

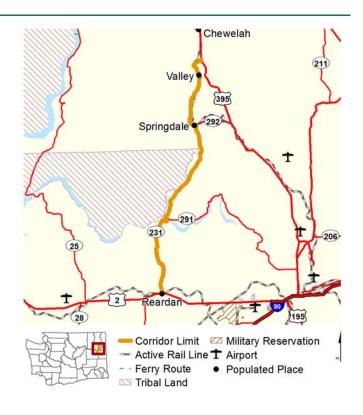
# Corridor Sketch Summary

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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 231: US 2 Jct (Reardan) to US 395 Jct

This 44-mile long north-south corridor is located in eastern Washington, west of the city of Spokane. The corridor's end points are the town of Reardan to the south and the US Route 395 junction to the north. The corridor passes through Lincoln and Stevens counties, the unincorporated community of Ford, the town of Springdale, and the census designated place of Valley. The corridor is mostly rural in character. Land use along the corridor includes agriculture, open space, and undeveloped land along with residential, commercial in the communities. The route skirts the eastern boundary of the Spokane Indian Reservation where there is mostly private/commercial forest, some public forest, agriculture, undeveloped and residential land uses. There is mining/manufacturing near the community of Valley. A notable water feature is the Spokane River in which the corridor crosses over near the Long Lake Dam. A portion of the corridor parallels the BNSF Railway at the north and crosses the Eastern Washington Gateway railroad in Reardan. One airport, Sand Canyon, is just north of the corridors end point near US 395.



## **Current Function**

State Route 231 is a 75-mile long state highway that serves the communities within Lincoln and Stevens counties and runs concurrently with US 2 for a segment. This corridor is a rural-major collector and is not classified as a freight economic corridor. A segment of this corridor through Springdale has been identified as a state highway operating as the community's main street. This corridor provides access to outdoor recreational activities. In addition to connecting with US 2 and US 395, the route also connects with SR 291 near the Long Lake Dam, and SR 292 in the town of Springdale. This segment is a corridor of importance or significance to the Spokane and the Colville tribes.

### **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 is highest within Springdale and lowest at the Long Lake Dam.

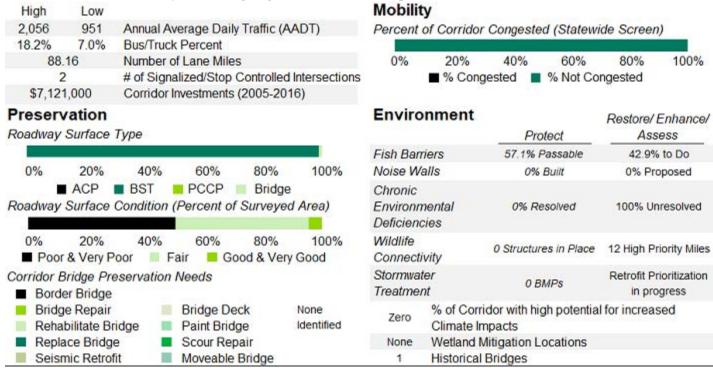
## What's working well?

- The entire corridor performs above WSDOT's congestion threshold.
- This corridor is rated low for vulnerability to future climate conditions and/or extreme weather events.
- There are no vertical clearance restrictions on this corridor.

## What needs to change?

- There are three fish passage barriers located on the corridor.
- There are weight restrictions on the bridge over the Spokane River.
- There are priority wildlife connectivity issues on the corridor.

WSDOT monitors the state system in ongoing efforts to track asset performance. For this corridor, WSDOT finds:



<sup>1) 2015</sup> 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
<b>Economic Vitality</b>	
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 repairing slopes.
Pavement	WSDOT has identified two Pavement actions 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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