CHAPTER 2

ORGANIZED REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS AND REGIONAL COUNCILS IN KANSAS

This chapter will describe the present status of each of the fourteen organized multi-county regional councils and planning commissions in Kansas. The information in this section was collected through means of a question-naire sent to each executive director of the respective regional planning commission or regional council.

The following terms were used in the questionnaire and should be interpreted as follows:

- Date established is the date that final approval
 of the resolution was made.
- Date staffed is the date the executive director
 or first full-time staff member was hired.
- Eligible cities and counties in the region refers to those cities and counties who are eligible for membership in the commission through compliance to the necessary by-laws. Cities refer to incorporated places only. An asterisk (*) indicates presently recognized members.
- Population by county is taken from the 56th ANNUAL REPORT KANSAS AGRICULTURE, Kansas State Board of Agriculture. It should be noted, however, that some commissions base annual dues on the 1970 Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce.
- <u>Commission organization</u> is the actual commission membership and its present organizational structure.
- Executive Council Organization describes the structure of the executive council, committee or other such ruling body.
- <u>Composition</u> refers to the ratio of elected versus non-elected officials.
- Minority Representation refers to representation on the commission or executive council by a member of a racial/ethnic minority (i.e., Native American,

Spanish speaking, Black, Oriental, etc.) or low-income group.

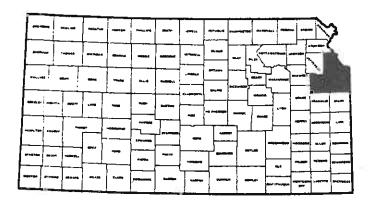
Governing Body is the body responsible for any formal action and decision to be taken by the commission.

A-95 Review refers to the compliance with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular No. A-95 which provides for regional clearninghouses designed to review all projects requesting federal assistance. Official designation of such agencies is made by the Governor.

There are presently ninety (90) counties within the boundaries of an organized regional planning commission or council. The population in those counties totals 1,910,298* and represents 82.2% of the state's population. The percent of population represented by the individual regional commissions and councils is as follows:

	% of State's
Council	Population
Big Lakes Regional Planning Commission	3.8
Bluestem Regional Planning Commission	2.3
Central Plains Tr-County Planning Commit	tee 17.4
Chikaskia Regional Planning Commission	1.8
Flint Hills Regional Planning Commission	3.5
Golden Belt Regional Planning Commission	2.5
Greater Southwest Regional Planning	
Commission	5.2
Indian Hills Regional Planning Commission	n 1.0
Mid-America Regional Council*	20.6
Mid-State Regional Planning Commission	4.5
Mo-Kan Regional Council*	1.3
North Central Regional Planning Commission	on 4.4
Northwest Kansas Regional Planning	
and Development Commission	5.3
Southeast Kansas Regional Planning	
Commission	8.6
TOTAL	82.2%

^{*}These two councils are interstate and the percent of population is for the state of Kansas only.



Established: January 1, 1972 Staffed: January 1, 1972

Previously the Metropolitan Planning Commission Mid-America Council of Governments

Executive Director Richard F. Davis 20 West 9th Street Kansas City, Missouri 64105 (816) 474-4240 Chairman
Edward J. Bauman
Presiding Judge
Clay County Courthouse
Liberty, Missouri 64068
(816) 781-4400

Officers

Robert R. Davis, lst Vice-Chmn. Phil K. Weeks, 2nd Vice-Chmn. J. Harold Hamil, Treasurer Neale R. Peterson, Secretary

ELIGIBLE KANSAS CITIES AND COUNTIES IN THE REGION

<u>Johnson County*</u> Overland Park*

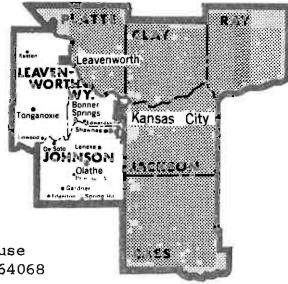
Leavenworth County*

Wyandotte County*
Kansas City, Kansas*

All cities under 75,000 population are represented by their county representative.

*Indicates membership

MID-AMERICA REGIONAL COUNCIL



POPULATION BY COUNTY (KANSAS)

Johnson		236,214
Leavenwort	h	48,908
Wyandotte		189,200
	TOTAL	474,322

COMMISSION ORGANIZATION

Representation

Voting membership consists of the chairman of the Board of County Commissioners from each county; the mayor of eligible cities of over 75,000 population; one member from each county of over 100,000 population who represents all cities under 75,000 population and one additional member from each Kansas County to make equal voting representation from each state.

Voting

Each representative has one vote.

Composition

100% elected officials (voting membership)

Minority Representation
One member, at present

Term of Office

All elected officials serve during their terms in local office. All others serve at the pleasure of the organization appointing them.

Authority

As provided in K.S.A. 12-716 to 12-721 and 12-2903 and 12-2904. MARC is designated as a non-profit corporation, incorporated under the laws of Missouri and is licensed to do business as a foreign corporation in Kansas.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ORGANIZATION (Budget & Personnel Committee)

Selection

Each county is represented by the head official from each member government.

Composition 100% elected officials

Minority Representation
One member, at present

Term of Office
Same as term in local office

Authority

The committee functions as an administrative council would. They make necessary decisions on personnel, budget, contracts and expenditure matters.

GOVERNING BODY

The Board of Directors

SPECIAL DISTRICTS OR JURISDICTIONS
REPRESENTED

Non-voting membership on the commission will include the Chairman or chief executive of the following groups:

United Community Services Health Resources Institute Institute for Community Studies Kansas City Association of Trusts and Foundations Midwest Research Institute Regional Council of Federal Agencies Kansas City Area Transportation Authority Mid-America Comprehensive Health Planning Agency Northwest Missouri Law Enforcement Assistance Council Metropolitan Criminal Justice Planning Committee Representative of the Governor

Representative of the Governor of Kansas

Representative of the Governor of Missouri

State Highway Commission of Kansas, Planning Division

State Highway Commission of Missouri, Planning Division

COMMITTEES

Special Committees

Comprehensive Emergency Medical Services

Metropolitan Manpower Planning Council

Air Quality Forum
Total Transportation Forum

Policy and Review Committees Technical Advisory Committees

Housing Planning & Development

Utilities Air Quality

Solid Waste Parks, Recreation & Open Space

Citizens Advisory Committees Air Quality Transportation

The purpose of the various committees of MARC is to insure that no planning is initiated or accomplished without a thorough understanding of its intent and implications.

FUNDING

Annual Membership Dues

Each member county pays an assessed amount which reflects the ratio of their population to the total population of the council. Kansas City and Independence, Missouri, and Kansas City and Overland Park, Kansas, pay a proportionate share of their county assessment.

Source of Funds

Local	6½%
Special Local*	9 %
Earned Income**	13½%
State***	8½%
Federal	59 %
Private	3½%

*Special local projects

**Income generated from
 completed projects or
 investment interest

***Kansas State monies Highway Department

PROGRAMS

Completed

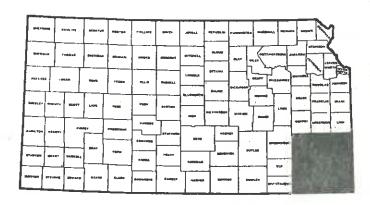
Sanitary Landfill Emergency Medicine Services Manpower Planning Highway Programming

Current

Sanitary Landfill
Emergency Medical Services
Manpower Planning
Water Quality Management
Transportation Planning
Land Use Planning
Population Projections
Open Space Planning
Communications
Housing
Solid Waste

A-95 REVIEW

The Mid-America Regional Council has been officially designated as the A-95 Regional Clearinghouse for their Metropolitan Region.



SOUTHEAST KANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

ELIGIBLE CITIES AND COUNTIES IN THE REGION

Allen County*

Bassett Elsmore Gas City Humboldt* Iola* La Harpe Mildred Moran*

Savonburg

Bourbon County*

Bronson* Fort Scott* Fulton Mapleton Redfield Uniontown*

Cherokee County*

Baxter Springs* Columbus* Galena* Mineral* Roseland* Scammon*

Treece*

Weir*

Crawford County*

Arcadia* Arma* Cherokee* Frontenac* Girard* Hepler McCune* Mulberry* Pittsburg* Walnut*

Labette County*

Altamont* Bartlett* Chetopa* Edna* Labette Mound Valley* Oswego* Parsons*

Montgomery County*

Caney* Cherryvale* Coffeyville* Dearing Elk City* Havana

Independence*

Liberty* Tyro

Neosho County*

Chanute* Earlton* Galesburg* St. Paul* Stark* Thayer*

Wilson County*

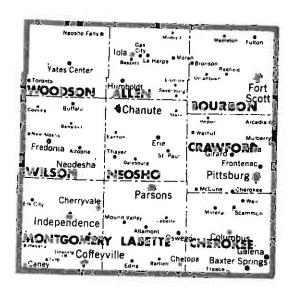
Altoona* Benedict Buffalo* Coyville Fredonia* Neodesha* New Albany

Woodson County* Neosho Falls*

Toronto*

Yates Center*

*Indicates member



POPULATION BY COUNTY

Allen	15,124
Bourbon	15,238
Cherokee	22,072
Crawford	38,742
Labette	25,224
Montgomery	45,899
Neosho	18,399
Wilson	13,327
Woodson	<u>5,006</u>
TOTAL	199,031

COMMISSION ORGANIZATION

Representation

Four members from each county. These four representatives are county commissioners, mayors, city managers and city council members.

<u>Voting</u>

One vote each member; four votes each county.

Composition

61% elected - 39% non-elected (22 elected - 14 non-elected)

Established: 1972

Staffed: September 1, 1973

(The commission evolved from the Southeast Kansas Advisory Committee on Regional Planning which was initiated by the Governor in April, 1966.)

Executive Director
Ben Robinson
Box 664
Chairman
Ray Daniel
R.R. 1
Chanute, Kansas
66720
(316) 431-0080
Chairman
Ray Daniel
R.R. 1
Hallowell, Kansas
66744
(316) 597-2938

Officers

Clarence Johnson, Vice-Chairman Jim Wilson, Secretary-Treasurer

Minority Representation Three members

Term of Office

Term is determined by the time in elected office and the pleasure of the commission or council appointing the member.

Authority

The Commission is responsible for adopting the budget, adopting and ammending by-laws, electing the executive council, coordinating the planning efforts of the region and local governments, and review actions of the executive council. (K.S.A. 12-716 through 12-721.)

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ORGANIZATION

Selection

Elected officers of the commission plus one member of each county as selected by their respective Boards of Commissioners.

58% elected - 42% non-elected (7 elected - 5 non-elected)

Term of Office

Officers are 12 months with others serving at the pleasure of their counties or cities.

Authority

Perform all administration business of the commission, propose annual budget, financial control of commission, motivate public information and education, and exercise review responsibility of applications for projects.

GOVERNING BODY

The entire commission as designated.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Criminal Justice Advisory

This committee assists the regional planning commission and its staff in the development of a Criminal Justice Plan for the region and assists the commission in establishing programs of concern to the Criminal Justice System.

FUNDING

Annual Membership Dues

Dues consist of 10 cents per capita for each county and cities are assessed \$25 per year.

Source of Funds

FY74

Local 28% State 0 Federal 72% Private 0

FY75

Local 22% State 13% Federal 65% Private 0

PROGRAMS

Current

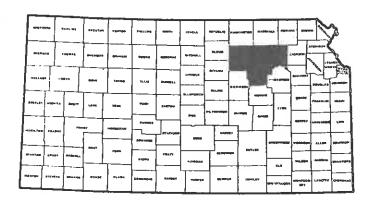
Industry and Economic Development
Government Reorganization and
Intergovernmental Relations
Protective Services and Law
Enforcement
Housing

Completed

Solid Waste Management

A-95 REVIEW

The Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Commission has been officially designated as the A-95 Regional Clearinghouse for their region.



BIG LAKES REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Established: December, 1969

Staffed: July 1, 1974

Previously known as the Pottawatomie-Riley Counties and City of Manhattan Regional Planning Commission

Executive Director

Jack Crocker
Box 987
Manhattan, Kansas 66502
(913) 776-4859

Chairman

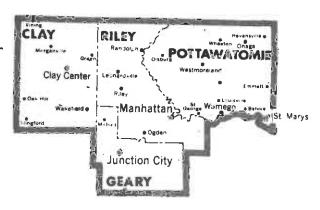
Ivan Sand Riley County Courthouse Manhattan, Kansas 66502 (913) 485-2259 (Home)

Officers

Gerald Pinick - Vice-Chairman Robert Newsome - Sec.-Treas.

ELIGIBLE CITIES AND COUNTIES
IN THE REGION

Clay County*
Geary County*
Pottawatomie County*
Riley County*
City of Manhattan*
Junction City*
(*Indicates membership)
All cities not designated are considered members of the commission and are represented by their respective counties.



POPULATION BY COUNTY

Clay	10,163
Geary	24,627
Pottawatomie	12,925
Riley	40,144
TOTAL	87,859

COMMISSION ORGANIZATION

Representation

Voting members of the commission are as follows: one member from each county selected from the individual Boards of Commissioners; a resident of the county as selected by the Board of Commissioners; the mayors (or their designates) of the cities of Manhattan and Junction City; and, the residents (one each) as selected by the mayors of those two cities.

Voting

Each member has one vote.

50% elected - 50% non-elected

Minority Representation
One member, at present.

<u>Authority</u>

Authority as provided in K.S.A. 12-716 through 12-721. The commission body is responsible for functional operations.

Term of Office

Terms of office are from one to two years as specified in the by-laws.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ORGANIZATION

Selection

The members of the commission elect a chairman, vice-chairman and secretary-treasurer, with the secretary-treasurer not necessarily being a member of the commission (ex-officio).

Composition

100% elected officials

Minority Representation
One member, at present.

Authority

Administrative functions and direction of commission

GOVERNING BODY

The governing body is the entire commission as selected and appointed.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Rural Water Mobile Home Parks These committees are to outline the problems, alternatives, resources and possible action programs concerning their specific areas.

FUNDING

<u>Annual Membership Dues</u>
Dues are collected according

to the assessed valuation of each county.

Source of Funding

Local 95% State 5% Federal 0 Private 0

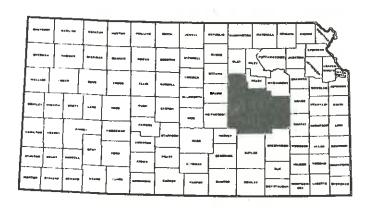
PROGRAMS

Completed*

Water and Sewer
Solid Waste Management
Open Space and Recreation
Housing
Land Use
(*All programs were done for the
two counties of Riley and Pottawatomie and are subject to update for the entire region.)

A-95 REVIEW

The Big Lakes Regional Planning Commission has been officially designated as the A-95 Regional Clearinghouse for their region.



Established: September, 1971 February & March, 1974 Staffed:

Executive Director

Chairman

Les Jayne P.O. Box L Harold F. Johnson Dwight, Kansas

Strong City, Kansas

66849 (316) 482-3375

(316) 273-8503

Officers

Solomon

66869

Ed Broz, Vice-Chairman Wilbur Smith, 2nd Vice-Chairman Richard Maresh, Secretary John DeLong, Treasurer

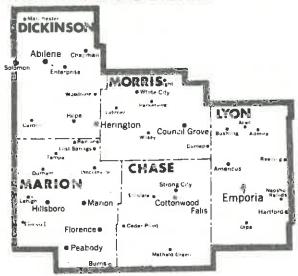
MEMBER CITIES AND COUNTIES IN REGION

Chase County	Lyon County
Cedar Point	Admire
Cottonwood Falls	Allen
Elmdale	Americus
Matfield Green	Bushong
Strong City	Emporia
	Hartford
Dickinson County	Neosho Rapids
Abilene	Olpe
Carlton	Reading
Chapman	
Enterprise	Marion County
Herington	Burns
Норе	Durham
Manchester	Florence

Goessel

Hillsboro

FLINT HILLS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION



Morris County Lehigh Lincolnville Council Grove Lost Springs Dunlop Marion Dwight Peabody Latimer Parkerville Ramona White City Tempa Wilsey

POPULATION BY COUNTY

Chase	3,599
Dickinson	23,907
Lyon	30,892
Marion	15,479
Morris	6,851
TOTAL	80,728

COMMISSION ORGANIZATION

Representation

Each county is represented by one county commissioner with one at-large non-elected citizen appointed by the county commissioners. Cities are represented by their mayor, city councilman or city manager.

Voting

Each representative has one vote.

<u>Composition</u>

92% elected - 8% non-elected

Term of Office

Elected officials serve the same time as their respective elected offices. Citizens appointed to the commission serve terms of three years.

Authority

As provided for in K.S.A. 12-716 through 12-721. (See Appendix A)

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ORGANIZATION

Selection

All executive officers are elected by the entire commission.

Composition

40% elected - 60% non-elected

Term of Office

All executive officers serve one year terms but can be reelected for a consecutive term.

Authority

General Administrative functions:

GOVERNING BODY

The entire commission acts as the governing body.

FUNDING

Annual Membership Dues Each city pays \$25 with the remaining counties sharing the remainder needed for matching funds.

Source of Funds

FY74
Local 33 1/3% State 0
Federal 66 2/3% Private 0

FY75

Local 33 1/3% State 26 1/3% Federal 40 1/3% Private 0

PROGRAMS

Completed*

Water and Sewer Solid Waste Management

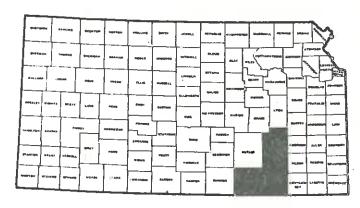
(*Dickinson County was not a member of the commission at the time of completion. An update of these is needed.)

Current

Juvenile Delinquency Open Space and Recreation Housing Land Use

A-95 REVIEW

The Flint Hills Regional Planning Commission has been officially designated as the A-95 Regional Clearinghouse for their region.



Established: February 13, 1974

Staffed: June 17, 1974**

Chairman

Kenneth H. Thompson City Manager Arkansas City, Kansas 67005 (316) 442-0280

Officers

Wayne C. Chambers, Vice-Chairman Mary Ellen Long, Secretary-Treasurer

ELIGIBLE CITIES AND COUNTIES IN THE REGION

Chautauqua County*	Elk County
Cedar Vale*	Elk Falls
Chautauqua*	Grenola
Elgin*	Howard*
Niotaze*	Longton*
Peru*	Moline*
Sedan*	

Cowley County*
Arkansas City*
Eureka*
Atlanta*
Fall River
Burden
Hamilton*
Cambridge*
Madison
Dexter
Geuda Springs*
Virgil*

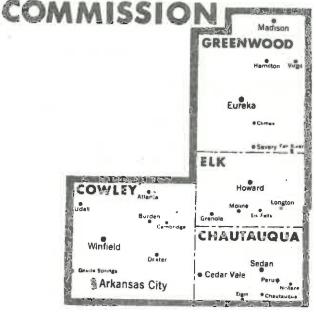
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Winfield* *Indicates

membership

** Mrs. Jody Bennet of Wichita State University, Intern, 1 yr.

BLUESTEM REGIONAL PLANNING



POPULATION BY COUNTY

Chautaug	ua	5,250
Cowley		34,555
Elk		4,226
Greenwoo	d	9,247
	TOTAL	53,278

COMMISSION ORGANIZATION

Representation

Chautauqua	4	members
Cowley	10	members
Elk	4	members
Greenwood	6	members

Two members from each county are county commissioners. Other members include city officials, minorities and planning commission members.

Voting

Each representative carries votes weighted and fractional based upon population and membership.

92% elected - 8% non-elected (22 elected - 2 non-elected)

Minority Representation
One member, at present

Term of Office One year

<u>Authority</u>

K.S.A. 12-716 through 12-721 inclusive, as ammended for general purpose of making studies and plans for the development of the region.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ORGANIZATION

Selection

Elected from the commission membership.

Composition

71% elected - 29% non-elected (5 elected - 2 non-elected)

Minority Representation One member, at present

Term of Office One year

<u>Authority</u>

Supervision; employment and dismissal of staff; preparation and supervision of grants; fiscal and budgetary control.

GOVERNING BODY

The seven-member executive council.

FUNDING

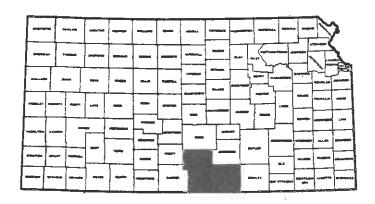
Annual Membership Dues
Each county pays \$300 annually
and each city pays \$10 per
1,000 population or fraction
thereof.

Source of Funds

Local 31% State 23% Federal 46% Private 0

PROGRAMS

Bluestem Regional Planning Commission is new and therefore has no programs with the exception of basic development programs.



Established: November 23, 1971 Staffed: September 1, 1972

Executive Director

Dennis Foltz P.O. Box 301

(316) 672-5541

Chairman

F. H. Langley 1500 N. Spruce

Pratt, Kansas 67124 Kingman, Kansas

67068

Wellington*

Officers

A. B. Preston, Vice-Chairman Lyle Bauer, Secretary-Treasurer

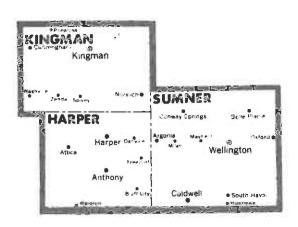
ELIGIBLE CITIES AND COUNTIES IN THE REGION

Harper County*	Sumner County*
Anthony	Argonia*
Attica*	Belle Plaine*
Bluff City	Caldwell*
Danville	Conway Springs
Freeport	Mayfield
Harper*	Milan*
	Oxford*
Kingman County*	South Haven*

Cunningham Kingman* Nashville* Norwich* Penalosa Spivey* Zenda*

*Indicates membership

CHIKASKIA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION



POPULATION BY COUNTY

Harper	8,319
Kingman	10,091
Sumner	24,067
TOTAL	42,477

COMMISSION ORGANIZATION

Representation

Counties are represented by their county commission chairman or his designated representative. Cities are represented by their mayor or his designated representative. In addition, each county appoints a delegate atlarge.

Voting

Each member of the commission has one vote.

76% elected - 24% non-elected (16 elected - 5 non-elected)

Term of Office

One year beginning February 1.

Authority

Authority as set forth in K.S.A. 12-716 through 12-721 except no local planning authority. (See Appendix A)

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ORGANIZATION

See "Administrative Coordinating Board of the Chikaskia and Indian Hills Regional Planning Commissions".

GOVERNING BODY

The entire commission as designated.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Housing Criminal Justice Economic Development

The committees are advisory in nature providing technical and citizen input, working with staff personnel on plan development, and providing initial A-95 review for proposals dealing with their respective areas of concern.

FUNDING

Annual Membership Dues

Each county and city pays \$25 base dues. Each county and each city over 1,000 population participate in the local cost based on population. In add-

ition, each county, on an individual basis, may participate in Regional Economic Development Program, based on tangible assessed valuation.

Source of Funds

Local 42% State 4% Federal 46% Private 8%

PROGRAMS

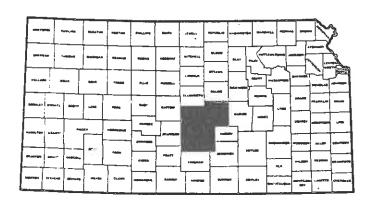
<u>Completed</u> Initial Housing Element

Current

Industry and Economic Development
Intergovernmental Relations
Protective Services and Law
Enforcement
Solid Waste Management
Juvenile Delinquency
Natural and Mineral Resources
Housing
Land Use

A-95 REVIEW

The Chikaskia Regional Planning Commission has been officially designated as the A-95 Regional Clearninghouse for their region.



MID-STATE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Lindsborg McPHERSON

Established: March 14, 1973

Chairman Carl Oakleaf Route 2

Officers Jack Maloney, Vice-Chairman

Chase Lyons Aiden Sterling Lindsborg, Kansas 67456 Nickerson Buhlar RENO Wallande Hutchinson Cecil Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer e Protty Frame ELIGIBLE CITIES AND COUNTIES IN THE REGION

McPherson County* Reno County* Canton* Abbyville* Galva* Arlington* Inman* Buhler* Lindsborg* Haven Marquette Hutchinson* Moundridge* Langdon McPherson* Nickerson Windon* Partridge Plevna*

Rice County* Alden* Bushton* Frederick Geneseo* Little River*

Lyons Raymond Sterling

Turon

Willowbrook*

*Indicates member

POPULATION BY COUNTY

RICE

McPherson		24,720
Reno		68,076
Rice		12,033
	TOTAL	104,829

COMMISSION ORGANIZATION

Representation

One elected county commissioner Pretty Prairie* and one at-large representative So. Hutchinson* from each county. Cities are represented by one elected official or an officially appointed representative.

Voting

Each representative carries one vote.

Composition

85% elected - 15% non-elected (23 elected - 4 non-elected)

Term of Office

Citizens appointed to the commission serve three year terms. Others serve until their succesor is appointed.

Authority

As provided in K.S.A. 12-716 through 12-721 to help eliminate planning duplication and promote the general welfare and prosperity of the people.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ORGANIZATION

Selection

County commissioners from each county plus one other representative as elected by the planning commission members of that county.

Composition

83 1/3% elected - 16 2/3% nonelected (5 elected - 1 non-elected)

Term of Office

One year

Authority

Manage the affairs of the commission pursuant to the by-laws and policies established by the commission.

GOVERNING BODY

The entire commission as designated.

FUNDING

Annual Membership Dues

10 cents per capita paid annually

Source of Funds

FY74

Local 100% State 0 Federal 0 Private 0

FY75

Local 34% State 18% Federal 48% Private 0

PROGRAMS

All major programs are now being considered in a three year program.