

Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TransTAC) Meeting Summary

May 11, 2023 | 1:30 - 3:00 PM Virtual Zoom Meeting

Actions	Entity Responsible	Status
The Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) will share the funding amount allocated in the Transportation Alternatives	PSRC	In progress
Program (TAP)		
PSRC will share more information about the Regional Safety	PSRC	In progress
Plan grant		
TransTAC members will share transportation plans with Kitsap	TransTAC	In progress
Transit as they are completed		
Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) will	WSDOT and KRCC	Complete
provide updates in writing on the Gorst delivery plans	staff	

A. Welcome and Administration

Claire Wendle, KRCC Transportation Program Lead, began the meeting. See Attachment A for list of participants. TransTAC members approved the February 8 TransTAC meeting summary.

B. PSRC Updates

Jennifer Barnes, PSRC, shared updates on the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP):

- PSRC Executive Committee approved the TIP in April and is expected to be approved by the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). PSRC processed extension requests and moved project delivery to July or into 2024. PSRC is monitoring delivery more closely this year and is hoping to exceed project delivery numbers. PSRC did not have any concerns regarding delivery for projects in Kitsap County.
- The Project Delivery Working Group has been meeting since January 2023 and initially focused
 their efforts on emergency tools and identifying a five-step process to allocate or redistribute
 funding. Projects that require a STIP amendment for delivery after June cannot be completed
 because of the timing of the fiscal year. The Working Group will continue to meet and focus on
 reviewing tracking policies. During the spring, the Working Group suggested the following for
 emergency tools:
 - Increasing federal shares that relate to the amount of funding that projects can accept to meet their minimum match. This is a tool that can be amended through administrative processes and does not need to go through the TIP. The change will allow smaller projects to receive the maximum amount of funding before larger projects receive additional funds.
- A TransTAC member asked if that measure means that all projects receive the same amount of funding as the smaller projects. PSRC has a list of projects that are eligible and their maximum federal share. PSRC calculates the capacity of each project, and each receives awards based on the same method until match requirements are at their limit.

Doug Cox, PSRC, shared information about the Rural Town Centers and Corridors (RTCC) competition. He noted that the RTCC has updated safety and equity criteria to be consistent with the regional funding requirements. RTCC project requests are capped at \$3.045 million. PSRC is soliciting members for the Project Selection Committee to review projects in August and will follow up with more information by email. Below are key dates related to the RTCC:

- May 22: PSRC will release the call for the RTCC and information will be available on the PSRC website.
- June 2: Screening forms are due. Each countywide forum will select up to three projects to compete in the regional competition.
- July 28: Application deadline and start of PSRC scoring.

Doug also provided information about the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) and the upcoming informational workshop for participants. The TAP's call for projects will be released in early June and the project selection process will occur in August.

PSRC announced that they received a grant for the Safe Streets for All Action Plan, and there are remaining unrewarded funds. There was a second call for the remaining funds and there are plans to widen the funding for the Regional Safety Plan. Partner agencies will have a role in the Safe Streets for All Action Plan, but PSRC will lead the application to adhere to USDOT preferences to submit one grant. The definition of the Regional Safety Plan will be expanded to include predesign studies for safety projects.

C. Cross Jurisdictional Transportation Issues

TransTAC members shared project and jurisdictional updates:

- The City of Poulsbo and Kitsap County are coordinating on modeling efforts, and other jurisdictions are welcome to coordinate with the County for modeling.
- Kitsap Transit is working on a service plan for winter 2024. Jurisdictions should share their growth projections with Kitsap Transit as they complete their transportation plans.
- Kitsap Transit will be reaching out to Puget Sound Energy (PSE) to ask for a dedicated staff in the region to look at electric needs for power infrastructure as electric transportation needs grow. There have been issues with PSE in the area, particularly in Tribal areas.
- Bremerton is onboarding a consultant for their comprehensive plan.
- Port Orchard received a Safe Routes to Schools grant.
- WSDOT was not present to share updates on Gorst delivery plans.

D. Corridor Updates

TransTAC members shared updates on their respective projects, including construction updates, permitting and regulation processes, and funding opportunities:

- The Poulsbo Johnson Parkway will have a grand opening in the second week of June.
- SR 305 will have a working group meeting on May 31.
- Construction for the Silverdale Transit Center will require the road to be closed and the County
 may receive calls from members of the public. The project does not have a determined end date
 and was awarded a second phase for inductive chargers.

E. Announcements and Next Steps

Claire Wendle reviewed the action items from the meeting and adjourned the group. The next TransTAC meeting will be held virtually on September 14. The next TransPOL meeting will be held virtually on June 11.

F. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Attachment A: TransTAC Meeting Participants

Member Name	Member Affiliation (alphabetical)
Chris Wierzbicki	Bainbridge Island
Shane Weber	Bremerton
Ned Lever	Bremerton
David Forte	Kitsap County
Steffani Lillie	Kitsap Transit
Arne Bakker	Port of Bremerton
Chris Hammer	Port Orchard
Diane Lenius	Poulsbo
Josh Ranes	Poulsbo
Allison Satter	Naval Base Kitsap
Claire Wendle	KRCC
Doug Cox	PSRC
Jennifer Barnes	PSRC