

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 170: SR 17 Jct to Warden

This four-mile long east-west corridor is located in central Washington and runs between the State Route 17 junction and the city of Warden. The corridor is predominately rural in character, with agricultural, residential, and industrial land uses. Land uses outside of the city limits are mostly irrigated farmlands. Within Warden, land uses include industrial and residential neighborhoods with a small amount commercial. Terrain along the corridor is level as it is located on the Columbia Plateau. The corridor crosses the Columbia Basin rail line at two locations and passes the Warden Airport.



Current Function

SR 170 is a state highway located within Grant County, running between Warden and SR 17. This corridor functions primarily as an agricultural freight route, moving goods and services throughout the region.

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 section of SR 170 is a two-lane, undivided, unsignalized highway. The annual average daily traffic on this corridor is highest at its junction with SR 17 and lowest at Warden.

What's working well?

- The entire corridor performs above WSDOT's congestion threshold.
- This route provides connections to transit centers.

What needs to change?

• The entire corridor's pavements have not been surveyed and their condition is unknown.

High	Low					Mobilit	y				
2,840	2,645	Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT)			Percent of Corridor Congested (Statewide Screen)						
13.5%	13.5%	Bus/Truck	Percent					110000			
7.32		Number of Lane Miles				0%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%
1		# of Signalized/Stop Controlled Intersections				■ % Cong	gested	% Not Co	ngested		
\$249	,000	Corridor In	vestments	(2005-201	6)						
Preservation						Environment		Restore/ E Protect Asse		Enhance/	
Roadway Surface Type										Assess	
						Fish Ban	riers	- 1	Vone	0% t	Do Do
0%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%	Noise Walls		0% Built		0% Proposed	
	ACP	BST	PCCP	Bridge		Chronic					
Roadway Surface Condition (Percent of Surveyed Area)						Environmental		0% Resolved		0% Unresolved	
						Deficienc	cies				
0%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%	Wildlife		0 Structures in Place		0 High Priority Miles	
■ Poo	& Very P	oor Fa	air 📒 Go	od & Very	Good	Connecti	ivity	O Structi	area arriade	o riigir i	orky wiics
Corridor Bridge Preservation Needs						Stormwater Treatment		0 BMPs		Retrofit Prioritization in progress	
■ Border Bridge											
Bridge Repair Bridge Deck None Rehabilitate Bridge Paint Bridge Identified						Zero % of Corridor with high potential for increased					
Trondomato Errago						Climate Impacts					
Replace Bridge Scour Repair						None Wetland Mitigation Locations					

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

None

Historical Bridges

What we heard from our partners

Seismic Retrofit

WSDOT collected feedback from agency partners. Key themes included:

Moveable Bridge

• The Port of Warden is interested in extending the turn lanes at the SR 170 and the SR 17 intersection to better accommodate heavy truck turning volumes.

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 extendife of the pavement and utility of the asset.						
Maintenance	Based on expenditure history, it is expected that the top three activities will contint to be maintenance on snow and ice control, rest areas, and weed control.						
Pavement	WSDOT will continue to make spot repairs in areas that make sense for preserval 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 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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