Regional Transportation Plan Implementation Safety and Finance Work Programs

Transportation Policy Board

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Regional Transportation Plan

- Adopted May 28, 2026
- RTP action items add to ongoing transportation planning
- June briefing covered the work program and potential timing
- Work Program Tracker will reflect new and ongoing work



Preliminary Planning/Scheduling

- Transportation Safety
- Transportation Finance

Near-term priorities to start

- Climate

Ongoing work in partnership with PSCAA

- Rural Transportation

This work program will leverage upcoming Rural Safety outreach/ workshops as a starting point

- Maintenance & Preservation
- Future System Gaps
- Performance Measurement & Monitoring
- Transportation Technologies

Staff beginning development of work programs and timelines

Transportation Safety Work Program

- **Policy and Enforcement Research.** Examine local traffic safety policies, enforcement programs, and tools.

- **Rural Safety Workshops.** Partner with the Washington Traffic Safety Commission to bring rural communities and agencies together to discuss safety.



Safety Work Program (continued)

- **Plan Engagement Materials.** Make the Regional Safety Action Plan easier to find and use.

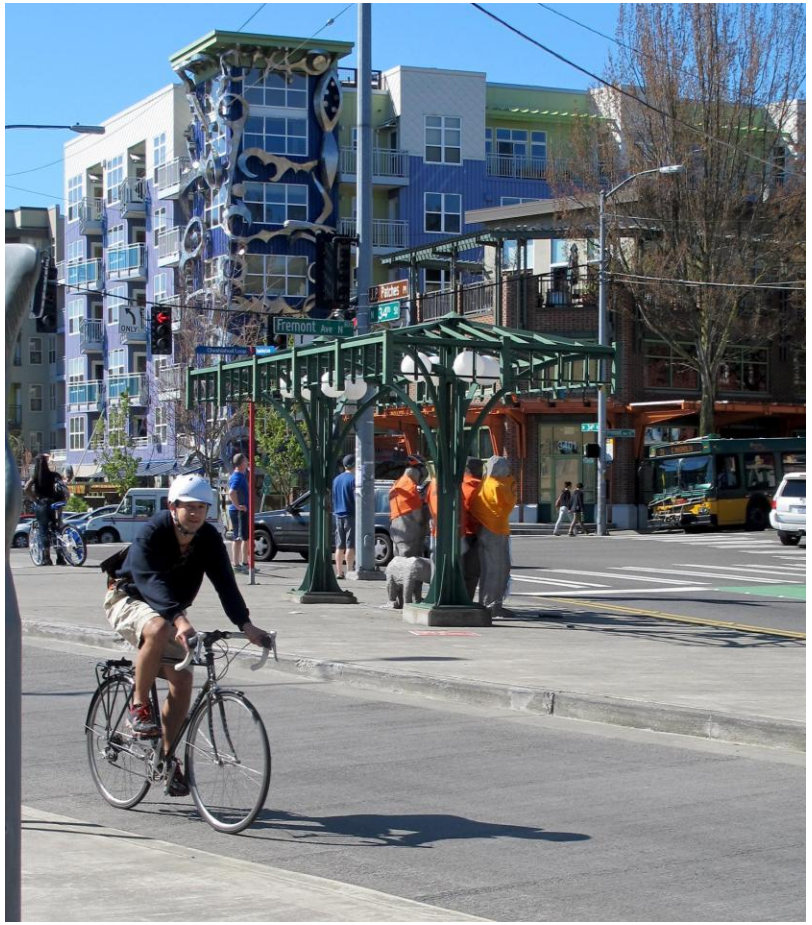
- **Best Practices Hub.** Share lessons from local safety projects.

- **July 2027 Safety Summit.** Partner with the Washington Traffic Safety Commission on its traffic safety summit.



Safety Research Context and Purpose

- Build on the Regional Safety Action Plan
- Board and public comments highlighted behavior and enforcement
- Both are important to safety alongside capital investments
- Compare local approaches and learn from practices elsewhere

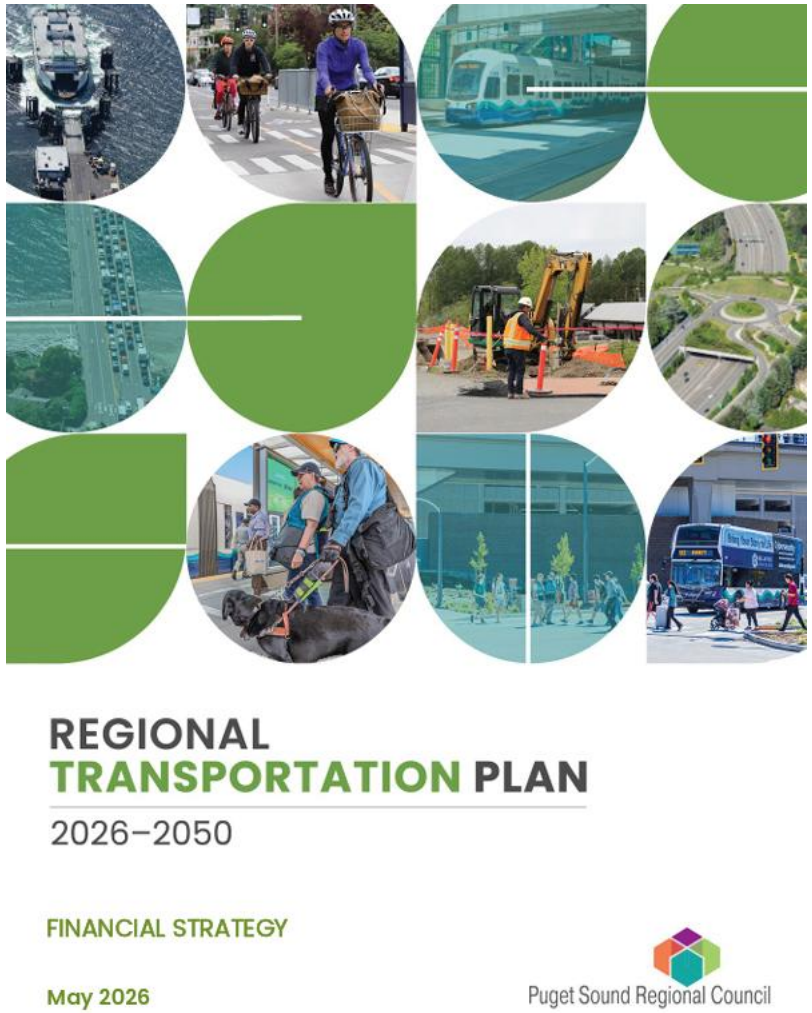


Safety Policies and Enforcement Research Topics

- Safety plans and local safety legislation
- Automated traffic safety cameras
- Speed limit policies
- Distracted driving and other driver behavior
- E-bikes, scooters, and active transportation



Finance Research Context

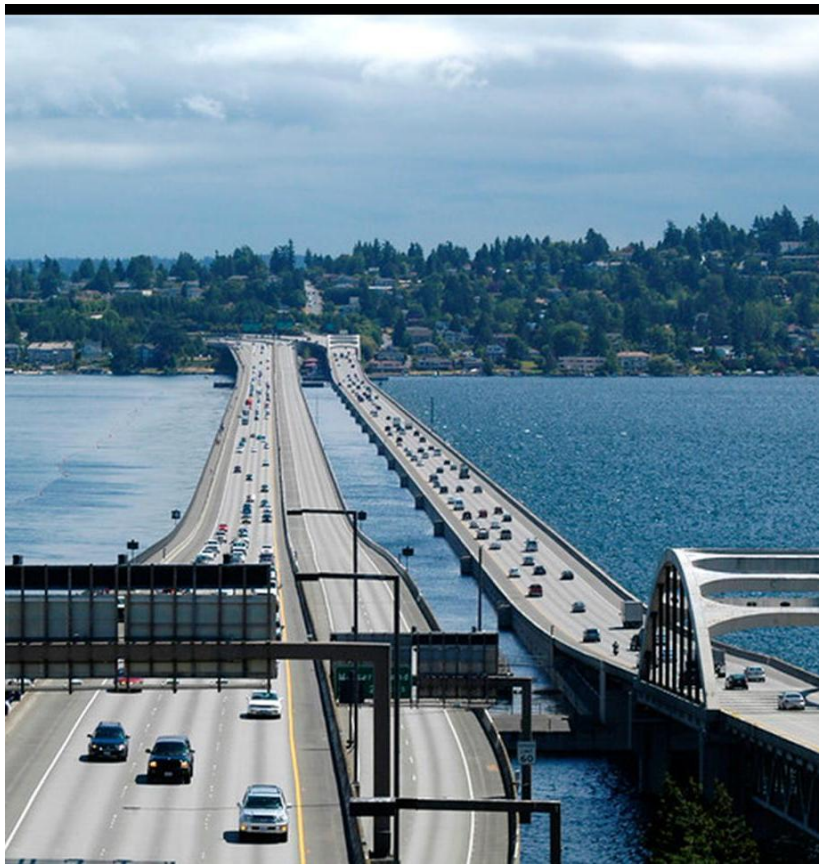


- The RTP identified a $58 billion gap between planned investments and projected revenues under current law
- The plan examined potential new revenue sources and how much they could raise
- How would new sources fit into the current tax structure and affect households already facing high costs?

Transportation Finance Work Program

- **Revenue Research.** Dig deeper into cross-cutting revenue sources to identify overall cost burdens.

- **Peer Comparisons.** Look at revenue sources and tax structures in other regions.



Finance Work Program (continued)

- **Pricing Tools Assessment.** Compare revenue potential, administrative costs, and operational requirements across a variety of pricing mechanisms.

- **Continued Engagement.** Stay in touch with the board, business community, and experts as the work progresses.



Safety and Finance Next Steps

- Carry out both work programs in phases into 2027
- Brief the board periodically as research findings become available
- *What questions do you have that this research could help answer?*
- *Are there any other items that you think we should look into?*



Thank You!

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