

APPENDIX 14:

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Trying to project twenty years in the future is fraught with difficulty. Circumstances change, the needs and desires of our population change, the resources available to meet those needs change. This is why federal regulations require MPOs like WAMPO to update our Metropolitan Transportation Plan every five years.

Even so, unforeseen circumstances will almost certainly arise before our next scheduled update. Cities and counties in the WAMPO region often update their Capital Investment Plans every year. The Kansas Department of Transportation has announced that it will consider new projects under the Eisenhower Legacy Transportation Program every two years. The FAST Act legislation that authorizes all federal transportation programs is set to expire in September 2020. All of these developments, and many more, have the potential to impact REIMAGINED MOVE 2040.

Member Driven Authority

Accordingly, any member of the WAMPO Transportation Policy Body (TPB) may request an amendment to REIMAGINED MOVE 2040. Though not represented on the policy body, the Kansas Turnpike Authority carries out regionally significant transportation projects in the WAMPO region and can make amendment requests as well.

Request Procedures

Requests should be made to the WAMPO Director in writing or via email. In addition, WAMPO staff, at the direction of the Director, may issue a "Call for Changes," proactively asking our member jurisdictions and planning partners for specific changes to the plan. These changes then become the basis for an amendment.

Amendment requests should describe the proposed amendment in sufficient detail for WAMPO staff to develop a written description of the changes to the plan and the reasons for the amendment. Staff will work with our planning partners and member jurisdictions in developing the amendment text, laying out the change to the plan in detail along with supporting material and the reasons for the amendment.

Public Engagement

All amendments will, at a minimum, follow the public participation procedures laid out in the most current version of WAMPO's Public Participation Plan which may be found at www.wampo.org.

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Amendments must be consistent with applicable federal regulations. The requested amendment will be presented to the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), accompanied by a staff recommendation of whether or not to approve the amendment. The TAC, in turn, will make a recommendation to the TPB whether or not the they should approve the amendment. The TPB will make the final decision on adopting the amendment.

Administrative Modifications

In addition to formal amendments, WAMPO may modify the plan through administrative modifications. Administrative modifications are limited to minor changes to project/project phase costs, minor changes to funding sources of previously included projects, and minor changes to project/project phase initiation dates.



Administrative modifications can be initiated by WAMPO staff. They must still be approved by the TPB, but they do not require public review and comment or a redemonstration of fiscal constraint.