

2023 – 2026

TIP

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM



Appendix I

Approvals

October 27, 2022

PSRC's Executive Board adopted the 2023-2026 Regional TIP on October 27, 2022. State and Federal approvals are expected between November 2022 and January 2023 and will be included here as they are received.



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September 2022





October 27, 2022

Regional Transportation Improvement Program

The Executive Board has adopted the \$5.4 billion 2023-2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that shows projects moving forward in the central Puget Sound region through 2026, funded by state, federal and local funds. The draft TIP represents over \$34 billion in total transportation investments at project completion. View the [presentation](#) or watch the [meeting video](#).

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

Climate Change Work Program

The Executive Board was briefed on work to provide additional 2030 climate analyses. This is an early implementation action item from the Regional Transportation Plan. Since 2010, PSRC has had an adopted Four-Part Greenhouse Gas Strategy and conducted a climate analysis for the 2050 horizon year of the plan; this work will provide that same analysis for 2030. Work will also continue on various partnership projects with the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency and others. View the [presentation](#).

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Regional Transportation Plan Dashboard

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In other business, the board:

- Enjoyed a report from PSRC's federal partners on their recent certification of PSRC.
- Approved PSRC Executive Board representation.
- Adopted a routine amendment to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program.



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January 13, 2023

Roger Millar
Secretary of Transportation
Department of Transportation
Olympia, Washington

Attention: Marshall Elizer

**Federal Planning Finding and 2023-2026
Statewide Transportation Improvement
Program (STIP) Approval**

Dear Mr. Millar:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have reviewed the Washington Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) submitted on December 15, 2022, for Federal approval. In conjunction with the STIP approval, FHWA and FTA conducted a Federal Planning Finding review to determine that the proposed STIP is based on a statewide transportation planning process that substantially meets the requirements of 23 U.S.C. Sections 134 and 135, 49 U.S.C. Sections 5303-5304, and 23 CFR 450 Subparts A, B, and C.

During 2022, FHWA and FTA reviewed the transportation planning process at the statewide and metropolitan planning levels. The enclosed Federal Planning Finding documents the results of our review.

FHWA and FTA find that the projects in the proposed STIP are based on a planning process that meets federal requirements, and, therefore, give joint approval of the Washington 2023-2026 STIP. We also jointly affirm our air quality determination (documented in November 2022), that the State and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) meet air quality conformity requirements under the Federal Clean Air Act.

If you have any questions concerning the 2023-2026 STIP approval or Federal Planning Finding, please contact Matt Kunic, FHWA, at 360-753-9487 and/or Ned Conroy, FTA, at 206-220-4318.



Ralph J. Rizzo
Washington Division Administrator
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December 2, 2022

Josh Brown, Executive Director
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Dear Mr. Brown:

This is notification that the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) has approved your organization's readopted 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

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

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'R. Millar'.

Roger Millar, PE, FASCE, FAICP
Secretary of Transportation

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November 30, 2022

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**Air Quality Conformity Determination
Puget Sound Regional Council
2023-2026 Transportation Improvement
Program (TIP)**

Dear Mr. Brown:

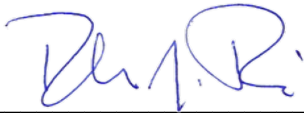
According to the Clean Air Act (CAA) of 1990, transportation plans, programs, and projects cannot create new National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) violations, increase the frequency or severity of existing NAAQS violations, or delay attainment of the NAAQS. As such, the Metropolitan Planning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

As of October 11, 2016, the Central Puget Sound Region, including King, Snohomish, and Pierce Counties, achieved “attainment” status for air quality conformity for carbon monoxide (CO). As of August 16, 2021, the 20-year maintenance period for the Seattle, Tacoma, and Kent PM10 maintenance areas has concluded, meaning these areas are no longer subject to the transportation conformity requirements of Clean Air Act section 176(c) and 40 CFR part 93. PSRC must demonstrate conformity for PM2.5 until March 12, 2035; however, the “attainment” status indicates a significant improvement made in the Central Puget Sound Region toward bettering our air quality in the State of Washington.

On October 27, 2022, PSRC made a formal conformity determination for the 2023-2026 TIP.

Based on our review of PSRC's conformity determination, as concurred with the Washington State Department of Transportation, Washington State Department of Ecology, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, FHWA and FTA find that the PSRC 2023-2026 TIP conforms with the SIP to reduce the severity and number of NAAQS violations.

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



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