Transportation Operators Committee Agenda

Date: Wednesday, February 26, 2020 from 10:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.
Location: PSRC Conference Room, 1011 Western Avenue, Suite 500, Seattle, WA 98104

1. Welcome and Introductions (10:00)

2. Action item: Approval of Meeting Summary – December 4, 2019* (10:05)

3. Discussion item: Report on PSRC Committee and Board Activities (10:10)
   Committee members report out on transit-related committees and boards since the last TOC meeting.
   The “At Work” reports for the Transportation Policy Board meetings are available on the PSRC website: https://www.psrc.org/tpb-meetings
   The meeting summaries for Regional Staff Committee meetings are available on the PSRC website: https://www.psrc.org/rsc-meetings

4. Discussion: PSRC’s 2020 Project Selection Update (10:15)
   PSRC staff will provide a brief update on the 2020 Project Selection Process.

5. Discussion item: Regional Transportation Plan Update (10:25)
   PSRC staff will provide a brief update on the upcoming Regional Transportation Plan update.

6. Discussion item: Transit Agency Data for Regional Transportation Plan Update (10:45)
   PSRC staff will review transit topics for inclusion in the plan update, including but not limited to future transit network adjustments (2030 and 2040) and transit service thresholds. The discussion will focus on information and data needed earlier in the process.

7. Discussion item: FTA Transit Safety Plan and Targets* (11:05)
   PSRC staff will introduce the topic of transit safety performance measures and targets and how to incorporate transit agency targets into regional targets to meet federal deadlines.
8. **Discussion Item: Passenger-Only Ferry (POF) Study Update (11:25)**

    PSRC will provide a short update on the POF Study.

9. **Roundtable: Highlights from Transit Agency and Ferry Operators in the Region (11:40)**

10. **Information: 2020 Planned Meeting Topics***

11. **Next Meeting:** April 22, 2020

    Calendar Link: [https://www.psrc.org/sites/default/files/toc2020-calendar.pdf](https://www.psrc.org/sites/default/files/toc2020-calendar.pdf)

12. **Adjourn (12:00)**

*Supporting materials attached

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- Sign language, and communication material in alternative formats, can be arranged given sufficient notice by calling 206-464-7090, TTY Relay 711.
- العربية | Arabic, 中文 | Chinese, Deutsch | German, Française | French
- 한국어 | Korean, Русский | Russian, Español | Spanish, Tagalog, Tiếng việt | Vietnamese, call 206-587-4819
Transportation Operators Committee Meeting Summary

Date: December 4, 2019
Location: PSRC Central Meeting Room, 1011 Western Avenue, Suite 500, Seattle, WA 98104

Welcome and Introductions
Peter Heffernan, Chair, welcomed everyone at 10:00 a.m. Self-introductions were provided around the room and on the phone.

Approval of Meeting Summary
The summary for the October 23, 2019 meeting was approved.

Discussion item: Report on PSRC Committee and Board Activities
Committee members reported on various topics at the November Transportation Policy Board meeting. The “At Work” reports for the Transportation Policy Board Meetings are available on the PSRC website: https://www.psrc.org/tpb-meetings

There was no Regional Staff Committee meeting in November. Previous presentations and meeting summaries are available on the PSRC website: https://www.psrc.org/rsc-meetings

Discussion item: Transit Agency Long Range Plans and Planning Timeframes
Gil Cerise, PSRC, shared a review of transit agency long range plan update timeframes in the context of regional and local planning. The committee reviewed the draft notations and it was noted only a few updates/corrections needed to be made.

For more information, contact Gil Cerise at (206) 971-3053

Discussion item: High Capacity Transit Thresholds for Regional Planning - Pierce Transit Long Range Plan Update and How it Identifies its Bus Rapid Transit Corridors
Gil explained how PSRC is examining transit agencies’ high capacity transit thresholds for regional planning for consideration in the upcoming RTP update. Pierce Transit provided an example with their long range plan update. Darin Stavish, Pierce Transit, presented the latest on the update of Destination 2040, their agency long range plan. He provided information on the identification of future bus rapid transit (BRT) corridors.
and how Pierce Transit identifies candidate BRT corridors in their planning work. The committee discussed the thresholds used at their agencies for high capacity transit corridors in their own planning processes.

The presentation is available on the PSRC website here.

For more information, contact Gil Cerise at (206) 971-3053

Discussion item: FTA Project Tracking and Progress Report Update

Sarah Gutschow, PSRC, provided an update on the on-going project tracking of FTA-funded projects, including information from PSRC’s October 2019 Progress Reports. She provided a variety of data on tracking of FTA funding within the region.

The presentation is available on the PSRC website here.

For more information, contact Sarah Gutschow at (206) 587-4822

Roundtable: Highlights from Transit Agency and Ferry Operators in the Region

During the Roundtable, the committee received updates and announcements from the following attendees:

- Ray Deardorf, WA State Ferries
- Ben Smith, City of Seattle
- Jason Beloso, WSDOT
- Peter Heffernan, King County Metro
- Steffani Lillie, Kitsap Transit
- Alex Krieg, Sound Transit
- Don Chartock, WSDOT
- Sabina Araya, Community Transit

Information: 1995 ADA Paratransit Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)

Gil reviewed the status of this MOA and the summary of conclusions for why it is no longer necessary for PSRC to “hold” this document.

Information: 2020 Planned Meeting Topics

Gil reviewed the TOC 2020 Planned Meeting Topics.

Information: 2020 TOC Meeting Calendar

Gil reviewed the 2020 TOC Meeting Calendar.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.
Members and Alternates Present
Peter Heffernan, King County Metro and Chair; Alex Krieg, Sound Transit and Vice-Chair; *Sabina Araya, Community Transit; Jason Beloso, WSDOT; Don Chartock, WSDOT; Ray Deardorf, WA State Ferries; *Celeste Gilman, WSDOT; Steffani Lillie, Kitsap Transit; Benjamin Smith, City of Seattle; Darin Stavish, Pierce Transit

PSRC Staff and Other Guests Present
Gil Cerise, PSRC; Sarah Gutschow, PSRC; Craig Helmann, PSRC; Graydon Newman, King County Metro; Kimberly Pearson, PSRC

*via remote participation
MEMORANDUM

TO: Transportation Operators Committee (TOC)
FROM: Gary Simonson, Senior Planner
SUBJECT: Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Performance Targets

The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) and the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) require operators of public transportation systems that receive Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds to develop and implement a Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP). In 2018 FTA published the PTASP Final Rule, which details various requirements for the plan, including the development of targets for safety performance measures outlined in FTA’s National Public Transportation Safety Plan.

Agencies are required to develop seven annual safety performance targets for each transit mode they provide service for:

**Fatalities**
1) Total number of fatalities
2) Fatality rate by vehicle revenue miles

**Injuries**
3) Total number of injuries
4) Injury rate by vehicle revenue miles

**Safety Events**
5) Total number of safety events
6) Safety event rate by vehicle revenue miles

**System Reliability**
7) Average distance between major mechanical failures

Each transit operator is required to certify that it has a safety plan meeting the requirements of the PTASP final rule, including the development of transit safety performance targets, by **July 20, 2020**. Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) are required to set the initial regional transit safety performance targets within six months of that date, by **January 20, 2021**. In order

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1 The National Public Transportation Safety Plan identifies three mode categories that require targets: Fixed route bus service, non-fixed route bus service, and rail service that is not regulated by the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA). Passenger ferry service, commuter rail service, and any other rail service regulated by the FRA are exempt.
to meet this deadline, PSRC must begin putting the regional targets through its board approval process by November/December 2020 at the latest.

Over the next eight months, PSRC will be engaging with the TOC to discuss the transit agency PTASPs and safety performance targets, as well as determine an approach for developing the regional safety targets. At the February TOC meeting PSRC will provide an overview of the PTASP and target-setting process, as well as a more detailed timeline for how that process is anticipated to unfold. In addition, PSRC will be requesting information from transit agencies on their current safety planning process, including:

- Who your primary contact(s) will be; and
- When you expect to have draft plans and targets available by.

Finally, since FTA is providing some flexibility in terms of how transit agencies decide to set their targets, it could potentially complicate the regional target-setting process if agencies choose to take differing approaches. Therefore, the conversation will also include a discussion on:

- What data source(s) you are considering to identify your performance baseline; and
- Which methodology you are considering to calculate your targets (e.g. aspirational goal, percentage reduction, etc.).

Please come prepared to address these questions at the February meeting. If you have any questions or if you'd like additional information prior to the meeting, please contact Gary Simonson at (206) 971-3276 or gsimonson@psrc.org.
2020 TOC Planned Meeting Topics

Ongoing

- FTA funding adjustments
- FTA fund project tracking

Quarter 1 (January – March)

- Next Level of Transit Planning for Regional Transportation Plan
- Check-in FTA Performance-based Planning:
  - Transit Safety Rule implementation – agency plan development; performance and targets
  - Transit Asset Management

Quarter 2 (April – June)

- Next Level of Transit Planning for Regional Transportation Plan
- Action 2020 FTA Project Selection (anticipated in June)
- 2020 Transit Integration Report Initiation

Quarter 3 (July – September)

- Next Level of Transit Planning for Regional Transportation Plan
- PSRC Budget Year 2022-2023 Transit Work Program Development
- 2020 Transit Integration Report development
- Transit Safety Plan completion/submission of targets to PSRC (deadline July)
  - Input on regional transit safety targets

Quarter 4 (October – December)

- Next Level of Transit Planning for Regional Transportation Plan
- Development of regional transit safety performance targets in compliance with FTA
- Action on Special Needs Transportation Regional Priorities (WSDOT Consolidated Grant)
- UPWP Transit information updates for PSRC 2022-2023 Budget & UPWP