2025 FHWA Project Delivery

Regional Project Evaluation Committee September 26, 2025 **Puget Sound Regional Council**



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Today we will cover...



- Update on 2025 FHWA project delivery
- Preview of what's up next in 2026



2025 Project Delivery

- The PSRC region obligated 64 projects with a total of ~\$117.2 million in FHWA funds
- All 2025 obligations have been confirmed



2024 Rebalancing Policy Updates

Two updates recommended by RPEC and adopted by TPB in 2024:

- Adjusted process timeline to accommodate more June 1 deadlines
 - Advancements, Exchanges, Increased federal shares
- 2. Awarded supplemental funding to increased federal shares before contingency projects



2025 Obligations by Month





Obligations by Month





2025 Delivery – Early Takeaways

- Accelerating TIP/STIP timeline has had desired effect of earlier submittals more obligations completed by July
 - Positioned the region to be eligible for Redistributed OA
- Lower number of obligation completions still pending in Aug/Sept
- Communication/coordination between, PSRC, WSDOT, and sponsors was generally effective – fewer surprises
- But some issues remain...
 - Late starts leading to compressed timelines starting behind schedule leaves little/no buffer for setbacks
 - Delayed resubmittals slow turnaround times when addressing WSDOT comments and resubmitting paperwork

What's ahead in 2026

- Progress reports planned for late November/early December
- Extension requests will go out in January due February 15
- Advancement requests will also go out in January
- Advancements, exchanges, and increased federal shares planned to confirm in time for March TIP amendment
 - Adopted into the STIP by mid-April
 - Will have June 1 obligation due date



Federal Funding Landscape

- The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) expires on 9/30/2026
 - reauthorization discussions are underway
- Evolution of guidance, rules and program adjustments for current federal programs
- FHWA formula funds, such as STBG and CMAQ, have continued to flow and be obligated
- We want to hear from you if your USDOT-funded projects are experiencing challenges or delays
 - Link reporting form: https://www.psrc.org/about-us/member-organizations/federal-funding-issues-reporting-form



