



Puget Sound Regional Council

Regional Project Evaluation Committee Meeting Summary

Date: October 24, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Location: Remote – Online Meeting Only (Zoom Connection)

Introductions and Announcements

Jennifer Barnes, PSRC, welcomed everyone at 9:30 a.m. She then took roll call to confirm the members and alternates present.

Approval of Meeting Summary

The September 26, 2025, RPEC meeting summary was approved as presented.

Transportation Policy Board Debrief

Jennifer Barnes, PSRC, reviewed the Transportation Policy Board meeting held on Thursday, October 9, 2025. The 'At Work' report for the Transportation Policy Board meetings are available on the PSRC website at:

<https://www.psrc.org/board/transportation-policy-board>.

Discussion: RPEC Chair

Jennifer Barnes, PSRC, announced that Doug McCormick will continue to serve as RPEC chair, based upon the results of the email election held in October, with the new term beginning January 2026.

For more information, contact Jennifer Barnes at JBarnes@psrc.org.

Discussion: Regional Transportation Plan

Kelly McGourty, PSRC, provided an update on recent work in the development of the 2026 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). She presented the investment scenario that was selected by the board for evaluation in the draft plan, which reflects reduction in some regional capacity project and programmatic investments, with more focus on maintenance and transit. She provided an overview of the feedback received through four public meetings that had been conducted to date throughout the region. A range of feedback has been provided, but the highest level of support has been indicated for the scenario selected by the board. She also shared concerns provided by some community members and members of PSRC's Equity Advisory Committee that the need for additional infrastructure be balanced against the burden of additional costs to households.

She then described the five sources of potential additional revenue, needed to ensure a financially balanced plan, that the board is reviewing. Upcoming discussions in November and December will focus on which of the five sources should be included in the RTP financial strategy, what levels or rates should be assumed, and what additional policies would be needed to support implementation. The draft RTP is planned to be released for public review in December, with adoption of the final RTP planned for the General Assembly in May 2026.

The presentation is provided on the PSRC website [here](#).

For more information, contact Kelly McGourty at KMcGourty@psrc.org.

Discussion: Project Tracking Policy Review

Jennifer Barnes, PSRC, facilitated discussion of two project tracking policy topics introduced at the September meeting: (1) the current limit for administrative transfer of PSRC funds between phases, and (2) consideration of pre-bid cost estimate increases to potentially receive funds under PSRC's annual TIP rebalancing process. For each topic, she reminded of other policies previously established through RPEC recommendations and board deliberations that should guide the discussion. To support topic #1 discussion, she presented a summary of the size of funding requests over the past five years, of which eight were under \$100K and three were under \$50K. There was general acknowledgement by committee members that costs have increased since the \$50K limit was established in 2015, and general support for considering an increase. To support topic #2 discussion, Jennifer presented the timelines and other parameters that would be necessary for the policy to be implemented in alignment with the annual TIP rebalancing process. She also provided an overview of how the Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) handles cost increases to its awarded projects. Overall, committee members expressed a mix of support for potentially allowing pre-bid cost estimates to be eligible for supplemental funding award, as well as acknowledgement that any change in policy would need to be consistent and fair for all projects and should still incentivize good project planning. PSRC staff will follow up with a survey to solicit input on specific policy questions based on the committee's discussion. After review of the survey results and further discussion at the December meeting, RPEC will be requested make a recommendation on each topic, which will be brought to the boards early next year.

The presentation is provided on the PSRC website [here](#).

For more information, contact Jennifer Barnes at JBarnes@psrc.org.

Other Business:

Jennifer Barnes, PSRC, asked informally about the committee's interest in conducting one of the upcoming meetings as hybrid. Support for a hybrid meeting was voiced by

many members, so PSRC will send out a calendar poll to gauge availability for either the December or January meeting.

Mehrdad Moini, WSDOT, alerted the committee of recent changes to federal DBE requirements that are affecting projects that have not yet gone to ad. Anyone who has a project in this position should contact WSDOT to confirm how to address these changes.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:00 a.m.

***Members and Alternates Present**

See attached attendance roster.

***PSRC Staff, Alternates and Guests Present**

Alan Budde, City of Shoreline; Clint Lambert, Community Transit; David Paine, City of Kent; Dax Tate, SCA; Emilie Pilchowski, KRCC; Eric Irelan, King County; Gina Hortillosa; Glynda Steiner, Snohomish County; Jack Niehuser, City of Tacoma; Laura Gurley, Port of Everett; Lindsay Cook, Kitsap Transit; Tricia Juhnke, City of Shoreline

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Jennifer Barnes, Kelly McGourty, Kalon Thomas, Miles Stepleton, Alexa Leach, Doug Cox

**All attendees were present via remote participation*

RPEC Attendance Roster - Designated Members

Item 2 - Att. A

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NOTE: Members are invited to sit at the table and vote. Alternates may sit at the table and vote when the member is absent. **Please coordinate representation in advance of the meeting.** All other Alternates and Guests are invited to attend and sit in the gallery. This roster is for attendance purposes only and should be marked by all members and alternates present at the table, regardless of voting status.

Jurisdiction	✓	Name	Jurisdiction	✓	Name
King County (3)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mary Bourguignon	WSDOT-NW Region (1)		Cameron Kukes
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Peter Heffernan		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mehrdad Moini (Alt.)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	John Vander Sluis	WSDOT-Oly Region (1)		JoAnn Schueler
		Andrew Kim (Alt.)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	John Ho (Alt.)
		Sarah Green (Alt.)	WSDOT-MoM (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Matthew Kenna
		Ivan Miller (Alt.)			April Delchamps (Alt.)
Seattle (3)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sarah Strand	WSDOT-WS Ferries (1)		Vacant
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jim Storment		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Krishan Aggarwal (Alt.)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joanna Valencia			Todd Lamphere (Alt.)
		Bill LaBorde (Alt.)	Kitsap Transit (1)		Steffani Lillie
		Emily Reardon (Alt.)			Jeff Davidson (Alt.)
		Katie Lyle-Beshai (Alt.)	Pierce Transit (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tina Lee
Bellevue (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Eric Miller			Darin Stavish (Alt.)
		Mia Waters (Alt.)	Community Transit (1)		VACANT
Other Cities/Towns (5)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chad Bieren, Kent		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kathryn Rasmussen (Alt.)
		John Mortenson, Issaquah	King County Metro (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chester Knapp
		Larissa Grundell, Duvall			Hannah McIntosh (Alt.)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ingrid Gaub, Auburn			Lisa Shafer (Alt.)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dan Marcinko, North Bend	Sound Transit (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lisa Wolterink
		Vangie Garcia, Redmond (Alt.)			Tyler Benson (Alt.)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kimberly Scrivner, Kirkland (Alt.)			Kirste Johnson (Alt.)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ellen Talbo, Renton (Alt.)			Monica Overby (Alt.)
		Tricia Juhnke, Shoreline (Alt.)	Port of Seattle (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Geri Poor
		Vacant (Alt.)			Robert Giacometti (Alt.)
Kitsap County (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	David Forte	Port of Tacoma (1)		Deirdre Wilson
		Joe Rutan (Alt.)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ryan Medlen (Alt.)
Bremerton (1)		Shane Weber, Vice Chair	Port of Everett (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brandon Whitaker
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Gunnar Fridriksson (Alt. 1)			Laura Gurley (Alt.)
		Vicki Grover (Alt. 2)	Port of Bremerton (1)		Arne Bakker
Other Cities/Towns (1)		Diane Lenius, Poulsbo			James Goodman (Alt.)
		Vacant (Alt.)	PSCAA (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kathy Strange
Pierce County (2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bekah Osterhaus			Jennifer Keene (Alt.)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Peter Lewis-Miller	Suquamish Tribe (1)		VACANT
		Letticia Neal (Alt.)			VACANT (Alt.)
		Clint Ritter (Alt.)	Muckleshoot Tribal Cncl (1)		VACANT
Tacoma (2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jennifer Kammerzell			VACANT (Alt.)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brennan Kidd	Puyallup Tribe (1)		VACANT
		Jack Niehuser (Alt.)			VACANT (Alt.)
		Vacant (Alt.)	NON-VOTING		VACANT - BPAC Member
Other Cities/Towns (1)		Mark Burlingame, Steilacoom			VACANT - BPAC Alternate
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Hans Hunger, Puyallup (Alt.)			
Snohomish County (2)		Doug McCormick, Chair			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Kelly Snyder			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Janice Fahning (Alt.)			
		Glynda Steiner (Alt.)			
		Matt Ojala (Alt.)			
Everett (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Tom Hood, City Engineer			
		Angelique Thompson (Alt.)			
Other Cities/Towns (2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Steve Morikawa, Bothell			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Gael Fisk, Arlington			
		Jim Kelly, Arlington (Alt.)			
		Vacant (Alt.)			

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