

Freight Advisory Committee

February 10, 2021

Puget Sound Regional Council



Welcome and General Meeting Procedures

- Please keep your cameras off and your microphones muted
 - *If you are using a computer and a phone to connect to the meeting, please mute your computer audio to reduce feedback; to mute a phone connection use *6*
- Only members and alternates may participate in the discussion
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Today's Agenda

1. Introductions

2. Approval of December 9, 2020 Meeting Summary*

3. Discussion: Next Steps for Chair / Vice-Chair Nominations

Now that 2021 membership has been finalized, staff will discuss the nomination process and schedule for selecting a Chair and Vice-Chair for the committee.

4. Discussion: Key Messages and Recommendations on Freight in the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan

Staff will provide a summary of discussions to date and a calendar of activities for board engagement on freight and goods movement. As a follow-up to the last meeting, the proposal for subgroups of interested members to work in depth on key topics will be discussed.

4. Other Business and Announcements

5. Next Meeting: April 14, 2021: 9:30-11:00 a.m.

6. Adjourn



Freight and the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan

- Developing key messages and recommendations
- From last meeting, things to consider:
 - Integration – and conflict points – with rest of system
 - Preservation and maintenance – *go deep*
 - Importance at all scales (international, state, regional, local)
 - Recognize all modes – road, rail, marine, air
 - Last mile network needs
 - Truck parking



Freight and the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan

- Suggestion to create subgroups to discuss topics in greater depth, to bring back to full committee
 - *If interest, PSRC will send a solicitation email with further details*
- Preliminary questions:
 - System integration and conflicts –
 - Build from VISION 2050 paper? I.e.
 - Growth / land use decisions
 - Public right of way uses
 - Congestion / mobility issues / at-grade crossings



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- Preservation and maintenance –
 - Defining heavy haul standards, additional costs
 - Identifying needs for all assets
 - What is minimum vs. optimum levels of investment / maintenance
 - Other issues / messaging?



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- Importance at all scales, Recognize all modes –
 - Identification of the assets, values
 - Connection to overall system and economy
 - Identification of unique needs



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- Last mile network needs –
 - Connection to local system?
 - Different ownership issues?
- Truck parking –
 - Identification of issues, needs
 - Current programs, studies
 - Suggested next steps?
 - Who owns the solution?



Next Steps

- Continued committee work on key messages, proposed recommendations
- Board discussion on topic ~April, again in Fall to finalize messages
- Plan analysis August
- Draft plan released for public comment December

