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The Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WAMPO) hereby gives public notice that it is the policy of the agency to assure full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, and related statutes and regulations in all programs and activities.

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Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

The Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WAMPO) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Wichita metropolitan area. As an MPO, WAMPO works to recognize the critical links between transportation and other societal goals, such as economic health, air quality, environmental resource consumption, and overall quality of life.

The 24-member Transportation Policy Body (TPB) guides and coordinates transportation investments in the WAMPO region. In addition to the TPB, elected officials, transportation professionals, advocates, and citizens have the opportunity to share their expertise by serving on TPB advisory committees and working groups, including the following:

- Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
- Executive Committee (EC)
- Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Plan Advisory Committee (PAC)
- Project Selection Committee (PSC)
- ICT Safe: A Regional Transportation Coalition
- ICT Safe subcommittees: Active Transportation Committee (ATC) and Drive Safe Sedgwick

Commitment to Nondiscrimination

It is the policy of the Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WAMPO) to assure full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, and related statutes and regulations in all programs and activities, regardless of funding source.

WAMPO strives to create and maintain a transparent and accessible planning process by intentionally integrating Title VI principles into the WAMPO transportation planning process and by reaching out to less-engaged populations in the WAMPO region.

Public Engagement

Public Participation Plan

WAMPO adopted its current Public Participation Plan (PPP) in December 2022. The PPP outlines strategies for involving the public in transportation planning. Its goal is to ensure effective engagement throughout the 3-C (Continuing, Cooperative, and Comprehensive)

process. The PPP emphasizes that public participation is vital for developing transportation policies, programs, and projects. WAMPO aims to collaboratively gather input from all parties, focusing on a variety of transportation needs, concerns, and ideas.

WAMPO's commitment to meaningful engagement forms the PPP's foundation. It recognizes that public input is crucial for quality transportation planning and project development and aims to make it easier for interested individuals to contribute by offering multiple avenues for involvement, from committee participation to open-house discussions.

The PPP also highlights Title VI requirements, which prohibit discrimination based on race, color, or national origin. WAMPO ensures compliance with these regulations and offers avenues for individuals to report discrimination.

WAMPO 2024-2025 Public Events

Meetings hosted by WAMPO are open to the public and announced through the WAMPO website, social media, paid newspaper notices, and email distributions. WAMPO meetings include those of the Transportation Policy Body (TPB), Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), ICT Safe: A Regional Transportation Coalition, and more. WAMPO staff also had interactions with the public through engagement activities conducted for various planning processes during this reporting period.

Interactions

Between August 1, 2024, and July 31, 2025, WAMPO's public engagement activities were primarily focused on Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2050 (MTP 2050). Surveys were used as an engagement tool to aid staff in collecting public input. Outreach was conducted through social media, newsletters, stakeholder-group communication and presentations, tabling at community events, attending and presenting at public meetings, and hosting an open house.

Language Accessibility

Compliance with Title VI includes ensuring accessibility to programs and services for persons not proficient in the English language. WAMPO's Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan guides WAMPO to provide meaningful access to the transportation planning process for people with a limited ability to communicate in English. During all public engagement initiatives, including for the development of Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2050 (MTP 2050), WAMPO staff take care to engage members of the community with limited English proficiency. For example, paper and digital versions of surveys and other outreach materials for MTP 2050 were made available in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese.

Where applicable, the Executive Summaries of WAMPO's core planning documents approved between August 1, 2024, and July 31, 2025, have been translated and made available on the WAMPO website in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese. Documents whose executive summaries have been translated during this period include MTP 2050 and the FFY2025-FFY2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Ongoing Improvement

WAMPO has an ongoing commitment to evaluate proactive and responsive strategies to engage all populations, including individuals with limited English proficiency, in the transportation planning process.

Title VI Program Requirements

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requires that all direct and primary funding recipients document their compliance with the Department of Transportation's Title VI regulations. As a subrecipient of federal transportation funding, WAMPO demonstrates Title VI compliance through the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT). Updates to WAMPO's Title VI Program Manual and Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan occur every three years; both were last updated in 2022 and will next be updated by the end of 2025.

Resources on WAMPO Website

Title VI Webpage

WAMPO has a Title VI webpage, which serves as a one-stop shop for the public to locate Title VI-related information. This includes the KDOT Title VI brochure, in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese. Also on the Title VI webpage is WAMPO's Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan.

Please visit www.wampo.org/title-vi to view WAMPO's webpage dedicated to Title VI.

Public Participation Webpage

The Public Participation webpage links to the WAMPO Public Participation Plan. Public comment opportunities, information on how to get involved in the transportation planning process, and a calendar showing upcoming meetings and events are also on this webpage.

Please visit www.wampo.org/public-participation to view WAMPO's webpage dedicated to public participation.

WAMPO Title VI Complaints

As of July 31, 2025, there have been zero reported Title VI complaints against WAMPO.

Appendix A: Title VI Program Manual

View the WAMPO Title VI Program Manual at:

https://www.wampo.org/files/ugd/bbf89d_3835661e77394b878a116117ca5835af.pdf

Appendix B: LEP Plan

View the WAMPO Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan at:

https://www.wampo.org/files/ugd/bbf89d_54dc9c8156a84d42a4065366c9f12142.pdf