

Regional Project Evaluation Committee Agenda

Date: March 28, 2025, from 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Online Meeting Only: Use Zoom Connection Information Provided Below

1. Introductions and Announcements (9:30)

2. Approve Meeting Summary for February 28, 2025* (9:35)

3. Transportation Policy Board Debrief

The 'At Work' report for the Transportation Policy Board meeting on Thursday, March 13, 2025, is available on the PSRC website at: https://www.psrc.org/board/transportation-policy-board.

- **4. Discussion Item: Legislative Update (9:40)** *Kelly McGourty, PSRC*PSRC staff will share information on the tracking of federal activities, including a form now available on <u>PSRC's website</u> for local agencies to share information on delays or challenges accessing federal funding.
- 5. Discussion Item: 2025 Project Delivery (10:00) Kalon Thomas, PSRC
 PSRC staff will provide an update on the region's 2025 federal delivery and current status of the annual TIP rebalancing process.
- 6. Discussion Item: Regional Capacity Project List (10:15) Jennifer Barnes, PSRC PSRC staff will provide an update on the Call for Regional Capacity Projects being released as part of the development of the 2026 Regional Transportation Plan.
- 7. Discussion Item: Regional Safety Action Plan (10:30) Kelly McGourty, PSRC

PSRC staff will brief the committee on comments received on the Draft Regional Safety Action Plan, and upcoming board discussions on the integration of the final safety plan analyses and findings into the 2026 Regional Transportation Plan.

- 8. Other Business (10:55)
- 9. Information Items:
 - a. VISION 2050 Awards Call for 2025 Nominations*
 - b. 2025 Regional Household Travel Survey*
 - c. Summer Planning Academy (SPA) for High School Students*

10. Next Meeting: April 25, 2025

11. Adjourn (11:00)

*Supporting materials attached

For more information, contact Jennifer Barnes, Program Manager, at (206) 389-2876 or jbarnes@psrc.org.

Zoom Connection:

- Join the meeting
- Listen by phone 1-888-475-4499
- Meeting ID: 847 8126 8394 Passcode: 167856

RPEC Attendees:

Please adhere to a few virtual meeting rules:

- Please keep your mic muted when not speaking
- Use *6 to mute/unmute phone
- When watching the meeting via computer and using phone audio, mute your computer's speakers and mic.

Please Note: As this is an advisory committee meeting, we ask that interested parties remain in a "listen only" mode during the meeting by keeping their audio muted at all times.

Other Formats:

- Sign language, and communication material in alternative formats, can be arranged given sufficient notice by calling 206-464-7090, TTY Relay 711
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Regional Project Evaluation Committee Meeting Summary

Date: February 28, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Location: Remote – Online Meeting Only (Zoom Connection)

Introductions and Announcements

Jennifer Barnes, PSRC, welcomed everyone at 9:30 a.m.

Josh Brown, PSRC, updated the committee on efforts to track happenings at the federal level and faciliate ongoing coordination communication between PSRC member agencies and other partners. Robyn Koskey, PSRC, then briefed the committee on coordination with the region's federal delgation to communicate details and the magnitude of federally funded projects in the region. She shared maps that were developed by PSRC staff to show the projects that obligated federal funds in 2024 and 2025, provided here.

Jennifer then took a roll call to confirm the members and alternates present.

Approval of Meeting Summary

The January 24, 2025, RPEC meeting summary was approved as presented.

Transportation Policy Board Debrief

Jennifer Barnes, PSRC, reviewed the Transportation Policy Board meeting held on February 13. The 'At Work' report for the Transportation Policy Board meetings are available on the PSRC website at: https://www.psrc.org/board/transportation-policy-board.

Discussion: Project Delivery

Jay Drye, WSDOT, gave an update on federal project delivery from the state perspective. The state is continuously monitoring federal directives, and he shared that some recent programs have been pulled back for federal review, which is not uncommon when there are changes in administration. However, he stressed the importance that the agencies need to keep moving forward on federally funded transportation projects and avoid the risk to federal funds that could come with delays. He confirmed that the routine STIP approval process is moving forward, as well as federal reimbursements to projects that have obligated.

Jennifer Barnes, PSRC, provided an update on funds that have been voluntarily returned and can be awarded to eligible projects on the contingency list, outside of the 5-step

rebalancing process. There is about \$13 million of 2025 funds available for contingency list award; PSRC coordinating with sponsors of eligible projects to confirm if any are ready to go for 2025. Any funds not awarded will be added to the redistribution pot for the 2025 rebalancing process. Kalon Thomas, PSRC, then provided an update on the current delivery status. He shared that there have been five requests for 45-day extensions; these projects, if approved, will have their obligation deadline moved to July 15 but will still deliver in FY25. He then provided an overview of the 1-year extensions requested, and the extension review and approval process that will be completed at the April board meetings. He then provided estimates to date of the elements that add to the delivery gap, as well as the elements that reduce the gap. While details are still being confirmed by staff, this year's delivery gap is estimated at up to ~\$26 million. He provided an overview of the 5-step rebalancing process and confirmed that implementation of step 1 (project advancements) and step 3 (increased federal shares) are expected to be sufficient to fill this year's delivery gap. PSRC is currently confirming contingency projects, exchanges, and increased federal shares with sponsors; all will be included in the March TIP amendment. Supplemental funding to contingency list projects will require a TIP application for inclusion in the April amendment. PSRC will continue to monitor delivery status and adjust as needed. Jennifer and Kelly McGourty, PSRC, reaffirmed the importance of timely submittal of obligation paperwork to help facilitate WSDOT review and avoid risk to delivery of the region's federal funds, and requested that if agencies do experience unexpected issues, to let PSRC know.

The presentation is provided on the PSRC website here.

For more information, contact Jennifer Barnes at <u>JBarnes@psrc.org</u> or Kalon Thomas at <u>KThomas@psrc.org</u>.

Discussion: Regional Transportation Plan / Regional Safety Plan

Kelly McGourty, PSRC, provided an update on the work happening on the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) development. Current efforts are focused on the development of a Current Transportation System report, which is planned for completion in late April. Staff is completing inventory and assessments in the areas of transit, pedestrian and bicycle facilities, streets & highways, ITS, freight facilities, and maintenance & preservation. The RTP will include assessment of where people and jobs are today and planned for in 2050—at varying densities—and identify potential gaps in the transportation system supporting those places. She presented an example of how this type of information has been compiled for transit, bicycle and pedestrian modes, which were presented to the board in February. The March board presentation will focus on streets & highways, freight, and ITS. The report will provide information on key trends and uses of the system, the effects of congestion, the High Injury Network, and recognizing different contexts around the region. Upcoming efforts include the call for Regional Capacity Projects, which is planned to go out in late March, and ongoing work to develop estimates of investments in support of the RTP financial strategy, which will be the focus of the May

and June board discussions. She then discussed how the Regional Safety Action Plan and Comprehensive Climate Action Plan will inform the RTP. Committee members are encouraged to provide comments and suggestions related to safety, and it is planned to be a focus of continuing discussion in March and April.

The presentation is provided on the PSRC website here.

For more information, contact Kelly McGourty at KMcGourty@psrc.org.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:00 a.m.

*Members and Alternates Present

See attached attendance roster.

*PSRC Staff, Alternates and Guests Present

Alisa O'Haver-Ayala, City of Sumner; David Paine, City of Kent; Ellen Talbo, City of Renton; Eric Irelan, King County; Jay Drye; Jeff Raker, City of Shoreline; Jim Kelly, City of Arlington; Joe Rutan, Kitsap County; Kenneth Wilson, Sound Transit; Kirste Johnson, Sound Transit; Kim Scrivner, City of Kirkland; Laura Gurley, Port of Everett; Micah Ross, City of Redmond; Mike Randall, Snohomish County; Mehrdad Moini, WSDOT

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Ben Bakkenta, Jean Kim, Mikayla Svob, Jennifer Barnes, Kalon Thomas, Kelly McGourty, Olivia Ng, Erin Hogan, Josh Brown, Robin Koskey, Miles Stepleton

*All attendees were present via remote participation

RPEC Attendance Roster - Designated Members

Date: February 28, 2025 - 9:30-11:00 am Remote/Online Only

NOTE: Members are invited to sit at the table and vote. Alternates may sit at the table and vote when the member is absent. Please coordinate representation in advance of the meeting. All other Alternates and Guests are invited to attend and sit in the gallery. This roster is for attendance purposes only and should be marked by all members and alternates present at the table, regardless of voting status.

Jurisdiction	✓	Name	Jurisdiction	√	Name
King County (3)	X	Mary Bourguignon	WSDOT-NW Region (1)	X	Cameron Kukes
		Peter Heffernan			Mehrdad Moini (Alt.)
		John Vander Sluis	WSDOT-Oly Region (1)		JoAnn Schueler
		Andrew Kim (Alt.)	, , ,	X	John Ho (Alt.)
		Sarah Green (Alt.)	WSDOT-MoM (1)		Matthew Kenna
		Ivan Miller (Alt.)			April Delchamps (Alt.)
Seattle (3)	X	Sarah Strand	WSDOT-WS Ferries (1)	X	John Bernhard
	<u></u>	Jim Storment		\vdash	Krishan Aggarwal (Alt.)
	<u></u>	Joanna Valencia			Todd Lamphere (Alt.)
		Bill LaBorde (Alt.)	Kitsap Transit (1)	X	Steffani Lillie
		Serena Lehman (Alt.)		\vdash	Lindsay Cook (Alt.)
		Benjamin Smith (Alt.)	Pierce Transit (1)	-	Tina Lee
Bellevue (1)	IZI	Eric Miller	Theree Transit (1)		Darin Stavish (Alt.)
Bellevue (1)			Community Transit (1)		VACANT
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Other Cities/Towns (5)			King County Metro (1)	-	Kathryn Rasmussen (Alt.)
	X	John Mortenson, Issaquah			Chester Knapp
	-	Larissa Grundell, Duvall	_		Hannah McIntosh (Alt.)
	X	Ingrid Gaub, Auburn	1111	<u> </u>	Lisa Shafer (Alt)
	X	Nytasha Walters, Shoreline	Sound Transit (1)	×	Lisa Wolterink
	X	Vangie Garcia, Redmond (Alt.)			Tyler Benson (Alt.)
		Kimberly Scrivner, Kirkland (Alt.)			Kirste Johnson (Alt.)
		Dan Marcinko, North Bend (Alt.)			Monica Overby (Alt.)
		Ellen Talbo, Renton (Alt.)	Port of Seattle (1)		Geri Poor
		Vacant (Alt.)			Robert Giacopetti (Alt.)
Kitsap County (1)	X	David Forte	Port of Tacoma (1)		Deirdre Wilson
		Joe Rutan (Alt.)		X	Ryan Medlen (Alt.)
Bremerton (1)		Shane Weber, Vice Chair	Port of Everett (1)	X	Brandon Whitaker
	X	Gunnar Fridriksson (Alt. 1)			Laura Gurley (Alt.)
		Vicki Grover (Alt. 2)	Port of Bremerton (1)	X	Arne Bakker
Other Cities/Towns (1)	X	Diane Lenius, Poulsbo	0.00		James Goodman (Alt.)
		Vacant (Alt.)	PSCAA (1)	X	Kathy Strange
Pierce County (2)	X	Bekah Osterhaus			Jennifer Keene (Alt.)
	X	Peter Lewis-Miller	Suquamish Tribe (1)		VACANT
		Letticia Neal (Alt.)			VACANT (Alt.)
		Clint Ritter (Alt.)	Muckleshoot Tribal Cncl (1)		VACANT
Tacoma (2)	X	Dan Hansen			VACANT (Alt.)
		Brennan Kidd	Puyallup Tribe (1)		VACANT
		Josh Diekmann (Alt.)	1		VACANT (Alt.)
		Darius Thompson (Alt.)	NON-VOTING	1	VACANT - BPAC Member
Other Cities/Towns (1)	1	Mark Burlingame, Steilacoom			VACANT - BPAC Alternate
		Hans Hunger, Puyallup (Alt.)	7		
Snohomish County (2)	+	Doug McCormick, Chair	-		
Shohomish County (2)		Kelly Snyder	╡		
	X	Janice Fahning (Alt.)	╡		
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		Matt Ojala (Alt.)			nev. 1/2022
Everett (1)	X	Tom Hood, City Engineer	\dashv		
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Other Cities /T (2)	E	Angelique Thompson (Alt.)	-		
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Jim Kelly, Arlington (Alt.) Steve Morikawa, Bothell (Alt.)





Call for Nominations 2025

The Puget Sound Regional Council is seeking nominations for the VISION 2050 Awards Program through April 18, 2025.

The VISION 2050 Awards celebrate progress to enhance the region's communities and natural environment while advancing equity and opportunity for all. The awards recognize innovative work to create a better future for central Puget Sound.

We welcome nominations in the following categories:

On the Ground

Projects that show VISION 2050 in action today, including housing, mixed-use development or redevelopment, expanding access to opportunity, open space preservation, and transportation investments.

Planning Ahead

Comprehensive or subarea plans, economic development plans, climate action plans, equity initiatives, design guidelines, outreach programs, and other similar efforts that are shaping a positive future for the region.

Working Together

Cross-jurisdictional or public/private partnerships focused on solutions or working together to tackle tough problems and advance VISION 2050. Examples include multijurisdictional work on housing affordability, environmental and climate initiatives, corridor transportation planning, or other similar efforts to face long-term regional challenges.



The region's vision for 2050

is to provide exceptional quality of life, opportunity for all, connected communities, a spectacular natural environment, and an innovative, thriving economy. More information about the goals and themes of VISION 2050 can be found at

www.psrc.org

Eligibility

PSRC will only be accepting nominations directly from its <u>membership</u>. Others seeking to nominate projects can do so through the member jurisdiction in which the project is located. PSRC will help connect potential nominees with local governments to help with the nomination process. Please contact <u>Michele Leslie</u> with questions.

Nominations must be for projects, programs, plans or partnerships within the four-county region of King, Kitsap, Pierce and Snohomish counties that help achieve VISION 2050. More information about the goals and themes of VISION 2050 can be found at psrc.org/vision.

All nominated projects must be completed and open, plans must be adopted by their jurisdictions, programs must be in operation and partnerships must be formally working together.

Submit a Nomination!

Nominations must be submitted online through the <u>VISION 2050 Awards Nomination Form</u>

Learn more at: www.psrc.org

Scan the code for the nomination form



Schedule

April 18, 2025 – Nominations due

April-May 2025 – Awards Selection Committee composed of PSRC board members will select the award winners

Summer 2025 – Awards presented on location around the region





PSRC's Household Travel Survey gathers day-to-day information from households in the central Puget Sound region: how we travel, where we go, how long it takes us – even where we choose to live and whether we get home deliveries. The data helps communities throughout the region plan for transportation improvements, new housing and job growth.

The data collection for the 2025 survey is underway through June. PSRC is partnering with Pierce County this year.

The survey is only open to people who receive invitations in the mail. Please take part if you receive one and encourage community members to participate.









Summer Planning Academy (SPA) for High School Students

Are you curious about how cities grow, change, and develop? Have you ever wondered how governments decide where train lines should go? Do you have ideas about how to make our communities better places for everyone? If so, you should apply for the Summer Planning Academy (SPA)!



The Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) is looking for high school students from King, Snohomish, Pierce, and Kitsap counties who want to learn about urban planning in our region and share ideas about how to make the central Puget Sound region a better place to live, work, and play.

SPA is a leadership development opportunity offered free of charge to students interested in planning a better future for our region. The program encourages students to think creatively about how better planning can help people lead better lives.

Upon successful completion of SPA, students are eligible to receive a **\$500** scholarship. SPA sessions will take place in Downtown Seattle on July 30, August 1, 6, and 8.

To learn more about PSRC, SPA, and to apply, go to www.psrc.org/our-work/summer-planning-academy or scan the QR code.

