

Executive Board

Thursday, September 22, 2022 • 10:00 - 11:30 AM

Hybrid Meeting • PSRC Board Room • 1011 Western Avenue, Suite 500, Seattle 98104

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- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call (10:00) Councilmember Claudia Balducci, President
- 2. Communications and Public Comment
- 3. President's Remarks
- 4. Executive Director's Report
- 5. Committee Reports
 - a. Operations Committee Mayor Becky Erickson, Vice President
- 6. Consent Agenda (10:15)
 - a. Approve Minutes of Meeting held July 28, 2022
 - b. Approve Vouchers Dated June 30, 2022 through August 29, 2022 in the Amount of \$1,619,195.99
 - c. Approve Contract Authority for Website Support Services
 - d. Approve Contract Authority for PSRC's Move-Related Expenses

- e. Approve Contract Authority for In-House Leadership Development Training
- f. Approve PSRC Executive Board Representation
- g. Adopt Routine Amendment to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

7. Discussion Item (10:20)

a. Legislative Agenda Briefing -- Robin Koskey, PSRC

8. Discussion Item (10:40)

a. Regional Transportation Plan Work Program -- Josh Brown, PSRC

9. Discussion Item (11:00)

a. Puget Sound Data Trends -- Craig Helmann, PSRC

10.Information Items

- a. Annual Weighted Votes Revision
- b. Employee Status Report
- c. October 21 TOD FOR ALL Event: Planning for 1 Million+ New People Near Transit
- d. November 20 Joint Board Session on Institutional and Structural Racism

11. Other Business

12. Next Meeting: Thursday, October 27, 2022, 10 - 11:30 AM

13. Adjourn (11:30)

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Draft Regional Transportation Improvement Program

The Transportation Policy Board has released the Draft 2023-2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program for public review and comment through October 27. The \$5.4 billion draft TIP shows projects moving forward in the central Puget Sound region through 2026, funded by state, federal, regional and local funds. It represents over \$34 billion in total transportation investments at project completion. Watch the meeting video or view the presentation.

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

Transportation Work Program

The Transportation Policy Board has provided feedback on the work program over the past few months. Staff have incorporated this feedback into a timeline and summary, which can be viewed starting on page 19 of the agenda packet. This information will be incorporated into PSRC's upcoming fiscal year 2024-2025 biennial budget and work program.

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

In other business, the board:

 Recommended approval of a routine amendment to the current Regional Transportation Improvement Program.



September 1, 2022

VISION 2050 Implementation Status and Trends

The Growth Management Policy Board was briefed on the implementation of VISION 2050. Since the adoption of VISION 2050, regional planning actions have included:

- Regional Transportation Plan updated to be consistent with the growth plan policy framework
- Policy Framework for Federal Funds updated with revised criteria in support of VISION
- Regional Economic Strategy adopted in December 2021 that supports regional economic objectives and job growth
- Regional Housing Strategy adopted in February 2022 to implement regional housing policy

PSRC has also developed several guidance papers to support local planning efforts.

The board also saw a presentation on recent data trends as they relate to VISION 2050 objectives, including growth, economic activity, housing, and transportation.

For more information, contact Paul Inghram at pinghram@psrc.org or Craig Helmann at phelmann@psrc.org.

Plan Certification and Housing

The board was asked to confirm steps to implement VISION 2050 and the Regional Housing Strategy through the plan review and certification process for local comprehensive plan updates. Staff anticipate providing the board with a report on

housing data that will look at how housing access and affordability is evolving in the region. A housing-specific webinar is also scheduled for October 26.

For more information, contact Paul Inghram at pinghram@psrc.org, Liz Underwood-Bultmann at lunderwood-bultmann@psrc.org, or Laura Benjamin at lbenjamin@psrc.org.

Passport to 2044 Workshop Series

The board was briefed on recent and upcoming outreach and support activities for the 2024 comprehensive plan updates. Staff provided an overview of the Passport to 2044: Comprehensive Plan Workshop Series, as well as planning resources and guidance documents to support local planning.

For more information, contact Maggie Moore at mmoore@psrc.org.

A video of the meeting is available on the <u>Watch Board Meetings page</u>. Meeting materials, including agendas and presentations, can be found on the Agendas and Resources page.



MINUTES

Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Board Thursday, July 28, 2022 Hybrid Meeting, PSRC Board Room

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Executive Board was called to order at 10:02 AM by King County Councilmember Claudia Balducci, PSRC President. A video of the meeting was streamed live as well as recorded and will be available for viewing on PSRC's website. A call-in number was provided on the meeting agenda for members of the public to call in by phone and listen live to the meeting. Roll call determined attendance and that a quorum was present.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT

Joe Kunzler and Alex Tsimerman provided public comment.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Claudia Balducci thanked members of the board for joining the meeting. She stated that the board has a busy morning with a few action items and a full consent agenda, followed by an Executive Session regarding real estate matters.

President Balducci announced that Pierce County Other Cities and Towns has made changes to its representation on the board. Fife Councilmember Doug Fagundes will be replaced by University Place Mayor Pro Tem Javier Figueroa as the representative and the new alternate will be Puyallup Deputy Mayor Ned Witting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Vice President Becky Erickson, Chair, Operations Committee, reported that at today's meeting, the committee recommended approval of vouchers dated May 31, 2022 through July 11, 2022 in the amount of \$967,387.26. The committee also approved FY 2023 Indirect Cost Rate, approved a budget amendment to add funds from the Department of Commerce for the Housing Public Opinion Survey, approved a contract

authority for on-call model development support, and approved contract authority for joint development of travel model software.

Vice President Erickson also stated that the committee held an executive session to discuss real estate matters. She commented that "both the Operations Committee and Executive Board have heard from staff over the last several months regarding developments of PSRC's Office Space. Staff have toured 10 different sites and with the help of a commercial real estate broker was able to narrow it down to one preferred site – preferred because of its easy access to transit, as well as the most favorable in terms of costs."

Vice President Erickson reminded the board that they had received an invitation to tour the potential site on July 14. She commented, "I was able to attend along with Councilmember Balducci and Mayor Pro Tem Figueroa. PSRC staff and Larry Blackett, PSRC's real estate broker, showed us the premises."

She reported that at today's executive session the committee heard more about the terms of the lease and following the executive session took action to recommend the Executive Board authorize the Executive Director to execute the office space lease.

CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Birney/Garrido) to: (a) Approve Minutes of Meeting held June 23, 2022 (b) Approve Vouchers Dated May 31, 2022 through July 11, 2022 in the Amount of \$967,387.26 (c) Approve PSRC FY 2023 Indirect Cost Rate Approval (d) Approve Budget Amendment to Add Revenue from Department of Commerce for Housing Public Opinion Survey (e) Approve Contract Authority for On-Call Model Development Support (f) Approve Contract Authority for Joint Development of Travel Model Software (g) Adopt Routine Amendment to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and (h) Approve Critical Urban Freight Corridor (CUFC) and Critical Rural Freight Corridor (CRFC) Designations for the PSRC Region.

The motion passed Unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Approve 2022 Annual FTA Adjustments

Sarah Gutschow, PSRC Senior Planner, briefed the board on the requested action to approve the 2022 annual FTA adjustments.

In April of 2022, PSRC was notified of the region's final allocation of federal fiscal year (FFY) 2022 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds. FTA requires that PSRC review the estimates used to program its FTA funds with the actual allocation approved by

Congress on an annual basis. Due to the final allocation being higher than the original estimates used for programming, there is an additional \$93.7 million available for distribution. A summary of the funds originally programmed and the adjustments for FFY 2022 were provided in Attachment A in the agenda packet. The recommendation of the Transportation Operators Committee (TOC) for the adjustments, including the distribution of additional funds to projects, were contained in Attachment B in the agenda packet.

At its meeting on July 14, the Transportation Policy Board recommended approval of the adjustments and additional FFY 2022 FTA funds to the list of projects as shown in Attachments B and C in the agenda packet.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Robinson/Erickson) that the Executive Board approve the adjustments and \$93.7 million in additional FFY 2022 FTA funds to the list of projects as shown in Attachments B and C.

The motion passed with Pierce County Councilmember Young voting no.

Approve Projects Proposed for PSRC's 2025-2026 Federal Highway Administration Funds

Kelly McGourty, PSRC Director of Transportation Planning; and Charles Patton, PSRC Program Manager – Equity Policy and Initiatives, briefed the board on the requested action to approve projects proposed for PSRC's 2025-2026 Federal Highway Administration Funds.

PSRC has project selection authority for several sources of funding from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). A project selection process is conducted every two years to distribute PSRC's federal funds via a competitive process detailed in the Policy Framework for PSRC's Federal Funds. Between February and June 2022, the project selection process to distribute approximately \$187 million of PSRC's 2025-2026 FHWA funds was conducted. The projects recommended to receive these funds were identified in Attachments A and B in the agenda packet.

At its meeting on July 14, the Transportation Policy Board recommend Executive Board approval of the projects identified in Attachments A and B in the agenda packet.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Pauly/Birney) that the Executive Board approve the projects recommended for PSRC's FHWA funds as identified in Attachments A and B, including the prioritized contingency lists of projects should additional funds become available prior to the next project selection process.

The motion passed unanimously.

EXECTIVE SESSION

Executive Session Regarding Real Estate Matters

At 11:17 AM President Claudia Balducci announced that the board would adjourn to an Executive Session for 15 minutes to discuss real estate matters. President Balducci reconvened the board meet at 11:32 AM.

NEW BUSINESS

Authorize Executive Director to Execute Office Space Lease

Following the Executive Session, Josh Brown, PSRC Executive Director, briefed the board on the requested action to authorize the execution of an office space lease.

Lease negotiations and market research were conducted with the advice and counsel of a corporate real estate broker, who leveraged the market to enable PSRC to negotiate competitive proposals both in terms of rental rate and tenant improvement allowances. Over ten different properties were viewed, and multiple offers were solicited in the last nine months.

PSRC is currently leasing 27,198 square feet of office space on the 5th floor of Waterfront Place, located at 1011 Western Avenue, at a rate of approximately \$100,000 per month. For several reasons, remaining at WFP has proven to be infeasible. Staff began exploring new lease options beginning in March 2021.

The spaces under consideration will allow for a large board room that will be flexible in set-up and size, depending on the number of in-person occupants. In addition, the space will provide more flexible use and meeting room space for hybrid work envisioned for the future. The space improves PSRC's space efficiency while accommodating potential future growth.

Staff, with the assistance of commercial real estate attorneys as well as commercial tenant representative, Larry Blackett, of Kidder Mathews, has been negotiating a lease agreement that would commence on January 1, 2024. The Operations Committee has been overseeing the progress of the space selection and lease negotiations and in July 2022, members of PSRC's boards were invited to tour potential new space.

Staff is recommending the Executive Board authorize the Executive Director to execute a lease agreement under the most favorable negotiated tenant improvements and rental rates.

Once executed, staff will work with the Operations Committee on a budget for all the relocation expenses, including furniture, IT infrastructure, as part of the development of the next biennial budget and work program.

ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Birney/Garrido) that the Executive Board authorize the Executive Director to execute a lease for new office space in downtown Seattle beginning in 2024.

The motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Included in the agenda packet was a new Employee Status Report and a letter from Representative Marilyn Strickland regarding environmental and stormwater mitigation.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business brought before the board.

NEXT MEETING

ADJOURN

The Executive Board will next meet on Thursday, September 22, 2022, 10 – 11:30 AM. This will be a hybrid meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:36 AM. Adopted this 22nd day of September 2022. Councilmember Claudia Balducci, President Puget Sound Regional Council

ATTEST:

Josh Brown, Executive Director

Attachments: eb2022-july28-attendance

Executive Board Meeting - July 28, 2022 Members and Alternates that participated for all or part of the me	seting included:	1=Present
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Seattle	MYR Bruce Harrell	1
	CM Andrew Lewis	
	CM Tammy Morales	
	CM Dan Strauss	
	CM Teresa Mosqueda Alt	
	CM Alex Pedersen Alt	
Bellevue	MYR Lynne Robinson	1
	CM Jennifer Robertson Alt	
Federal Way	MYR Jim Ferrell	1
	Vacant Alt	
Kent	MYR Dana Ralph	1
	CM Toni Troutner Alt	
Kirkland	MYR Penny Sweet	1
	DP MYR Jay Arnold Alt	1
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	CM James Alberson, Jr. Alt	
Redmond	MYR Angela Birney	1
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Cities/Towns	CM Chris Roberts, Shoreline	
	MYR Allan Ekberg, Tukwila	1
	CM James McNeal, Bothell	
	CM David Baker, Kenmore Alt	1
	MYR Jeff Wagner, Covington Alt	1
	MYR Mary Lou Pauly, Issaquah Alt	1
	MYR Jan Molinaro, Enumclaw 2nd Alt	1
	MYR Rob McFarland, North Bend 2nd Alt	1
Kitsap County	COM Charlotte Garrido	1
	COM Robert Gelder Alt	1
Bremerton	MYR Greg Wheeler	1
	CM Michael Goodnow Alt	
Port Orchard	MYR Rob Putaansuu	
	CM Jay Rosapepe Alt	1
Cities/Towns	MYR Becky Erickson, Poulsbo	1
	MYR Joe Deets, Bainbridge Island Alt	1
Pierce County	EXC Bruce Dammeier	
	CM Derek Young	1
	CM Dave Morell Alt	
Tacoma	MYR Victoria Woodards	
	CM Keith Blocker Alt	
Lakewood	CM Don Anderson	
	CM Linda Farmer Alt	
Cities & Towns	MYR Pro Tem Javier Figueroa, University Place Alt	1
	DP MYR Ned Witting Alt	1
Snohomish County	EXC Dave Somers	1
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Everett	MYR Cassie Franklin	
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September 15, 2022

To: Executive Board

From: Mayor Becky Erickson, Chair, Operations Committee

Subject: Approve Vouchers Dated June 30, 2022 through August 29, 2022 in

the Amount of \$1,619,195.99

IN BRIEF

Two representatives of the Operations Committee review and sign off on the vouchers. In accordance with RCW 42.24.080, following the Operations Committee's review, the Executive Board approves the vouchers. Because the meeting is being attended remotely, PSRC will email voucher information to 2 members of the Operations Committee for review and approval.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Recommend the Executive Board approve the following vouchers:

REQUESTED

WARRANT DATE	VOUCHER NUMBER	TOTALS
07/18/22 - 08/29/22	AP Vouchers	\$ 665,801.95
06/30/22 - 07/31/22	Payroll	\$ 953,394.04
		 1.619.195.99

For additional information, please contact Andrew Werfelmann at 206-971-3292; email awerfelmann@psrc.org.



September 15, 2022

To: Executive Board

From: Mayor Becky Erickson, Chair, Operations Committee

Subject: Approve Contract Authority for Website Support Services

IN BRIEF

Authorization by the Executive Board is required for the Executive Director to enter into a contract in excess of \$10,000. A request is being made to authorize a consultant contract, not to exceed \$45,000 over the course of three years, for website support services.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Recommend the Executive Board authorize the Executive Director to enter a consultant contract for website support services not to exceed \$45,000 over the course of three years.

BUDGET IMPACT

The adopted Biennial Budget and Work Program for FY 2022-2023 includes sufficient funding for this task. Funding for Year 2 and Year 3 is contingent on adoption of the FY 2024-2025 Biennial Budget and Work Program.

DISCUSSION

PSRC recently launched a new agency website at psrc.org. PSRC would like to enter into a website support agreement to provide technical support for the agency website. Services would include core and module security updates for the website platform, help desk assistance, and design and programming adjustments.

For more information, contact Robin Koskey, Director of Government Relations and Communications, at rkoskey@psrc.org or Carolyn Downs, Communications Systems Specialist, at cdowns@psrc.org.



September 15, 2022

To: Executive Board

From: Mayor Becky Erickson, Chair, Operations Committee

Subject: Approve Contract Authority for PSRC's Move-Related Expenses

IN BRIEF

Authorization by the Executive Board is required for the Executive Director to enter into a contract in excess of \$10,000 per year. A request is being made to authorize the Executive Director to execute contracts for certain tenant improvement expenses needed for PSRC's new office space.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

- 1. Authorize the Executive Director to enter one or more contracts for audio-visual system design, not to exceed \$12,000 in FY 2023.
- 2. Authorize the Executive Director to enter into one or more contracts for office furniture and fixtures design, not to exceed \$12,000 in FY 2023.

BUDGET IMPACT

The FY 2024-2025 Biennial Budget and Work Program will contain the costs associated with the new lease, as well as the furniture and information technology infrastructure costs associated with the move. While the contracts will be entered into during the FY2023 budget period, the expenses for these will be mostly incurred and thus reflected in the FY2024-2025 Biennial Budget and Work Program period. There are sufficient funds within the current fiscal year's budget to cover expenses as they are incurred.

DISCUSSION

On July 28, 2022, the Executive Board authorized the Executive Director to execute a lease for new office space at 1201 3rd Avenue, effective January 1, 2024. Staff has

been working with the new landlord and its joint architect consultants, Weaver and Associates, to design the space to meet PSRC's office needs.

The lease as executed is "turn-key," meaning, the landlord has agreed to absorb the costs associated with improving the space to meet PSRC's needs. Specifically excluded from the tenant improvement costs are furniture, moving expenses, cabling and audio-visual (AV) design and installation.

Audi-Visual Equipment Contracts

The team is working to get final construction designs out to bid the week of November 14, 2022. To that end, the AV design and detailed plans will be needed to ensure that PSRC's new board room and meetings rooms are equipped with the technology to hold effective hybrid meetings of a variety of sizes. It is anticipated that the design itself will not exceed \$12,000. Once completed, staff will have estimated costs associated with equipment purchase and installation for the dividable board room, and additional six meeting rooms. While the design expenses will be incurred within this current fiscal year, the bulk of the expenses associated with equipment purchases and installation will be incurred in the next fiscal year.

Office Space Fixtures and Furniture Design Contracts

As part of the office relocation, staff have been working to inventory its existing furniture that can be re-used in the new space, as well as determining its new furniture needs. PSRC will need to issue an RFP for the purchase of that new furniture, and staff anticipates coming to the Operations Committee for authority for the new furniture purchase at its October meeting. In the interim, it is seeking authority to enter into one or more contracts for a consultant to assist in this process in an amount not to exceed \$12,000, including ensuring the existing furniture fits into the space and use intended in the new office design. This contract authority will also assist in the design of fixtures not covered by the lease's turnkey tenant improvements provisions.

For more information, please contact Nancy Buonanno Grennan, Deputy Executive Director, at nbgrennan@psrc.org or (206) 464-7527.



September 15, 2022

To: Executive Board

From: Mayor Becky Erickson, Chair, Operations Committee

Subject: Approve Contract Authority for In-House Leadership Development

Training

IN BRIEF

Authorization by the Executive Board is required for the Executive Director to enter into a contract in excess of \$10,000 per year. A request is being made to authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract for in-house leadership development training for PSRC staff, in an amount not to exceed \$18,000.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Recommend that the Executive Board authorize the Executive Director to enter into a consultant contract for in-house leadership development training in an amount not to exceed \$18,000.

BUDGET IMPACT

The adopted Biennial Budget and Work Program for Fiscal Years 2022-2023 includes funding for staff training and development and is sufficient to absorb the costs associated with this particular training.

DISCUSSION

As part of PSRC's commitment to investing in the professional development of its staff, staff from across the agency came together to identify the types of agencywide training opportunities that would be of most value and interest. Staff expressed interest in PSRC hosting an in-house leadership development training to ensure all staff have an opportunity to learn fundamental tenants of leading themselves, leading teams and leading at the organizational level, with a public sector lens. After soliciting proposals

from a number of training institutions, staff selected the Virginia Institute of Government (VIG), the leadership development and community engagement arm of the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service at the University of Virginia (UVA). Working with the VIG, PSRC will host a three-day intensive program, called LEAD (Leading, Educating and Developing), with the following objectives for participants:

- Examine, discuss and apply the most relevant and powerful leadership practices, with focused discussions on the distinct and complex experiences of local governmental leaders
- Deepen their understanding of inclusive leadership, with specific sessions on diversity, equity, and inclusion
- Develop interpersonal skills and organizational leadership skills
- Cerate a clear roadmap of who they can immediately apply the concepts learned from the program to their specific organizations
- Build essential skills and awareness through team engagement

VIG hosts one-week sessions at its UVA campus, but at a much higher per participant charge (over \$5,000/attendee versus the approximately \$400/attendee). The total number of participants are limited to 45, and once all PSRC staff have had an opportunity to enroll, if there are still seats left, we will open it up for member agencies to send staff to the session, scheduled for December 5-7, 2022.

For more information, please contact Nancy Buonanno Grennan, Deputy Executive Director, at nbgrennan@psrc.org or (206) 464-7527.



September 15, 2022

To: Executive Board

From: Mayor Becky Erickson, Chair, Operations Committee

Subject: Approve PSRC Executive Board Representation

IN BRIEF

Every three years pursuant to PSRC's Interlocal Agreement (Section 5.C.3), the Executive Board considers the distribution of county and city representation on the Executive Board.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Recommend that the Executive Board retain the existing representation at 36 members.

DISCUSSION

Beginning with a review in January 2019, the Executive Board adopted its current 36-member representation in January 2020, adding the principal cities of Lakewood, Port Orchard, and Redmond. RCW 47.80.060 provides for the following:

Executive board membership

In order to qualify for state planning funds available to regional transportation planning organizations, the regional transportation planning organizations containing any county with a population in excess of one million shall provide voting membership on its executive board to the state transportation commission, the state department of transportation, the four largest public port districts within the region as determined by gross operating revenues, any incorporated principal city of a metropolitan statistical area within the region, as designed by the United States census bureau, and any incorporated city within the region with a population in excess of eighty thousand. It shall further assure that at least fifty

percent of the county and city local elected officials who serve on the executive board also serve on transit agency boards or on a regional transit authority.

The US Census Bureau did not report any changes to the principal cities in the central Puget Sound region. Two entities, the City of Seattle and Pierce County, remain eligible for an additional seat based upon changes in population. Staff has been in contact with both jurisdictions, and both are not requesting an additional seat on the Executive Board.

For more information, please contact Nancy Buonanno Grennan, Deputy Executive Director, at 206-464-7527 or nbgrennan@psrc.org.



September 15, 2022

To: Executive Board

From: Mayor Dana Ralph, Chair, Transportation Policy Board

Subject: Adopt Routine Amendment to the 2021-2024 Transportation

Improvement Program (TIP)

IN BRIEF

Four agencies submitted seven projects this month for routine amendment into the Regional TIP. The projects are summarized in Exhibit A. These projects were awarded local, state, and federal funding through various funding processes, such as the Connecting Washington funds managed by the Washington State Department of Transportation. PSRC staff reviewed the projects for compliance with federal and state requirements, and consistency with VISION 2050 and the Regional Transportation Plan. At its meeting on September 8, the Transportation Policy Board recommended adoption of the amendment.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Executive Board should adopt an amendment to the 2021-2024 Regional TIP to include the projects as shown in Exhibit A.

DISCUSSION

Under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), PSRC has project selection authority for all projects programming regional funds from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) - Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STP) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) - and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) - Urbanized Area Formula Program (5307), State of Good Repair (5337), Bus and Bus Facilities Formula (5339), and Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities (5310).

While PSRC does not have project selection authority for other types of federal, state, or local funds, the Executive Board does have responsibility for adding these projects to the Regional TIP. Each project must comply with requirements regarding plan consistency, air quality, and financial constraint. The attached Exhibit A illustrates the action needed to amend the Regional TIP.

The recommended action would approve the TIP amendment request based on a finding of consistency with VISION 2050, the Regional Transportation Plan, and the air quality conformity determination of the Regional TIP. Approval is also based on a determination that funding is reasonably expected to be available to carry out the project. Information describing plan consistency, air quality conformity, and the funding basis for approving the request is further described below.

Consistency with VISION 2050 and the Regional Transportation Plan

The projects recommended for action were reviewed by PSRC staff and have been determined to be consistent with the multicounty policies in VISION 2050 and the Regional Transportation Plan.

Air Quality Conformity

The projects in Exhibit A were reviewed and it has been determined that a new air quality analysis and conformity determination is not required because each project falls into one or more of the following categories:

- It is exempt from air quality conformity requirements.
- It is an existing project already included in the current air quality modeling.
- It is a non-exempt project not able to be included in the regional model.

Funding Reasonably Expected to be Available

For the projects in Exhibit A, PSRC has confirmed that the funds are reasonably expected to be available.

PSRC's Project Tracking Policies

This month's amendment includes no project tracking actions.

Federal Fund Source Descriptions

The following federal and state funding sources are referenced in Exhibit A.

BR The Local Bridge Program provides funding for eligible

bridges on public roads.

CWA State Connecting Washington Account.

CSRF State Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund for all federal

moneys from the American Rescue Plan.

MVA State funds from the Motor Vehicle Account

NHPP Provides support for the condition and performance of the

National Highway System (NHS).

For more information, please contact Jennifer Barnes at 206-389-2876 or jbarnes@psrc.org.

Attachments: Exhibit A

Attachment: Exhibit A (3509: Routine Amendment to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP))

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Project(s) Proposed for Routine Amendment to 2021-2024 TIP

Exhibit A

				P	SRC Ac	ction N	leeded
Sponsor	Project Title and Work Description		Funding	Project Tracking			UPWP r Amend
1. Seattle	Jose Rizal Bridge (North Segment) New project programming a preliminary engineering and a construction phase repainting and conducting lead abatement on the Jose Rizal Bridge.	\$5,000,000 \$4,303,793 \$9,303,793	Federal BR Local Total		✓		
2. Snohomish County	Pilchcuck Creek Bridge 626 Replacement New project programming preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction phases to replace the existing bridge with a single span structure with two travel lanes and a protected walkway.	\$8,220,000 \$8,220,000	Federal BR Total		✓		
3. Sound Transit	Sumner Station Access Improvements New project programming preliminary engineering, right-of- way, construction, and other phases constructing a new garage with 500 new parking spaces, a pedestrian/bicycle path on the Traffic Avenue/SR 410 interchange, and other pedestrian/ bicycle enhancements. This is a multi-year project and the programming reflects the funds available within the span of the regional TIP.	\$3,688,000 \$3,688,000	Local Total		✓		
4. Sound Transit	Downtown Seattle Transit Tunnel New project programming preliminary engineering, construction, and other phases improving to the Downtown Seattle Transit Tunnel; work includes enhanced station lighting, additional CCTV, track improvements, and other safety improvements. This is a multi- year project and the programming reflects the funds available within the span of the regional TIP.	\$17,899,377 \$17,899,377	Local Total		✓		

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Sponsor	Project Title and Work Description		Funding	Project Tracking			UPWP Amend
5. WSDOT Northwest Region	I-5/Ravenna Blvd. Bridges - Seismic Retrofit New project programming a preliminary engineering phase seismically retroffiting the I-5/ Ravenna Boulevard bridges. This is a multi-year project and the programming reflects the funds available within the span of the regional TIP.	\$5,111,080 \$505,492 \$5,616,572	Federal NHPP Local Total		•		
6. WSDOT Northwest Region	I-5/Southcenter Pkwy Vicinity - Seismic Retrofit New project programming a preliminary engineering phase seismically retrofitting the I-5/ Southcenter Parkway vicinity bridges. This is a multi-year project and the programming reflects the funds available within the span of the regional TIP.	\$23,296 \$2,304 \$25,600	Federal NHPP Local Total		•		
7. WSDOT Olympic Region	SR 3/SR 104/SR 303/SR 307/SR 308 Kitsap Co - Remove Fish Barriers Existing project adding funds to preliminary engineering and programming new right-of-way and construction phases removing fish passage barriers in the SR 3/SR 104/SR 303/SR 308 vicinity. This is a multi-year project and the programming reflects the funds available within the span of the regional TIP.	\$166,279,072 \$3,168,000 \$132,000 \$169,579,072	Connecting Washington CSRF MVA Total		✓		



DISCUSSION ITEM

September 15, 2022

To: Executive Board

From: Josh Brown, Executive Director

Subject: Legislative Agenda Briefing

IN BRIEF

Following direction by the Executive Board, PSRC staff have begun work to support the adoption of a legislative agenda in advance of the 2023 legislative session. PSRC staff will brief the Executive Board on the process to adopt a legislative agenda and seek feedback on potential legislative priorities.

DISCUSSION

In February, the Executive Board adopted a resolution to support the adoption of Move Ahead Washington, a comprehensive transportation investment package which was subsequently passed by the legislature. Following this effort, the Executive Board directed PSRC staff to draft a legislative agenda for deliberation and adoption by the Executive Board ahead of 2023 legislative session.

PSRC staff have begun a review of adopted regional plans and policies to inform a future legislative agenda. An initial list of potential focus areas for a legislative agenda are as follows:

Transportation - Keep the Region Moving

- Sustain transportation investment commitments by the legislature, including Move Ahead Washington
- Continue the development of a road usage charge (RUC) system

Housing - Increase Housing Choices and Affordability

Supply: Build more housing of different types

- Stability: Provide opportunities for residents to live in housing that meets their needs
- Subsidy: Create and sustain long-term funding sources to create and preserve housing for very low-income households and unhoused residents

Climate - Significantly Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions

 Adopt state polices that continue efforts underway to significantly reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions in line with VISION 2050's commitments.

PSRC staff will seek input from the Executive Board on this initial list of focus areas. The PSRC Executive Committee will further discuss this topic at today's meeting. Next month, the Growth Management Policy Board, Transportation Policy Board, and Economic Development District will be briefed on this topic. Staff proposes the Executive Board adopt the legislative agenda at the December meeting.

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DISCUSSION ITEM

September 15, 2022

To: Executive Board

From: Josh Brown, Executive Director

Subject: Regional Transportation Plan Work Program

IN BRIEF

Over the last several months the Transportation Policy Board has reviewed and discussed the implementation action items identified in the recently adopted Regional Transportation Plan. Feedback has been provided on priority areas and details of various work program items. At its meeting on September 22, the Executive Board will be briefed on the work program materials and feedback received to date from the Transportation Policy Board and the Executive Steering Committee.

DISCUSSION

The <u>Regional Transportation Plan</u> (RTP) identifies numerous implementation items, covering all of the major plan elements and policy focus areas. These implementation items call for new and continued work to be done by PSRC, local agencies and other regional and state partners.

Over the last several months the Transportation Policy Board has reviewed a summary of these various work program items and provided feedback on priority timelines, as well as additional details on key scoping elements. Staff has incorporated that feedback and developed a more detailed draft timeline and summary document for review and consideration. These materials also reflect input from the Executive Steering Committee that was created to review these work program items. A particular focus of the Steering Committee discussions has been aligning key work items with the next project selection process to be conducted in 2024.

At the September 22 meeting, the Executive Board will be provided a briefing on the information contained in Attachments 1-3 for review and discussion, including the draft priorities and timelines.

It is anticipated that the Transportation Policy Board will ultimately develop a recommendation on the transportation work program priorities and timelines to the Executive Board, for incorporation into PSRC's upcoming fiscal year 2024-2025 biennial budget and work program.

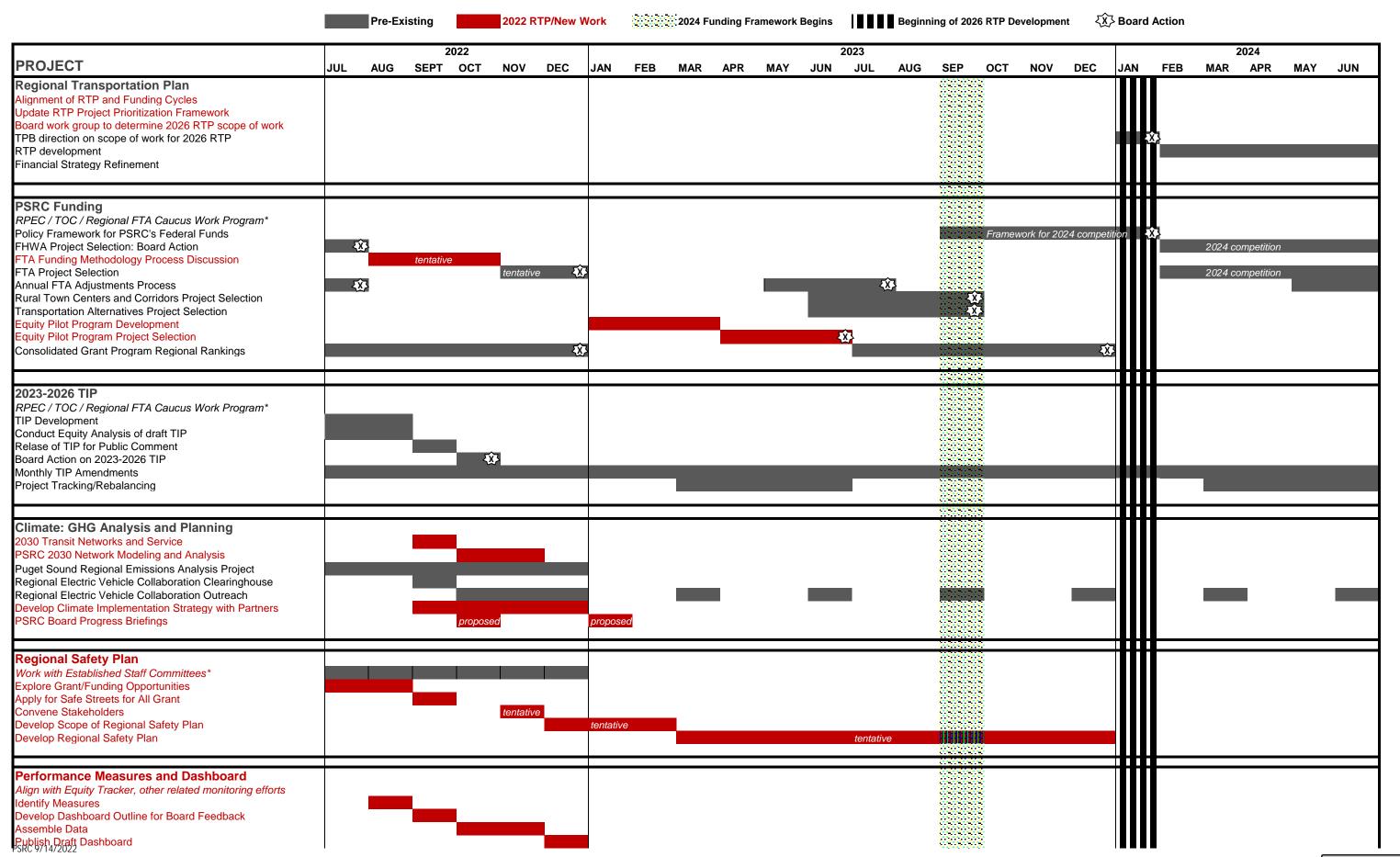
For more information, please contact Kelly McGourty, Director of Transportation Planning, at (206) 971-3601 or kmcgourty@psrc.org.

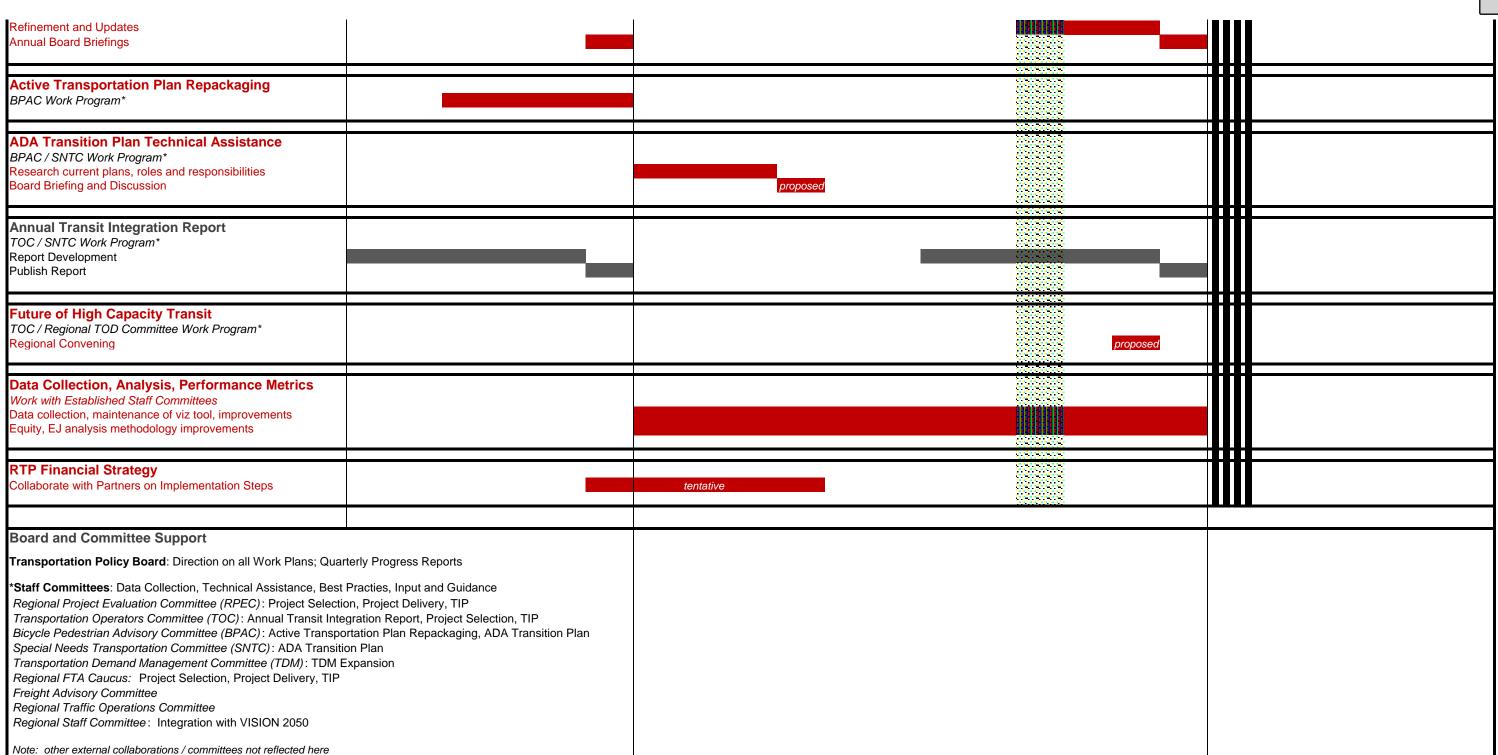
Attachments:

Transportation Work Program: July 2022 - June 2024
Upcoming Transportation Work Program Specific RTP Action Items and Other Key
Emerging Items
RTP Excerpt from Work Program

PSRC Transportation Work Program: JULY 2022 - JUNE 2024

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PSRC Upcoming Transportation Work Program Specific RTP Action Items and Other Key Emerging Items

RTP Excerpt Reference #	Topic Area	Description, Feedback and Progress to Date	Deadline and Deliverables	Board Oversight, Committees / Partnerships
9	Alignment of RTP and Funding Cycles	Overview of Topic Convene a board working group to develop a road map and timeline for the next RTP, including scope of update, alternatives analysis, environmental review. Consider importance of aligning the RTP with state and federal funding cycles TPB Preliminary Feedback Focus on performance feedback for the next RTP, and actualizing VISION 2050	Deadline: tbd; • Next required RTP update – May 2026 adoption, 2024 launch • Project selection cycles - 2024, 2026 Deliverables: Convene board working group	Primary Working Board: Transportation Policy Board Decision Maker: Executive Board Committees: Regional Project Evaluation Committee, Transportation Operators Committee Additional Partnership: Countywide transportation staff forums
8	Update RTP Prioritization Framework	Overview of Topic Update RTP Prioritization Measures and guidance for how projects are evaluated at point of submission into the RTP. Include consideration of all ages and abilities and a Safe Systems approach Preliminary TPB Feedback Acknowledged length of time and difficulty in development of current prioritization framework, particularly the lack of consensus on weighting of measures Concurrence to reconsider framework and measures, but concerns noted on weighting of criteria	Deadline: tbd; Next major call for projects for the 2026 RTP - early 2025 Mid-cycle call for project updates in current RTP – 2024	Primary Working Board: Transportation Policy Board Decision Maker: Executive Board Committees: Regional Project Evaluation Committee,

RTP Excerpt Reference #	Topic Area	Description, Feedback and Progress to Date	Deadline and Deliverables	Board Oversight, Committees / Partnerships
			Deliverables: • Updated RTP Prioritization Framework Implementation for next RTP call for projects	Transportation Operators Committee Additional Partnership: Countywide transportation staff forums
10	FTA Funding Methodology Process Discussion	Overview of Topic TPB to develop a recommendation to the Executive Board on potential revisions to the methodology for distributing PSRC's FTA funds Progress to Date Overview provided to TPB of FTA earned share and regional competition processes, data on transit agency operations and populations served TPB concurrence to create a working group to discuss the established FTA earned share funding methodology, in coordination with the region's transit agencies Working group under development, anticipated schedule August – October 2022 Upcoming Work Scheduling of first working group meeting, engaging a facilitator	Deadline Goal: December 2022 Deliverables: • Board adopted funding methodology • Grant competition and distribution of 2025-2026 funds	Primary Working Board: Transportation Policy Board Decision Maker: Executive Board Committees: Regional FTA Caucus, Transportation Operators Committee Additional Partnership: Transit executives
10	Policy Framework for PSRC's Federal Funds	Overview of Topic Evaluation of the 2022 project selection process and development of the Policy Framework guiding the 2024 project selection process, informed by the GHG, safety and active transportation planning efforts	Deadline Goal: January 2024 Deliverables: • Updated Policy Framework for process to be conducted in 2024 for 2027-2028 funds	Primary Working Board: Transportation Policy Board • Project Selection Task Force Decision Maker: Executive Board

RTP Excerpt Reference #	Topic Area	Description, Feedback and Progress to Date	Deadline and Deliverables	Board Oversight, Committees / Partnerships
				Committees: Regional FTA Caucus, Transportation Operators Committee, Regional Project Evaluation Committee Additional Partnership: Countywide transportation staff forums
4	Climate: GHG Analysis and Planning 2030 GHG Analysis and Climate Implementation Strategy	 Overview of Topic Develop a 2030 transportation network and inputs and conduct a 2030 analysis in alignment with the adopted Four-Part Greenhouse Gas Strategy Continue to work with partner agencies including the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency to develop a climate implementation strategy for achieving the climate goals and to monitor progress Progress to Date Transit agencies working to provide detailed 2030 networks by mid-September 2022 Puget Sound Regional Emissions Analysis Project underway, final product due in December but draft inventory and wedge analyses available late summer Regional EV Collaborative underway, development of web-based clearinghouse expected by early September Coordination with PSCAA on their updated Strategic Plan underway; anticipated adoption late 2022 Upcoming Work Modeling and analysis September / October 2022 Compilation of implementation information from partnership projects, other research anticipated October / November 2022 Proposed board touchpoints beginning in October 	Deadline: Dec 31, 2022 (included in RTP) Deliverables:	Primary Working Board: Transportation Policy Board Additional Engagement: Growth Management Policy Board Decision Maker: Executive Board Additional Partnership: PSCAA, Ecology, Puget Sound Regional Emissions Analysis Partners

RTP Excerpt Reference #	Topic Area	Description, Feedback and Progress to Date	Deadline and Deliverables	Board Oversight, Committees / Partnerships
3	Regional Safety Convening / Regional Safety Plan	 Overview of Topic Convene regional partners and stakeholders to discuss the challenges and solutions to continue to make progress towards meeting safety goals. This will include addressing the full spectrum of safety elements and a Safe Systems Approach. Develop a Regional Safety Plan, including actions, targets and performance indicators. Provide updates and track progress through an annual safety report. Seek resources for regional and local planning and projects. Preliminary TPB Feedback The regional convening and the safety plan should be tied together Intersect safety data with bicycle and pedestrian users Include transit and emphasize personal safety and security, not just crashes The plan should provide guidance to member jurisdictions and help obtain additional funding for improvements Potentially conduct a public survey of safety, particularly the perception of safety from transit riders First ranked priority by TPB members for upcoming work program Progress to Date Review of potential BIL funding programs for applicability to PSRC Continued discussion at advisory committees of safety elements and features, best practices Preliminary staff suggestion to hold first convening in Fall 2022 	Deadline: tbd Deliverables: Pursue Safe Streets for All grant September 2022 Regional safety convening Regional safety plan Annual reporting Consider in future project selection processes	Primary Working Board: Transportation Policy Board Decision Maker: Executive Board Committees: All transportation committees Additional Partnership: Countywide transportation staff forums, WSDOT, FHWA, FTA
5	Performance Measures and Dashboard	 Overview of Topic Identify performance measures & targets for meeting key aspects of VISION 2050 and the RTP, including but not limited to greenhouse gas emissions, safety, reduction of gaps in active transportation system, implementation of plan's financial strategy, vehicle miles traveled trends and transit ridership. Track progress on these measures through an online dashboard. TPB Preliminary Feedback Track progress over time towards specific goals Break out measures by both total and per capita data 	Deadline: Dec 31, 2022 (included in RTP) Deliverables: Online dashboard Regular reporting	Primary Working Board: Transportation Policy Board Decision Maker: Executive Board Committees: All transportation committees

RTP Excerpt Reference #	Topic Area	Description, Feedback and Progress to Date	Deadline and Deliverables	Board Oversight, Committees / Partnerships
		 Identify how the data and dashboard will be used over time, and how it can leverage funding opportunities Align with the equity dashboard under development Consider different scales of data, e.g., by city Consider how the data will be updated Track the impacts of COVID on transit ridership Progress to Date Preliminary drafting of dashboard outline, and coordination with other concurrent dashboard / monitoring efforts – i.e., housing, growth, equity tracker, etc. Existing data trends, analysis metrics available by region, county, regional geography, and equity focus areas Upcoming Work Development of draft outline to share with board, including key measures for initial beta dashboard – anticipated September / October timeframe 		Additional Partnership: Countywide transportation staff forums, WSDOT, other PSRC dashboards and tracking work
2	Active Transportation Plan Repackaging	 Overview of Topic Format existing RTP active transportation elements and data into stand-alone Active Transportation Plan document Upcoming Work Within existing work program of PSRC's Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee; anticipate late 2022 / early 2023 completion 	Deadline Goal: Spring 2023 Deliverables: • Development of stand-alone document, posting on PSRC's website • Consider in future project selection processes	Primary Working Board: Transportation Policy Board Decision Maker: Executive Board Committees: Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee
1	ADA Transition Plan Technical Assistance	Overview of Topic Elevate the work and needs of ADA transition planning, including monitoring the progress and supporting the development and analysis of local plans Preliminary TPB Feedback Track the progress of plans Potentially tie to future project selection processes	Deadline: tbd Deliverables: Initial research on status of ADA transition plans,	Primary Working Board: Transportation Policy Board Decision Maker: Executive Board

RTP Excerpt Reference #	Topic Area	Description, Feedback and Progress to Date	Deadline and Deliverables	Board Oversight, Committees / Partnerships
		 PSRC should work with WSDOT Community outreach could be conducted Upcoming Work Staff will gather further information on the status of ADA transition plans in the region and report back to the board for further direction and next steps 	roles and responsibilities • Further work program pending board review and discussion	Committees: Special Needs Transportation Committee, Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee, Regional Project Evaluation Committee Additional Partnership: Countywide transportation staff forums, WSDOT, FHWA, FTA
7	Future High- Capacity Transit	Overview of Topic Convene members and stakeholders to discuss the vision for future high-capacity transit in the region Preliminary TPB Feedback Consider the relationship of this work to the I-5 master plan Noted issues of right of way Identify areas of the region that are currently underserved Be proactive in planning to save costs Noted the state's transit baseline study Tie this work to housing and equity Consider conditions post-COVID and shifts in employment patterns Track new technologies and systems in other parts of the world Third ranked priority by TPB members for upcoming work program Upcoming Work Track buildout of planned HCT system and access to transit as part of performance dashboard	Deadline: tbd; • Next required RTP update – May 2026 adoption, 2024 launch Deliverables: • Hold convening Identify next steps	Primary Working Board: Transportation Policy Board Additional Engagement: Growth Management Policy Board Decision Maker: Executive Board Committees: Transportation Operators Committee Additional Partnership: Transit executives

RTP Excerpt Reference #	Topic Area	Description, Feedback and Progress to Date	Deadline and Deliverables	Board Oversight, Committees / Partnerships
n/a – in all sections	Data Collection, Analysis and Performance Metrics	Overview of Topic Continued efforts to expand data collection, improve analysis tools and refine performance metrics on a variety of topics including: active transportation, transit, emerging technologies, safety, maintenance and preservation, freight, health and the transportation system conditions visualization tool. Preliminary TPB Feedback Tied for second ranked priority by TPB members for upcoming work program Upcoming Work Work with PSRC staff advisory committees on data collection update process, feasible timeframes	Deadline: ongoing Deliverables: Identification of update schedule Data collection Maintenance and update of visualization tool	Primary Working Board: Transportation Policy Board Committees: All transportation committees Additional Partnership: Countywide transportation staff forums, WSDOT
6	RTP Financial Strategy	Overview of Topic • Identify the action steps necessary to implement the new revenue sources component of the financial strategy – including the Road Usage Charge – and identify roles and responsibilities Preliminary TPB Feedback Tied for second ranked priority by TPB members for upcoming work program	Deadline: tbd; • Next required RTP update – May 2026 adoption, 2024 launch Deliverables: • Identification of action steps, roles and responsibilities for the new revenue sources element of the RTP financial strategy	Primary Working Board: Transportation Policy Board Committees: Regional Project Evaluation Committee, Transportation Operators Committee Additional Partnership: WSDOT, WSTC

RTP Excerpt Reference #	Topic Area	Description, Feedback and Progress to Date	Deadline and Deliverables	Board Oversight, Committees / Partnerships
n/a	Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Analysis and Support	 Overview of Topic Monitor and track BIL requirements and regulations, including funding opportunities as they emerge Provide member support and technical assistance Progress to Date Engagement with staff advisory committees on needs, PSRC assistance Webinar hosted on July 29 Materials posted to PSRC's website Upcoming Work Monitoring of grant programs and deadlines Support for member agencies as needed 	Deadline: ongoing Deliverables: • Webinar and other communications supporting member agencies	Primary Working Board: Transportation Policy Board Committees: All transportation committees Additional Partnership: Countywide transportation staff forums, WSDOT, FHWA, FTA

The following excerpts from the adopted Regional Transportation Plan are provided as reference points to the transportation work program summary materials.

Specifically:

- the "What's Ahead" section beginning on page 194 of the RTP document, and
- the "Administrative Procedures and Processes" section beginning on page 188 of the document

More details and specific language on each topic area may be found in the RTP main document, within each chapter area.

What's Ahead?

The following actions are drawn from "What's Ahead?" sections throughout this document, and also reflect ongoing projects and commitments. These highlight shared responsibilities of PSRC, its members, and other stakeholders to successfully implement the strategies, projects, and programs identified in the Regional Transportation Plan.

PSRC is working on many of the following implementation steps with its staff committees and other state and regional partners. PSRC will be working with the boards to review the priorities and timelines for the action items and future work as described in this section as they relate to PSRC's work program. This planning for future work, both in the near term and for the next biennial budget and work program, will begin shortly after plan adoption. Key implementation actions, described in more detail below, include developing a climate implementation strategy and a regional safety plan.

Chapter 1: An Integrated Multimodal Transportation System

Transit

- Support full build-out of the planned transit system.
- Identify new sources of revenue to address funding gaps.
- Prioritize access to transit, considering equity and safety; local context; transit supportive land use; affordable housing in proximity to transit; partnerships.
- Maintain and update transit agency long range plans.
- Improve regional coordination on mobility for people with specialized transportation needs. See the Coordinated Mobility Plan (Appendix B) for prioritized strategies and actions.
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- Elevate the work and needs of ADA transition planning, including monitoring the progress and supporting the development and analysis of local plans. The board will discuss the future PSRC work program on this topic.
- Coordinate with public transit agencies and others on collecting data and analyzing performance of Mobility on Demand in the region.

Ferries

- Stabilize the aging ferry fleet.
- Identify new sources of revenue to address timely vessel replacement.
- Invest in new, greener vessels through electrification.
- Ensure pipeline of qualified ferry workforce.
- Maintain and update transit agency and WSDOT long range ferry plans.
- Continue collaborative efforts identify new passenger-only ferry routes.

Bicycle and Pedestrian

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- Compile the information from this section into a stand-alone Active Transportation Plan. This stand-alone document will include the data and analysis included in the plan related to the current and future bicycle and pedestrian network, and highlight the needs and priorities as identified for future work. Going forward, the Active Transportation Plan and Regional Safety Plan will be used to help inform future regional and local planning, including both the criteria used to evaluate which projects are approved to be on the Regional Project Capacity List, and which projects are funded through the project selection process.
- Work with the Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee to develop qualitative and quantitative active transportation performance measures and objectives, including analysis of "all ages and abilities" facilities.
- Improve bicycle and pedestrian network connectivity, particularly for accessibility to the transit system.
- Include equity in the evaluation of needs and priorities.
- Emphasize safety improvements for bicyclists and pedestrians.
- Continue to refine active transportation metrics.

Streets & Highways

- Complete strategic streets and highway projects such as the Puget Sound Gateway Program.
- Complete HOV and highway Express Toll Lane networks.
- Address seismic retrofit of aging highways and bridges.
- Identify new revenue sources to address gaps for local jurisdictions.
- Support implementation of the projects in the plan through local agency comprehensive plans.
- PSRC will continue to engage with stakeholders on the needs of the system and continued data collection and monitoring.
- PSRC will continue to participate in the development of state plans and programs.

Freight

- Consider freight needs in roadway design and pavement standards of local jurisdictions.
- Develop curbside management strategies and policies to accommodate commercial and residential deliveries, in addition to people traveling by walking, biking, or by vehicle.

- Local jurisdictions should actively engage with efforts being led by the State of Washington on truck parking. Support completion and implementation of the state's truck parking action plan.
- Consider freight issues on local comprehensive plan updates.
- Eliminate conflicts between freight movement and other modes of transportation.
- Continue to support collaborative freight groups, such as the PSRC Freight Advisory Committee and state-led freight efforts.
- PSRC will work with member agencies to compile best practices for design, management, and operation of freight transportation, and serve as a clearinghouse to help partner agencies share this information.

Aviation

- Promote coordinated planning and effective management to optimize the region's aviation system in a manner that minimizes health, air quality, and noise impacts to communities, including historically marginalized communities.
- Consider demand management alternatives as future growth needs are analyzed, recognizing capacity constraints at existing facilities and the time and resources necessary to build new ones.
- Support the state-led Commercial Aviation Coordinating Commission process of development of a new commercial aviation facility in Washington state.

TDM (Transportation Demand Management)

- Improve TDM integration in planning.
- Measure TDM program effectiveness and efficiency.
- Evaluate and address equity in TDM.
- Modernize the State of Washington Commute Trip Reduction law.

Technology

- Support member jurisdictions in monitoring emerging ITS activities, highlighting best practices, sharing technical assistance, and providing information on ITS assets and benefits.
- Support efforts to develop, evaluate, and implement emerging transportation technology.
- Jurisdictions should consider a multi-pronged approach to better highlight the benefits of ITS, including exploring more cost-effective options for retrieving data, developing and building more performance measures into ITS projects, and educating different groups on the benefits of ITS.

Safety

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- Collect data and monitor state and regional safety trends, considering context such as
 population and employment growth, travel mode changes, and equity. Use this
 information to publish an annual regional safety report and report to the board on an
 annual basis.
- Continue prioritization of safe infrastructure and separation of modes in project development.
- Evaluate the safety revisions included in PSRC's project selection process for any further changes needed in subsequent funding competitions.
- PSRC will work with partners to develop guidance and compile best practices on effective safety measures and programs.
- PSRC will convene regional partners and stakeholders to discuss the challenges and solutions to continue to make progress towards meeting safety goals. This will include addressing the full spectrum of safety elements and a Safe Systems Approach.
- Develop a Regional Safety Plan, including actions, targets, and performance indicators, with updates provided and progress tracked through an annual regional safety report. Seek resources for regional and local planning and projects. Going forward, the Active Transportation Plan and Regional Safety Plan will be used to help inform future regional and local planning, including both the criteria used to evaluate which projects are approved to be on the Regional Project Capacity List, and which projects are funded through the project selection process.

Maintenance & Preservation

- Continue to prioritize maintenance and preservation.
- Identify and secure new revenues to adequately address maintenance and preservation.
- Refine methodologies and analysis tools to better assess maintenance and preservation needs.
- Monitor overall investment levels in maintenance and preservation.
- Consider future work programs to evaluate the impact to the system if it is not fully maintained and preserved into the future. This could potentially include alternative scenarios reflective of current trends in the levels of investment.

Chapter 2: Performing for People, the Environment, and Mobility

People

 Conduct extensive and effective public outreach as part of local jurisdiction and agency planning processes.

- Pay particular attention to understanding the needs and views of historically marginalized groups.
- Use data and tools to inform equitable public engagement processes.
- As part of the PSRC Regional Equity Strategy, support the Equity Advisory Committee, and develop additional resources and guidance to support local planning, including refinements to methodologies and scope of equity analyses. Develop approaches to evaluating displacement risk as part of equity analyses
- PSRC will continue to engage with members and the community to highlight the goals
 of the region's plans and to connect this work to local planning efforts.
- PSRC will continue to expand on equity in all aspects of regional transportation planning. PSRC will continue to improve and refine how equity is integrated into the policy framework for the distribution of the federal funds managed by PSRC.
- PSRC will continue to collaborate with its members and community partners to advance equity to meet the region's equity goals.

Climate

- Update local comprehensive plans with planned land uses consistent with the VISION 2050 Regional Growth Strategy, and adopt supportive policies, regulations, and incentives.
- Implement the transit projects, programs, and service levels identified in the Regional Transportation Plan.
- Identify new revenues and funding sources for the unmet local transit need.
- Pursue implementation of a statewide Road Usage Charge (RUC) to begin
 replacement of transportation fuel taxes by 2030. Ensure that a RUC system has
 flexibility in the central Puget Sound to fund transit, bicycle, and pedestrian projects,
 and to incorporate demand management.
- Advance the transition to zero emission vehicles and cleaner fuels, particularly electric
 vehicles (EVs). PSRC will continue collaboration with the Puget Sound Clean Air
 Agency in the development of a web-based clearinghouse and a Regional EV Plan.
 Coordination will continue with other partner agencies and groups such as the
 Washington State Department of Commerce and the West Coast Collaborative
 Alternative Fuel Infrastructure Corridor Coalition.
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- Because of the urgency of the climate crisis, it is imperative that the region achieve VISION 2050's 2030 greenhouse gas reduction goal of 50% below 1990 levels. To track progress toward this 2030 goal, in addition to the 2050 analysis year, PSRC will develop a 2030 transportation network and inputs corresponding to the Four-Part Greenhouse Gas Strategy, to conduct a 2030 analysis in alignment with the region's 2030 and 2050 climate goals. PSRC will continue to work with partner agencies including the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency on developing a climate implementation

strategy for achieving the climate goals and to monitor progress. However, based on initial analysis of the steps needed to meet the region's greenhouse gas reduction goals, if implementation of a road usage charge and significant decarbonization of the transportation fleet do not occur until the 2030s, it seems unlikely that the strategies outlined in this plan would enable the region to meet the adopted VISION 2050 greenhouse gas reduction goal for 2030. Achieving this goal will require modeling analysis to be completed no later than December 31, 2022, as well as the implementation of additional strategies and analysis by PSRC via additional work plan items included in the RTP.

Air Quality

- Continue to monitor pollutants of concern such as diesel particulates.
- Continue coordination and collaboration with the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency and other partners to ensure that the region meets federal and state transportation conformity requirements and air quality standards.

Resilience

- Advance the resilience of the transportation system by incorporating redundancies, preparing for disasters and other impacts, and coordinating planning for system recovery.
- Advance resilience planning through the 2024 comprehensive planning process.
- In coordination with the Puget Sound Climate Preparedness Collaborative, PSRC will
 work to prepare more detailed guidance on planning for resilience for the 2024
 comprehensive plan update process, including guidance for incorporating resilience
 into broader transportation planning efforts.
- Continue efforts to improve the analysis of resilience and environmental justice.

Water Quality

- As transportation projects are planned and developed, project implementers should consider how to minimize impacts and improve hydrological function.
- PSRC will continue to coordinate on water quality issues with the Puget Sound Partnership and other regional, state, and federal stakeholders.
- Remove, replace, and restore culverts to recover salmon passage.

Health

PSRC will continue to work with health agency partners on best practices, data
collection and inclusion of available relevant tools in planning processes and project
selection – e.g., the <u>Washington State Environmental Health Disparities Map</u> as an
additional layer along with the many other resources provided in PSRC's web based
mapping resources.

• Continue to refine and develop health measures and evaluation methodologies as part of regional planning.

Mobility

- PSRC will maintain state-of-the-practice analysis and data.
- PSRC will continue to refine its modeling an analyses methods, tools, and data, paying particular attention to historically underserved and marginalized populations.
- PSRC will continue to work to make its data and analysis available to its members and the public.



 PSRC will identify performance measures and targets for meeting key aspects of VISION 2050 and this RTP, including but not limited to greenhouse gas emissions, safety, reduction of gaps in active transportation system, implementation of the plan's financial strategy, vehicle miles traveled trends, and transit ridership by December 31, 2022, and will track progress on these measures through an online dashboard.

Chapter 3: Paying for the Plan

• In order to fully implement the plan, cities, counties, transit agencies, and the state should take steps to pursue the new funding mechanisms identified in the plan to fill any revenue gaps in the future.



- Continue laying groundwork for deployment of a Road Usage Charge (RUC), with early implementation beginning in 2030. PSRC will identify action steps necessary to implement this transition, as well as roles and responsibilities at the state, regional, and local levels.
- Make policy decisions on collection and distribution of user fees. PSRC members should advocate for flexibility in the application of RUC in the central Puget Sound area, as described in the region's 4-Part Greenhouse Gas Strategy and the RTP's Financial Strategy.
- The State of Washington should consider convening an inclusive group of local and state leaders, agency staff, and other stakeholders to have RUC policy discussions prior to adopting enabling legislation.
- PSRC will continue to refine methodologies and analysis tools, particularly to reflect needs and impacts related to maintenance and preservation.
- Given the significant preservation needs on I-5, more complete and current data should be routinely gathered to inform decision makers and identify actionable steps moving forward.

Chapter 4: Big Ideas and Implementation

A Comprehensive Active Transportation Network

 PSRC will continue to advance the work of the Active Transportation Plan and bicycle and pedestrian planning throughout the region.

Interregional High-Speed Rail

 PSRC will participate on a Policy Committee in support of the Washington, Oregon, and British Columbia Memorandum of Understanding to continue to advance work on a High Speed Rail Corridor.

Future High-Capacity Transit

- The region should continue conversations about the transit system it will need in the latter half of the 21st century. This will include expansion of modes such as commuter rail, light rail, bus rapid transit, and multimodal and passenger-only ferries.
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- PSRC will convene its members to have conversations about these longer-transit
 questions and continue its historic tradition as a forum for articulating a vision for
 transit service in the region.

Reimagining and Repurposing Infrastructure

 As WSDOT and other partners work to maintain preserve and potentially replace aging infrastructure, PSRC should provide information about innovative national and international projects as models for the conversation.

Aviation

- Through its seat on the State of Washington's Commercial Aviation Coordination Commission, PSRC will continue to represent the region's priorities and interests.
- PSRC should act as a forum for its members to coordinate on regional aviation issues, including the need for any future studies or analyses, as appropriate to its role.

Administrative Actions

Amending the Regional Transportation Plan

- PSRC will maintain and update a Regional Transportation Plan, fully compliant with applicable federal and state regulations.
- PSRC will provide opportunities for members to amend the Regional Capacity Projects
 List between plan updates, as determined necessary on a case-by-case basis.
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- PSRC will work with its members to update the RTP Prioritization Measures and how projects are evaluated at point of submission into the RTP. This will include consideration of all ages and abilities and a Safe Systems Approach.

Regional Transportation Improvement Program

 PSRC will maintain a regional Transportation Improvement Program fully compliant with federal and state regulations.

Policy Framework for PSRC Federal Funds

- PSRC will maintain a competitive selection process for PSRC-managed federal funds reflecting policy direction from VISION 2050 and in support of the Regional Transportation Plan.
- PSRC will update the Policy Framework for PSRC Federal Funds prior to each funding competition, usually on a two-year cycle. The Policy Framework will reflect any funding or implementation priorities identified by PSRC's governing board.

Policy and Plan Review

- PSRC will review and certify local plans for consistency with VISION 2050 and the Regional Transportation Plan.
- PSRC will review and certify Countywide Planning Policies for consistency with multicounty planning policies and the Regional Transportation Plan.
- PSRC will work with local transit agencies as they develop reports evaluating how their long-range strategic plans conform with state planning requirements, consistency with the Regional Transportation Plan and applicable multicounty planning policies. The reports should be considered and approved by the governing authority of the transit agency, and then transmitted to PSRC boards for review and comment.
- Washington state law requires PSRC to formally certify that the regional transit system
 plan prepared by the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority known as
 Sound Transit conforms with the Regional Transportation Plan (RCW 81.104).

The following sections identify PSRC administrative procedures and processes related to implementation of the Regional Transportation Plan, as well as how PSRC coordinates with other agencies and members.

Updating the Regional Transportation Plan

Per federal and state requirements, development of the RTP occurs every four years. By the time the next Regional Transportation Plan is due, the regional transportation system and the region's transportation needs will be significantly different than today. Specifically, the expansion of the high-capacity transit system, the changes in regional travel patterns due to the pandemic and the increase in remote work, continued regional growth, the climate crisis, and the significant changes in the federal and state funding environment mean that the next RTP will need to respond to a different set of challenges and opportunities. To do that, the next RTP should be prepared as a major update that includes environmental analysis. To prepare for the effort of preparing a major update, a Board work group should be convened following the adoption of this RTP, to develop a roadmap and timeline for the next RTP. In doing so, the Board work group should consider innovative approaches to regional planning, including surveying other national or international regional planning agencies. This roadmap and timeline should also consider the importance of aligning the RTP with state and federal funding cycles.

Amending the Regional Transportation Plan

The Regional Transportation Plan contains administrative procedures for amending new or revised project investments into the plan. The plan contains a variety of investments — to preserve and maintain the transportation system, to improve the system's efficiency, and to expand the system with strategic capacity. These investments incorporate various modes of travel on a wide range of facilities, from local roads to major interstates. Most of these investments are considered "programmatic" in nature and are not called out as individual investments. These programmatic investments include, among other things, preservation, maintenance and operations, and capacity investments on local roadways.

Projects that seek to modify capacity on the regional system are required to be explicitly identified on the Regional Capacity Projects List and are subject to additional review and approval by PSRC's boards. These projects have been mapped on PSRC's <u>Transportation System Visualization Tool</u>, which has been a valuable and useful tool for the update of the Regional Transportation Plan. PSRC intends to regularly update this tool with relevant data in support of future RTP updates. Appendix D contains information on those investments in the plan that are required to be on the Regional Capacity Project List, and which are subject to PSRC's Approval process and the administrative procedures for the plan.

The Regional Transportation Plan is formally updated every four years. This generally

provides a formal opportunity for new or revised projects to be amended into the plan. Amendments to the Regional Capacity Projects List between plan updates are made infrequently and are determined on a case-by-case basis. Projects must meet certain basic requirements prior to admission into the regional plan:

- The proposed investment meets the threshold of the Regional Capacity Projects List.
- The proposed investment has been derived from a comprehensive planning process.
- The proposed investment has the concurrence of all affected parties (for example, locally proposed investments on state-owned facilities would need to have WSDOT concurrence).
- The sponsor of the proposed investment provides information addressing the Regional Prioritization Framework, based on key VISION 2050 policy areas.

Per federal and state requirements, development of the RTP occurs every four years. The policies and goals in the RTP play a vital role in guiding the allocation of federal funding to regional transportation projects. To ensure alignment between the RTP and federal funding processes, a Board work group should be convened following the adoption of this RTP to make recommendations for aligning the schedules between the development of the next RTP and future project selection processes.

PSRC's Approval Process

Projects enter the plan as Candidate investments and must receive approval by PSRC's boards prior to implementation. In order for a project to receive Approval, the following must be met:

- Consistency with VISION 2050 Policies.
- Benefit-Cost Analysis (BCA) for investments greater than \$100 million.
- Final environmental documentation from a NEPA or SEPA process.
- Planning requirements, such as Memoranda of Agreements, zoning changes, etc.
- Financial feasibility, demonstrating that the proposed project has a reasonable expectation of full funding.
- Air quality, to determine if the project as submitted for Approval is consistent with the regional air quality conformity determination.

Project sponsors seeking to add new Regional Capacity Project to the plan must submit an application that includes questions related to nine prioritization measures that evaluate response to and consistency with VISION 2050 policy areas. These include emissions, freight movement, jobs, multimodal alternatives (i.e., transit and bicycle pedestrian modes), Puget Sound land and water, safety and security, equity and access to opportunity, designated growth centers, and travel/congestion. PSRC commits to updating and refining these

measures prior to the next plan update, including consideration of addressing "all ages and abilities" and a Safe Systems Approach for evaluating projects. See Appendix D.

Regional Transportation Improvement Program

The Regional Transportation Plan coordinates state, regional, and local planning efforts for transportation in the central Puget Sound region and fosters the development and operation of a highly efficient, multimodal system that supports the regional growth strategy. That includes using regional resources for regionally significant investments and promoting coordination among transportation providers and local governments as they make transportation investments.

The <u>Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)</u> reflects the implementation of the investments in the Regional Transportation Plan. Regionally significant projects must be explicitly listed in the plan and are subject to further review before they can proceed to implementation.

Regional significance is currently defined as those projects adding capacity to the regional system, as defined by specific thresholds for all modes including roadway, transit, nonmotorized, and ferry. Projects and investments below these thresholds are also subject to the policies in VISION 2050 and are contained programmatically in the plan's financial strategy but are not explicitly listed as projects. More information on these thresholds can be found in Appendix D.

The Regional TIP contains projects awarded PSRC's federal funds, other federally funded or state funded projects, and all other regionally significant projects that are required to be included in the region's air quality conformity determination. The TIP is a four-year programming document, so only those projects with current funds are shown. The TIP is updated on a monthly basis. All projects submitted are evaluated for consistency with VISION 2050 and the Regional Transportation Plan and are reviewed for financial constraint and air quality conformity requirements.

PSRC has procedures to monitor and track the implementation of projects and programs in the Regional Transportation Plan. Through the Regional TIP process, tracking of projects with PSRC's federal funds ensures the funds are being used efficiently and on a timely basis. Further, monitoring of project implementation occurs through both the Regional TIP process and the Regional Transportation Plan's approval process.

PSRC completes an Equity Analysis as part of each Transportation Improvement Program (for the most recent example see https://www.psrc.org/sites/default/files/tip2020-appendixf-equityanalysis.pdf). The analysis evaluates distribution by project mode (transit, roadway, bicycle/pedestrian, etc.), and proximity to and benefit or burden to different demographic groups.

Policy Framework for PSRC's Federal Funds

PSRC has an ongoing responsibility to establish and evaluate programming criteria that reflect adopted regional policy. The Policy Framework for PSRC's Federal Funds is updated and adopted by the PSRC Executive Board prior to each project selection process and is predicated on VISION 2050 policies that call for priority to be given to projects that serve regional growth and manufacturing/industrial centers, as well as locally identified centers. Project evaluation criteria are designed to support these policies and priorities and are reviewed and refined as part of the Policy Framework process.

A Project Selection Task Force is convened prior to each project selection process, to make recommendations on the Policy Framework. Prior to the next process the Task Force will take into consideration the adopted RTP and any guidance or emphasis areas included. To ensure alignment between the RTP and federal funding processes, a Board work group should be convened following the adoption of this RTP to make recommendations for aligning the schedules between the development of the next RTP and future project selection processes.

Prior to each project selection cycle PSRC conducts an analysis of the historic distribution of funds it manages by mode and county. This information helps the board to ensure that while certain transportation modes or parts of the region may receive a larger share of funds in an individual competition, funds are awarded equitably across the region and to a variety of project types over time.

As part of the development of the 2022 Policy Framework for PSRC's Federal funds both the safety and equity criteria were significantly enhanced. In addition, a commitment was made to conduct an evaluation of the recommended projects resulting from that competition, which will include working with PSRC's Equity Advisory Committee to debrief the process and conduct a new Equity Pilot Program, to be conducted in late 2022 or early 2023. Further, PSRC has committed to a board discussion in 2022 of the methodology for equitably distributing PSRC's FTA funds.

Because of the urgency of the climate crisis and the importance of meeting the adopted VISION 2050 greenhouse gas reduction goal of 50% below 1990 levels by 2030 and 80% below 1990 levels by 2050, beginning with the 2024 Policy Framework for PSRC's Federal funds, the framework will include a greenhouse gas report that will provide targets for how much the region's greenhouse gas levels must be reduced each year to meet the 2030 and 2050 goals. This greenhouse gas report will be considered in future project selection processes.

Policy and Plan Review

Long-range plans and policies are developed by the region's local jurisdictions, countywide planning groups, and transit agencies to help shape communities and plan for growth.

PSRC has established a process for the review of local, countywide, and transit agency plans. It is guided by: (1) the consistency provisions in the Growth Management Act, (2) state requirements for establishing common regional guidelines and principles for evaluating transportation-related provisions in local comprehensive plans, and (3) directives for coordination in PSRC's Interlocal Agreement and Framework Plan.

With the adoption of VISION 2050, PSRC updated the <u>Plan Review Manual</u> to reflect updated regional policies and provide details on how plans and policies are reviewed and certified. The manual provides guidance and VISION Consistency Tools for aligning plans and policies with VISION 2050 and requirements in state law.

Review of Local Comprehensive Plans, Certification of Transportation-Related Provisions

Local jurisdictions are asked to incorporate a brief report in future updates to their comprehensive plans that addresses: (1) conformity with requirements in the Growth

Regional Guidelines and Principles

State law requires regional guidelines and principles to be established for regional and local transportation planning purposes (RCW 47.80.026). Among the factors these guidelines and principles are to address: concentration of economic activity, residential density, development and urban design that supports high-capacity transit, joint- and mixed-use development, freight movement and port access, development patterns that promote walking and biking, transportation demand management, effective and efficient transportation, access to regional systems, and intermodal connections. The region's multicounty planning policies adopted in VISION 2050 serve as the region's guidelines and principles.

Management Act for comprehensive plan elements, (2) consistency with the Regional Transportation Plan (including consistency with established regional guidelines and principles, physical design guidelines for centers, and compliance with federal and state clean air legislation), and (3) consistency with the multicounty planning policies. Information provided in this report will be a primary tool for developing PSRC's certification recommendation regarding the transportation-related provisions for PSRC boards to consider.

Review of Subarea Plans for Designated Regional Growth Centers and Regional Manufacturing/Industrial Centers

Current PSRC procedures specify that jurisdictions with regionally designated centers — either regional growth centers or regional manufacturing/industrial centers — are asked to prepare a subarea plan for each center. The subarea plan should be adopted within four years of the designation of the center. The plan should include a brief report (similar to the one prepared for the jurisdiction's comprehensive plan) that outlines how the plan satisfies

Growth Management Act requirements for subarea plans, as well as regionally established criteria for center planning. This report will be a primary tool for developing PSRC's certification recommendation for PSRC boards to consider.

Review of Countywide Planning Policies and Multicounty Policies, Including Certification of Countywide Policies for Consistency with the Regional Transportation Plan

Countywide planning bodies are asked to include a report in updates to the countywide planning policies that addresses: (1) consistency of countywide planning policies and multicounty planning policies, and (2) consistency with the Regional Transportation Plan. This report will be a primary tool for the PSRC to develop a certification recommendation for consideration by PSRC boards.

Consistency Review of Transit Agency Plans

To coordinate transit planning with local and regional growth management planning efforts, transit agencies are requested to incorporate a report in their long-term strategic plans that addresses: (1) conformity of the strategic plan with state planning requirements for transit planning, (2) consistency with the Regional Transportation Plan, (3) compatibility of the strategic plan with multicounty planning policies, (4) compatibility of the strategic plan with the countywide planning policies for the county or counties in which the agency provides service, and (5) coordination with local governments within the agency's service area. The report should be considered and approved by the governing authority of the transit agency, and then transmitted to PSRC boards for review and comment.

Certification of Plans Prepared by the Regional Transit Authority

Washington state law requires PSRC to formally certify that the regional transit system plan prepared by the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority — known as Sound Transit — conforms with the Regional Transportation Plan (RCW 81.104). On June 23, 2016, the Sound Transit Board adopted the Sound Transit 3 Regional Transit System Plan and placed it on the November 8, 2016 ballot. PSRC staff, together with Sound Transit staff, prepared a conformity report evaluating the Sound Transit 3 Regional Transit System Plan. On September 22, 2016, the PSRC Executive Board took action and found that the Sound Transit 3 System Plan conformed to the region's long-range plans at the time, VISION 2040 and Transportation 2040. These plans have been updated to VISION 2050, which serves as the region's equitable development strategy, and this 2022-2050 Regional Transportation Plan. PSRC will review and certify any updates to Sound Transit's regional transit system plan.



DISCUSSION ITEM

September 15, 2022

To: Executive Board

From: Josh Brown, Executive Director

Subject: Puget Sound Data Trends

IN BRIEF

At the September 22 Executive Board meeting, PSRC staff will provide a background report on the latest Trends in the Puget Sound region.

DISCUSSION

As part of the long-range performance-based planning process, PSRC is involved in an ongoing effort to track a variety of regional demographic and transportation trends across the region. This presentation will look at several trends that highlight how our region has been impacted and is recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic. Some of the data includes population and housing growth as well as job changes and transit and airport usage in the region.

A few key points include:

- Population and Housing growth continued despite a global pandemic.
- Different modes of transportation are recovering at much different rates.

Following the presentation, PSRC staff will take questions and comments from board members. If you have any questions prior to the meeting, please contact Craig Helmann at chelmann@psrc.org.



INFORMATION ITEM

September 15, 2022

To: Executive Board

From: Mayor Becky Erickson, Chair, Operations Committee

Subject: Annual Weighted Votes Revision

IN BRIEF

Every September the weighted vote for the General Assembly and the Executive Board is revised to reflect the most recent population figures from the Washington State Office of Financial Management (OFM). The weighted votes as revised effective August 2022 is attached.

DISCUSSION

The methodology for allocating the weighted votes for the General Assembly and the Executive Board is set forth in the Interlocal Agreement (ILA), Article V, Section B.2, which provides that the total votes of all city and county jurisdictions within each county will be proportional to each county's share of the regional population. Further, county government will be entitled to fifty (50) percent of their respective county's total vote. City and town votes will be based on their respective share of the total incorporated population of their county.

For example, the April 1, 2022, OFM population figures show the region's member jurisdictions as a whole has a population of 4,372,905, up slightly from the 2021 figure of 4,319,995. Kitsap County's 2022 share of that regional population is 6.421%, with a total resident population of all member jurisdictions of 280,900. Therefore, Kitsap and all the member jurisdictions receive 64.21 total weighted votes (6.424% x 1000 weighted votes). Half of those total weighted votes or 32.12 go to Kitsap County and the other half are allocated to the cities within Kitsap County based upon their respective share of the total incorporated population of the county.

The weighted votes are updated every September, and do not impact the representatives to the Executive Board. The Executive Board representatives are reviewed every three years, pursuant to the ILA Article V, Section C.3. The Operations Committee's next review will be held this month.

For more information, please contact Nancy Buonanno Grennan, Deputy Executive Director, at 206-464-7527 or nbgrennan@psrc.org.

Attachments:

FY2023 Executive Board Weighted Votes

PSRC Executive Board Weighted Votes and Representatives effective August 5, 2022

	OFM				FY 2023
	4/1/2022	% of	Rep. Based on		Weighted
	Population	Population	% of Population	Representatives	Vote
King	2,317,700	53.001%	15.900	15.88	530.01
County	248,160	5.675%	1.702	2	265.01
Seattle	762,500	17.437%	5.231	4	97.64
Bellevue	153,900	3.519%	1.056	1 1	19.71
Federal Way	101,800	2.328%	0.698	1 1	13.04
Kent	137,900	3.154%	0.946	1	17.66
Kirkland	93,570	2.140%	0.642	1	11.98
Redmond*	75,270	1.721%	0.516	· 1	9.64
Renton	107,500	2.458%	0.737		13.77
Auburn	78,690	1.799%	0.540	0.88	10.08
Other Cities & Towns	558,410	12.770%	3.831	3	71.51
Other Cities & Towns	556,410	12.77076	3.031	3	71.51
Kitsap	280,900	6.424%	1.927	4	64.24
County	182,040	4.163%	1.249	1	32.12
Bremerton	45,220	1.034%	0.310	1	14.69
Port Orchard*	16,400	0.375%	0.113	1	5.33
Other Cities & Towns	37,240	0.852%	0.255	1	12.10
Pierce	936,040	21.405%	6.422	5.12	214.06
County	440,800	10.080%	3.024	2	107.03
Tacoma	220,800	5.049%	1.515	1 1	47.72
Auburn	10,060	0.230%	0.069	0.12	2.17
Lakewood*	63,800	1.459%	0.438	1	13.79
Other Cities & Towns	200,580	4.587%	1.376	1	43.35
Snohomish	838,265	19.170%	5.751	5	191.70
County	371,915	8.505%	2.551	2	95.85
Everett	113,300	2.591%	0.777	1	23.29
Other Cities & Towns	353,050	8.074%	2.422	2	72.56
Cities/Towns/Counties	4,372,905	100%	30.000	30	1,000.00
Statutory Members					_
Port of Bremerton				1	3
Port of Seattle				1 1	50
Port of Tacoma				1	30
Port of Everett				1	10
WA State Dept of Trans			1	30	
WA Trans. Commission				1	30
Statutory Members				6	153
Grand Total				36	1,153.00
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Population figures provided by OFM and only include member jurisdictions. (Non-members include Brier, Carbonado, Gold Bar, Index and South Prairie.)

Weighted votes are updated every September, and representatives for the Executive Board are reviewed every three years, per Interlocal Agreement, Article V.c.3. and as prescribed in RCW 47.80.010 and RCW47.80.060. The Executive Board Representatives will be reviewed next by the Operations Committee in the fall of 2022.

*Principal City Per OMB



INFORMATION ITEM

September 15, 2022

To: Executive Board

From: Josh Brown, Executive Director

Subject: Employee Status Report

PSRC would like to update the committee on staff who have transitioned roles. PSRC encourages and celebrates staff taking on new roles as aligned with their interest:

Monica Adkins - Support Services Specialist

Monica has worked at PSRC for over 5 years. Monica transitioned from an Administrative Assistant II in the Transportation Planning Division to Support Services Specialist in Administrative Services in September 2022.

Kristin Mitchell - Assistant Planner

Kristin has worked at PSRC for over 5 years. Kristin transitioned from an Administrative Assistant II in Growth Management Planning to an Assistant Planner in the Data Department in August 2022.

Maggie Moore - Senior Planner

Maggie has worked at PSRC for over 5 years. Maggie transitioned from the Regional Planning Division to the Growth Management Planning Division in October 2021.

Noah Boggess – Senior Public Engagement Specialist

Noah has worked at PSRC for over 2 years. Noah transitioned roles within the Regional Planning Division, moving from an Associate Planner to Senior Public Engagement Specialist in May 2022.

For more information, please contact Thu Le at 206-464-6175 or tle@psrc.org.



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2022

PART 1

9:00 a.m. — 12:00 p.m.

Zoom – Virtual Panels

PART 2

1:30 p.m. — 3:30 p.m. In Person Walking Tours

The region is growing and making historic investments in transit, with over one million new residents expected to live near high-capacity transit by 2050. Join industry and community leaders to explore innovative techniques and best practices to build and sustain equitable transit communities that are accessible to all people and help to achieve the region's vision for growth.

Free to attend. Online registration is now open.

