

2010 Statewide Transportation Enhancements Program PSRC Regional Application Form

****Please read all of the text in this section before completing this application****

Important notice: The importance of complete and accurate information on every application cannot be overemphasized. The evaluation and scoring of all submitted projects will be based on the answers provided in this application. A project's suitability for funding may be compromised if the application is found to have omissions or inaccuracies.

Projects receiving funding as a result of this competition: Funding distributed as a result of the 2010 Statewide Transportation Enhancements Program is awarded competitively to projects, and not to the sponsoring agency itself. Sponsors of projects that are awarded funds from this competition will be required to submit a more detailed application in order to program the funds into the State and Regional Transportation Improvement Program. Please refer to the Schedule in the Call for Projects for more information.

Email submissions are preferred: Attach your completed application to an email and send it to tipapp@psrc.org. Please name the file "**2010 Enhancements-[agency]-[project title]**". If you are unable to email the application, please mail a copy of the electronic file on diskette or CD, and fax or mail a corresponding paper copy. Electronic copies of all applications are required, as they will be posted to the PSRC's web site. Mailed materials should be sent to: Tracy Murray, Puget Sound Regional Council, 1011 Western Avenue Ste 500, Seattle, WA 98104-1035 and/or faxed to 206-587-4825, Attn: Tracy Murray. For questions or to confirm receipt of your application, contact [Tracy Murray](mailto:Tracy.Murray@psrc.org), 206-971-3277.

Deadline: Applications must be received by PSRC by **5:00 PM on Monday, July 12, 2010**. Applications should be no more than **15 pages**, plus maps and/or other required supporting documentation.

PROJECT IDENTIFICATION AND DESCRIPTION	
1	<p>PROJECT TITLE: 244th Avenue NE Non-Motorized Improvements</p>
2	<p>TRANSPORTATION 2040 ID# N/A</p> <p>To be eligible for funding, regionally significant projects must be explicitly identified in Transportation 2040, the region's long-range Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). For the 2010 Statewide Transportation Enhancements Program, this would apply to regionally significant nonmotorized projects such as separated trails. To confirm whether your project is specifically listed in Transportation 2040, refer to http://www.psrc.org/assets/3763/Appendix_M.pdf. For assistance or questions regarding these issues, contact Kimberly Scrivner, 206-971-3281.</p>
3	<p>SPONSORING AGENCY: City of Sammamish</p> <p>Note: non-profit organizations may administer grants from the 2010 Statewide Transportation Enhancements Program <u>unless the project requires design, right of way acquisition, and/or construction</u>. In such cases, a public agency must serve as the project sponsor.</p> <p>Co-sponsor(s) if applicable: N/A</p> <p><i>For the purposes of this application and competition, "co-sponsor" refers to any agency that would receive a portion of the funding if the requested grant were to be awarded.</i></p> <p>Does sponsoring agency have "Certification Acceptance" status from WSDOT? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Please note: the requirement that public agencies have Certification Acceptance status has been waived for this program; however, all federal and state project requirements must still be met. Refer to the Washington State Department of Transportation Local Agency Guidelines Manual at http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/LocalPrograms/LAG/ for more information.</p>
4	<p>PROJECT CONTACT:</p> <p>Name: Jeff Brauns Email : jbrauns@ci.sammamish.wa.us Phone: 425-295-0561</p>

<p>5</p>	<p>PROJECT DESCRIPTION</p> <p>Describe the proposed work and explain the nature of the entire project, including the existing and proposed conditions and type of use. Explain why the project is needed and how the project meets the eligibility requirements of the selected Transportation Enhancements categories. Attach a detailed 8 ½” by 11” vicinity map. Photographs are welcome, but not required.</p> <p>This project will construct non-motorized improvements along the west side of 244th Avenue NE to improve safety, mobility, and access for non-motorized users along this minor arterial roadway. These improvements will connect an existing gap south of Rachel Carson Elementary School as well as extend non-motorized improvements to the north to connect with an existing sidewalk facility at NE 20th Street. This project will construct separated (either by curb, gutter, and planter strip or ditch) pedestrian facilities on the west side of 244th Avenue NE between NE 8th Street and NE 20th Street.</p> <p>The existing roadway is classified as a minor arterial through flat and rolling terrain consisting mainly of two 11’ lanes with narrow shoulders, ditches, culverts, steep side slopes. The existing right-of-way varies with a typical width of 60 ft. Additional right-of-way may be required to complete these improvements.</p> <p>The current roadway is used as an access route to and from State Route 202 to the north. It is also used heavily for local access to Rachel Carson Elementary, Inglewood Junior High School, and Good Samaritan Episcopal Church, for residents to access the Business District at the intersection of 228th Ave NE and NE 8th Street, and as an access route to the future Sammamish Town Center. The existing facility is inadequate for students walking to the new elementary school. As a consequence of these missing sidewalk segments, Lake Washington School District needs to bus students who live less than 1 mile from the school. In addition, many parents will choose to drive their students due to a lack of a safe walking route. These added trips increase congestion and pollution. In addition it prevents children from critical daily exercise walking and/or biking to school.</p> <p>Directly to the south, the City is currently constructing a missing arterial connection that includes sidewalks and bike lanes from the residential neighborhoods to NE 8th Street. Between the school’s frontage improvements and the City’s CIP project under construction there is an approximately 600 foot gap of missing facilities.</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>PROJECT LOCATION: 244th Avenue NE</p> <p>County(ies) in which project is located: King</p> <p>Answer the following questions if applicable:</p> <p>a. Crossroad/landmark nearest to beginning of project (identify landmark if no crossroad): NE 8th Street</p> <p>b. Crossroad/landmark nearest to end of project (identify landmark if no crossroad): NE 20th Street</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>PROJECT TYPE (Please select 1 or more of the following 12 eligible Transportation Enhancements categories):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Provision of Facilities for Bicycles and Pedestrians</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition of Scenic Easements & Scenic or Historic Sites</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Scenic or Historic Highway Programs (including tourist & welcome center facilities)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Landscaping and other Scenic Beautification</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Historic Preservation</p>

- Rehabilitation and Operation of Historic Transportation Buildings, Structures or Facilities
- Preservation of Abandoned Railway Corridors (including conversion and use for pedestrian or bicycle trails)
- Control and Removal of Outdoor Advertising
- Archaeological Planning and Research
- Mitigation of Water Pollution due to Highway Runoff or Reduce Vehicle-Caused Wildlife Mortality while Maintaining Habitat Connectivity
- Provision of Safety and Educational Activities for Pedestrians and Bicyclists
- Establishment of Transportation Museums

PLAN CONSISTENCY

Cities, towns and counties seeking federal funds managed by PSRC may submit an application only if their comprehensive plan has been certified by PSRC. All other agencies (e.g., transit agencies, WSDOT, tribal nations, nonprofit organizations, etc.) must show that their project is consistent with the applicable city and/or county comprehensive plan(s), and with VISION 2040 and Transportation 2040, the central Puget Sound region's long-range Metropolitan Transportation Plan. For questions on consistency and certification, contact [Rocky Piro](mailto:Rocky.Piro@psrc.org), 206-464-6360.

8 CONSISTENCY WITH VISION 2040 AND TRANSPORTATION 2040

All applicants must answer the questions in this section. If you need assistance, please contact staff at the local jurisdiction in which the project is located. Information on the current certification status of a local plan is available on the PSRC website at www.psrc.org/growth/planreview/statusreportppr/. For copies of VISION 2040 or Transportation 2040 documents, please contact the PSRC [Information Center](mailto:Information.Center@psrc.org), 206-464-7532. Regionally significant projects that expand transportation system capacity must be identified in Transportation 2040. This includes nonmotorized trails and separated pathways. For assistance refer to www.psrc.org/transportation/t2040/ or contact [Kimberly Scrivner](mailto:Kimberly.Scrivner@psrc.org), 206-971-3281.

Indicate the current certification status of the local comprehensive plan in the community where the project is located. Select only one from the drop down box below and provide the most recent date of certification action. If you select "Not Certified," leave the date field blank.

Certification Status: Certified Date of certification action (mm/dd/yy): 09/01/05

Please check all boxes that apply to the project's location. If portions of the project are located in more than one of the locations listed, please check all appropriate boxes. (See http://www.psrc.org/assets/465/Centers_small.pdf for more information.)

- The project is located outside the designated urban growth area.
- The project is located within the designated urban growth area.
- The project is located within an identified regional growth center or town/activity center. Refer to <http://www.psrc.org/growth/centers/> for more information. For identified local city/town locations, please describe.
 - Regional Growth Center(s): .
 - Regional Manufacturing/Industrial Center(s):
 - Local Town/Activity Center(s):

Is the project specifically identified in a local comprehensive plan?

- Yes. Indicate the (1) plan name, (2) relevant section(s), and (3) page number where it can be found:
 - (1) Sammamish Comprehensive Plan, adopted September 16, 2003
 - (2) Relevent Sections: Transportation Element (Chapter V):
 - Table V-Q and Figure V-12
 - Relevent Sections: Trails, Bikeways, and Paths Master Plan (Appendix C)
 - Figures 6.1, 6.2, and 6.3
 - Appendix E, Figure A-1 and accompanying table (Project TBP-10)
- Designates 244th Avenue NE as a road segment that should include non-motorized facilities (both sidewalks and Class II bike lanes)

(3) Pages V-70, V-76 of Comprehensive Plan; Pages 54A, 54B, 54C, and Appendix E of Trails, Bikeways, and Paths Master Plan

- No. Describe how the project is consistent with the applicable local comprehensive plan, citing specific local policies and provisions the project supports. Please include the actual text of all relevant policies or information on where it can be found, e.g. the policy document name and page number.

ADDITIONAL REGIONAL PROJECT EVALUATION

Part 1: Questions for All Projects

Instructions: Once all of the sections in Part 1 have been completed (questions 9 through 13), complete the appropriate questions in Part 2 (question 14 and one only of questions 15 through 18). Refer to the Regional Project Evaluation Criteria to assist you in answering these questions.

9 RELATIONSHIP TO CENTERS

Describe the relationship of the project to a regional growth center, town/activity center or connecting corridor.

The Transportation Element of the City's Comprehensive Plan includes improvements along the full length of 244th Avenue NE. Construction of the segment between SE 8th Street and NE 8th Street is currently under construction and will provide a continuous non-motorized corridor to the proposed Sammamish Town Center. The proposed 244th Non-motorized improvements provide not only a logical, but highly needed continuation to the north to provide improved mobility options.

This project will also connect to and expand the walking area along NE 8th Street. This continuous sidewalk extends along NE 8th Street from 244th Ave NE to 222nd Ave NE, nearly 1.5 miles to the west. This route from 244th Avenue along NE 8th Street expands the walking area to one of Sammamish's primary commercial areas, medical and dental offices, a child care facility, two schools (Eastlake High School and Inglewood Junior High School), commuter transit routes, and the City's new Community Center, scheduled to open in summer 2011. In addition, 244th Avenue is a direct access route to the proposed Sammamish Town Center.

10 COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Describe the public review process for the project. List all letters received or other types of support for the project; include any negative response to the project. Provide the dates, times and locations of all public presentations. If appropriate, describe how the project meets identified state, regional and/or local planning objectives.

Since the City's incorporation, various sources including the Lake Washington School District, local residents, and Homeowners Associations, have been vocal in their requests for non-motorized projects throughout the City. In April 2008, the City completed a non-motorized prioritization study using our compilation of requested projects. The scope of work included the development of a standard scoring system where each project was scored and ranked. The scoring system included such criteria as pedestrian generation, road classification, street characteristics, environmental considerations, inclusion in the Trails, Bikeways, and Paths Plan (TBP), safety criteria, and missing sidewalk link projects. The 244th Ave NE missing link project, with its location on a minor arterial, proximity to Rachel Carson Elementary School, inclusion in the TBP plan, and missing link status was a project that scored high in the priority scoring

A public meeting specific to this project was held on January 13, 2010. In addition, development of both the City's Comprehensive Plan and the associated Trails, Bikeways, and Paths Plan included extensive public involvement and outreach. Public meetings were held on July 9, 2002, March 10, 2003, May 21, 28, and 29, 2003. City Council briefings

were held on March 18 and April 1, 2003. In addition, the draft plan was presented to the Parks & Recreation Commission in January 2004 and to the City Council in February and March 2004.

The Lake Washington School District along with parents of students attending Rachel Carson Elementary School are very supportive of the proposed improvements to 244th Avenue. Also residents of the newly-annexed neighborhoods Camden Park, The Estates, Trails at Camden Park, Devereux, and 244th North are all eager to see these needed non-motorized improvements constructed to provide them with a connection to the central core of the City.

The proposed non-motorized facilities along 244th Avenue will provide both new and expanded opportunities to non-motorized users. These improvements meet the following Local planning objectives:

- Comprehensive Plan Goal TG-6 to “Create desirable, safe, and convenient environments that are conducive to walking and bicycling or other non-motorized uses
- City of Sammamish Trails, Bikeways & Paths Plan:
 - Goal TBP 1.1 to "Plan for the Mobility Needs of All Citizens"
 - Goal TBP 7.2 to "Link Pathway and Trail Development to the Provision of Safe Route to School Development"
 - Goal TBP 8.3 to "Prioritize Trail, Bikeway and Path Projects", and
 - Goal TBP 8.6 to "Integrate Citizen Participation"
- Washington State Bicycle and Pedestrian Policy: The proposed improvements improve connections and (by providing new and expanded non-motorized opportunities) will reduce congestion.
- Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) 2030 Non-Motorized Implementation Strategies: The proposed improvements meet Objective #3 - Barriers and Missing Links, Objective #4 - Location of Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities, Objective #5 - Bicycle and Pedestrian Facility Design, and Objective #9 - Comprehensive and Transportation Plan Development

The proposed improvements on 244th Avenue NE are consistent with above stated planning goals and objectives.

11 FINANCIAL PLAN

Please fill out Tables 11A - D below and corresponding questions 11E - F. The purpose of the tables and questions is to allow sponsors to fully document their project’s financial plan and schedule. Tables 11A -C build upon one another to provide the estimated cost of each phase as well as a project’s total cost (Table 11D). The tables require sponsors to list the Transportation Enhancements funds being requested (Table 11A), as well as ALL other sources of secured (Table 11B) and unsecured funds (Table 11C) needed to complete the project.

Provide financial information for all funding types in every applicable phase, and use a separate row for each funding source. Totals of federal and other funds listed in Tables 11A - C should equal the total project cost in Table 11D. Funding Commitment Letters must be provided for all financial partners.

Required Match: No local match is required; projects may be funded with 100% Enhancement funds.

11A: Enhancements Funds Requested

Phase (Planning, Preliminary Engineering, Right of Way, Construction, Other)	Estimated Obligation Date by Phase (mm/dd/yy)*	Enhancements Funds Requested
Construction	06/01/11	\$1,200,000
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$

TOTAL: \$1200000

*** Note: the required obligation deadline for these funds is no later than two years from selection approval, estimated to be January 2011.**

11B: Existing Secured Funding

Phase	Estimated Obligation date by Phase (mm/dd/yy)*	Source	Amount
Design	N/A	City	\$200,000
ROW	05/01/11	City	\$300,000
Construction	06/01/11	City	\$1,615,000
			\$
			\$
TOTAL:			\$2,215,000

*For tables B and C "obligation" may be defined as expenditure or other commitment of funds; for more information regarding secured and unsecured funding sources please refer to <http://www.psrc.org/assets/469/SecuredUnsecured.pdf>.

11C: Needed future funding (unsecured) Do not include the grant funds requested in Table 11A

Phase	Estimated Obligation date by Phase (mm/dd/yy)*	Source	Amount
			\$
			\$
			\$
			\$
			\$
		TOTAL:	\$

11D: Total Project Cost

Total estimated cost of each phase		Scheduled completion date by phase (mm/dd/yy)	
Planning:	\$0	Planning:	12/01/10
Preliminary Engineering/Design:	\$200,000	Preliminary Engineering/Design:	05/01/11
Right of Way:	\$300,000	Right of Way:	06/01/11
Construction:	\$2,815,000	Construction:	11/01/11
Other (Specify):	\$	Other (specify):	
Total Project Cost:	\$3,315,000	Estimated date of completion (i.e. open for use)	11/01/11

11E. Identify the project phases (PE, ROW, CN, etc.) that will be fully completed if requested funding is obtained:

Requested funding will fully complete project construction.

11F. If unable to completely fill out Table D (Total Project Cost), please explain why:

12 PROJECT READINESS

Please fill out the questions below if your project is requesting funds for a Right-of-way (ROW) and/or Construction (CN) phase. Projects requesting funds for a Preliminary Engineering phase need not answer question #12.

PSRC recognizes that the complexity of some projects can trigger a variety of prerequisites that must be satisfied before funding is typically eligible to obligate. These questions are designed to identify those requirements and assist sponsors to:

- Identify which requirements apply to their specific project.

- Identify which requirements have already been satisfied at time of application.
- Provide an explanation and realistic completion date for all requirements not yet completed.

Important instructions: For question 12A below, select one of the three options from the drop-down list for each item that applies at the time of submission of this application. These items are based on the documentation requirements for obligation of federal funds. For any item where “Item not yet completed” is selected, and for any additional requirements pertaining to the project, provide details in question 12B, including the estimated schedule for completion.

12A. Check all that apply. If no ROW is required for the project, select “not needed” for sections b through g.

Not yet completed a. Final FHWA approval of environmental documents including:
 Not needed - BA Concurrence: NMFS, U.S. Fish & Wildlife, WSDOT.
 Not needed - Section 106 Concurrence.
 Not needed - FHWA Environmental Classification Summary Checklist (or EA or EIS).

Not yet completed b. True Cost Estimate for Right of Way.

Not needed c. Right of Way Plans (stamped).

Not needed d. Relocation Plan (if applicable).

Not needed e. Right of way certification.

Not needed f. Certification Audit by WSDOT R/W Analyst.

Not needed g. Relocation Certification, if applicable.
 Not needed - Certification Audit by WSDOT of Relocation Process, if applicable.

Already completed h. Engineer's Estimate.

Not yet completed i. All environmental permits obtained such as Army Corps of Engineers Permit, HPA, etc.

12B. Additional information: include details on any items above that are not yet completed and provide an estimated schedule; please provide any additional information as appropriate.

Anticipate obtaining NEPA CE in early 2011. Environmental permits to be obtained by Spring 2011.

13 OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Please describe any additional aspects of your project not requested in the application that could be relevant to the final project recommendation and decision-making process. No points will be given to this section.

PART 2: CATEGORY SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

14 Select one of the following four categories that best fits your project and follow the corresponding instructions:

Nonmotorized Projects: Complete question 15.

Scenic Resources Projects: Complete question 16.

Historic Resources Projects: Complete question 17.

Environmental Projects: Complete question 18.

15 NONMOTORIZED PROJECTS

Instructions: Complete this section if you selected “Nonmotorized Projects” in question 14.

Please explain how your project addresses the following:

- The project extends, completes or otherwise adds to an existing nonmotorized system or network.
- The project connects or links to other multimodal facilities (such as transit stations).
- The project addresses current nonmotorized needs in the community, e.g., - gaps in the system; safety issues, etc.
- The level of public exposure or access to the project (for example, current and future land use in the

vicinity of the facility).

- Explain how the project relates to surface transportation. If the project has recreational aspects, demonstrate that the purpose is primarily for transportation rather than recreation. Explain how this enhancement is “over and above” normal project or activities (i.e., not routine or required).

The 244th Non-motorized project will complete a gap between Rachel Carson Elementary School and the City's 244th Avenue corridor-completion project to the south. To the north of the school, this project will also extend non-motorized facilities to the north to connect with Good Samaritan Episcopal Church and an existing sidewalk at NE 20th Street in the newly annexed neighborhood of Camden Park.

This project will also connect to and expand the walking area along NE 8th Street. This continuous sidewalk extends along NE 8th Street from 244th Ave NE to 222nd Ave NE, nearly 1.5 miles to the west. This route from 244th Avenue along NE 8th Street expands the walking area to one of Sammamish's primary commercial areas, medical and dental offices, a child care facility, two schools (Eastlake High School and Inglewood Junior High School), transit routes, and the City's new Community Center, scheduled to open in summer 2011. In addition, 244th Avenue is a direct access route to the proposed Sammamish Town Center.

This project serves a significant need in the northeast quadrant of Sammamish. Without this project students who live within one mile or less of the elementary school are bused and/or transported to school via individual rides from parents or caregivers. By providing a safe route for students to walk or bicycle, congestion and vehicle trips will be reduced. This will also allow the school district to eliminate unnecessary buses. Unnecessary buses increase congestion, pollution and cost to the school district (and subsequently the tax payers). In addition, schools attract children and families during non-school hours and this project will provide a safe access for walking citizens. Furthermore, a lack of a safe route to school prevents children from critical daily exercise walking and/or biking to school.

The existing 2-lane rural roadway section along 244th Ave NE has little to no shoulders leaving a hazardous condition for all non-motorized users. In fact, there have been two reported collisions within the project limits in the past three years involving non-motorized users. The roadway also has multiple driveways and side street access points that do not have sufficient sight distance relative to the edge of travel lane. This project will provide a safe location for pedestrians and bicyclists to travel outside of the travel way. In addition to providing safe facilities for students and other users to walk or bike along this key connecting corridor, the non-motorized facilities provide increased sight distance for turning vehicles along the west side of the roadway. The non-motorized facilities provide new and improved access the elementary school, the Junior high school, and to local commercial areas within the City

16 SCENIC RESOURCES PROJECTS

Instructions: Complete this section if you selected “Scenic Resources Projects” in question 14.

Please explain how your project addresses the following:

- The project promotes greater public appreciation or use of the transportation system.
- The project contributes to the preservation of significant scenic resources.
- The level of public exposure or access to the project.
- Long-term preservation plans to maintain the scenic character of the property.
- Whether or not there is perpetual ownership of the property.
- Whether or not the resource is threatened, or if there will be a loss of opportunity if the project is not funded.
- Explain how the project relates to surface transportation; explain how this enhancement is “over and above” normal project or activities (i.e., not routine or required).

17 HISTORIC RESOURCES PROJECTS

Instructions: Complete this section if you selected “Historic Resources Projects” in question 14.

Please explain how your project addresses the following:

For site-specific and/or capital projects:

- The historic significance of the facility.
- The planned use of the facility.
- Whether or not the project is part of a larger historic preservation plan.
- The level of public exposure or access to the project.
- Whether or not the resource is threatened, or if there will be a loss of opportunity if the project is not funded.
- The long-term preservation and/or maintenance plans for the facility.
- Explain how the project relates to surface transportation; describe the current or former transportation use of the facility. Explain how this enhancement is “over and above” normal project or activities (i.e., not routine or required).

For planning projects:

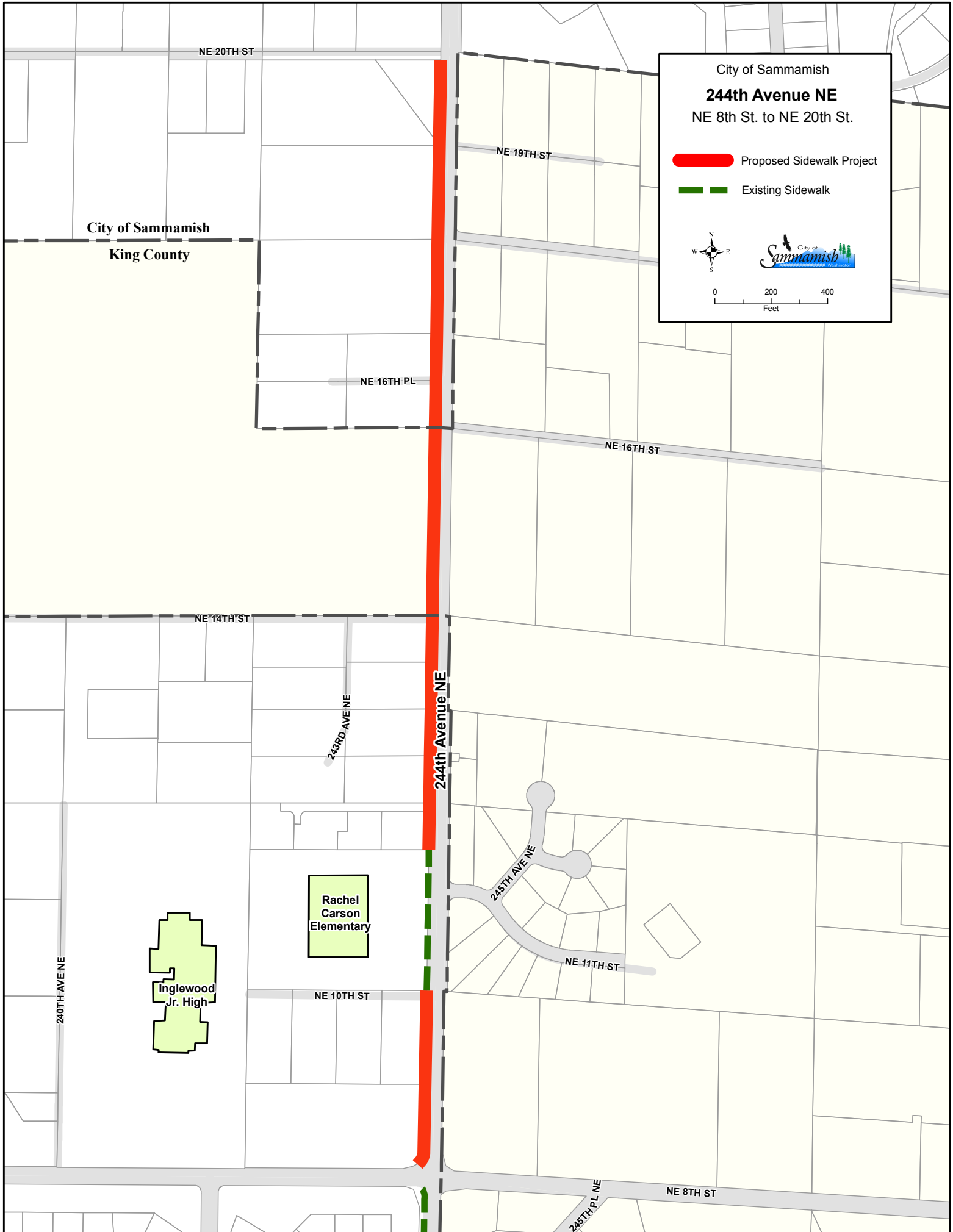
- The project’s relationship to the protection of historic or archaeological resources.
- Whether or not the project is part of a larger historic preservation plan.
- The long-term plan for ongoing management, updating and training.
- The level of public exposure or access to the project.
- Whether or not the resource is threatened, or if there will be a loss of opportunity if the project is not funded.
- Explain how the project relates to surface transportation; explain how this enhancement is “over and above” normal project or activities (i.e., not routine or required).

18 ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS

Instructions: Complete this section if you selected “Environmental Projects” in question 14.



Please explain how your project addresses the following:

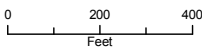
- The relationship of the project to the transportation system.
- The need for the project.
- The long-term maintenance plans for the project.
- Whether or not the resource is threatened, or if there will be a loss of opportunity if the project is not funded.
- Explain how the project relates to surface transportation; explain how this enhancement is “over and above” normal project or activities (i.e., not routine or required).



City of Sammamish

244th Avenue NE
NE 8th St. to NE 20th St.

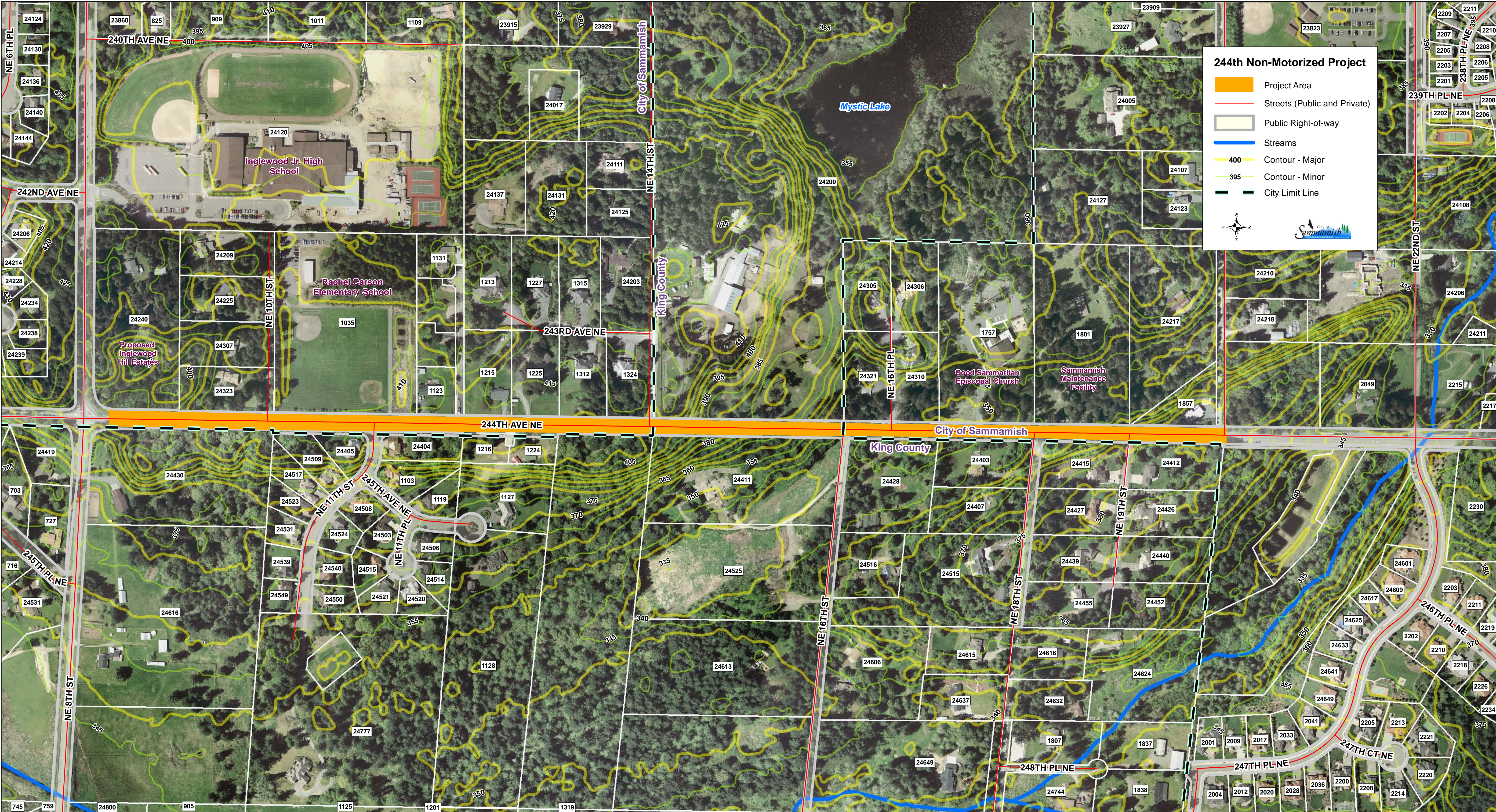
-  Proposed Sidewalk Project
-  Existing Sidewalk



City of Sammamish
King County

Rachel
Carson
Elementary

Inglewood
Jr. High



244th Non-Motorized Project

- Project Area
- Streets (Public and Private)
- Public Right-of-way
- Streams
- 400 Contour - Major
- 395 Contour - Minor
- City Limit Line



244th Avenue NE - Facing South



244th Avenue NE - Facing North