



Puget Sound Regional Council

Regional Staff Committee | Remote Only

Date: Thursday, July 18, 2024 from 9:30-11:15 am

- 1. Welcome and Introductions (9:30)** – *Jason Sullivan, City of Bonney Lake*
- 2. Reports (9:35)**
 - a. Meeting Summary for June 20, 2024*
 - b. PSRC Announcements and Updates
- 3. Discussion Item (9:45)**
 - a. Regional Safety Plan Update on Engagement* – *Noah Boggess, PSRC*
- 4. Discussion Item (10:15)**
 - a. Puget Sound Regional Data Trends* – *Craig Helmann, PSRC*
- 5. Discussion Item (10:45)**
 - a. Title VI Demographic Profile* – *Carol Naito, PSRC*
- 6. Information Item**
 - a. PSRC Boards Working Topics Calendar*
- 7. Next meeting: September 19, 2024**
 - a. No meeting in August
- 8. Adjourn (11:15)**

*Supporting materials attached.

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Regional Staff Committee Meeting Summary

Date: June 20, 2024

Location: Remote Only

Presentations from the meeting are available on the PSRC website:

<https://www.psrc.org/rsc-meetings>.

Audio recording of the meeting is available by request.

Introductions and Announcements

Arun Sambataro, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:30 am. Participants were asked to view the meeting attendance on the “chat” feature on Zoom, and phone-in participants were asked to identify themselves verbally.

Reports

Ben Bakkenta, Director of Regional Planning, welcomed committee members and provided short updates on upcoming policy and Executive Board meetings and reviewed the status of ongoing projects in the work program.

Ben welcomed new members and alternates to the RSC, including:

- Cristina Ciupitu-Plath, Snohomish County Public Health
- Danielle Casey, Federal Transit Administration
- Gary Gant, US Department of Housing and Urban Development
- April Delchamps, WSDOT
- Jesse Reynolds, King County Economic Development
- Lacey Jane Wolf & Laura Benjamin-LaPitz, City of Bellevue
- Lauren Flemister & Mike Galizio, Pierce County

Discussion: Open Space Trends

Erika Harris, Senior Planner, shared that PSRC is developing a report on trends in open space conservation and enhancement to monitor implementation of the Regional Open Space Conservation Plan. She opened the floor for feedback on the draft.

You can view the presentation [here](#).

For more information, contact Erika Harris, Senior Planner, at eharris@psrc.org.

Discussion: Regional Safety Plan Update

Gary Simonson, Senior Planner, briefed the committee on work to develop PSRC's first Regional Safety Action Plan, funded through the USDOT Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program. He updated members on the scope of work in the fall of 2023, and at the June meeting, he shared the results of the initial research and data collection efforts.

You can view the presentation [here](#).

For more information, contact Gary Simonson, at gsimonson@psrc.org.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.

Members and Alternates Represented at the Table

See attached attendance roster.

PSRC Staff and Other Guests Present

Erika Harris, PSRC
 Mikayla Svob, PSRC
 Kathryn Johnson, PSRC
 Gary Simonson, PSRC
 Paul Inghram, PSRC
 Heather Culver, PSRC
 Eva de la Pena, PSRC
 Sohyeon Yun, PSRC
 Craig Helmann, PSRC
 Pauline Mogilevsky
 Gil Cerise, PSRC
 Olivia Ng, PSRC
 David Paine, City of Kent Staff
 GAH
 Maggie Moore, PSRC
 Drew Hanson, PSRC
 Nancy Buonanno Grennan, PSRC
 Liz Underwood-Bultmann, PSRC
 Jason Thibedeau, PSRC

ATTACHMENT:

A. RSC Member Attendance for the June 20, 2024, Meeting

PSRC Regional Staff Committee - Attendance Roster

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Jurisdiction	Member	Jurisdiction	Member
King County	2 Ivan Miller, King County Executive Office	Federal, Regional, State, Tribal & Other Agencies	
	McCaella Daffern, King County	FHWA	1 Matthew Pahs, Community Planner
	Rebecca Maskin, Demographer Alt		Vacant Alt
	Valerie Kendall, King County Alt	FTA	1 Ned Conroy, Community Planner
At-Large	2 Arun Sambataro, Equity/Social Justice, Co-Chair		Danielle Casey Alt
	Kwame Simmons, Policy Advisor Alt	Health	1 Cristina Ciupitu-Plath, Snohomish County
	Dan Cardwell, Local Services/Utilities, King Co		Richard Gelb, King County Alt 1
	Susan McLain, Local Services/Subarea Planning Alt		Jennifer Halverson Kuehn, Tacoma/Pierce Health Alt 2
Transit	1 Peter Heffernan, King Co Metro Gov. Relations	Ports	1 Geri Poor, Port of Seattle, Gov. Affairs
	Chris Arkills, King Co Metro Gov. Relations Alt		Deirdre Wilson, Northwest Seaport Alliance Alt
Economic Dev.	1 Amie Danielewicz, King Co Exec Office Alt	PSCAA	1 Jennifer Keene, Program Director
	Jesse Reynolds, Local Services/Econ Dev Alt		Kathy Strange, Air Quality Programs Alt
Seattle	2 Michael Hubner, OPCD	Puget Sound	1 Larry Epstein, Deputy Director
	Jonathan Lewis, SDOT	Partnership	Bebhinn Gilbert Alt
	Patrice Carroll, OPCD Alt	Sound Transit	1 Matt Shelden, Planning & Innovation
	Joanna Valencia, SDOT Alt		Alex Krieg, Planning & Integration Alt
Bellevue	1 Thara Johnson, Planning Manager, Comm Dev	Tribal	1 Vacant
	Lacey Jane Wolfe, Alt	Representatives	Vacant Alt
	Laura Benjamin-LaPitz, Alt	US EPA	1 Susan Sturges
Cities/Towns	3 Diana Hart, City of Kirkland		Erik Peterson Alt
	Jeff Churchill, City of Redmond	US HUD	1 Gary Gant, Director
	Brian Davis, City of Federal Way		Vacant Alt
	Minnie Dhaliwal, City of Issaquah Alt	WA Dept. of	1 Chris Green
	Vacant Alt	Commerce	Marie Davis
	Vacant Alt	WSDOT	1 Matthew Kenna, WSDOT
Kitsap County	1 Eric Baker, Policy		April Delchamps, WSDOT Alt
	Jeff Rimack, Alt	PSRC Committees	
At-Large	1 Heather Wright, Planning Director	PSRC Co-Chair	1 Ben Bakkenta, Director of Regional Planning
	Patty Charnas, Bainbridge Island Alt	BPAC	1 Vacant
Transit	1 Edward Coviello, Kitsap Transit		Vacant
	Vacant Alt	FAC	1 Geri Poor, Port of Seattle, Gov. Affairs
Economic Dev.	1 Joe Morrison, KEDA		Vacant Alt
	Vacant Alt	RPEC	1 Doug McCormick, RPEC Chair
Bremerton	1 Andrea Spencer, Community Dev, Co-Chair		Shane Weber, RPEC Vice Chair
	Garrett Jackson, Planning Manager, Alt	SNTC	1 Susan Carter, SNTC Chair
Cities/Towns	1 Nick Bond, Comm Development, Port Orchard		Vacant Alt
	Patty Charnas, Bainbridge Island Alt	TDM	1 Jennifer Hass, Community Transit
Pierce County	1 Lauren Flemister, Assistant Director		Sarah Spicer, City of Seattle, Alt
	Mike Galizio, Transportation Planning Supervisor, Alt	R	R = Remote attendance
At-Large	2 Tiffany Speir, Lakewood, Planning		
	Jason Sullivan, Bonney Lake, Planning, Co-Chair		
	Ryan Windish, Sumner, Alt		
	Angelie Stahlnecker, Milton, Alt		
Transit	1 Vacant		
	Darin Stavish, Pierce Transit, Alt		
Economic Dev	1 Rob Allen, Economic Development		
	Vacant Alt		
Tacoma	1 Peter Huffman, Planning & Dev Svcs		
	Vacant		
Cities/Towns	1 Kendall Wals, Puyallup		
	Chris Larson, Fife, Alt	R	
Snohomish County	1 Mike McCrary, PDS Director	R	
	David Killingstad, Planning & Development		
At-Large	2 Kelly Snyder, Director, Co-Chair	R	
	Ken Klein, Executive Director		
	Jay Larson, Public Works Supervisor, Alt		
	Joshua Dugan, Exec Operations Officer, Alt		
Transit	1 Melissa Cauley, Community Transit		
	Melinda Adams, Everett Transit Alt	R	
Economic Dev	1 Neepaporn Bounjaktha, Economic Dev		
	Vacant Alt		
Everett	1 Yorik Stevens-Wajda, Planning Director		
	Becky Ableman McCrary, Long Range Planning Mgr		
Cities/Towns	1 Russ Wright, Lake Stevens, Comm Dev. Director	R	
	Vacant Alt		
Total Members	47	Attended 26	



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DISCUSSION ITEM

To: Regional Staff Committee

From: Noah P. Boggess, Senior Public Engagement Specialist

Subject: **Regional Safety Plan Update on Engagement**

IN BRIEF

PSRC staff are working with consultant partners Uncommon Bridges to create and execute an engagement strategy for the Regional Safety Action Plan, which is being developed through funding awarded by the USDOT Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Grant Program. The Regional Staff Committee will be briefed on the engagement plan and work to date and will have an opportunity to provide feedback.

BOARD CALENDAR

This item will summarize public engagement efforts for the Regional Safety Action Plan that have begun and will continue steadily throughout the summer and fall. Staff will present an early engagement summary at the September Transportation Policy Board and Executive Board meetings.

DISCUSSION

The 2022 Regional Transportation Plan directs PSRC to develop a Regional Safety Plan, including actions, targets, and performance indicators. It also directs PSRC to seek resources for regional and local planning and projects and, going forward, to use the Regional Safety Plan to help inform future regional and local planning.

The Federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) adopted in 2021 established the new SS4A discretionary program with \$5 billion in appropriated funds over five years. In 2022, PSRC, in coordination with the Cities of Burien, Everett, Kent, Redmond, Tukwila, and Pierce County applied for and in February 2023 was awarded \$4.9 million for safety planning.

PSRC is using its portion of grant funding to develop a Regional Safety Plan. Because of the size, scope, and funding timeline for this work, PSRC has contracted two consultant teams to assist with the completion of the Regional Safety Plan. One consultant team, led by WSP, will be working on the technical aspects of the Regional Safety Plan such as data analysis and policy research. The second consultant team, led by Uncommon Bridges, will focus on equitable engagement for the project. The two consultant teams are working closely together alongside PSRC staff for the duration of the project.

PSRC staff and consultant partners have created an engagement plan to share with the Regional Staff Committee.

For more information, contact Noah P. Boggess, Senior Public Engagement Specialist, at 206-798-4462 or nboggess@psrc.org.



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DISCUSSION ITEM

To: Regional Staff Committee
From: Craig Helmann, Director of Data
Subject: **Puget Sound Regional Data Trends**

IN BRIEF

At the July 18 Regional Staff Committee meeting, PSRC staff will provide a background presentation on the latest Trends in the Puget Sound region.

BOARD CALENDAR

This item will provide an overview of selected regional growth, environmental, and transportation trends and updated data resources available to members and the public. The topic is tentatively scheduled for the September Executive Board meeting.

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 continues to change post-pandemic. Some of the data includes the latest population growth from the Office of Financial Management, changes in jobs and unemployment within the region along with changes in vehicle and transit usage.

Following the presentation, PSRC staff will take questions and comments from committee members.

For more information, contact Craig Helmann, Director of Data, at 206-389-2889 or chelmann@psrc.org.



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DISCUSSION ITEM

To: Regional Staff Committee
From: Carol Naito, Program Manager – Data Applications
Subject: Title VI Demographic Profile

IN BRIEF

At its meeting on July 18, 2024, the Regional Staff Committee will hear about PSRC's work to conduct a triannual update to its Title VI demographic profile, a component of the agency's broader Title VI Plan.

BOARD CALENDAR

This agenda item will provide information about an upcoming update to the region's Demographic Profile, along with planned enhancements and refinements to the data. The topic is not scheduled for Board briefings, discussion, or action.

DISCUSSION

As part of its Title VI requirements, PSRC develops and maintains a [Title VI Plan](#) which includes a demographic profile of the central Puget Sound region's people of color, low-income, and other demographic populations relevant to supporting the agency's equity work program as well as public outreach and engagement activities. The profile is updated every three years, with the last update occurring in 2021.

The Committee will hear about the role and purpose served by the Title VI demographic profile in metropolitan planning organization (MPO) activities, and the federal statutory and administrative framework that governs this planning requirement.

The presentation will also include an overview of the agency's [2021 Central Puget Sound Demographic Profile](#), including key data highlights, as well as the scope of work for the 2024 update to the profile.

NEXT STEPS

PSRC is working collaboratively with a subcommittee of the Equity Advisory Committee (EAC) to finalize the 2024 demographic profile for submission to our federal funding partners in October. We will also be working with the EAC and EAC subcommittee to develop an interactive Storymap report to highlight key findings from the demographic profile to share with the broader public.

For additional information, please contact Carol Naito, Program Manager, at cnaito@psrc.org or 206-464-7535.

WORKING TOPICS CALENDAR – SUBJECT TO REVISION

PSRC Policy Boards, Executive Board, and Economic Development District Board

July – December 2024

	PSRC Policy Boards, Executive Board, and Economic Development District Board			
	Growth Management Policy Board	Transportation Policy Board	Economic Development District Board of Directors	Executive Board
July	Jul 18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tree Protection and Housing Tree Equity Collaborative Regional Open Space Trends 	Jul 11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual FTA Funding Adjustments Project Selection Competition Recommendations Coordinated Mobility Planning 	Jul – No meeting 25	Jul 25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comprehensive Plan review and certification framework Project Selection Approvals Equity Advisory Committee quarterly update (EAC co-chairs)
August	Aug – No meeting	Aug – No meeting	Aug – No meeting	Aug – No meeting
September	Sept 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comprehensive Plan certifications Port Gamble S'Klallam culvert program Annual Transit Oriented Development (TOD) event 	Sept 12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Release Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for public comment Regional Safety Action Plan progress update briefing Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) development 	Sept 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2025 State Legislative Agenda Military and Defense Sector Economic Impact Analysis PSRC Data Overview/Trends 	Sept 26 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comprehensive Plan certifications Regional Safety Action Plan progress briefing Tentative - PSRC Data Trends
October	Oct 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comprehensive Plan certifications Tribal comprehensive plans Annual TOD event 2025 State Legislative Agenda Transportation Safety Project 	Oct 10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommend approval of the TIP RTP development Review of Safety Plan outreach to date 2025 State Legislative Agenda 	Oct – No Meeting	Oct 24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comprehensive Plan certifications Approve Transportation Improvement Program Tentative – Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Update briefing
November	Nov 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comprehensive Plan certifications 2024 housing monitoring Designated Regional Centers system monitoring 	Nov 14 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RTP development RTP Scope of update recommendation Project Selection future work item 	Nov – No meeting	Nov – No meeting
December	Dec – No meeting	Dec 12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RTP development Project Selection future work items Regional Safety Action Plan, release draft for public comment 	Dec 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2025 Economic Development Priorities Additional topics to be determined 	Dec 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Executive Session: Executive Director's Performance Evaluation 2024 housing monitoring EAC Quarterly Update (EAC co-chairs) RTP – approve scope of update

Updated: 7/10/2024

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