Mo-Kan Regional Council



**Transportation Work Plan** Fiscal Year 2025

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## **INTRODUCTION**

On December 19, 1991, President George H.W. Bush signed the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) into law. The Act, which was the embodiment of the nation's transportation policy, had several stated goals designed to meet the changing needs of an increasingly mobile society. Some of the goals included reducing congestion, promoting local economic development, rebuilding, and expanding transportation infrastructure, promoting safety, protecting the environment, and ensuring America's ability to compete in the global marketplace. ISTEA represented a marked shift in transportation policy in the United States, emphasizing a holistic approach to transportation planning, and remains the basis for transportation legislation today.

One of the fundamental tenets of the new law was to include laypersons in the transportation planning process; the act specified that transportation planning should involve not only transportation professionals, but also local elected officials, industry, and private citizens. To meet this requirement, the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission (MHTC) established the "Counties and Regional Planning Commissions Committee," chaired by Commissioner Carol Williamson. The committee worked with Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) personnel and various members of Missouri Regional Planning Commissions to establish guidelines for the creation of local "Transportation Advisory Committees" at the regional level, which would serve as the public's conduit for directly participating with regional transportation planning.

#### Mo-Kan Transportation Advisory Committee

Utilizing the guidelines set forth by the MHTC and the Missouri Association of Councils of Government, Mo-Kan Regional Council (MKRC) chairman David Laurie signed a Transportation Planning Funds Agreement, in the amount of \$5,000, on September 12, 1994. This agreement authorized MKRC to establish and administer the Mo-Kan Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC). The Mo-Kan TAC met for the first time on January 26, 1995. Today, Mo-Kan continues to receive an annual allocation from MoDOT, which is used to facilitate transportation planning activities in the four-county region.

The TAC meets on a quarterly basis to provide direction in regard to the local planning process; and in addition, it provides a forum for communication between elected officials, state transportation staff and the general public in regard to planning activities.

#### Mo-Kan Transportation Work Plan

Each year, Mo-Kan partners with MoDOT and the two adjacent regional planning commissions within MoDOT's Northwest District (Green Hills Regional Planning Commission and Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Governments) to discuss both short-term and long-term transportation and planning goals, objectives, and activities. These activities are included in the

annual Mo-Kan Transportation Work Plan and presented first to the Mo-Kan TAC, then to the Mo-Kan Regional Council Board of Directors and then finally to MoDOT for state approval. Each of the tasks, with its corresponding performance measures and goals, are meant to ensure that all residents of northwest Missouri have access to a safe, efficient transportation system.

The Mo-Kan Transportation Work Plan consists of three tasks, including Administration; Regional Transportation Plan (RTP); Core and Public Engagement Planning Activities; Public Education, Information and Meetings; and Professional Development. Each of the tasks is divided into the purpose, goals, work completed in the previous Fiscal Year, and work anticipated in the current Fiscal Year. A list of the staff responsible for each task is included in the work plan, as well as a breakdown of the associated staffing, indirect and direct costs.

#### Funding Sources

The activities identified in the Mo-Kan Transportation Work Plan are implemented using funds through an annual allocation to Mo-Kan Regional Council from the Missouri Department of Transportation. This allocation requires matching funds from Mo-Kan Regional Council in the amount of 20 percent of the total planning program. Mo-Kan provides this funding from the collection of a \$0.35 per capita local assessment from each county and community included in the Mo-Kan Regional Transportation Plan.

#### Performance Measures

The effectiveness of Mo-Kan's transportation program during Fiscal Year 2025 will continue to be measured through four annual TAC meetings. Additional meetings will be held if necessary. Quarterly TAC meetings are anticipated on the following dates:

- August 14, 2024
- November 13, 2024
- February 12, 2025
- May 14, 2025

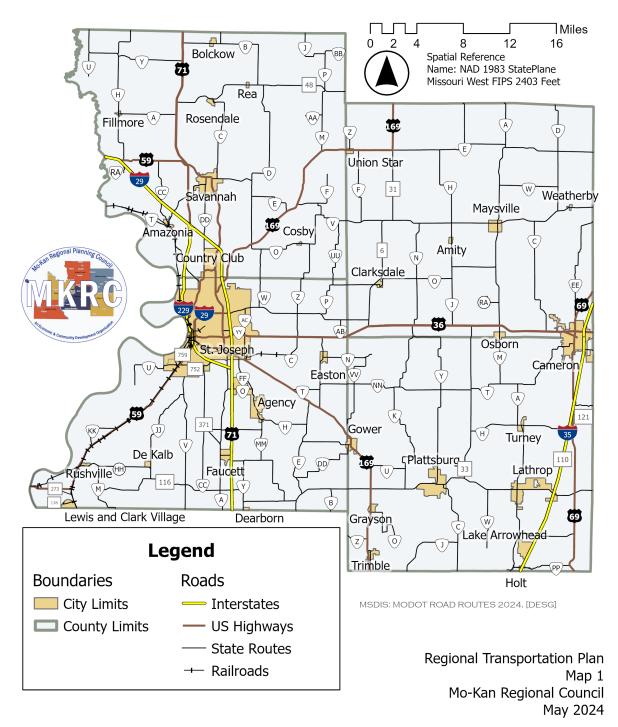
Mo-Kan Regional Council board meetings are scheduled on the fourth Wednesday of every month or as needed. Reporting of meetings and activities will be made available to MoDOT on a quarterly basis, more often if MoDOT or Mo-Kan deems necessary. Quarterly reports, including financial statements and an invoice, will be submitted by the following dates:

- October 31, 2024
- January 31, 2025
- April 30, 2025
- July 31, 2025

A final report detailing all transportation-related work for the previous year will be due to MoDOT on July 31, 2025.

## **Mo-Kan Regional Transportation Network**

Roadways Maintained by the Missouri Department of Transportation



# TASK 1 – ADMINISTRATION

#### Purpose:

This task covers general administration tasks related to the execution of the contract to include, but not limited to; accounting, reporting, performance evaluation and general correspondence. All reporting will follow the guidelines described in 23 CFR 420.117(b), as well as maintain the required documentation for work elements as described in 23 CFR 420.111. This is necessary for reimbursement of RPO funds from MoDOT and provides the audit detail to justify the continued funding availability.

#### End Documents:

- Invoices
- Activity and financial reports, on agreed upon timeframe
- FY 24/25 Performance Evaluation
- FY 24/25 Transportation Planning Work Plan
- Financial audit
- Direct/Indirect Cost Documentation
- Title VI update, if required
- To receive the top evaluation score, an RPC must exceed 1,200 of staff time devoted to the Work Plan and document that time.

#### Prior Year Accomplishments:

- Staff completed and submitted quarterly financial reports to MoDOT within 30 days of the end of each quarter.
- Staff completed FY 2024 Transportation Work Plan.
- Completed audit.
- Staff reported on transportation planning activities, needs and prioritization process, and major project investment activities to general membership and transportation stakeholders.
- Prepared TAC meeting reports.
- Staff completed MACOG Annual Performance and Expenditure Report.

### Task Deliverables:

Task Description	Staff Assigned	Estimated Staff Hours	Estimated Completion Date
Submit invoices/financial reports on agreed-upon timeframe.	Fiscal Officer	20	October 31, 2024 January 31, 2025 April 30, 2025 July 31, 2025
Prepare and submit progress and activity reports on agreed-upon timeframe. (At least quarterly)	Executive Director, Community Development Planner	20 10	October 31, 2024 January 31, 2025 April 30, 2025 July 31, 2025
Prepare and submit annual performance evaluation on time.	Executive Director	20	April 21, 2025
Prepare and submit annual work plan on time.	Community Development Planner	20	May 18, 2025
Provide certification of direct and/or indirect costs, as required.	Fiscal Officer	20	Ongoing
Complete audit and share audit report with Office of Administration.	Fiscal Officer	20	Ongoing
Prepare update of Title VI plan, if applicable. (Due on a three-year cycle.)	Executive Director, Fiscal Officer, Community Development Planner	0	June, 2024
		129	

### **Budgeted Funds:**

Total Task Expense:	\$38,000.00
MoDOT 80% Share:	\$30,400.00
RPC 20% Share:	\$7,600.00

#### Purpose:

To cover all planning and public engagement activities necessary to complete the identified activities, including regional needs identification and prioritization; updating the Regional Transportation Plan, including needs and priorities, data, multi-modal asset and prioritization information and sidewalk inventories, assessments and mapping; engaging the citizens, stakeholders, TAC and board to ensure a complete and accurate needs list; supporting statewide planning efforts and participating in MoDOT sponsored event and studies; and hold at least four TAC meetings per year. This task will also include all activities that encourage public engagement and education and enhance the general transportation for the region, including activities that provide opportunities to interface with the public, such as attending public hearings, hosting forums and workshops, TAC meetings, board meetings, newsletters, social media and other methods of communication and information sharing with the public. Planning activities may include (but are not limited to) GIS development, data generation, local development trends and assistance with local financing options for communities.

#### End Documents:

- Updated version of the Regional Transportation Plan
- Update Regional Transportation Needs
- Inventory of transportation stakeholders (all modes) with contact information
- 2025 TAC Priorities for the region submitted to MoDOT
- GIS/maps as developed
- TAC agendas, minutes, and other documents used to conduct at least four TAC meetings throughout the FY

#### Prior Year Accomplishments:

- Staff attended several meetings that discussed statewide and local transportation plans or concerns, these included:
  - o Quarterly TAC meetings
  - Mo-Kan Regional Council Board meetings
  - Northwest Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety meetings, Transportation
     Planner served as Secretary of the local coalition
  - Northwest Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety Grant Application meetings
  - MACOG meetings

- o MoDOT Annual Statewide Planning Partners' meeting
- St. Joseph Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee
- Transportation Incident Management Coalition
- Numerous informal discussions with elected officials, MoDOT staff and the public. Staff
  provided grant advisory assistance to communities. Specifically, Mo-Kan provided grant
  advisory assistance for the following transportation-related projects:
  - Maintain updated city/county officials list
  - CDBG road projects in Clarksdale, Cameron, and Union Star
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Aided City of Savannah and City of Gower with TAP grants post award  $\;$
  - Received SS4A Safety Action Plan Grant for the City of Gower and Andrew County
  - o Developed Safety Action Plan for City of Gower
  - Updated the Unfunded Needs List and Regional Transportation Plan
- Staff distributed Buckle Up, Phone Down materials, disseminated information about the Northwest Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety grant application, and informed communities of grant opportunities
- Continued to maintain website and made software updates
- Updated the Human Services Coordination Transportation Plan
- Conducted sidewalk assessment for City of Gower as part of Safety Action Plan

### Task Deliverables:

Task Description	Staff Assigned	Estimated Staff Hours	Estimated Completion Date
Participate in MODOT sponsored events and processes, including Statewide Planning Partners meeting and district-level meetings and periodic MODOT leadership calls. District level meetings include district prioritization meetings, high- priorities, unfunded needs prioritization meeting and project selection meetings for TAP and BRO projects.	Executive Director, Community Development Planner	100	June 30, 2025
Provide regional needs identification and project prioritization, that include public input, for use in the STIP development	Community Development Planner	100	June 30, 2025 Ongoing
Provide identification and prioritization of Tier 1, 2, and 3 High Priority, Unfunded Needs for use in statewide planning	Community Development Planner	100	June 30, 2025 Ongoing
Provide support towards the development of statewide planning efforts.	Community Development Planner	100	June 30, 2025 Ongoing
Hold at least four TAC meetings, including preparation of agendas, minutes, other documents, coordinate speakers, prioritize needs and submit annual report.	Community Development Planner	100	August 10, 2024 November 9, 2024 February 8, 2025 May 10, 2025
Update Regional Transportation Plan, to include Needs and Priorities, including soliciting, fielding, and following needs submitted by citizens; updated data gathered from Census, cities, counties, and other sources; updated list of transportation stakeholders; update of multi-modal asset and prioritization information and update sidewalk assessments/mapping.	Community Development Planner	100	June 30, 2025 Ongoing

Conduct traffic counting and	Community	100	As needed
modeling services	Development Planner,		
	GIS Specialist		
Perform GIS activities.	GIS Specialist	100	Ongoing
Provide grant application writing	Executive Director,	100	Ongoing
and innovative financing services.	Community		
	Development Planner		
Conduct roadway safety	Community	0	As needed
assessments.	Development Planner		
Participate in the Coalition for	Community	100	Ongoing
Roadway Safety activities.	Development Planner		
Create a Regional Safety Action	Community	100	Ongoing
Plan.	Development Planner		
Coordinate traffic incident	Community	100	Ongoing
management (TIM) workshop/s	Development Planner		
Attend Mo-Kan monthly board	Community	100	Monthly
meetings	Development Planner,		
	Executive Director		
Assist communities with	Community	100	Ongoing
transportation funding	Development Planner,		
opportunities	Executive Director		
Continue the availability of ESRI	Community	100	Ongoing
data dashboard	Development Planner		
Participate in trail planning	Community	100	Ongoing
activities	Development Planner		
		1,739	

## **Budgeted Funds:**

Total Task Expense:	\$46,137.98
MoDOT 80% Share:	\$36,910.38
RPC 20% Share:	\$9,227.60

# **TASK 3 – PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

#### Purpose:

Includes activities necessary to support transportation planning staff activities. RPC will partner with MACOG on coordination of transportation planning activities, including fiscal officer's quarterly meetings, transportation planners quarterly meeting, transit and bike/ped information and other transportation-related work to benefit RPCs. This category should also include any memberships to professional, state or national organizations and other staff activities to stay current on transportation issues and trends.

#### End Documents:

- Certificates of achievement
- Conference attendance

#### **Prior Year Accomplishments:**

- Attendance at monthly MACOG Directors' meetings/trainings (partial MoDOT funding)
- Attendance at Roadway Safety Conference
- Attendance at NADO Transportation Conference
- Staff attended quarterly MACOG Transportation Planners' and Fiscal meetings/trainings.
- Staff attended CDBG training for administration and grant writing.
- Staff attended GIS data training
- Staff attended the Missouri Highway Safety and Traffic Conference
- Staff attended Missouri Active Transportation Summit
- Membership sustained in NADO, MACOG, APA, Missouri Bicycle and Pedestrian Federation, and Missouri Economic Development Council (MEDC)
- Purchased ESRI ARC Pro and training for planners

### Task Deliverables:

Task Description	Staff Assigned	Estimated Staff Hours	Estimated Completion Date
Attend MACOG meetings and MACOG annual professional development conference	Executive Director	150	June 30, 2025
Participate in quarterly transportation planners' workgroup.	Community Development Planner	20	June 30, 2025
Sustain memberships in MACOG, NADO and APA	Executive Director, Community Development Planner		Ongoing
Participate in GIS user's groups, trainings, and conferences	GIS Specialist	90	Ongoing
Attend MoDOT training workshops	Executive Director, Community Development Planner	20	Ongoing
Attend CDBG training workshops to help communities with bridge, street, and drainage projects.	Executive Director, Community Development Planner	20	Summer 2024
Attend statewide Missouri Highway Safety and Traffic Conference	Community Development Planner	20	Fall 2024
Attend professional development conferences (NADO Rural Transportation Conference, NADO Annual Training, etc.)	Executive Director, Community Development Planner	20	Fall 2024
Total Staff Hours:		343	

### **Budgeted Funds:**

Total Task Expense:	\$11,000.00
MoDOT 80% Share:	\$8,800.00
RPC 20% Share:	\$2,200.00

# **FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

	FY 2025 Transportation Budget Overview								
Task	Name	Mo-Kan Share	MoDOT Share	Task Total					
1	Administration	\$7,600.00	\$30,400.00	\$38,000.00					
2	Core Activities and Public Engagement	\$9,227.60	\$36,910.38	\$46,137.98					
3	Professional Development	\$2,200.00	\$8,800.00	\$11,000.00					
	Total	\$19,475.11	\$77,900.42	\$97,375.53					

Total Project Expenses:	\$97,375.53
80% MoDOT Allocation:	\$77,900.42
20% Local Allocation:	\$19,475.11

FY2025 Transportation Budget	Adr	ninistration Task 1		ore and Public gement Activities Task 2		ofessional evelopment Task 3		Total
Staff (S/F)	Hours	Amount	Hours	Amount	Hours	Amount	Hours	Amount
Exec Director	23	\$1,000.00	117	\$5,000.00	117	\$5,000.00	257	\$11,000.00
Comm Planner	65	\$1,500.00	929	\$21,375.53	109	\$2,500.00	1,081	\$25,375.53
GIS Specialist	0	\$0	652	\$18,262.45	90	\$2,500.00	804	\$20,762.45
Fiscal Officer	41	\$1,500.00	41	\$1,500.00	27	\$1,000.00	109	\$4,000.00
Admin Asst	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Interns	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Staffing Total	129	\$4,000.00	1,739	\$46,137.98	343	\$11,000	2,291	\$61,137.98

Direct Expenses		Amount		Amount		Amount		Amount
Mileage		\$6,000.00		\$0		\$0		\$6,000.00
Lodging		\$4,000.00		\$0		\$0		\$4,000.00
Meals		\$1,000.00		\$0		\$0		\$1,000.00
Conf. Fees & Dues		\$7,000.00		\$0		\$0		\$7,000.00
Equip. & Supplies		\$6,000.00		\$0		\$0		\$6,000.00
Other - Rent (5% x S/F)		\$2,500.00		\$0		\$0		\$2,500.00
Direct Total		\$26,500.00		\$0		\$0		\$26,500.00
Indirect Total		\$9,737.55		\$0		\$0		\$9,737.55
Grand Total	129	\$38,000.00	1,819	\$48,375.53	343	\$11,000.00	2,291	\$97,375.53

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# Mo-Kan TAC Membership as of May 2023

Name	Representing	Title
Brad Jarvis	Andrew County	Presiding Commissioner
Bruce Lundy	Andrew County	Savannah City Administrator
Sarah Miller	Andrew County	County Clerk
Tony McGaughy	Buchanan County	Citizen Member
Scott Burnham	Buchanan County	County Commissioner
Johnnie Hoggatt	Buchanan County	Citizen Member
Tad Wilson	Clinton County	Cameron Public Works Director
Mike O'Donnell	Clinton County	Cameron Planning and Zoning
Richard Riddell	Clinton County	County Commissioner
Terry Workman	DeKalb County	Union Star Fire Protection District
Missy Meek	DeKalb County	County Clerk
Chet Owen	DeKalb County	County Commissioner