

Freight Advisory Committee



June 11, 2025



Puget Sound Regional Council



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Agenda

1. **Welcome and Introductions (9:30)** – *Doug Cox, PSRC*
2. **Action: Approval of Meeting Summary for April 9, 2025* (9:35)**
3. **Discussion: Regional Transportation Plan Status Update (9:40)** – *Doug Cox PSRC*

PSRC staff will share an update of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) work completed to date and upcoming work.

4. **Discussion: Regional Supply Chain Considerations (9:50)** – *Doug Cox, PSRC*
PSRC staff will facilitate a discussion with committee members about how to plan for a resilient supply chain.
5. **Discussion: Other Business and Announcements (10:50)**
6. **Adjourn (11:00)**
7. **Next Meeting: August 13, 2025**



RTP Work Completed to Date

February 2024 – May 2025:

- Key priorities for the next plan identified
- Scope of work adopted
- Update of current transportation system inventory
- Briefings on “gaps” in the current system to where people and jobs are
- Planned investments and current law revenues estimated through 2050
- Review of revenues vs. expenditures



RTP Upcoming Work

June – July 2025:

- Discuss new revenue sources and/or reducing investments to “fill the gap”
- Board to direct PSRC staff to analyze one or more draft plan scenarios over the summer

Results of analysis brought back to the board in the fall for further discussion, draft plan development



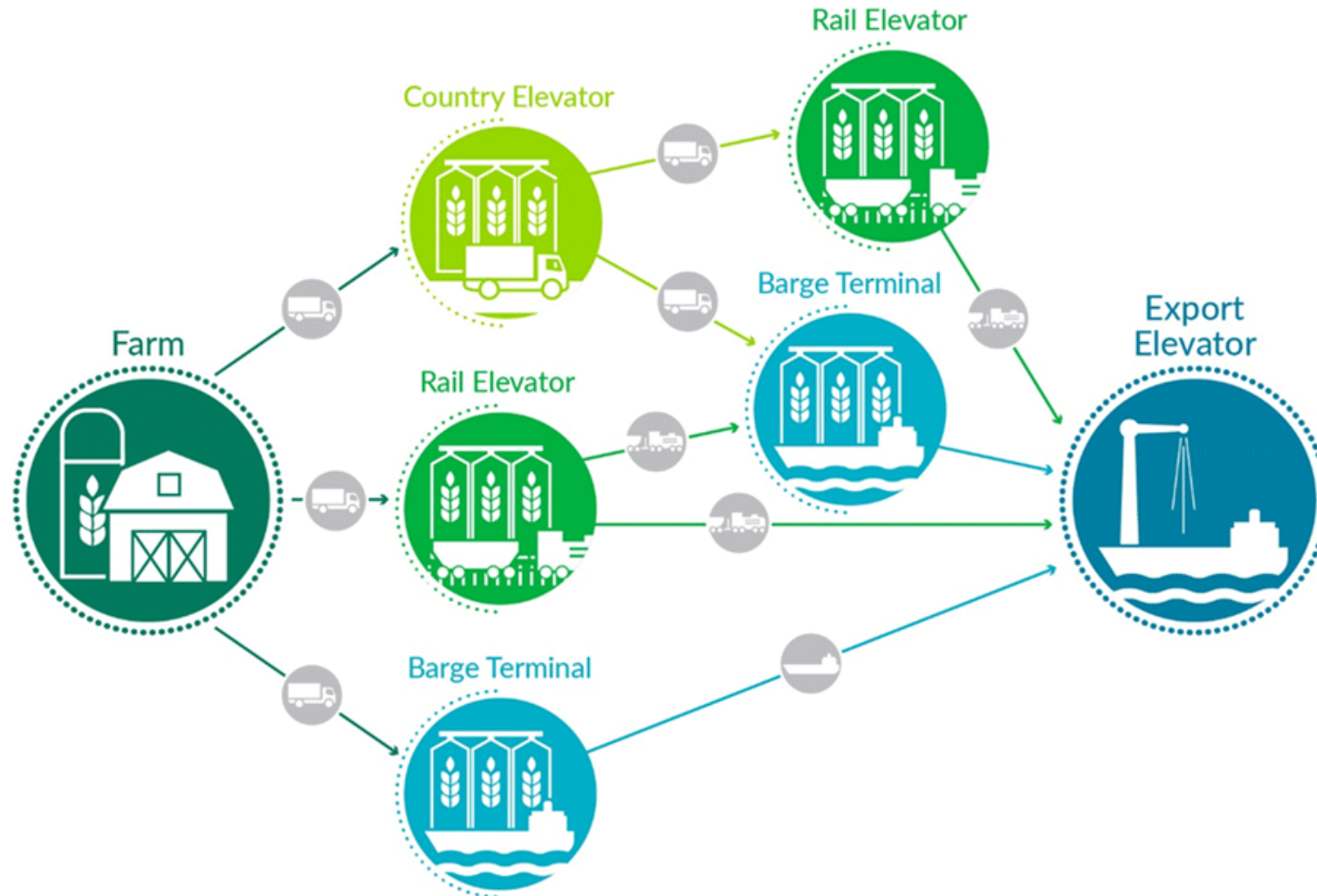
Supply Chains and Freight Movement Discussion



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2022 Washington State Freight System Plan

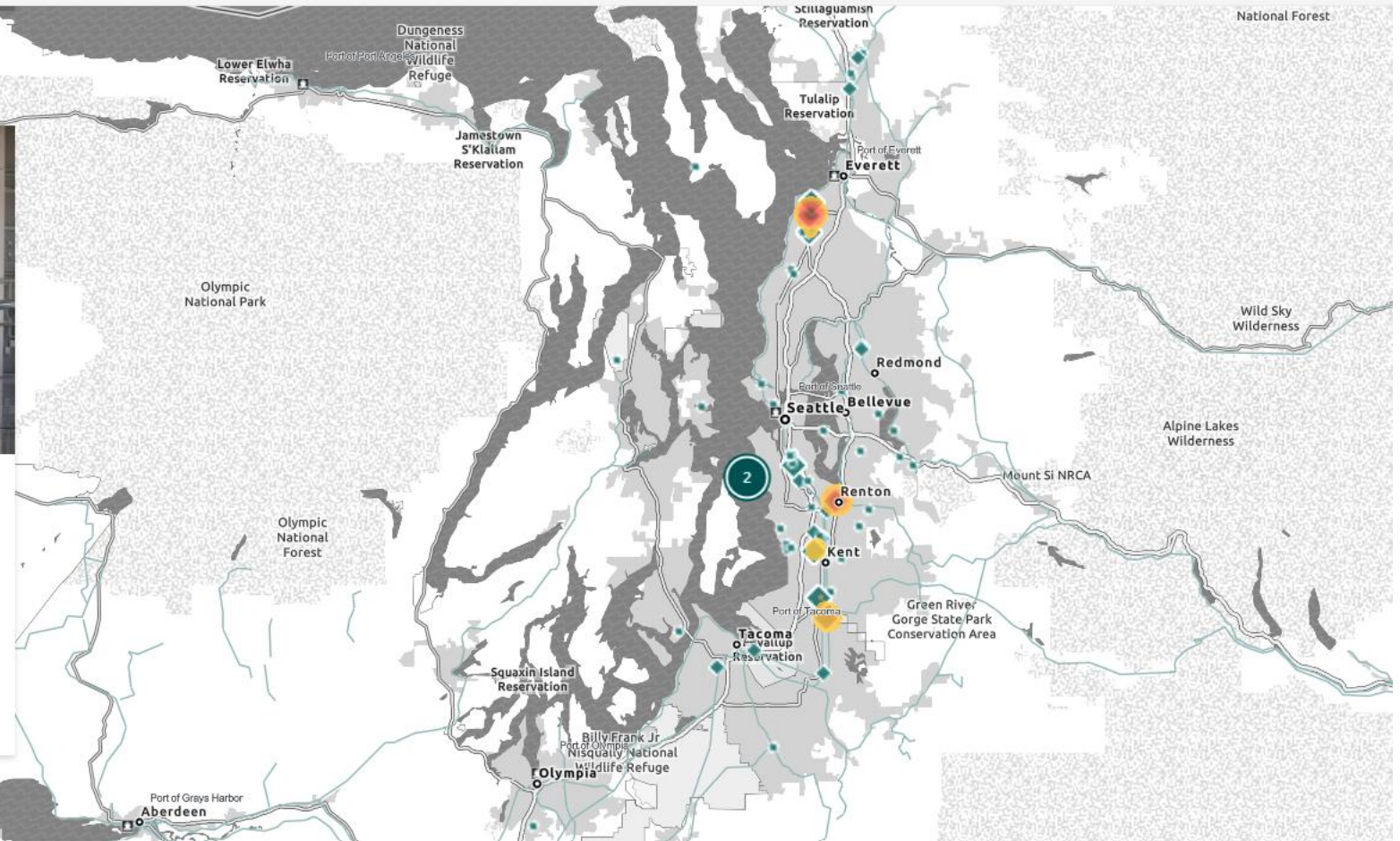


Freight dependent industries Agriculture Food manufacturing Forestry Aerospace manufacturing



Aerospace manufacturing supply chain

Aerospace manufacturing is heavily concentrated in the Puget Sound Region between Everett and Tacoma.

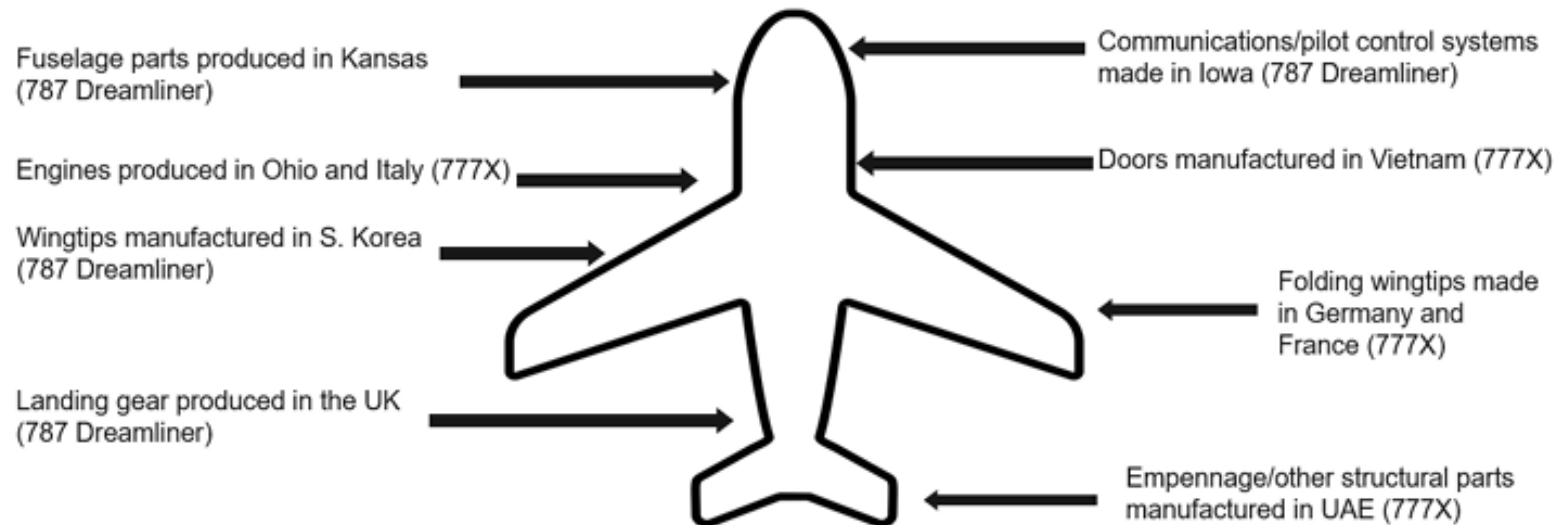


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Aerospace manufacturing supply chain

Airplanes are made up of over 500,000 parts and components, sourced from both domestic and international locations. Some of the representative parts are shown in Figure 61.¹⁰¹

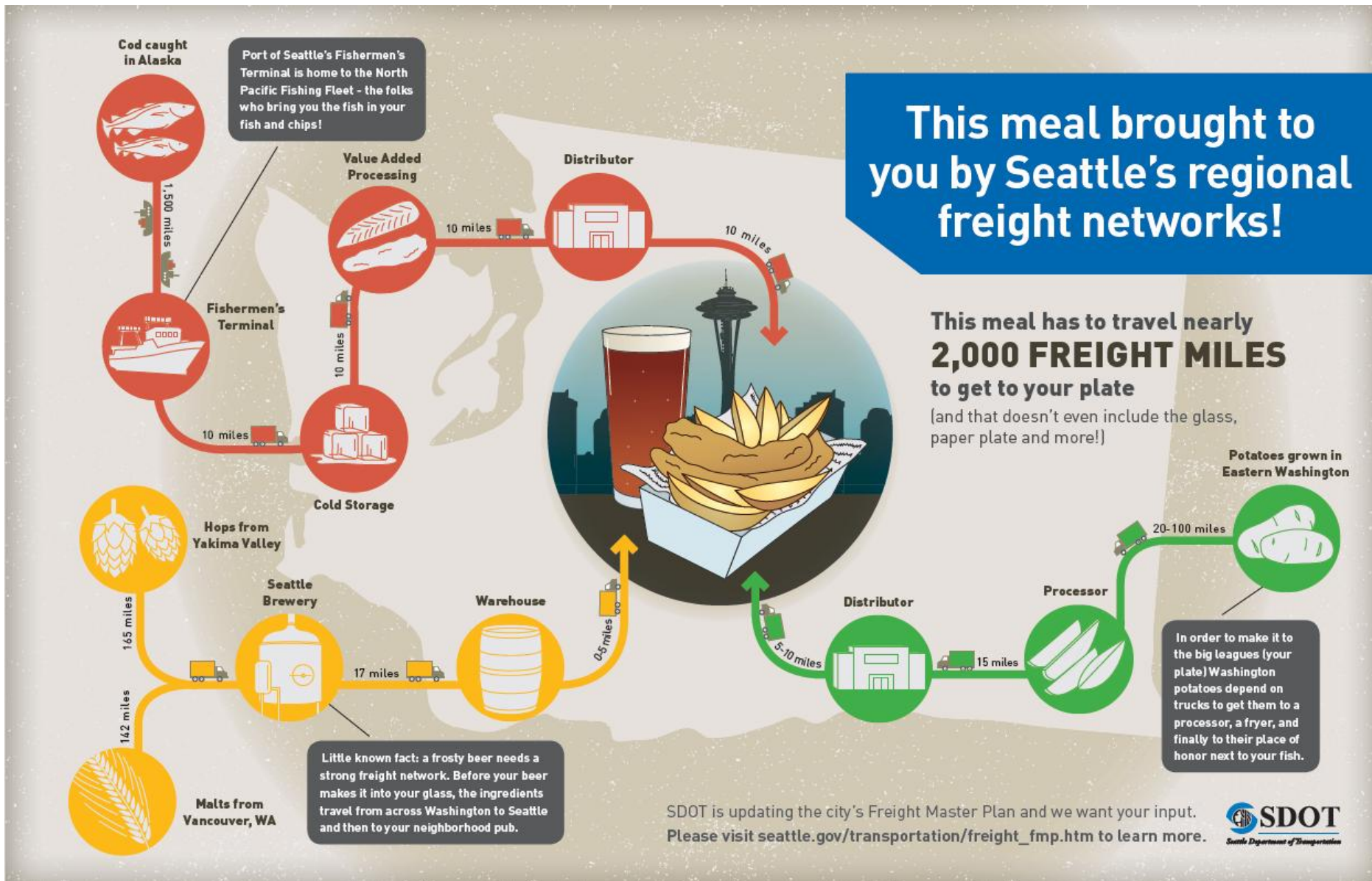
Figure 61: Aerospace manufacturing supply chain example



Source: CPCS analysis of available literature sources and industry knowledge, 2022.



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103-year-old SR 165 Carbon River/Fairfax Bridge permanently closed



April 22, 2025

[Olympic Region Communications](#), Communications, [360-357-2600](#)

Planning study underway to evaluate next steps for SR 165 across the Carbon River Canyon

CARBONADO – The Washington State Department of Transportation has permanently closed the State Route 165 Carbon River/Fairfax Bridge to all vehicle, bicycle and pedestrian traffic. The single-lane bridge is located near milepost 11.5, three miles south of Carbonado in Pierce County.

On Monday, April 14, WSDOT [closed the bridge](#) as a safety precaution after a recent inspection revealed new deterioration of steel supports across the bridge. Follow-up inspections prompted the agency to permanently close the 103-year-old bridge.

[Photos](#)  show the [bridge support column](#)  is bent in two directions and starting to buckle.

“It’s very apparent from the visual changes in the columns that the bridge is no longer safe to use,” said Olympic Region Administrator Steve Roark.

The bridge provided access to Mount Rainier National Park’s Mowich Lake Entrance, Carbon River Ranger Station and other outdoor recreation areas. Due to the closure of the bridge, there is no public access from SR 165 to these areas.

“Closing the bridge was our last option. We fully understand the magnitude of this decision for everyone who relies on this bridge,” Roark added.

A 9-mile emergency access detour is available for first responders and local property owners south of the bridge. The emergency detour route is not open to the public.



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- 1) How can we effectively plan for future supply chain disruptions?
- 2) Does planning to prevent transportation disruptions boil down to maintenance and preservation?
- 3) What other issues should we be planning for as a region?
- 4) What lessons has your agency learned from recent experiences?

