

South Central Kansas- Transportation Overview

Vision: Achieve a safe regional transportation system that includes strategic, responsive, and sustainable transportation choices.

Challenges

- Need for improved coordination among jurisdictions
- Need for better work-home connectivity
- Need for alternative forms of transportation
- Need to expand freight and passenger rail service
- Cost of maintenance of current infrastructure

Focus Areas

- Regional Structures
- Connection between
- Transportation and Land Use
- Transportation Choices
- Maintenance

Top Strategies

1. Encourage government bodies to adopt transportation plans that promote the connectivity of hike/bike/trails, pedestrian needs, and transit routes across the region
2. Expand purchase of alternative fuel fleet vehicles in the region
3. Develop a viable regional transit system
4. Develop and adopt policies that commit financial support devoted to the maintenance and replacement of existing assets and future transportation system projects and programs
5. Develop a regional forum to enhance and coordinate regional transportation issues and projects
6. Update policies and procedures for asset management, maintenance, and infrastructure life-cycle analysis to reflect a more regional approach

