



TIP

2021-2024

Transportation Improvement Program



Puget Sound Regional Council

Appendix I

Approvals

PSRC's Executive Board adopted the 2021-2024 Regional TIP on October 22, 2020. State and Federal approvals were received in December and January 2021.

October 2020

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October 22, 2020

2021-2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program

The Executive Board adopted the 2021-2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). It details a total of 315 projects in the region programmed for \$4.3 billion during 2021-2024, representing a total investment of \$15.6 billion in overall project costs. This includes the \$525 million in projects recently selected for PSRC's 2023-2024 federal transportation funds. View the [presentation](#) or watch the [meeting video](#).

For more information, please contact Kelly McGourty at 206-971-3601 or kmcgourty@psrc.org.

Regional Aviation Baseline Study

The Executive Board was briefed on the results of a recent statistically valid public survey conducted in support of the Regional Aviation Baseline Study.

PSRC is leading a baseline study to provide a clear picture of the aviation needs in the region and set the stage for future planning efforts. An [online open house](#) about the project is open through October 30. The study is funded by a \$1.6 million grant from the Federal Aviation Administration. View the [presentation](#).

For more information, contact Jason Thibedeau at jthibedeau@psrc.org or 206-389-2879.

In other business, the board:

- Approved a new policy to allow compensation of members of PSRC funded focus groups and/or committees.
- Approved contract authority for consultant services for the Regional Housing Strategy.
- Adopted a routine amendment to the 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).
- Approved certification of Regional Center Subarea Plans for Bellevue, Burien, Puyallup – Downtown, and Puyallup South Hill.
- Authorized a change in the Regional Transportation Plan project status from candidate to approved for the I-405 at NE 132nd St. Interchange Project.



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December 4, 2020

Josh Brown, Executive Director
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Dear Mr. Brown:

This is notification that the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) has approved your organization's 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Following a review of your submission, we find this TIP substantially meets the requirements stated in Title 23 United States Code, Section 134 and Title 49 United States Code, Section 5303. The projects in this TIP use federal, state, and local funds, and are financially constrained.

If you have any questions or need additional clarification, please contact Gabriel Philips, Tribal and Regional Integrated Planning Manager, at gabe.philips@wsdot.wa.gov or (360) 705-7954.

Sincerely,

Roger Millar

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Secretary of Transportation

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**Air Quality Conformity Determination
Puget Sound Regional Council
2021-2024 Transportation Improvement
Program (TIP)**

Dear Mr. Brown:

According to the Clean Air Act (CAA) of 1990, transportation plans, programs, and projects cannot create new National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) violations, increase the frequency or severity of existing NAAQS violations, or delay attainment of the NAAQS. As such, the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and the U.S. Department of Transportation (FHWA/FTA) are required to make transportation conformity determinations for both the MPO Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) in non-attainment or maintenance areas. Transportation conformity ensures that Federal funding supports transportation activities that are consistent with air quality goals, and do not worsen air quality or interfere with the purpose of the State Implementation Plan (SIP).

As of October 11, 2016, the Central Puget Sound Region, including King, Snohomish, and Pierce Counties, achieved “attainment” status for air quality conformity for carbon monoxide (CO). While PSRC is required to continue reporting related to air quality conformity for particulate matter under 10 microns in diameter (PM10) until May 14, 2021, and for PM2.5 until March 12, 2035, the “attainment” status indicates a significant improvement made in the Central Puget Sound Region toward bettering our air quality in the State of Washington.

On October 26, 2020, PSRC made a formal conformity determination for the 2021-2024 TIP.

Based on our review of PSRC's conformity determination, as concurred with the Washington State Department of Transportation, Washington State Department of Ecology, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, FHWA and FTA find that the PSRC 2021-2024 TIP conforms with the SIP to reduce the severity and number of NAAQS violations.

Please contact Matt Kunic, FHWA Washington Division, at 360-753-9487, or Ned Conroy, FTA Region 10, at 206-220-4318, if you have any questions.

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Attention: Marshall Elizer

**Federal Planning Finding and 2021-2024
Statewide Transportation Improvement
Program (STIP) Approval**

Dear Mr. Millar:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have reviewed the Washington Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) submitted on December 17, 2020, for Federal approval. In conjunction with the STIP approval, FHWA and FTA conducted a Federal Planning Finding review to determine that the proposed STIP is based on a statewide transportation planning process that substantially meets the requirements of 23 U.S.C. Sections 134 and 135, 49 U.S.C. Sections 5303-5304, and 23 CFR 450 Subparts A, B, and C.

During 2020, FHWA and FTA reviewed the transportation planning process at the statewide and metropolitan planning area levels. The enclosed Federal Planning Finding documents the results of our review.

FHWA and FTA find that the projects in the proposed STIP are based on a planning process that meets federal requirements, and, therefore, give joint approval of the Washington 2021-2024 STIP. We also jointly affirm our air quality determination (documented in November 2020) that the State/MPOs meet air quality conformity requirements under the Federal Clean Air Act.

If you have any questions concerning the 2021-2024 STIP approval or Federal Planning Finding, please contact Matt Kunic, FHWA, at 360-753-9487 and/or Ned Conroy, FTA, at 206-220-4318.

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