Puget Sound Regional Council

Regional Project Evaluation Committee

Friday, October 23, 2026, 9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Online Meeting Only

Attend Zoom Connection

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1. **Welcome and Introductions (9:30)**

2. **Transportation Policy Board Debrief (9:40)**
   Information from the Transportation Policy Board (TPB) meeting is available on the PSRC website.

3. **Discussion Item: 2025 Household Travel Survey (9:45)** – *Craig Helman, PSRC*
   PSRC staff will provide an overview and share initial findings of the 2025 Household Travel Survey.

4. **Discussion Item: Project Selection Preparation* (10:10)** – *Jennifer Barnes, PSRC*
   PSRC staff will provide an overview and facilitate committee discussion of the results of the recent poll for the project selection funding cycles (summary attached) and overall schedule and next steps in preparation for the 2027 project selection process.

5. **Discussion Item: RPEC Vice Chair Nominations* (10:45)** – *Jennifer Barnes, PSRC*
   PSRC staff will open nominations to fill the next RPEC vice chair term. Nominations will be accepted via email until November 10, with RPEC online vote prior to the December 4 meeting. Summary of the role and responsibilities of the RPEC vice chair is provided in the attached *2023 Regional Project Evaluation Committee Operating Procedures*.

6. **Other Business (10:50)**

7. **Information Items:**
   a. RPEC At Work – September 25, 2026*

8. **Next Meeting: December 4, 2026, 9:30 – 11:00 a.m.**

9. **Adjourn (11:00)**

***Supporting materials attached**

For more information, contact Jennifer Barnes at jbarnes@psrc.com.

Sign language, and communication material in alternative formats, can be arranged given sufficient notice by calling 206-464-7090, TTY Relay 711

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Summary of Project Selection Funding Cycle Poll

October 2026

- Polled Regional Project Evaluation Committee (RPEC) and Transit Operators Committee (TOC) members and alternates
- Received 21 responses

Question: The following two schedule options were developed to sync from a 3-year cycle back to a 2-year cycle, while also ensuring that the new Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) developed at the end of each project selection process continues to meet state and federal requirements that it remain fully programmed through its 4-year timespan. Which option do you prefer?

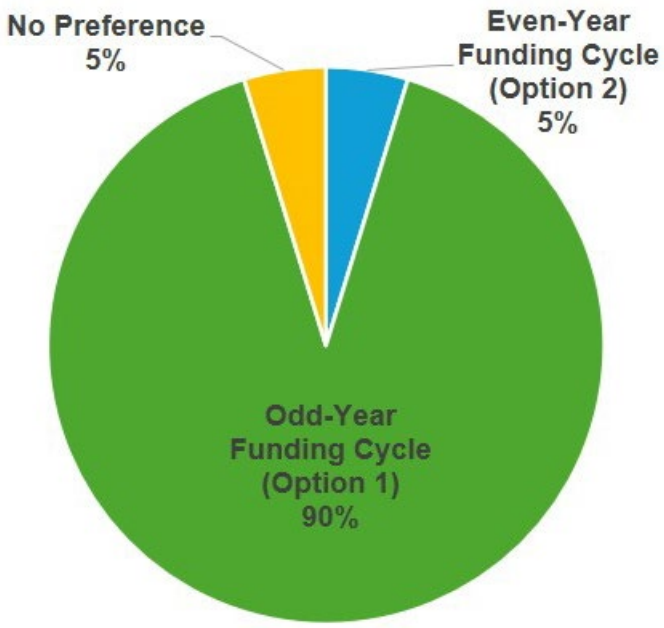
Option 1: Resync to Odd-Year Funding Cycle

Competition Year	Award Years	TIP Timeframe
2024	*2027, 2028*	*2025-2028*
2027	2029, 2030, 2031	2028-2031
2029	2032, 2033	2030-2033
2031	2034, 2035	2032-2035
Continue odd-year funding cycle…		

Option 2: Resync to Even-Year Funding Cycle

Competition Year	Award Years	TIP Timeframe
2024	*2027, 2028*	*2025-2028*
2027	2029, 2030, 2031	2028-2031
2030	2032, 2033, 2034	2031-2034
2032	2035, 2036	2033-2036
Continue even-year funding cycle…		

Responses:



Reasons provided for odd-year funding cycle preference:

- Results in quicker realignment back to 2-year cycle
- Balances better with other agency commitments
- Staggers with other grant competitions including those administered by WSDOT that are predominantly held in even years

No comments provided with reasons for even-year funding cycle preference

Related topics to be discussed at October RPEC meeting:

- Implications of including or not including third funding year of 2031
- Effect of third funding year on application caps
- Implications for other PSRC competitions (e.g., RTCC and TAP)
- Alignment with RTP development timeline

2023 REGIONAL PROJECT EVALUATION COMMITTEE OPERATING PROCEDURES

February 2023

Purpose

The Regional Project Evaluation Committee (RPEC) is composed of staff from PSRC's member organizations, representing city and county departments of transportation, ports, transit agencies, the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency, the Washington State Department of Transportation, and tribes. The Committee's primary role is to make recommendations to the Transportation Policy Board regarding the distribution and monitoring of PSRC's federal funds. The Committee also serves an important role in providing input on other PSRC activities and products, such as the long-range metropolitan transportation plan.

Membership

RPEC membership reflects the need for a committee that is a workable size and also representative of PSRC's members. Representation is based on guiding principles adopted by PSRC's Executive Board and current population to the extent possible *(see Attachment A)*. In addition, to ensure adequate representation from member agencies with an interest in PSRC's project selection processes, all ports, transit agencies, member tribal agencies, the Washington State Department of Transportation regional offices with responsibility for projects in the Puget Sound region and the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency will be represented. Membership will be reviewed every three years, as per PSRC's Board procedures; each time membership is updated, the rationale and background determined by the committee will be documented.

It is expected that appointed members are committed to regular attendance and participation at committee meetings. Each member will have a designated alternate who may represent when the member is absent, and it is expected that alternates will be informed and current on committee discussions. Please note, only designated members and alternates may participate at the table; all other representatives are welcome to attend as guests only. Further, the chairs of PSRC's Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee, Regional Traffic Operations Committee and TDM Steering Committee will be invited to participate as nonvoting members to provide reports on activities of their respective committees.

Appointments for each member and alternate are to be provided in writing to PSRC from the appropriate department head or elected official. For individual cities and counties, this could be the County Executive, Mayor, Public Works Director, transportation department head, or other responsible official. For transit agencies, this should be the Executive Director or other responsible official. For the "Other Cities and Towns" representatives, appointments should be made by the appropriate countywide committees; currently these are performed as follows: for King County, the King County Sound Cities Association; for Kitsap County, the Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council;

for Pierce County, the Pierce County Regional Council; and for Snohomish County, Snohomish County Tomorrow.

Countywide Chairs

The chairs of each of the four countywide staff committees should hold one of the membership seats identified above, through either the county, individual city or other cities and towns representation. These countywide committees are as follows: King County Project Evaluation Committee (KCPEC), Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TransTAC), Pierce County Transportation Coordinating Committee (TCC), Snohomish County Infrastructure Coordination Committee (ICC). Participation by the countywide chairs or their alternates is important to facilitate the sharing of information between the countywide committees and RPEC.

Attendance

All members or their designated alternate are expected to regularly attend committee meetings. Representation may be in person or via remote participation. Attendance will be monitored and reported to the committee one to two times per year. If representation by either the member or designated alternate is absent for three meetings in a 12-month period, PSRC staff will contact the jurisdiction to encourage more regular attendance and to inquire if the appointment needs to be updated.

Chair and Co-Chair Elections, Terms and Responsibilities

A Chair and Vice-Chair will be elected via an open nomination process and voting by the Committee. Terms will be for a maximum of four years, and the Chair and Vice-Chair elections should be staggered to allow for leadership continuity. The role of the chairs will be to facilitate discussions and actions by the Committee, and to ensure equal opportunity for participation by members present. As mentioned above, the Chair will also report to the Transportation Policy Board on Committee recommendations.

Committee Representation on Policy Boards

The RPEC Chair is assigned a non-voting seat on the Transportation Policy Board. The RPEC Vice Chair serves as the alternate. The Chairs support PSRC staff in the presentation of RPEC recommendations and discussions to the board.

Role with Other PSRC Committees

The RPEC Chair or Vice Chair (along with other RPEC representatives and the chairs of each countywide group) has a seat on the Regional Staff Committee.

Meeting Schedule and Agendas

RPEC typically meets every month on the 4th Friday, from 9:30a.m. to 11:00a.m. Additional meetings are scheduled by the Committee as needed. A calendar of regularly scheduled advisory committee meetings for the year is posted on PSRC’s website and provided to each committee.

Action Items will be clearly noted on Committee agendas, which will be distributed approximately one week prior to each meeting. In general, if an item is not on the agenda, no action will be taken. However, under some circumstances, notification may be provided to the Committee via email, either to add an item to an upcoming agenda, or to ask for action via email vote. No actions will be voted upon without adequate advance notice to all members of the Committee.

Recommendations

Formal recommendations to be forwarded to the Transportation Policy Board (TPB) will be by vote. Voting procedures will follow Robert's Rules of Order for motions, amendments, and discussion. A recommendation may be proposed by any voting member of the Committee, but motions may not be seconded by a representative from the same agency. Voting is not weighted, and each representative is allowed one vote. A quorum is not required, and all actions and recommendations shall be approved by a simple majority of the voting members present. Other recommendations pertaining solely to Committee activities, and which will not be forwarded to the TPB for action, may be achieved either by vote or by consensus. Alternates do not participate in recommendations if the representative is present. Minority positions may be forwarded along with the majority recommendation to the TPB.

Subcommittees

Working subcommittees are created as needed by RPEC. Subcommittees are assigned specific tasks and dissolved when the work is completed. Other staff in the region may be asked to serve on subcommittees to provide specific expertise or viewpoints.

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AT WORK

Regional Project Evaluation Committee
September 25, 2026
Remote Only

Project Tracking and Delivery

Jennifer Barnes, PSRC, provided an update on FY26 project delivery including overview of issues that emerged in the latter half of the year, data highlighting overall project commitments by agencies in the current TIP, and discussed planned upcoming efforts to more thoroughly explore and continue to address delivery issues.

View the Presentation on PSRC's Website

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

2027 Project Selection Process

Kelly McGourty, PSRC, and Jennifer Barnes, PSRC, continued discussion to prepare for the 2027 project selection process. The project evaluation criteria updates discussed at the June and August meetings were further reviewed and staff introduced options for the timing of future processes to resync to the standard 2-year cycle, with a follow-up poll to be sent to committee members and alternates on this topic.

View the Presentation on PSRC's Website

For more information, contact Kelly McGourty at KMcGourty@psrc.org or Jennifer Barnes at JBarnes@psrc.org

Information Items
RPEC At Work – August 28, 2026

Attachment
a. Member Attendance – September 25, 2026

RPEC Attendance Roster (Designated Members & Alternates)

Date: September 25, 2026 - 9:30-11:00 am

Remote/Online Only

NOTE: Members are invited vote. Alternates may vote when the member is absent. Please coordinate representation in advance of the meeting. All other Alternates and Guests are invited join the meeting. 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
King County (3)	☒	Mary Bourguignon
	☒	Peter Heffernan
	☒	John Vander Sluis
		Andrew Kim (Alt.)
		Sarah Green (Alt.)
		Erin Auzins (Alt.)
Seattle (3)	☒	Sarah Strand
	☒	Jim Storment
	☒	Joanna Valencia
		Bill LaBorde (Alt.)
		Emily Reardon (Alt.)
		Katie Lyle-Beshai (Alt.)
Bellevue (1)	☒	Eric Miller
	☒	*Mia Waters (Alt.)*
Other Cities/Towns (5)	☒	Chad Bieren, Kent
	☒	John Mortenson, Issaquah
	☒	Kimberly Scrivner, Kirkland
	☒	Ingrid Gaub, Auburn
		Dan Marcinko, North Bend
	☒	*Tricia Juhnke, Shoreline (Alt.)*
		Rob Stietzer, Burien (Alt.)
	☒	*Ellen Talbo, Renton (Alt.)*
		Vacant (Alt.)
		Vacant (Alt.)
Kitsap County (1)	☒	David Forte
		Joe Rutan (Alt.)
Bremerton (1)	☒	Shane Weber, **Vice Chair**
		Gunnar Fridriksson (Alt. 1)
		Vicki Grover (Alt. 2)
Other Cities/Towns (1)		Josh Ranes, Poulsbo
		Vacant (Alt.)
Pierce County (2)	☒	Bekah Osterhaus
		Peter Lewis-Miller
		Letticia Neal (Alt.)
		Clint Ritter (Alt.)
Tacoma (2)	☒	Jennifer Kammerzell
	☒	Brennan Kidd
		Darius Thompson (Alt.)
		Vacant (Alt.)
Other Cities/Towns (1)		Mark Burlingame, Steilacoom
	☒	*Hans Hunger, Puyallup (Alt.)*
Snohomish County (2)	☒	Doug McCormick, **Chair**
		Kelly Snyder
		Janice Fahning (Alt.)
	☒	*Glynda Steiner (Alt.)*
	☒	*Matt Ojala (Alt.)*
Everett (1)		Tom Hood
		Angelique Thompson (Alt.)
Other Cities/Towns (2)		Steve Morikawa, Bothell
		Vacant
	☒	*Jim Kelly, Arlington (Alt.)*
		David Mach, Lynnwood (Alt.)

Jurisdiction	✓	Name
WSDOT-NW Region (1)		Cameron Kukes
		Mehrdad Moini (Alt.)
WSDOT-Oly Region (1)		JoAnn Schueler
	☒	*John Ho (Alt.)*
WSDOT-MoM (1)	☒	Matthew Kenna
		April Delchamps (Alt.)
WSDOT-WS Ferries (1)		Nicole Knudson
		Siri Olson (Alt.)
Kitsap Transit (1)	☒	Steffani Lillie
		Lindsay Cook (Alt.)
Pierce Transit (1)	☒	Tina Lee
		Erin Hoiland (Alt.)
Community Transit (1)	☒	Clint Lambert
		Ashley Ross (Alt.)
		Kathryn Rasmussen (Alt.)
King County Metro (1)	☒	Chester Knapp
		Lisa Shafer (Alt)
Sound Transit (1)	☒	Lisa Wolterink
	☒	*Tyler Benson (Alt.)*
	☒	*Kirste Johnson (Alt.)*
		Monica Overby (Alt.)
Port of Seattle (1)	☒	Geri Poor
		Robert Giacopetti (Alt.)
Port of Tacoma (1)		Deirdre Wilson
		Ryan Medlen (Alt.)
Port of Everett (1)		Brandon Whitaker
		Laura Gurley (Alt.)
Port of Bremerton (1)	☒	Arne Bakker
		Cole Barnes (Alt.)
PSCAA (1)	☒	Kathy Strange
		Jennifer Keene (Alt.)
Suquamish Tribe (1)		VACANT
		VACANT (Alt.)
Muckleshoot Tribal Cncl (1)		VACANT
		VACANT (Alt.)
Puyallup Tribe (1)		VACANT
		VACANT (Alt.)
NON-VOTING		VACANT - BPAC Member
		VACANT - BPAC (Alt)