



Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TransTAC)  
Meeting Summary

September 14, 2023 | 1:30 – 3:00 PM  
Virtual

Actions	Person Responsible	Status
Post the May 11 meeting summary on the KRCC website	KRCC Staff	Complete
Reserve Kitsap Transit for March, April, and May TransTAC meetings (in-person)	Steffani Lillie	Complete
2024 Meeting Plan including potential presentations	KRCC Staff	In Progress
Update KRCC 2024 Work Plan based on TransTAC feedback.	KRCC Staff	Complete

**A. Welcome and Administration**

Sophie Glass, KRCC Program Director, welcomed participants to the TransTAC meeting. See Attachment A for a list of participants.

**B. PSRC Updates**

Kalon Thomas, Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC), shared the following updates:

- PSRC’s 2023 TAP project selection process is currently underway for the \$24 million of federal funding available for the fiscal years 2024-2026. The Call for Projects is now closed. The recommended TAP project list has been released for public comment from September 14 to October 19, 2023.

**C. 2024 KRCC Transportation Program Work Plan**

TransTAC members discussed the draft KRCC Transportation Work Program for 2024 and provided the following feedback:

- Move May 16 TransPOL meeting to early June to ensure it falls after the KRCC Project Selection Workshop.
- Move Apr 11 TransTAC meeting to Apr 4 from 1:30-3:00 due to scheduling conflicts.
- Hold in-person TransTAC meetings in March, April, and May at Kitsap Transit’s office in Bremerton.

KRCC staff will develop a straw competition calendar for 2024 that they will share during the Nov. TransTAC meeting.

**Cross Jurisdictional Transportation Issues**

TransTAC members shared updates related to their transportation efforts.

- The Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) has proposed further amendments to its National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) implementing regulations as part of its phased rulemaking initiated in 2021. The proposed Bipartisan Permitting Reform Implementation Rule, published in the July 31, 2023 is the second phase of CEQ’s rulemaking effort and reflects a broad proposal to “revise, update and modernize” the regulations at 40 CFR Parts 1500-1508.
- The Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity, or RAISE Discretionary Grant program, provides an opportunity for the Department of Transportation (DOT) to invest in road, rail, transit and port projects. Congress has dedicated nearly \$14.3 billion for fifteen rounds of National Infrastructure Investments to fund projects that have a significant local or regional impact. TransTAC members expressed a desire to coordinate around RAISE grants.

- Jurisdictions that use speed cameras have different approaches for how revenue is used and regarding the department that manages the program.
- A public comment period is currently open regarding proposed changes to the Clean Water Act National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) General Permit requirements.
- The Public Right-of-Way Accessibility Guidelines (PROWAG) rulemaking has concluded. The PROWAG final rule has been published in the Federal Register. These guidelines, once adopted, would ensure that facilities used by pedestrians, such as sidewalks and crosswalks, constructed or altered in the public right-of-way by Federal, state, and local Governments are readily accessible to and usable by pedestrians with disabilities.
- After the 2020 Census, there are three key changes to the Census Bureau’s urban area concept and criteria:
  - Increase the minimum population threshold to qualify as urban from 2,500 to 5,000 and add an alternative: instead of qualifying based on population size, areas can now qualify based on a minimum housing unit threshold.
  - Use housing unit density instead of population density.
  - No longer distinguish between different types of urban areas.
- The bid for SR 305, West Port Madison, Agatewood Rd, Adas Will Ln Safety Improvements was awarded to Scarsella Bros for \$10,491,324.80.

**D. Corridor Updates**

TransTAC members shared updates on the main corridors in Kitsap County. They focused their conversation on the Gorst Project. Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) announced they are working on a plan for consultant support and expects the Request for Quotation (RFQ) to be out in early November 2023.

**E. Announcements and Next Steps**

Sophie Glass reviewed the action items from the meeting and adjourned the group. The next TransTAC meeting will be held in-person on November 9. The next TransPOL meeting will be held virtually on October 19.

**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
Vicki Grover	Bremerton
David Forte	Kitsap County
Joe Rutan	Kitsap County
Steffani Lillie	Kitsap Transit
Arne Bakker	Port of Bremerton
Chris Hammer	Port Orchard
Diane Lenius	Poulsbo
Josh Ranes	Poulsbo
Kalon Thomas	PSRC
Allison Satter	Naval Base Kitsap
George Mazur	WSDOT
Sophie Glass	KRCC