

# Regional Transportation Plan

Equity Advisory Committee  
October 2, 2025



Puget Sound Regional Council



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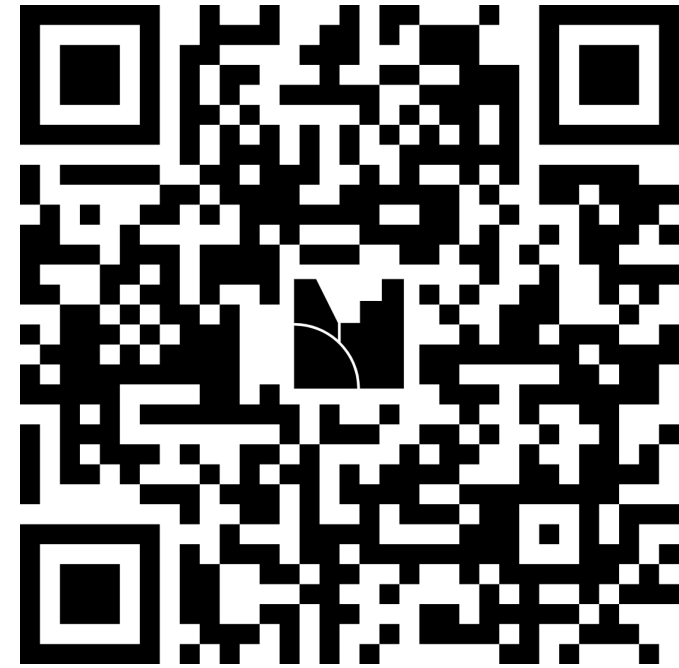
## What is your top transportation priority?

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# Today's Discussion

- Discussion questions for today's meeting
- Overview of work to date on Regional Transportation Plan
- Review of plan scenario development process
- Schedule and next steps
- Revised/new plan format
- Public outreach and engagement





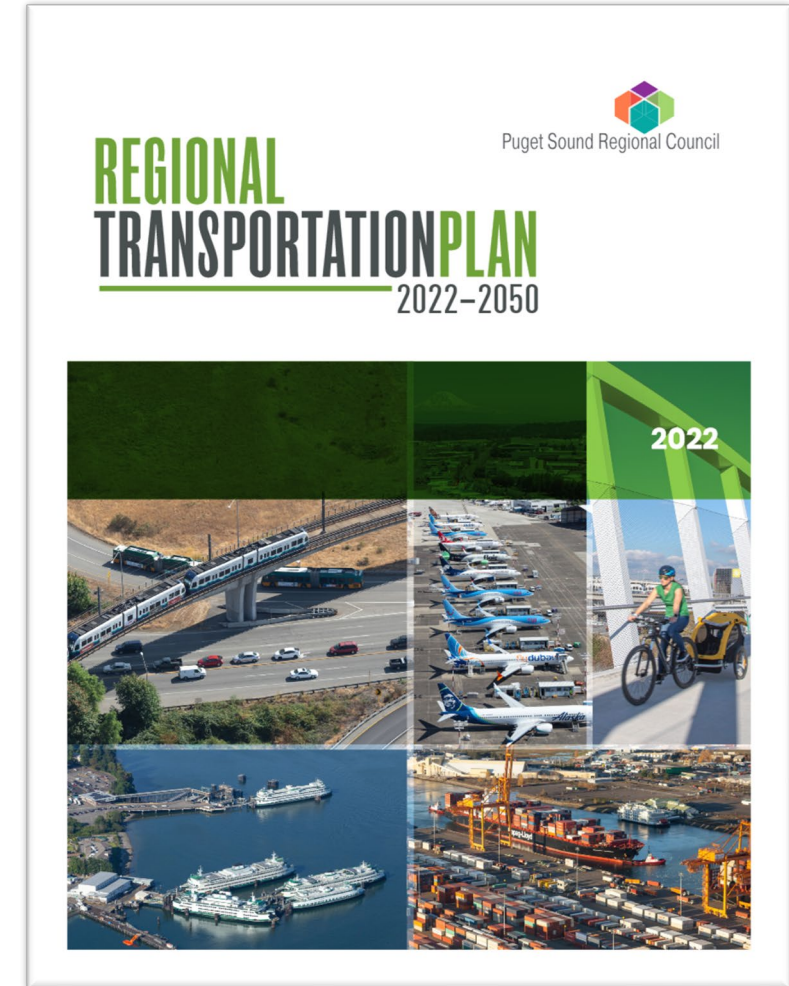
# EAC Discussion Questions

1. Which of the four Regional Transportation Plan scenarios do you prefer, and why?
2. Do you have suggestions for PSRC on how to make the plan more accessible and reader-friendly?



# Regional Transportation Plan: Requirements

- Meets federal and state requirements for a long-range regional transportation plan
- Identifies all transportation needs into the future across the region
- Guided by and supports VISION 2050 and the Regional Growth Strategy
- Is fiscally-constrained: we need to show how we plan to pay for all investments
- Is derived from planning at city, county, transit and state agency levels
- Local responsibilities remain for project planning, development, and implementation



# Investment Categories

## Proposed Investments

- **Regional Capacity Projects (\$72.7 billion total)**
  - Projects from cities, counties, ports, tribes, transit agencies and the state changing capacity on the regional system
  - Submitted from new comprehensive plans, current transit plans, new State Highway System Plan
  - Wide variety of investments meeting needs across modes, communities



# Investment Categories

## Proposed Investments

- **Programmatic System Improvements (\$92.5 billion total)**
  - Broad categories of investments from cities, counties, transit agencies and the state
    - E.g., local roads, sidewalks, bike lanes, signals, intersection improvements, etc.
  - Identified from new comprehensive plans, current transit plans, new State Highway System Plan– *all needed / desired investments to improve the system, projected through 2050*



# Investment Categories

## Proposed Investments

- **Maintenance, Preservation and Operations (\$200.1 billion total)**
  - Maximum investment = all asset categories are maintained, preserved and operated in a *full* state of good repair through 2050
  - Represents wide variety of assets and operations from cities, counties, transit agencies and the state
  - Includes estimates to address all backlogs, then maintain into the future; also includes operations of current transit system





# Scenario Development Process

There is a 21% funding gap between available revenues and all proposed investments through 2050

- Transportation Policy Board consensus to pursue a balance between levels of investment and new revenues:
  - Reviewed different levels of investment across all categories: major regional projects, local programmatic system improvements, maintenance & preservation, growth in transit service
  - Reviewed different levels of new revenues



# Four Scenarios Advanced into Analysis

**Scenario 1**  
Current Funding  
Sources

**Scenario 2A**  
More Than  
Today

**Scenario 2B**  
Focus on  
Maintenance  
and Transit

**Scenario 3**  
Maximum  
Investment



# Scenario 1 – Current Funding Sources

Regional Capacity  
Projects with some  
level of committed  
funding

Programmatic  
System  
Improvements at 70%  
of full unconstrained  
needs

No New  
Revenues  
required

Maintenance,  
Preservation and  
Operations at today's  
levels

Local Transit Service  
Growth at 1.0% per  
year



# Scenario 2A – More Than Today

Regional Capacity  
Projects starting  
before 2040

Programmatic  
System  
Improvements at 80%  
of full unconstrained  
needs

New Revenues  
required = \$42.8  
billion

Maintenance,  
Preservation and  
Operations at 90% of  
optimal levels

Local Transit Service  
Growth at 1.5% per  
year



# Scenario 2B – Focus on Maintenance and Transit

Regional Capacity  
Projects starting  
before 2040

Programmatic  
System  
Improvements at 70%  
of full unconstrained  
needs

New Revenues  
required = \$48.9  
billion

Maintenance,  
Preservation and  
Operations at full,  
optimal levels

Local Transit Service  
Growth at 2.0% per  
year





# Scenario 3 – Maximum Investment

All Regional Capacity  
Projects

Programmatic  
System  
Improvements at  
100% of identified  
needs

New Revenues  
required = \$78.2  
billion

Maintenance,  
Preservation and  
Operations at full,  
optimal levels

Local Transit Service  
Growth at 2.0% per  
year



# Summary of Scenario Analysis Results

## Overall:

- Levels of total investment across the four scenarios above the base year ranges from \$287 billion to \$365 billion.
- Analysis results show similar results across the scenarios for many of the typical performance metrics.
- Greater distinctions between scenarios when evaluating:
  - where investments occur across the region, and
  - qualitative measures, such as maintenance and preservation, that are not easily modeled.



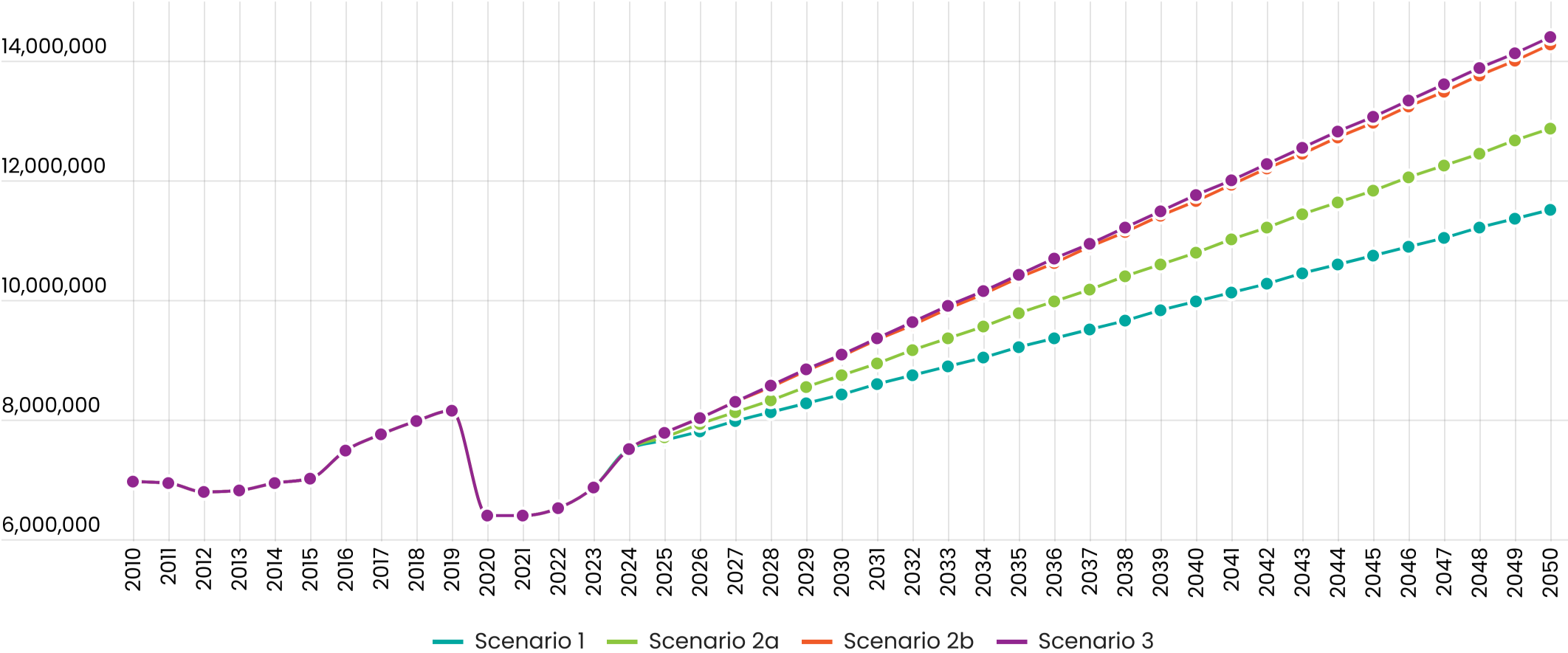
# Overall modeled performance is similar by scenario

Metric	Scenario #1	Scenario #2a	Scenario #2b	Scenario #3
<b>Vehicle Miles Traveled &amp; Vehicle Hours of Delay</b>				
Daily VMT	98,398,000	98,650,000	98,716,000	98,731,000
Daily VMT per Capita	17.0	17.0	17.1	17.1
Daily Vehicle Hours of Delay	339,000	332,000	332,000	333,000
Annual Delay per Capita	18.7	18.4	18.4	18.4
<b>Air Quality &amp; Climate</b>				
Greenhouse Gas Emissions	6,910	6,960	7,000	7,000
<b>Active Transportation</b>				
Walk Trips	4,460,000	4,452,000	4,452,000	4,454,000
Bike Trips	391,000	390,000	391,000	391,000
Minutes Walking & Biking per day	14.2	14.2	14.2	14.2



# Every scenario has significant growth in transit service

## Annual Revenue-Hours by Scenario



Source: PSRC SoundCast model & 2050 GTFS Inputs



# Comparison of scenarios: qualitative and geographic

Metric	Scenario #1	Scenario #2a	Scenario #2b	Scenario #3
<b>Percentage above Today</b>				
Transit Service Hours	53.4%	71.4%	90.0%	91.5%
Transit Trips	183.7%	191.3%	189.9%	188.8%
<b>Transit Supportive Densities and Gaps in Service</b>				
Gap within 1/4 mile of Local Transit	1,408,000 (33%)	1,324,000 (31%)	639,000 (15%)	639,000 (15%)
Gap within 1/4 mile of All-Day Transit	719,000 (28%)	661,000 (26%)	651,000 (25%)	649,000 (25%)
Gap within 1/4 mile of Frequent Transit	298,000 (17%)	248,000 (14%)	105,000 (6%)	105,000 (6%)
Gap within 1/4 mile of High-Capacity Transit	412,000 (33%)	412,000 (33%)	412,000 (33%)	412,000 (33%)
<b>Safety</b>				
% of Projects on the High Injury Network	26%	55%	55%	63%
<b>Household Costs</b>				
Increase in Annual Household Cost	\$0	\$800	\$925	\$1500





# Upcoming Work

January through April 2026:

- Review of public comments
- Finalize plan document, including any actions, messages, identification of priorities
- *APRIL 2026 ACTION* by Transportation Policy Board and Executive Board recommending adoption of the final Regional Transportation Plan

✓ May 2026 General Assembly adoption



# EAC Discussion Questions

Which of the four Regional Transportation Plan scenarios do you prefer, and why?



# Plan Development / What's New

- Board-adopted scope of work reflecting policy priorities of safety, equity, climate
- Investments based on new local, state, and transit plans, including State's Highway System Plan and local comprehensive plans
- Evaluation of four plan scenarios
- Incorporates new regional plans:
  - Regional Safety Action Plan
  - Regional Comprehensive Climate Action Plan



# New Approach for Plan Document

Current Plan =

- >200 pages
- Pdf documents
- 11 appendices
- Additional resources = web maps, etc.

## Regional Transportation Plan and Appendices

- [Regional Transportation Plan](#) (PDF)
- [Appendix A: Transportation System Inventory](#) (PDF)
- [Appendix B: Coordinated Mobility Plan](#) (PDF)
- [Appendix C: Maintenance & Preservation](#) (PDF)
- [Appendix D1: Administrative Procedures](#) (PDF)
- [Appendix D2: Regional Capacity Project List](#) (PDF)
- [Appendix E: Public Outreach & Engagement](#) (PDF)
- [Appendix F: Regional Equity Analysis](#) (PDF)
- [Appendix G: Air Quality Conformity](#) (PDF)
- [Appendix H: System Performance](#) (PDF)
- [Appendix I: Modeling Tools](#) (PDF)
- [Appendix J: Financial Strategy](#) (PDF)



# New Approach for Plan Document

Proposal for a plan that is more:

- ✓ User friendly
- ✓ Readable
- ✓ Concise
- ✓ Dynamic

- ❑ A core plan document conveying the vision for the transportation system, outcomes achieved and action steps moving forward
- ❑ Key elements branching from the main plan with important details





# New Approach for Plan Document

- Cross cutting elements
- System features and key documents more easily found
- Web-based approach

For example, making it easier to find documents on:

- Public Outreach & Engagement
- Active Transportation
- System Performance
- Health, *among others*



# RTP Public Meetings: 5:00pm–7:30pm

*September 4: Seattle Central Public Library*

*September 18: Everett Station*

**October 2: Puyallup, Pioneer Park Pavilion**

**October 16: Tacoma, Point Defiance Pagoda**

**October 23: Tukwila Community Center**

**October 30: Bremerton, Marvin Williams Recreation Center**



# Help us get the word out!

## RSVP!

Share with community in newsletters, social media, at local meetings

Resources:

- [Outreach Toolkit](#)  
*Social media links, newsletter blurbs, graphics, videos*
- [Engagement Hub](#) – Survey
- [News post](#) with more information



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# Thank you!

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