

## Annual Performance Report—FY2015

### *Goal 1: Provide an efficient transportation system*

#### **Objective A: Promote policies and projects to reduce travel delay**

##### Action:

1. Identify five most congested locations during peak hour travel in order to reduce travel delay (segment, corridor, intersection).

##### Status:

- In the latter part of FY15, KTMP staff selected a contractor to complete the CMP which will include identifying the five most congested locations during peak hour travel. The contractor will begin work in November, 2015. Work is anticipated to be completed by May, 2016.

2. Collect travel time data as resources allow (can include Bluetooth, GPS, and similar means).

##### Status:

- KTMP staff has made use of TTI reports generated from INRIX data. Our consultant will be acquiring and making use of INRIX data in the development of our CMP congested network.

3. Analyze travel time data to calculate delay and LOS.

##### Status:

- No progress to report for FY15; staff is working with consultant to analyze data.

4. Report observations, findings, potential treatments and costs within one year.

##### Status:

- No progress to report for FY15— staff is working with consultant.

5. Notify responsible entities.

##### Status:

- No progress to report for FY15— staff is working with consultant.

#### **Objective B: Promote awareness of alternative transportation modes**

##### Action:

1. Identify alternative transportation modes on the KTMP website.

##### Status:

- Ongoing Activity: Alternative transportation modes are identified on the KTMP website along with links to websites where additional information may be found.

- Ongoing Activity: On the KTMP Facebook page, a series of photos and scenarios have been posted to encourage the public to consider different transportation options that could reduce traffic congestion. Topics addressed include car-pooling, bicycling, transit, and driving habits. Also, when staff is aware of an incident or closure affecting a major roadway, it is posted on social media or the website.
2. Provide information regarding passenger rail on the KTMP website.  
Status:
    - Ongoing Activity: Information regarding passenger rail is provided on the KTMP website to include the Texas-Oklahoma Passenger Rail Study along with a link to the Amtrak website.
  3. Coordinate with cities to identify and promote use of hike/bike trails and pedestrian/bike friendly roadways.  
Status:
    - Ongoing Activity: KTMP staff has coordinated with the cities within the KTMP region to obtain updated information on the cities' pedestrian/bike network. The MPO is compiling the data from the cities to create a pedestrian/bike network database for the public that may be accessed from the KTMP website.
    - During FY15, KTMP staff discussed creation of a Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (B/PAC) with the Technical Advisory Committee and Transportation Planning Policy Board. The first B/PAC meeting is set for October, 2015.
  4. Identify and support "bike to work" days and similar events.  
Status:
    - No progress to report for FY15.
  5. Coordinate with Hill Country Transit District (HCTD) to promote awareness of the need for public transit services in the KTMP region.  
Status:
    - Ongoing Activity: Through the Central Texas Regional Transportation Advisory Group (CTR TAG), KTMP interacts regularly with HCTD. Discussions frequently include ideas and policies to help promote awareness of the need for public transit services.
    - Ongoing Activity: A HCTD representative also sits on both the KTMP Technical Advisory Committee and Transportation Planning Policy Board, providing an opportunity for the transit district to promote awareness of transit needs among the KTMP members.
    - Ongoing Activity: HCTD regularly attends the Planner Roundtables that are sponsored by KTMP. The roundtable provides a forum for the transit district to interact with staff members from cities and Fort Hood and promote awareness of transit needs.

**Goal 2: Provide a safe transportation system**

**Objective A: Promote policies and projects to reduce number of crashes and crash severity**

Due to staffing changes, access to data from the Crash Records Information System (CRIS) was limited. During the latter part of FY15 full access was restored. Staff plans to move forward with the objectives under this Goal during FY16.

Actions:

1. Collect and analyze crash data as resources allow.
2. Identify crash locations (up to five) where crashes most occur in order to reduce number of crashes and crash severity.
3. Identify the causes of crashes.
4. Suggest tools and strategies to reduce crashes and crash severity.
5. Notify responsible entities.

**Goal 3: Promote variety of transportation alternatives**

**Objective A: Promote policies and programs to increase transit ridership on existing services**

Action:

1. Coordinate with HCTD to identify areas of potential growth needed by the public transit system.

Status:

- Ongoing Activity: KTMPPO interacts regularly with HCTD through the CTRTAG. The CTRTAG meets on a quarterly basis and discussions frequently include areas that are experiencing growth and would benefit from public transit service.
- During FY15, CTRTAG was approved for funding to update the Regionally Coordinated Transportation Plan (RCTP). The update will include a survey to identify transportation needs and gaps in service. The update will begin in FY16 and conclude in January, 2017. KTMPPO staff holds a voting seat on this advisory group.

2. Identify advantages in using public transit system on the KTMPPO website.

Status:

- Ongoing Activity: The KTMPPO website provides a link to the American Public Transportation Association website which includes a detailed article regarding "Public Transportation Benefits."

3. Coordinate with HCTD to identify policies that can help to promote transit ridership.

Status:

- Ongoing Activity: Through the CTRTAG, KTMPPO interacts regularly with HCTD. Discussions frequently include ideas and policies to help promote transit ridership.

- Ongoing Activity: A HCTD representative also sits on both the KTMP Technical Advisory Committee and Transportation Planning Policy Board, providing an opportunity for the transit district to discuss policies to help promote transit ridership.
- Ongoing Activity: HCTD regularly attends the Planner Roundtables that are sponsored by KTMP. The roundtable provides a forum for the transit district to interact with staff members from cities and Fort Hood and identify policies that may help to promote transit ridership.

**Objective B: Promote awareness of multi-modal facilities**

Action:

1. Identify benefits of multi-modal facilities on KTMP website.

Status:

- Ongoing Activity: The KTMP website provides Information on the benefits of a multi-modal transportation system along with links to websites for additional information for various modes of transportation.

2. Coordinate with city officials and KTMP technical committee/policy board on benefits of multi-modal facilities.

Status:

- Ongoing Activity: Planner roundtables are held on a monthly basis and have included conversations about multi-modal facilities.

**Objective C: Promote carpool/shared-ride opportunities**

Action:

1. Coordinate with city officials to promote ideas on carpool or shared ride opportunities.

Status:

- Ongoing Activity: On the KTMP Facebook page, a series of photos and scenarios have been posted to encourage the public to consider different transportation options to include car-pooling. The MPO coordinates with Member Cities requesting their social media provide links to MPO social media to help promote transportation options.

2. Identify potential private sector partners in developing strategies to promote carpool/shared-ride opportunities.

Status:

- Ongoing Activity: KTMP staff is aware of the Enterprise Rideshare Program and the KTMP website provides a link to their website.

3. Coordinate with public/private partners to identify common origins/destinations.

Status:

- No progress to report in FY15.

**Goal 4: Encourage programs and developments that promote a healthy environment**

**Objective A: Consider participation in air quality improvement programs**

Action:

1. Research participation in air quality improvement programs.

Status:

- Ongoing Activity: KTMPO staff obtained information on the Ozone Advance program and consulted with other MPOs in the region regarding their participation in this program as well as other air quality improvement programs.
- Ongoing Activity: KTMPO participates in quarterly meetings of near non-attainment regions. These meetings provide an opportunity to see what other regions are doing to improve their air quality.
- The Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood region has been included in the State Rider 7 Program designed for areas that are near non-attainment for Ozone. Our region will receive funding to conduct studies and implement programs to help our region remain in attainment. Funding is for FY16 and 17.

2. Monitor results of Ozone monitoring station in Killeen and inform public of results and implications, and possible actions to improve air quality.

Status:

- Ongoing Activity: KTMPO staff regularly monitors the results of both the Killeen and Temple ozone monitoring stations and provides a link on the KTMPO/CTCOG (Central Texas Council of Governments) website directly to the data. The website includes links to information on how to protect the air quality.
- Ongoing Activity: An air quality update is provided at the start of various meetings to include the following: KTMPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and Transportation Planning Policy Board (TPPB); Central Texas Regional Transportation Advisory Group; monthly planner roundtables.
- Ongoing Activity: An educational flyer and brochure have been developed to educate the public on the region's air quality issues. This information is made available at various community events.

3. Obtain information regarding Ozone Advance program and present information to KTMPO technical committee/policy board.

Status:

- No action was taken on this item during FY15. The Ozone Advance Action Plan is scheduled for completion in 2017 as part of the Rider 7 funding.

4. Work with city officials and KTMPO technical committee/policy board to reach consensus on appropriate action to be taken with regard to improving the region's air

quality.

Status:

- Ongoing Activity: Air quality updates and opportunity for discussion are provided to the KTMPO TAC and TPPB on a monthly basis.

**Objective B: Encourage community land development plans that balance access to all modes of transportation**

Action:

1. Coordinate with cities to encourage inclusion of multi-modal transportation elements in development plans.

Status:

- Ongoing Activity: In the planner roundtables, conversations frequently center on the importance of including transportation alternatives in various plans.