



Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council (KRCC)
Transportation Policy Committee (TransPOL) Meeting Summary
May 31, 2018 Meeting | 3:15-4:45 PM | Kitsap Transit, Bremerton
v. 6/15/2018

Decisions		
TransPOL decided to...		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approve the draft April 19, 2018 TransPOL meeting summary as final.• Recommend the 2018 Kitsap Countywide projects to the Board for approval.		
Actions	Who	Status
Post the 4/19/18 TransPOL meeting summary to the KRCC website.	KRCC staff	Complete

A. WELCOME AND APPROVAL OF DRAFT APRIL 2018 MEETING SUMMARY

Betsy Daniels, KRCC Program Director, welcomed participants to the meeting (see Attachment A for a list of TransPOL members and observers). TransPOL approved the draft 4/19/2018 meeting summary as final.

B. 2018 REGIONAL COMPETITION PROJECT SELECTION

An additional \$4.5 million was added to the regional funding pool from the federal transportation bill. Tom Knuckey, Bremerton, shared that Bremerton's Washington and 11th project received \$3.6 million, which fully funded the construction phase. Tom attributed part of the application's success to communicating with Kitsap Transit and the Navy, the fact that the project is within a Regional Center, rather than a corridor serving a center, and time spent with Jeff Storrar, Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC), last year to walk through the scoring criteria. For future Regional Competitions, Sophie Glass, KRCC Transportation and Land Use Lead, advised applicants to quantify the outputs of the proposed project (i.e. number of cars off the road, time saved, etc.) to maximize the air quality scores.

C. 2018 KITSAP COUNTYWIDE COMPETITION PROJECT SELECTION

TransPOL reviewed the project selection proposal from TransTAC for the allocation of \$9.42 million in Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funds to projects submitted to Kitsap's Countywide Competition.

TransTAC members made the following comments regarding the Kitsap Countywide Competition project selection process:

- Project sponsors discussed how their projects addressed each of the project selection criteria.
- If possible, those with multiple projects indicated what their priorities were.
- Individuals then ranked the projects on a high, medium, low scale for each criterion using green, yellow, and red stickers, respectively. The individual rankings for each criterion for each project were then tallied.
- A general discussion on which projects were strongest followed.
- A full consensus was not reached due to participants having different understandings of how geographic equity should factor into the Countywide Competition.
- The contingency list was developed based on the criteria evaluation, as well as jurisdictions requesting certain positions on the contingency list due to the status of the project or having other projects being funded.

TransPOL members made the following comments regarding the Kitsap Countywide project selection process.

- Councilmember Ashby would like to see numbers rather than colors for the high, medium, low ranking because it is difficult to see how the decision was arrived at between the colored chart and the final funding recommendation.
- Commissioner Gelder noted that the qualitative process makes it difficult to justify a decision. A process that is more numeric, but still allows flexibility should be considered for the next funding cycle.
- Projects that improve corridors should be prioritized.
- Steffani Lillie, on behalf of John Clauson, encouraged the group to harness the potential of the countywide transportation funding by collectively targeting areas, rather than spreading money around.
- Discussions of the collaborative process at TransTAC and TransPOL should happen before the project selection workshop is conducted next time.
- Mayor Erickson suggested adding emergency response to the project selection criteria, which is currently grouped into “other considerations.”
- The question was raised about whether jurisdictions that collect car tabs should be able to receive Preservation Funding. The Preservation Funding criteria may not be necessary in the 2020 Countywide Competition.

TransPOL recommended moving the slate of Countywide Competition projects and contingency list to the KRCC Board for approval.

D. CORRIDOR UPDATES

SR 305

The type, size, and location study for the Agate Pass Bridge replacement is complete. The anticipated cost for the replacement is about \$170 million.

SR 16/Gorst

A technical meeting is on June 13.

SR 104

\$500,000 from the Washington State Legislature will be used for preliminary engineering for the holding area, ticket vending machine, and tally system.

E. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEXT STEPS

The next TransPOL meeting is June 21 from 3:15 – 4:45 PM.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Roger Gay, South Kitsap resident, wants to see federal transportation funding go to connecting communities, rather than to individual jurisdictions, citing that most Kitsap residents travel across the county for a variety of reasons. He asked that the online Washington State Department of Transportation Survey for Kitsap be widely distributed to hear Kitsap public opinion.

Attachment A: Meeting Attendees

NAME	JURISDICTION (ALPHABETICAL)
TRANSPOL MEMBERS:	
Councilmember Bek Ashby	City of Port Orchard
Mayor Becky Erickson	City of Poulsbo
Councilmember Gary Nystul	City of Poulsbo
Commissioner Robert Gelder	Kitsap County
Commissioner Charlotte Garrido	Kitsap County
Steffani Lillie (on behalf of John Clauson)	Kitsap Transit
Lynn Wall	Naval Base Kitsap
Commissioner Axel Strakeljahn	Port of Bremerton
OBSERVERS:	
Chris Hammer	City of Bainbridge Island
Shane Webber	City of Bremerton
Tom Knuckey	City of Bremerton
Mark Dorsey	City of Port Orchard
David Forte	Kitsap County
Andrew Nelson	Kitsap County
Roger Gay	Kitsap Taxpayer
Fred Salisbury	Port of Bremerton
STAFF:	
Betsy Daniels	KRCC Program Director
Sophie Glass	KRCC Transportation and Land Use Program Lead
Mishu Pham-Whipple	KRCC Coordination Lead