



Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council (KRCC)
Transportation Technical Committee (TransTAC) Meeting Summary
November 9th, 2023, Meeting | 1:00 – 3:30 PM | Poulsbo City Hall (200 NE Moe St, Poulsbo,
Washington 98370)

Actions	Entity Responsible	Status
Update TransTAC meeting to January 18 th	KRCC Staff	Complete
Post approved meeting summary on website	KRCC Staff	In Progress
Cancel March 21 st TransPOL meeting	KRCC Staff	Complete
Update Ruby Creek on the KRCC map	KRCC Staff	Complete

A. Welcome and Old Business

Sophie Glass, Program Director of KRCC began the meeting. See Attachment A for list of participants. TransTAC members approved the September meeting summary and reviewed the approved 2024 KRCC Transportation Work plan. Members agreed to have three of the future meetings in person and to rotate locations.

B. Regional and Countywide Competitions

TransTAC members reviewed TransTAC and TransPOL’s feedback on 2022 Transportation Competitions. Members shared a desire to keep the regional application as similar as possible to the countywide competitions to streamline the process. Members requested to create a cheat sheet about what is changing from the 2022 competition. A weakness in the 2022 application was that not everyone received a pdf after submitting their PSRC application. PSRC shared that they are hiring a consultant to update their entire system for 2026.

Jennifer Barnes, PSRC, shared that safety, climate and equity are the three main topics that are being updated for 2024 competition.

- Safety: There is interest in increasing the weight of the safety criteria in the competition this year.
- Equity: Regarding equity, the deadline for the Equity Pilot Program has been extended to November 15th. TransTAC members discussed the benefits of having equity distributed throughout all the criteria compared to having a designated equity section in the application.
- Climate: The points awarded for climate benefits will likely increase in this year’s competition.

PSRC is having an ongoing discussion on whether there should be eligibility requirements for projects that increase vehicle capacity. TransTAC members asked about how capacity projects are being defined by PSRC. PSRC responded that at this point, the discussion around capacity is still very high level and policy focused. TransTAC members discussed concerns and unintended consequences about eliminating capacity projects. TransTAC members will have more clarity in January when the final Policy Framework is expected.

TransTAC members reviewed the 2024 Countywide Competition Call for Projects. TransTAC members discussed Candidate Centers and supported including them for potential funding. Sophie asked members about the maximum number of applications per jurisdiction. Last competition cycle,

TransTAC came up with a formula to calculate the number of applications per jurisdiction. TransTAC members decided the maximum number of applications for 2022 worked well and they recommended using the same protocols for 2024. TransTAC members also decided to keep a relative ranking (high medium low) evaluation process. Lastly, TransTAC members discussed other considerations and supported removing practical design, which is no longer part of WSDOT's strategic plan. PSRC clarified that for a project to be eligible for rebalancing funding it has to be on the current cycle's contingency list.

TransTAC members reviewed the draft 2024 Competition Calendar and made the following suggestions:

- Add a tentative March 5, 2024 KRCC Board meeting.
- Move TransTAC's January 11th meeting to January 18th to allow time for the PSRC Transportation Policy Board to recommend the Policy Framework.
- Cancel the March 21st TransPOL meeting and the April 18th TransPOL meeting will be the project presentation day.

Additionally, TransTAC members noted that Ruby Creek is missing as a center for Port Orchard on the current map.

C. PSRC Updates

PSRC shared a call to add to the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) list. TransTAC members will receive an email from Alexa with more details. Members can reach out to Jennifer if you have questions about whether this applies to them.

D. Cross-Jurisdictional Transportation Issues

No updates were shared during the round robin.

E. Corridor Updates

TransTAC members discussed updates on SR 305. Roundabout construction has started. The project is supposed to take 14 months. The Gorst Coalition is hiring a consultant to support their project. Regarding SR 104, there are plans for the realignment of ferry lanes and a new system for ferry tickets. Construction funds will be obligated by June 1st.

F. Announcements and Next Steps

- The next TransTAC meeting is January 18th.
- The next TransPOL is January 18th.

G. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 2:55 pm.

Attachment A: TranSTAC Meeting Participants

Member Name	Member Affiliation (alphabetical)
Chris Wierzbicki	Bainbridge Island
Shane Weber	Bremerton
Melissa Mohr on behalf of David Forte	Kitsap County
Joe Rutan	Kitsap County
Jennifer Barnes	PSRC
Steffani Lillie	Kitsap Transit
Arne Bakker	Port of Bremerton
Chris Hammer	Port Orchard
Josh Ranes	Poulsbo
Ned Lever	Bremerton
Denis Ryan	Port Orchard
George Mazur	WSDOT
Sophie Glass	KRCC