

Regional Priority Ranking Factors for 2027-2029 Consolidated Grant Cycle

Coordinated Mobility and Accessibility Committee

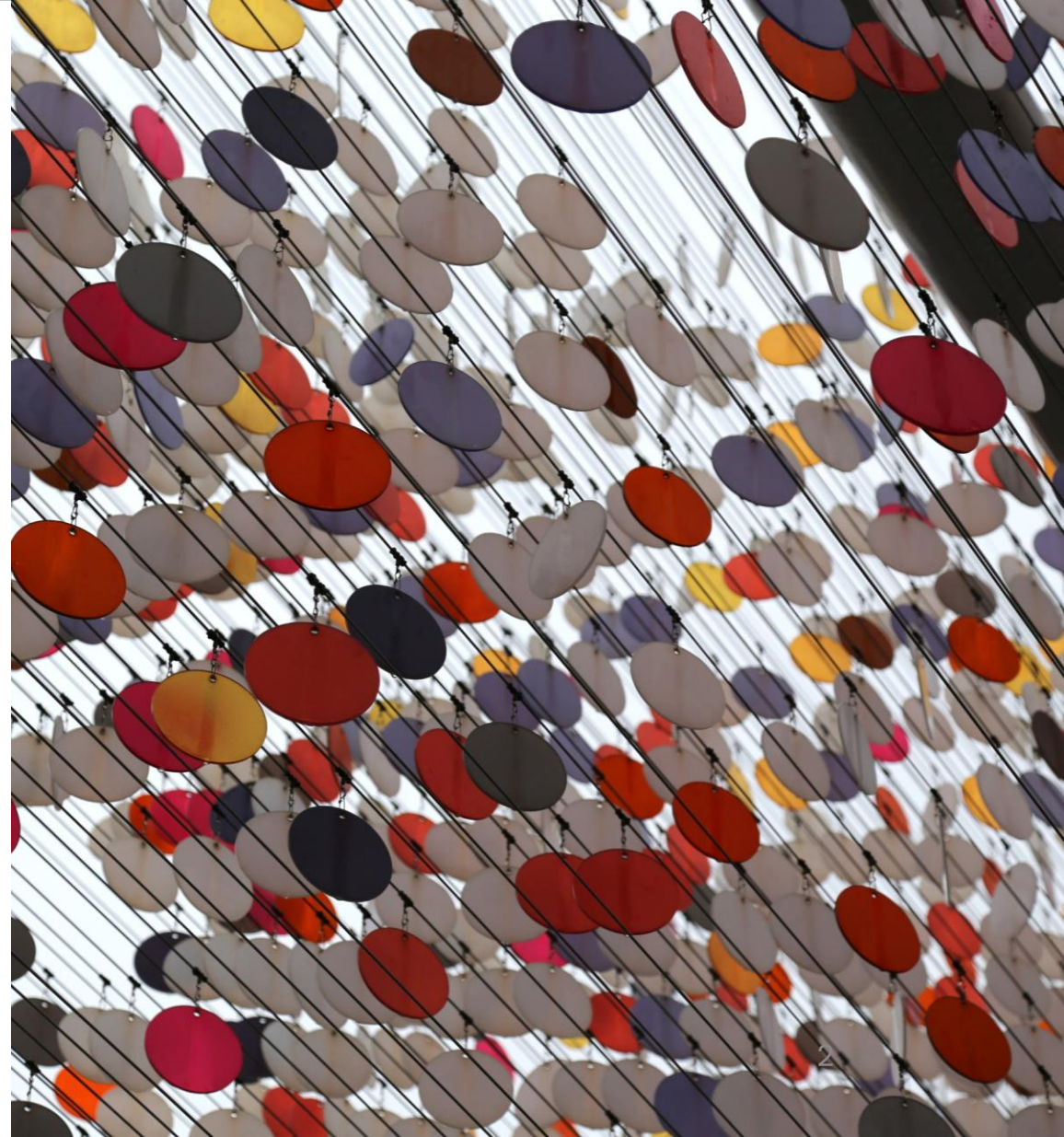
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Puget Sound Regional Council

Today's Agenda

- Review Regional Priority Ranking process
- Share rankings available for 2027-2029
- Review factors, proposed changes
- Set up future discussions on additional factors
- Share key dates and next steps



PSRC's Regional Priority Ranking Process

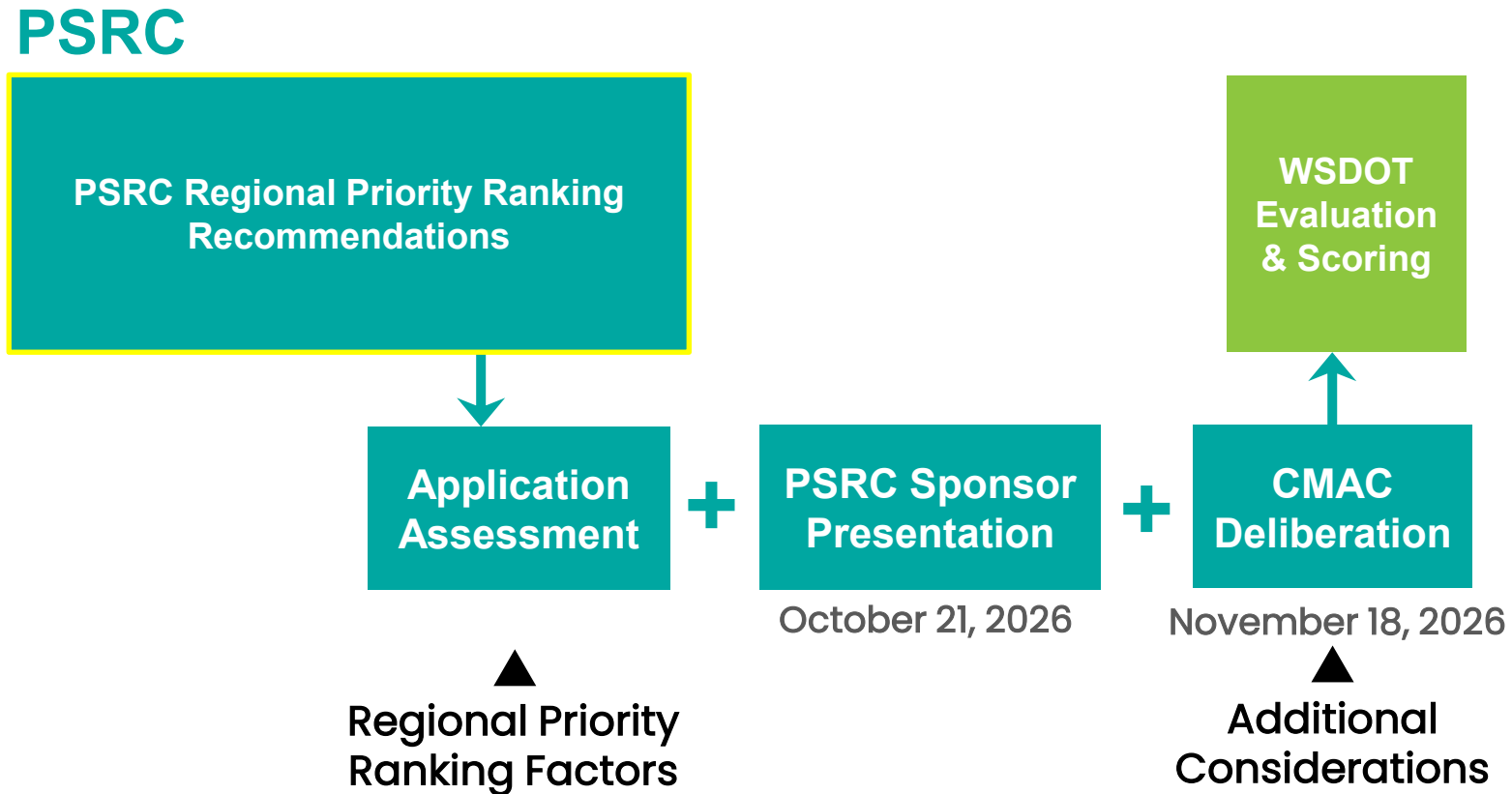


NOTE: Kitsap County participates through the Peninsula RTPO.



PSRC's Regional Priority Ranking Process

PSRC's role: provide regional priority rankings to WSDOT for projects seeking Consolidated Grant funds in the PSRC region.



Available Regional Rankings for 2027–2029

<p>The region can allocate 22 ABC rankings:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 8 As• 7 Bs• 7 Cs
<p>After accounting for four-year projects funded in 2025–2027, the region has <u>19 ABC rankings remaining</u> for 2027–2029:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6 As• 7 Bs• 6 Cs• Unlimited Ds



Regional Priority Ranking Factors for Staff Assessment



REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

2026–2050

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COORDINATED MOBILITY PLAN

December 2025

1. Preservation of Existing Programs
2. Addressing High Priority Strategies in the Coordinated Mobility Plan
3. Service Coordination
4. Performance Measures and Targets
5. Community Support



1. Preservation of Existing Programs

- **Goal:** Support existing services people rely on before funding expansion or new projects.
- **Evaluation:** Only preservation and capital projects that support existing programs at similar service levels will receive a “Yes.” New or expansion projects will receive a “No.”
- **Staff Proposal:** No proposed changes for this cycle.



2. Addressing High Priority Strategies

- **Goal:** Projects that align with high priority regional strategies should be prioritized in regional ranking.
- **Evaluation:** Projects that adequately address one or more “High” Prioritized Strategies from the Coordinated Mobility Plan will receive a “Yes.” Projects that fail to reference a Coordinated Mobility Plan strategy or only address “Other” Prioritized Strategies will receive a “No.”

Reminder: For the 2027–2029 process this year, PSRC will be using the strategies identified in the 2026 Coordinated Mobility Plan.

- **Staff Proposal:** No proposed changes for this cycle.



3. Service Coordination

- **Goal:** Projects must demonstrate they are part of a coordinated approach and not an unnecessary duplication of service to maximize the benefit of available resources.
- **Evaluation:** Application must explain how the service or program is coordinated with others, including those provided by public transit or other providers, to receive a “Yes.” Simply stating there is no duplicative service will receive a “No.”
- **Staff Proposal:** No proposed changes for this cycle.



4. Performance Measures and Targets

- **Goal:** Capture and track impact of projects receiving Consolidated Grant funding.
- **Evaluation:** If the application includes required performance measures (or for new projects commits to tracking required measures) **AND** the application describes the impact on one or more priority populations, it will receive a “Yes.” If only one of these requirements is met, the application will receive a “No.”
- **Proposed Changes:**
 - Vehicle Replacement Projects – discussing next
 - Simplifying the “equity-focused measure” requirement from last time



State-Required Performance Measures

Performance Measures vary based on project type:

OPERATING

- Passenger trips
- Revenue vehicle miles
- Revenue vehicle hours (or Revenue volunteer hours, if applying for volunteer transportation)

CAPITAL

- Vehicle Useful Life Benchmark

MOBILITY MANAGEMENT

Describe the objectives (targets) of your project in quantitative (statistical) terms.

Ensure there are multiple quantitative measures, as these will become the baseline measurement for your project's performance in the following biennium, should WSDOT award your project.



PSRC Guidance (Proposal)

Required Performance Measures and Targets based on project type:

OPERATING

- Passenger trips
- Revenue vehicle miles
- Revenue vehicle hours (or Revenue volunteer hours, if applying for volunteer transportation)

+ Priority Population Detail on at least one measure

CAPITAL

- Vehicle Useful Life Benchmark
- Additional measures (TBD)

+ Priority Population Detail

MOBILITY MANAGEMENT

Information Referral & Assistance

- Number of clients receiving trip planning services
- Number of referrals made

Mobility Coalitions

- Number of mobility coalition meetings
- Number of mobility coalition participants
- Number of unique agencies represented at the meetings

Travel Training

- Number of training sessions provided to clients
- Number of clients trained

+ Priority Population Detail on at least one measure



5. Community Support

- **Goal:** Ensure projects are addressing community needs through engagement – especially with priority populations.
- **Evaluation:** To receive a “Yes,” the application must describe engagement with priority populations **AND** demonstrate how the project was informed or responsive to that feedback.
- **Staff Proposal:**
 - Clarifying options for leveraging ongoing engagement efforts and simplifying guidance information
 - Provide examples and available resources



Additional Considerations – Preliminary Discussion

Typical Considerations used in the past (2022, 2024)

- Acknowledge the importance of the largest county service providers (in terms of number of rides provided)
- Geographical distribution of priority rankings
- Project types
- Agency equity (number of projects per agency)
- Compelling cases for agencies with limited resources
- Strategic application of federal/state funds



Next Steps

- **May 20 CMAC Meeting:**
 - Finalize guidance for Regional Priority Ranking Factors
 - Discuss Additional Considerations
- Anticipate WSDOT Call for Projects in June



DRAFT Schedule

January 21, 2026	CMAC Meeting—Engagement Factor
February 18, 2026	CMAC Meeting—Performance Measures
March 18, 2026 (TODAY)	CMAC Meeting—Project Type, Factors
April 15, 2026	(HOLD, if needed) CMAC Meeting
May 20, 2026	CMAC Meeting—Priority Ranking Guidance Additional Considerations
June 17, 2026	(HOLD, if needed) CMAC Meeting
June 2026 (TBD)	Call for Projects Release
July 15, 2026	CMAC Meeting—Additional Considerations PSRC Regional Priority Ranking Training
September 2026 (TBD)	Application Deadline
September 17, 2026	CMAC Meeting—Additional Considerations



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October 21, 2026 (Exact time TBD)	PSRC Sponsor Presentation
November 10, 2026	Meeting Packet for the 11/18 Priority Ranking Recommendation Meeting Goes Out
November 18, 2026 (9:30am-3:00pm)	PSRC 2027-2029 Consolidated Grant Regional Priority Ranking Recommendation
January 14, 2027	Transportation Policy Board Recommendation
January 28, 2027	Executive Board Decision
May 2027	WSDOT Awards Announced and Letters Sent
July 1, 2027	Projects Begin





Thank you!

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