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The Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) consulted with federal, state, and local agencies responsible for land use management, natural resources, environmental protection, conservation, and historic preservation concerning the development of a long-range transportation plan. This effort was made, in part, to comply with requirements in the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) Section 6001. The contact list included the agencies and environmental organizations shown in Exhibit J-1. PSRC identified goals and objectives for the consultation process and involved representatives from the agencies and organizations in the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) scoping process, alternatives development, and technical evaluation of the alternatives.

A number of resource agencies submitted comment letters during the scoping process and helped influence the key issues addressed in the formation of the alternatives. PSRC has conducted two briefings: a preliminary discussion of the alternatives and a presentation on the analytical findings. In addition, PSRC issued a periodic “e-brief” to agencies to keep them apprised of the planning process. Many of the same agencies sent PSRC comment letters on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), and thereby influenced the selection of the Preferred Alternative for Transportation 2040.

**Exhibit J-1**  
**Environmental Resource Agencies and Organizations**

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Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Cascade Land Conservancy  
Duwamish Tribe  
Federal Aviation Administration – WA  
Federal Highway Administration – DC  
Federal Highway Administration – WA  
Federal Transit Administration  
Futurewise  
Indian Reservation Roads Program  
King County Department of Transportation  
Muckleshoot Indian Tribal Council  
National Marine Fisheries Service  
National Park Service  
National Wildlife Federation  
National Wildlife Refuge System  
Nisqually National Wildlife Refuge  
Nisqually Tribe  
People for Puget Sound  
Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe  
Puget Sound Clean Air Agency  
Puget Sound Partnership  
Puyallup Tribe  
Sauk-Suiattle Tribal Council  
Snoqualmie Tribe  
Tulalip Tribes  
University of Washington  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
U.S. Forest Service  
Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation  
Washington State Department of Ecology  
Washington State Department of Natural Resources  
Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) Environmental Services  
WSDOT Highways & Local Programs  
WSDOT Olympic Region  
WSDOT Urban Corridors Office  
WSDOT Climate Change and Sustainability Division

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