



Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TransTAC) Meeting Summary

September 8, 2022 | 1:00 – 3:00 PM

Remote: Zoom Meeting

Table with 3 columns: Actions, Person Responsible, Status. Rows include actions like 'Locate the database of PSRC awards on the PSRC website.', 'Provide information about the months in 2023 when rebalancing conversations will take place.', etc.

A. Welcome and Administration

Claire Wendle welcomed meeting participants to the last TransTAC meeting of the year (see attachment A for a list of participants).

B. PSRC Updates

Jennifer Barnes, PSRC, shared the following updates:

- PSRC has developed resources regarding the federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill:
- Webinar recording
- Spreadsheet of bills
The Transportation Policy Board released the new Regional Transportation Improvement Program (2023-2026) for public comment through the end of October 2022.
TransTAC members should be prepared to submit progress reports on projects that received PSRC funds
Upcoming PSRC events:
- Transit Orientated Development event in October (registration).
- Workshops on Comp Plan updates in October: https://www.psrc.org/our-work/passport-2044-comprehensive-plan-workshop-series
PSRC has updated its website and is seeking feedback on its usability.

Discussion

Question: Where on PSRC’s websites can people find a database of past PSRC transportation awards?

- Answer: Jennifer Barnes will find out and respond to TransTAC.

Comment: The Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee is seeking a non-voting member.

### C. Regional and Countywide Competition Debrief

TransTAC members debriefed the Regional and Countywide Transportation competitions by discussing the strengths and weaknesses associated with the process leading up to the competitions, as well as the outcomes of the competitions.

	Approach/Process Leading Up to Competitions	Outcomes of Competitions
<b>Strengths</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The sequencing of TransTAC, TransPOL, and Board meetings went well.</li> <li>The project presentations were strong and received positive feedback from elected officials.</li> <li>There were some advantages to the virtual Project Selection Workshop (e.g. it could end early, people didn't need to travel, etc.).</li> <li>TransTAC had good dialogues leading into presentations</li> <li>Triangle provided good facilitation during the Project Selection Workshop.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ranking projects in advance of the Project Selection Workshop made it much easier to prioritize projects during the workshop.</li> <li>There was general satisfaction with outcomes of both the Countywide and Regional Competitions.</li> </ul>
<b>Weaknesses</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Regional and Countywide Competition application questions were slightly different. This made it difficult to use responses from one application in the other, creating extra work.</li> <li>Due to scheduling challenges, there were a few quick turnarounds to meet deadlines.</li> <li>Meeting virtually as a result of COVID precautions prevented some of the informal connections and conversations of in-person meetings.</li> <li>It was good to share high-level information about the potential projects early in the process, but TransTAC members were expected to prematurely share details with each other and with TransPOL.</li> <li>Some TransTAC members did not receive PDF versions of their applications after submitting them to PSRC.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PSRC gives exact deadlines for the Regional Competition a little late in the process, which makes it hard to plan out the Countywide Competition.</li> </ul>

TransTAC members discussed the following next steps:

- Develop a calendar that reflects the actual timing of the Countywide Competition and its associated components.
- Compare Regional and Countywide Competition questions and adapt the Countywide Competition questions to more closely align with the Regional Competition questions
- PSRC should provide advance notice to TransTAC regarding PSRC Board-level decisions on allocating new funding (contingency lists vs. a new competition).

#### **D. Review 2023 Transportation Program and TransTAC Meeting Plan**

TransTAC members discussed KRCC's transportation program for 2023 and provided the following feedback:

- Meeting topics:
  - Comprehensive Plan updates as they relate to station areas and implementing VISION 2050. This will require coordination with Kitsap Transit. *Timing: Mid-2023.*
  - Building Code updates as they related to electric vehicle infrastructure. *Timing: Early-2023*
  - Electric vehicles and servicing those (no experts needed). *Timing: Any time in 2023*
  - Rebalancing the Regional TIP. *Timing: TBD; KRCC staff will consult with PSRC.*
  - Clean Fuels Standard rulemaking
  - Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Scoping Comments; WSDOT will send letter to each jurisdiction.
- Meeting format and details
  - Four meetings in total in 2023: February, May, September, and November (perhaps change the November meeting to December depending on the rebalancing schedule)
  - 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in person at Kitsap County's office; 4<sup>th</sup> meeting in person in Poulsbo.
- Other: It was noted that the periodic update of jurisdictions' Comprehensive Plans updates might hinder TransTAC's ability to participate in KRCC activities.

#### **E. Corridor Updates**

- SR 305: There will be a corridor meeting on 9/19. The Totten Roundabout and fish passage projects have been separated.
- SR 104: Received Washington State funding for alignment and Rural Town Centers and Corridor Funding for Active Traffic Management System (ATMS) to manage Kingston ferry traffic.
- SR 303: Working on widening and pedestrian/bike improvement for the Warren Ave Bridge.
- Johnson Road Parkway: The ribbon cutting will take place this year. There is need for coordination with Kitsap Transit regarding re-installing transit stops on the Johnson Road Parkway.

It was noted that some TransTAC members have received additional funds from the Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) and the Public Works Board for higher-than-anticipated bids.

#### **F. Announcements and Next Steps**

Claire Wendle reviewed the next steps listed at the start of this document.

#### **G. Adjourn**

*The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.*

## Attachment A: TransTAC Meeting Participants

Member Name	Member Affiliation (alphabetical)
Chris Wierzbicki	Bainbridge Island
Ned Lever	Bremerton
David Forte	Kitsap County
Joe Rutan	Kitsap County
Ed Coviello	Kitsap Transit
Chris Hammer	Port Orchard
Josh Ranes	Poulsbo
Diane Lenius	Poulsbo
Allison Satter	Naval Base Kitsap
Jennifer Barnes	Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC)
Sophie Glass	KRCC
Claire Wendle	KRCC