

Corridor Sketch Summary

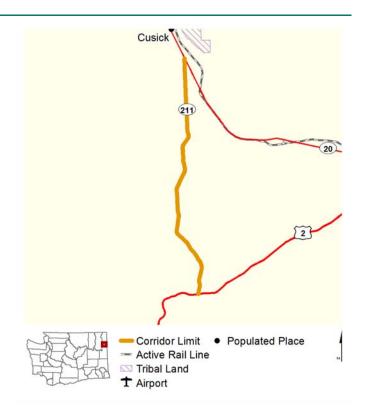
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WSDOT's Corridor Sketch Initiative is a collaborative planning process with agency partners to identify performance gaps and select high-level strategies to address them on the 304 corridors statewide. This Corridor Sketch Summary acts as an executive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

SR 211: US 2 Jct to SR 20 Jct

This 15-mile long north-south corridor in Pend O'Reille County is located in eastern Washington near the Idaho state line. The corridor travels between the State Route 20 junction, near the unincorporated community of Usk and the US Route 2 junction, east of Pend Oreille County Park. The corridor is predominantly rural in character. Land uses along the corridor includes residential, agriculture, and private-commercial forest. Other land uses include heavy industrial within and near Usk, Moonlight Recreational Vehicle Park, Camp Spalding, and Crossroads Cafe. Multiple water features run along or are located near the corridor. The Pend Oreille River, and the Davis and Deer creeks parallel portions of the corridor while both Sacheen and Davis lakes are located off the route. The Pend Oreille Valley Railroad is located at the northern end point perpendicular to the corridor. In addition to heavy forest, vegetation on the corridor includes long grasses and shrubbery.



Current Function

SR 211 is a state highway located in Pen Oreille County, connecting US 2 and SR 20 and serving as a bypass of the city of Newport. This corridor primarily provides access to outdoor recreation, natural resources, and an alternative route used by the Kalispel Reservation. This corridor is a rural-minor arterial and is not classified as a freight economic corridor. The corridor provides access to various recreation opportunities including the Colville National Forest and the Pend Oreille River. The corridor also provides recreational access for hunting, fishing, camping, and hiking. The route serves Davis Lake, Lake Sacheen, and several campgrounds. Intermodal freight facilities are present by way of the Pend Oreille Valley Railroad. This corridor is of importance or significance to the Spokane, Colville, and Kalispel tribes. The Kalispel Tribe of Indians provides fixed route transit service on the corridor. Pedestrian and bicycle use is permitted along the corridor.

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

This corridor is a two-lane, undivided highway. The annual average daily traffic on this corridor highest at the intersection of SR 211 and US 2 and lowest at SR 211 and SR 20 intersection.

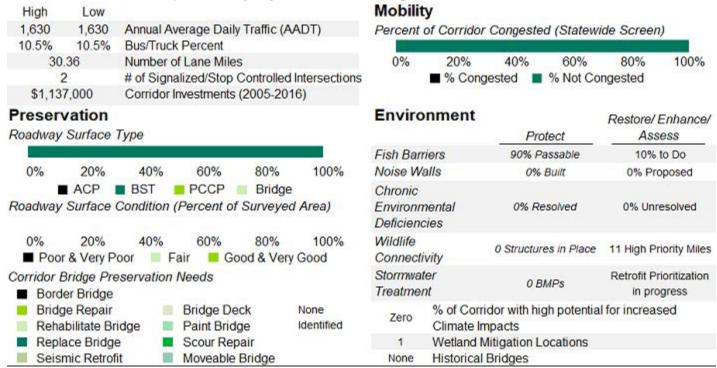
What's working well?

- The entire corridor performs above WSDOT's congestion threshold.
- There are no restrictions to freight movement on the corridor.
- The entire corridor has a low rating for climate vulnerability impacts.

What needs to change?

- The entire corridors pavement conditions have not been surveyed.
- One fish passage barrier is present on the corridor.
- There are low, medium and high priority wildlife connectivity issues throughout 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	
Assessment	A mobility performance strategy has not been identified by WSDOT.
Preservation	
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 litter removal.
Pavement	WSDOT has identified one Pavement action in the next six years encompassing 100% 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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