

Appendix B

PLAN UPDATE METHODOLOGY

The Coordinated Transit-Human Services Plan (Coordinated Plan) is updated every four years, in accordance with state and federal requirements. The previous version covered FFY 2006 to 2009, and would have covered FFY 2010 to 2013, but because there were significant opportunities afforded by integrating the Coordinated Plan update with Transportation 2040 (the region's long-range transportation plan), PSRC's Executive Board approved a two-step update process. This method was a minor update to the Coordinated Plan for FFY 2010, so that it remained in effect allowing PSRC to continue to distribute JARC and New Freedom funds, and a full update, tied to the Transportation 2040 update, covering FFY 2011 to 2014. Going forward these plans will be on the same update schedule.

Public Involvement

Public outreach for both Transportation 2040 and the Coordinated Plan followed PSRC's adopted Public Participation Plan, which meets federal and state requirements under SAFETEA-LU, and Washington's Growth Management Act (GMA), and State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). PSRC also fully complies with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Executive Order 12898, and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). PSRC works with its member organizations to coordinate public information efforts and seek joint opportunities for public involvement as needed. Refer to Transportation 2040 Appendix I to see the public outreach effort described (<http://www.psrc.org/transportation/t2040>)

The Federal Transit Administration requires that designated recipients, which PSRC is, certify that the Coordinated Plan was developed through a process that included representatives of public, private, and non-profit transportation and human services providers, and participation by members of the public. PSRC requires project sponsors receiving federal funds through PSRC to certify annually that they are meeting all federal, state, and local requirements in their operations.

The primary stakeholders for the Coordinated Plan update are PSRC's Special Needs Transportation Committee, which is a subcommittee to the Transportation Operators Committee. These two committees represent regional stakeholders in public, non-profit, and private transportation for the central Puget Sound region. The Chairperson of the Special Needs Transportation Committee represented special needs issues on PSRC's Regional Staff Committee for the update to Transportation 2040, ensuring that special needs transportation issues were included in the update. The Regional Staff Committee discusses key issues and makes recommendations to PSRC's policy boards, Operations Committee, and Executive Board.

In addition to holding bi-monthly meetings with the Special Needs Transportation Committee (members listed below), PSRC also held a workshop on October 15, 2009, and a review meeting January 8, 2010, for in-depth work on the Coordinated Plan update.

There are four county-wide groups that work on special needs transportation issues. Throughout the update process, PSRC staff worked with these local coalitions, all of which have significant local contacts and unparalleled context to help with the outreach process. The groups' primary responsibility is to assess the needs of their local community and current transportation network and provide recommendations to improve the system, serving as the first step towards improvement. This local information helps inform the Coordinated Plan and Transportation 2040.

Additional public involvement took place when PSRC conducted Environmental Justice outreach as part of Transportation 2040 and the update to the Coordinated Plan, since many issues are common to both Environmental Justice and special needs populations—and in fact some a person may fall into more than one category. In Phase 1 during the Draft Environmental Impact Statement process for Transportation 2040, nearly 60 people representing more than 40 organizations and local governmental units participated in five facilitated roundtable discussions on the Transportation 2040 DEIS. Another round of these meetings, following the same format as in Phase 1, were held once the draft Plan had been approved for public comment by PSRC's Executive Board. Summaries of these efforts—including the list of attendees—can be found in Transportation 2040 Appendix G: Environmental Justice Analysis, or by contacting PSRC's Information Center.

Plan Updates

Meetings and Presentations

- Transportation 2040 Town Hall
- Courtesy Public Hearing
- Notice of Availability Postcard
(1,282 Recipients)
- Print and Online Advertising
(12 papers, 647,000 circulation, monthly online)
- 3 Regional Open Houses
- Public Opinion Survey (1,200 residents)
- *Regional VIEW* Article
(10,152 Recipients)
- 5 *At Work* Newsletter Updates
(1,268 Recipients)
- Regular Website Updates
- Presentations to 11 member jurisdictions
- Presentations to 12 other interest groups

PSRC Boards and Committees

- Executive Board: numerous meetings
- Transportation Policy Board: numerous meetings
- Growth Management Policy Board and Economic Development District Board (GMPB and EDD): regular briefings and discussions
- T2040 Working Group and Pricing Task Force: 7 regular and 3 Financial Strategy meetings
- Regional Staff Committee: numerous meetings
- Alternatives Technical Group: several meetings
- Recommendations from:
 - Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee
 - Regional Freight Mobility Roundtable
 - Regional Traffic Operations Committee
 - Special Needs Transportation Committee
 - TDM Steering Committee
 - Transportation Operators Committee

Environmental Justice and Coordinated Plan Outreach 2009/2010

2009

6/8: Pierce County, Cross Cultural Collaborative

6/16: King County, Rainier Beach Library

6/17: Kitsap County, Kitsap County Library

6/24: Snohomish County, United Way

6/25 King County, Auburn Library

2010

2/24: Kitsap County, Kitsap County Library

2/25: South King County, Auburn Library,

3/3: King County, Rainier Beach Library

3/4: Snohomish County, United Way

3/8: Pierce County, Cross Cultural Collaborative

Coordinated Plan Outreach 2009/2010

PSRC Committees

1/21/2009: Special Needs Transportation Committee

1/30/2009: Transportation Operators Committee

3/18/2009: Special Needs Transportation Committee

5/20/2009: Special Needs Transportation Committee

7/15/2009: Special Needs Transportation Committee

9/18/2009: Transportation Operators Committee

10/15/2009: PSRC Coordinated Plan Update Workshop

10/16/2009: Transportation Operators Committee

11/18/2009: Special Needs Transportation Committee

1/8/2010: Special Needs Transportation Committee
1/20/2010: Special Needs Transportation Committee
1/22/2010: Transportation Operators Committee

External Groups

10/26/2009: SNOTRAC Steering Committee
10/27/2009: King County Coordinated Special Needs Transportation Steering Committee
10/29/2009: Kitsap Information Resource/Referral Network (KIRN)
11/19/2009: Eastside Easy Rider Collaborative (EERC)
12/18/2009: Pierce County Coordinated Transportation Coalition
2/2/2010: Kitsap Information Resource/Referral Network (KIRN)
2/16/2010: King County Mobility Coalition
2/22/2010: SNOTRAC Steering Committee

Updated Plan Information

In this update, linkages to VISION 2040 and Transportation 2040, the region's long-range growth management and transportation strategies respectively, is more apparent. Where possible data that is replicable and consistent with the way PSRC conducts its work was used. This included using American Community Survey data where possible since current Census data is from 2000, and 2010 Census data will not be available during the update period.

The most significant change to the Coordinated Plan was the introduction of the SMART Corridor approach PSRC is using for many analytical purposes. The corridor level approach allows PSRC to understand existing conditions and evaluate proposed transportation improvements for all modes and populations, including those individuals with special transportation needs beyond the regional scale.

The SMART Corridor analysis can be used for special needs transportation planning purposes that include:

1. Transportation 2040: focuses on future forecast conditions and projects with special needs issues included.
2. Congestion Management Process: revised to SMART Corridors, which includes special needs transportation.
3. Coordinated Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan: provides detail beyond regional information to help assess needs and gaps, and provide support for addressing needs and gaps.
4. Grant Applications: Existing regional, subarea, and corridor information to help assess needs and gaps, and help identify services and programs to address them.
5. Planning and environmental assessments: potential use for existing and future transit and special needs plans, programs, or projects.

PSRC staff envision using this analytical tool going forward for these purposes and more with the continued inclusion of special needs transportation issues.

Representation

Note: The following were involved in the update to the Coordinated Plan. While every effort was made to include all participants, in the case of inadvertent omissions, PSRC apologizes. See also a list of participants in the Environmental Justice outreach efforts in Transportation 2040 Appendix G.

Transportation Operators Committee (TOC) members (<http://www.psrc.org/about/advisory>)

Victor Obeso, King County Metro	Dennis Bloom, Intercity Transit
Mike Bergman, Sound Transit	John Clauson, Kitsap Transit
George Baxter, Everett Transit	Kevin Desmond, King County Metro
Wendy Clark-Getzin, Kitsap Transit	June Devoll, Community Transit
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Local Coordinating Coalition Partners

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Jessica Lanzarotta, Crisis Clinic of the Peninsulas and Peninsulas'2-1-1; Kitsap Information Referral Network (KIRN)

Marge Tully, Transportation Coordinator; Pierce County Coordinated Transportation Coalition (PCCTC)

Michelle Zeidman, King County Mobility Manager, King County Mobility Coalition (KCMC)

The Special Needs Transportation Committee advises the Transportation Operators Committee on special needs transportation and transit, including updates to the region's Coordinated Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan and prioritization of projects for funding.

Special Needs Transportation Committee (<http://www.psrc.org/about/advisory>)

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