

# **Meeting Summary**

ICT Safe: A Regional Transportation Coalition Wednesday, August 12, 2025 @ 9:30 AM

Online meeting

Meeting Duration: 91 minutes

#### **Attendees**

Fabian Armendariz, USD 259
Mike Armour, City of Wichita
Collin Click, JNA Advertising
Gayle Donaldson, KDOT
Nick Flanders, WAMPO
Lisa Frey Blume, KDHE
Jordan Garcia, JNA Advertising
Kevin Gehrer, Bike Walk Wichita
Alan Kailer, Bike Walk Wichita

Joel Lomurno, *Wichita Thunder*Les Mangus, *City of Andover*Patricia Middleton, *KTSRO*Peter Mohr, *WAMPO*Kim Negrete, *WAMPO*Jodi Pew, *KTSRO*Tia Raamot, *Sedgwick County*Rene Hart, *KDOT* 

Kailyn Hogan, City of Haysville

Noel Schneider, KDOT
Dan Squires, City of Derby
Laura VanBurkleo, WAMPO
Ingrid Vandervort, KDOT
James Wagner, City of Wichita
Jessica Warren, WAMPO
Troy Wells, KDOT Law Enforcement
Liaison

# I. Welcome & Introductions

Kim Negrete, WAMPO, opened the meeting at 9:31 AM, welcoming everyone to the August 2025 meeting of ICT Safe: A Regional Transportation Coalition and thanked attendees for sharing their time and expertise.

Ms. Negrete reviewed the purpose of the coalition, which is to reduce transportation-related fatalities and serious injuries through the implementation of the WAMPO Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP), which many ICT Safe members helped develop in 2023.

# **II.** May 2025 Meeting Summary

There were no edits or additions to the May 2025 meeting summary.

### III. Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP) Progress & Updates

Ms. Negrete briefly reviewed the progress of the strategies that are being implemented, the majority of which are on target. The plan is available online at <a href="www.wampo.org/safety">www.wampo.org/safety</a>. Two strategies were highlighted, the first being the Road Safety Assessment that was completed in Bel Aire on May 22<sup>nd</sup> and the second being the opportunity to learn more about the process of conducting a Fatality Review Committee. Ms. Negrete invited the group to register for the upcoming Walk, Bike, Roll KS Summit where participants will have the opportunity to conduct a fatality review. Registration details are below.

### IV. WAMPO Updates

#### A. Safe Routes to School

Ms. Negrete reported that the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) effort is going well, with currently 54 schools confirmed to date. WAMPO staff and the consultant team are continuing to reach out to all schools in the WAMPO region, both public and private, to continue confirming interested

schools. This initiative will provide assistance in developing school-specific SRTS plans for at least 60 K-12 schools in the WAMPO region. Introductory materials are being developed and the SRTS Stakeholder Committee is meeting regularly. This fall will focus on data collection, including a Parent/Caregiver Survey, Student Travel Tallies, and Walk Audits to identify potential safety improvements. The list of schools and an interactive map are online at <a href="https://www.wampo.org/srts">www.wampo.org/srts</a>.

# **B.** Annual Bicycle & Pedestrian Count

Once again, WAMPO will be conducting the annual bicycle and pedestrian count to estimate the number of people who bicycle, walk, and run, and the locations where they do so. This is a volunteer-led project and registration is now open to secure your location(s) at <a href="https://www.wampo.org/bicycle-pedestrian">www.wampo.org/bicycle-pedestrian</a>. The counts will be conducted at approximately 38 locations around the WAMPO region on September 10, 11, and 13.

### C. Regional Active Transportation Plan

Mr. Mohr provided an update on the process. Two consultant proposals were received and a selection committee has met. Once final scores are received, WAMPO will work with the chosen consultant and KDOT to complete an agreement. The project is expected to begin this fall and will be developing an updated plan for bicycle and pedestrian routes that connect our region, specifically between cities. Other project deliverables include the development of bike/ped plans for jurisdictions needing to develop/update a plan, identifying potential "catalyst" sites, updating the Greater Wichita Bike Map, and developing cost-estimate resources. ICT Safe's Active Transportation Committee will assist with the project.

### V. Bike Walk Wichita: Behavioral Safety Grant Update

Mr. Kevin Gehrer, Bike Walk Wichita, shared details about the pilot KDOT grant opportunity focusing on behavioral safety efforts. Bike Walk Wichita has developed a *Look.See.Save* safety awareness campaign that will include targeted messages and strategies for motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians. They are getting ready to produce video and images to begin the public-facing phase of the campaign.

### VI. Drive Safe Sedgwick Advertising Campaign

Ms. Donaldson, KDOT, and the JNA Advertising team provided a review of the Drive Safe Sedgwick media campaign that has been conducted over the past several years. Sedgwick County has one of the highest crash rates in the state. The campaign primarily focuses on reducing impaired driving, speeding, and encouraging seat belt usage. The campaign has shown promising results and the team was interested to hear from members of ICT Safe regarding future advertising plans. Several suggestions were made, including the addition of motorcycle awareness. \*See the attached slides at the end of the meeting minutes.

In addition, Ms. Donaldson announced that the KDOT/WAMPO Behavioral Safety Grant application is open through September 12, 2025 by 5:00pm. The Behavioral Safety Office of the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) and the Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WAMPO) are

jointly conducting a call for projects for Behavioral Safety Grants in the Wichita metropolitan area. Funding for these grants comes from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

Submittals need to address the concerns of the ICT Safe Coalition, Drive to Zero (Kansas Traffic Deaths) Coalition, WAMPO Comprehensive Safety Action Plan (CSAP), Kansas Strategic Highway Safety Plan, and/or the Highway Safety Plan. KDOT will administer this grant. Selected projects will be expected to present updates to the ICT Safe Coalition on a quarterly basis.

All grants under this program must focus on improving road-user behavior. Construction projects are not allowable expenses under this program. Proposed projects must be supported by already established data to indicate a traffic safety problem. Equipment cannot be used to determine if and/or where a traffic safety problem exists. **Suggested Range:** \$10,000 - \$30,000

The grant application can be downloaded at <a href="https://www.wampo.org/safety">www.wampo.org/safety</a>.

#### VII. Announcements

- A. KDOT DTZ Coalition Update KDOT has completed the Drive to Zero plan that includes strategies based on the Safe System Approach. The plan and coalition meeting registration and information can be accessed online at <a href="https://www.ksdot.gov/about/our-organization/divisions/transportation-safety/drive-to-zero#:~:text=The%20Kansas%20Drive%20To%20Zero,prevent%20crashes%20and%20minim ize%20harm.">https://www.ksdot.gov/about/our-organization/divisions/transportation-safety/drive-to-zero#:~:text=The%20Kansas%20Drive%20To%20Zero,prevent%20crashes%20and%20minim ize%20harm.</a>
- **B. KDOT Walk Bike Roll Kansas Summit** October 29-30, 2025, in Lawrence, KS. This year's conference will include information for bike/ped advocates, planners, engineers, and enthusiasts. Strong Towns will be leading a Fatality Review Committee exercise, a full-scale Traffic Garden will be installed for participants to test out, and a variety of cargo bikes and e-bikes will be available for test rides. Registration can be found online at <a href="https://walkbikeroll.ksdot.gov/">https://walkbikeroll.ksdot.gov/</a>.
- C. Partner/Community Updates None.

### VIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:02 AM.

The next ICT Safe meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 5, 2025, at 9:30 AM.