

Corridor Sketch Summary

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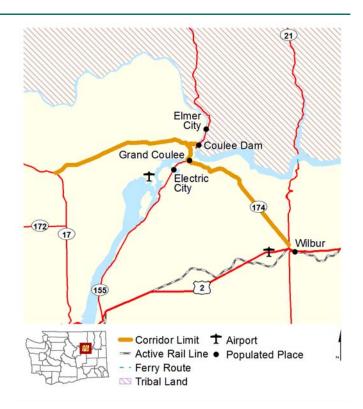
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WSDOT's Corridor Sketch Initiative is a collaborative planning process with agency partners to identify performance gaps and select high-level strategies to address them on the 304 corridors statewide. This Corridor Sketch Summary acts as an executive summary for one corridor. Please review the User Guide for Corridor Sketch Summaries prior to using information on this corridor:

SR 174: SR 17 Jct to SR 21 Jct (Wilbur)

This 42-mile long east-west corridor is located in eastern Washington and crosses through the counties of Grant, Lincoln, and Douglas. The corridor travels between the State Route 17 junction in the unincorporated community of Leahy and the SR 21 junction in the town of Wilbur. The corridor includes the Crown Point Spur, which branches off mid-corridor near the Grand Coulee Dam. Additionally, the corridor runs through the city of Grand Coulee. The corridor is rural in character as the route travels over rolling terrain. Land use on the western half of the corridor is vast, undeveloped, open space. Land use on the eastern half of the corridor is predominantly agricultural. Within Grand Coulee and Wilbur, density of the corridor increases and the character shifts to suburban with residential, commercial, and light industrial land uses. The western portion of the corridor crosses multiple creeks and passes both Banks Lake and the Columbia River in Grand Coulee. Two airports, Grand Coulee Dam Airport and Wilbur Municipal, are both located near the corridor.



Current Function

SR 174 is a state highway that traverses Douglas, Grant, and Lincoln counties serving as a connector route for the communities the route passes through. The corridor includes all of SR 174 and is classified as a rural-minor arterial. In Grant County, the corridor provides direct access to the cities of Grand Coulee and Electric City. Additionally, within Grant County, the corridor includes access to outdoor recreational activities around the Grand Coulee Dam. The corridor intersects SR 21, SR 155, and SR 17. Grant Transit Authority provides fixed route service and ADA paratransit service on a portion of the corridor. People for People also serves a portion of the corridor with transit as well as providing Spokane Connector service.

Future Function

Based on the projected population, land use, and economic trends, the future function of this corridor is expected to remain the same.

Highlights and Performance

SR 174 is a two-lane, undivided highway, and includes the Crown Point Spur. The annual average daily traffic on this corridor is highest immediately east of Grand Coulee and lowest at the Crown Point Spur.

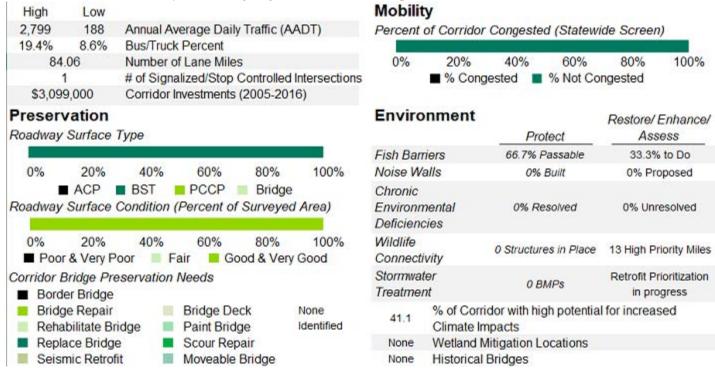
What's working well?

- The entire corridor performs above WSDOT's congestion threshold.
- There are no vertical clearance or weight restrictions on this corridor.

What needs to change?

- One fish passage barrier has been identified on the corridor.
- There are narrow shoulders and sight distance issues at Wallace Canyon.
- There is limited access or connection to alternative modes on the corridor.

WSDOT monitors the state system in ongoing efforts to track asset performance. For this corridor, WSDOT finds:



1) 2015 data unless otherwise noted. 2) For more information see the User Guide for Corridor Sketch Summaries at http://bit.ly/WSDOTcorridorsketch

What we heard from our partners

WSDOT is interested in collecting feedback from our partners. To provide feedback on this corridor, please contact the office indicated on the last page of this document.

Strategies

WSDOT identified the following strategies and associated actions to keep the corridor working well and address performance gaps. Regional partners collaborated on high-level mobility strategies. The identified strategies are not meant to be all-inclusive, nor an established list of priorities. Further evaluation is needed before any strategy can be recommended as a solution to address performance. Project funding decisions will take place at the programming phase, and are subject to statewide prioritization. For more strategy information, visit the Corridor Sketch Summary User Guide.

Policy Goals / Strategies	Description and Near-Term Actions
Economic Vitality Under Development	WSDOT will continue to work with partners in developing strategies to address economic vitality.
Environment	
Protect and Maintain	Protect and maintain existing assets that provide environmental function (these include WSDOT's mitigation sites, storm water systems, fish passable culverts).
Enhance or Restore	Enhance or restore natural areas and environmental functions associated with the multimodal transportation system.
Fish Barrier Retrofit	WSDOT has prioritized the removal of state-owned culverts that block habitat for salmon and steelhead. See interactive map of uncorrected fish barriers at http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/FishPassage/default.htm.
Mobility	
Multimodal	WSDOT will continue to pursue multimodal strategies to address performance issues, improve connectivity and transportation options while also closing gaps in our non-motorized/active transportation system.
Assessment	A mobility performance strategy has not been identified by WSDOT.
Preservation	
Maintenance	Preservation will include strategic pavement maintenance as necessary to extend the life of the pavement and utility of the asset.
Maintenance	Based on expenditure history, it is expected that the top three activities will continue to be maintenance on snow and ice control, pavement repair, and repairing slopes.
Pavement	WSDOT will continue to make spot repairs in areas that make sense for preservation of the pavement surface, along with, all other components of the roadway prism.
Pavement	WSDOT has identified one Pavement action in the next six years encompassing 41% of the corridor.
Stewardship	
Planning	Under Practical Solutions, the Corridor Sketch Initiative identifies corridor performance, and assesses alternative strategies to improve the quality, effectiveness, and efficiency of the transportation system.

For more information

To find out more information about this corridor or how to get involved, please contact:

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