of increase in crash fatalities and serious injuries, with the result that the target values do not appear to decline from one year to the next.

Action: Recommend the TPB approve supporting KDOT's federal performance-measure targets as of 2026, as presented. (17-0)

Motion: Steve Degenhardt

Second: Paul Gunzelman

5. Discussion/Updates

A. Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Update

Ms. Negrete and Chris Brown, SRF, presented on WAMPO's work with SRF Consulting Group on a regional Safe Routes to School (SRTS) planning initiative to assist local governments and K-12 schools (public and private) with the development of at least sixty (60) school-specific SRTS plans in the region. So far, fifty-four (54) schools have confirmed their participation. The Fall 2025 round of data collection was completed, including a parent/caregiver survey, Student Travel Tallies, and walk audits at each participating school. WAMPO staff and consultants are working on existing conditions reports for each participating school and will begin scheduling meetings to review those reports with school/district staff and local government staff in February 2026. WAMPO will work with its member jurisdictions to recruit additional participating schools starting in February-March 2026. WAMPO and its member jurisdictions are in discussions regarding the provision of local matching funds for the federal funding supporting the SRTS planning initiative.

Draft Andover Public Schools (USD 385) Existing Conditions Report (Example Existing Conditions Report) - <https://bit.ly/Andover-SRTS-Existing-Conditions-Draft>

Discussion:

Chad Parasa, WAMPO, asked Mr. Brown whether the areas of concern around participating schools (e.g., sidewalk gaps, unsafe roadway crossings) that he presented on for the development of school-specific Existing Conditions reports were identified through parent/caregiver survey responses or through walk audits performed around the schools. Mr. Brown replied that the areas of concern identified on the map referenced were from parent/caregiver survey results. Walk audit results were used to confirm the survey findings and add detail to other maps within the existing conditions reports.

B. Behavioral Safety Toolkit Development

Ms. Negrete announced that WAMPO staff are recruiting member-jurisdiction staff and community partners to serve on an advisory committee to assist with the development of a toolkit of behavioral safety resources that may be used by local governments and community partners to engage residents and increase general awareness of safe behavior on roadways. Input provided by member-jurisdiction staff on the advisory committee will ensure that the resources in the toolkit are useful for meeting local communities' needs and account for the constraints within which they must work. The toolkit of behavioral-safety resources is anticipated to be completed in July 2026 and will be made available on WAMPO's safety webpage.

C. Projects Obligated in FFY2025

Laura VanBurkleo, WAMPO, explained that before a transportation project can use federal funds that have been awarded/programmed to it in the TIP/STIP, the funds need to be “obligated,” an administrative step that officially obligates the federal government to provide the funding to the project. Each year, MPOs are required to submit an Annual Listing of Obligated Projects for the previous Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) to their respective state DOTs and the federal government. In FFY2025, twenty-eight (28) transportation projects in the WAMPO region had federal funding obligations or deobligations, netting more than \$35 million.

WAMPO FFY2025 Annual Listing of Obligated Projects – <https://bit.ly/FFY2025-ALOP>

6. Other Business

J.B. Wilson, KDOT, spoke about the K-254: Rock, Webb, & Greenwich Interchange Study. An open house will be held on Thursday, February 5, 2026, 5:00 PM-7:00 PM, at Wichita Northeast Magnet High School in Bel Aire. Marcy Aycok, REAP, added that a meeting for K-254 members will be held on February 6, 2026, and information will be posted on K-254 social channels.

7. Meeting adjourned at 10:55 AM

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, February 23, 2026, at 10:00 AM.