

Corridor Sketch Summary

SR 397: Kennewick ECL to SR 182 Jct

Highway No. 397

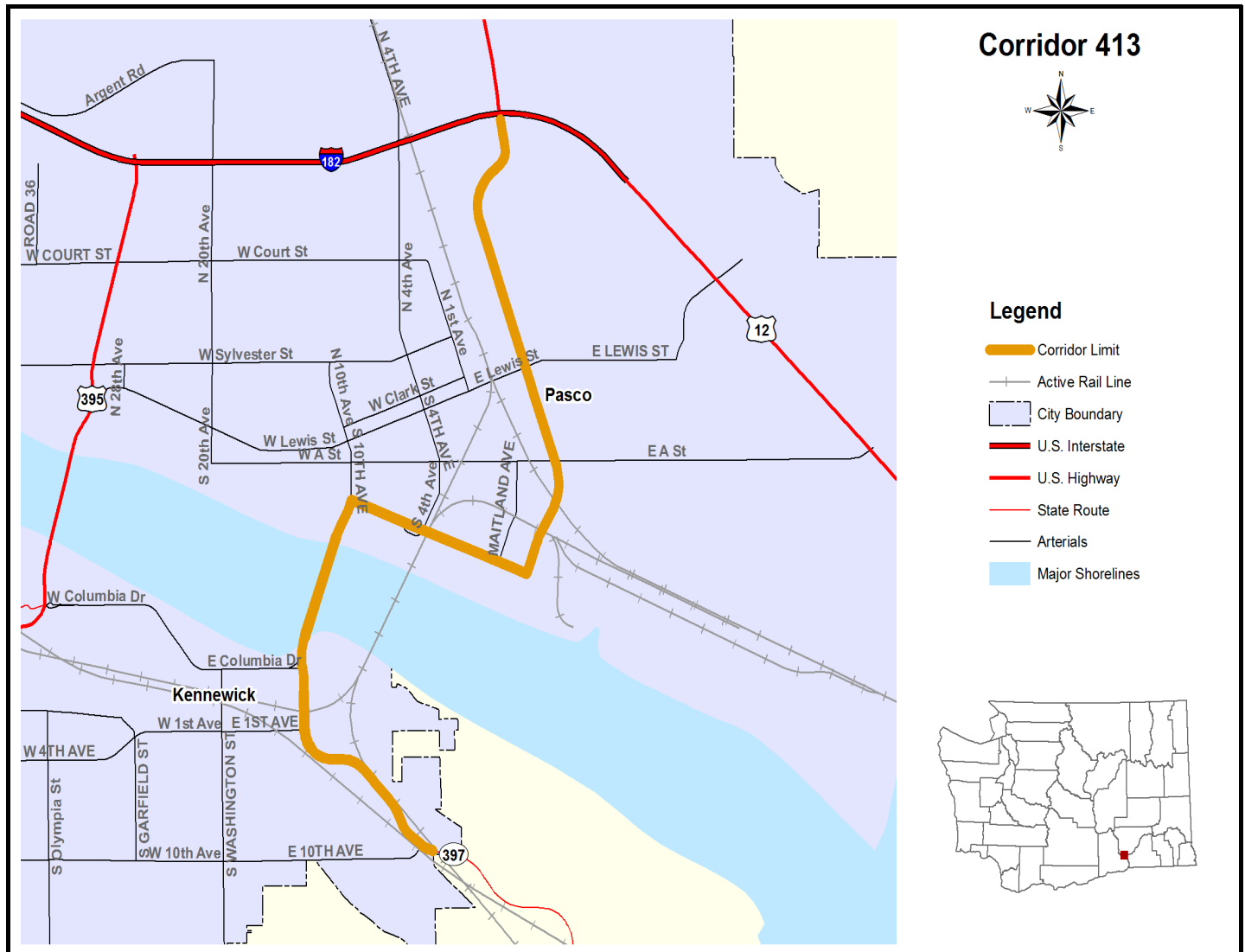
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Corridor 413

Length: 5.72 miles

Corridor Description

This corridor passes through areas of Kennewick and Pasco and connects these areas to both US 395/I-182 and US 12. SR 397 is the least critical of the three major Columbia River crossings in the Tri-City area and is generally considered a "main street" through Pasco and Kennewick, as it is a Managed Access route.



Corridor Function

Current Function

This corridor is a URBAN PRINCIPAL ARTERIAL and is not classified as a freight economic corridor. This corridor traverses a through portions of Kennewick and Pasco. The majority of the corridor has commercial development adjacent to the corridor. This most significant function of SR 397 is a thrid Columbia River crossing with connection to the I-182/US 395/US 12 Jct. SR 397 provides the primary access to the Big Pasco intermodal freight terminal.

Future Function

There may be future developemnt along the corridor, but the future function of this corridor is expected to remain the same.

Comments or feedback on function

Preservation

Policy Goal: To maintain, preserve, and extend the life and utility of prior investments in transportation system and services.

What's Working Well?

What Needs to Change Today?

As sections of pavement fall below the adopted statewide standard, preservation projects need to be funded. Corridor assets will be minitored or inspected according to WSDOT's Asset Management Plan (out for statewide review

What Needs to Change in the Future?

Comments or feedback on preservation

Safety

Policy Goal: To provide for and improve the safety and security of transportation customers and the transportation system.

What's Working Well?

What Needs to Change Today?

The portion of the corridor that is within the city of Pasco is being redesigned by the city to upgrade the existing signals, include a two way left turn lane, and addressing ADA needs.

What Needs to Change in the Future?

At-grade railroad crossings should be monitored for safety performance and grade separated as necessary.

Comments or feedback on safety

Mobility

Policy Goal: To improve the predictable movement of goods and people through Washington State, including congestion relief and improved freight mobility.

WSDOT currently defines congestion for system screening as locations that currently or are projected to operate below 70% of the posted speed limit during peak hour. Statewide analysis is preformed to screen at three time periods: current year, ten year and twenty year.

What's Working Well?

What Needs to Change Today?

Complete streets on the corridor within Kennewick and Pasco.

What Needs to Change in the Future?

The SR 397 Columbia River crossing is under utilized. An improved local network could relieve congestion on the I-182 and US 395 crossings.

Comments or feedback on mobility

Environment

Policy Goal: To enhance Washington's quality of life through transportation investments that promote energy conservation, enhance healthy communities, and protect the environment.

What's Working Well?

What Needs to Change Today?

What Needs to Change in the Future?

Comments or feedback on environment

Economic Vitality

Policy Goal: To promote and develop transportation systems that stimulate, support and enhance the movement of people and goods to ensure a prosperous economy.

What's Working Well?

What Needs to Change Today?

What Needs to Change in the Future?

Comments or feedback on economic vitality