

The Washington State Ferry system is in crisis. The ferry Service Contingency Plan has the fleet operating at only 15 vessels, while WSF relays that 26 vessels are needed to operate at full service and allow for necessary planned maintenance.

Ferries are an essential service

Move people to and from work

Transport to life-saving medical appointments

Access to family and cultural connections

Bring tourists to small businesses, hotels and restaurants

Ferry communities across all corners of Puget Sound call upon state lawmakers to make robust investments in Washington State Ferries (WSF) to urgently restore full ferry system service. We support:

Vessel Construction, Preservation, and Electrification

- Build 5 new hybridelectric ferries ASAP
- Fund preservation and maintenance of aging vessels
- **Electrify Vessels**

Workforce Development

Retain existing ferry crew. recruit new staff & address retirements

- Training opportunities and scholarships to promote existing crew
- Add dispatch and vessel crew staff
- Create new workforce development program in Kitsap County

Address Immediate Community Needs

- Maintain Kitsap passenger-only ferry service
- Fund additional Seattle-Vashon Island King County Water Taxi Service
- Operate the San Juan Crew Shuttle
- Conduct studies of passengeronly service, next class of ferry vessels and economic impact of ferries

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