



Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council (KRCC)
Transportation Policy Committee (TransPOL) Meeting Summary
 March 17, 2022 Meeting | 3:00 – 4:00 PM | Remote Meeting
 v. 4-13-22

Decisions		
<i>No decisions were made at this meeting.</i>		
Actions	Who	Status
Upload 1/20/22 summary to the KRCC website.	KRCC staff	Complete
Include TransTAC’s recommended amendment to the 2022 Countywide Call for Projects in May 3 Board Meeting packet.	KRCC staff	Pending
KRCC Staff to include agenda item about writing letters to the legislature in the Executive Committee packet.	KRCC Staff	Complete
KRCC Staff to update Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) rosters.	KRCC Staff	Complete

A. WELCOME AND OLD BUSINESS

Sophie Glass, KRCC Program Lead, welcomed participants to the KRCC Transportation Policy Committee (TransPOL) virtual meeting (see Attachment A for a list of TransPOL members and observers). The January 22, 2022 TransPOL meeting summary was approved without abstention or opposition. Sophie reviewed the agenda, topics of discussion, and purpose of the meeting.

B. UPDATES ON 2022 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION COMPETITION PROCESS

Sophie provided a high-level overview of the draft transportation projects that jurisdictions may be submitting to the Countywide and Regional Transportation Competitions. TransPOL members spoke to their projects, sharing the following:

- City of Bainbridge projects are high-priority projects in the Sustainable Transportation Plan
- City of Bremerton Projects are major commuter projects that promote efficient transit. Both projects are scalable depending on the best fit for funding.
- Kitsap County is focusing on the Ridgetop corridor as a transportation improvement study for Silverdale.
- Kitsap Transit is focusing on the West Bremerton Transit Center as one of the last remaining transit centers that requires significant upgrades.
- All three projects submitted by the City of Poulsbo are considered priority projects.

TransTAC members will present the projects, including funding requests, at the April 21 TransPOL meeting.

Sophie reviewed the TransTAC recommendation to update the 2022 Countywide Call for Projects to remove the clause that states the funding requests in the contingency list could only be 30%-50% of the total funding pot. TransPOL approved the recommendation to remove the funding limitation for the contingency list from the Call for Projects. The KRCC Board will review TransPOL and TransTAC’s recommendation during their May 3 Board meeting.

Sophie reminded TransPOL that TransTAC will meet on May 31 to make project recommendations and TransPOL will review TransTAC’s recommendations on June 2 in advance of the June 7 Board Meeting.

C. LEGISLATIVE UPDATES AS NEEDED

TransPOL members shared legislative updates, including:

- The passage of Move Ahead Washington transportation funding package. The package included \$74 million in funding for Gorst projects.
- A TransPOL member expressed disappointment in the removal of the export gas tax.
- TransPOL members attributed the success of the Gorst Coalition to having a united front.
- Mayor Wheeler proposed sending a letter to the Kitsap legislative delegation to thank them for transportation funding package. TransPOL members suggested including a statement requesting transportation funding packages on a regular schedule. KRCC Staff will include this proposal in the April KRCC Executive Committee meeting agenda.

D. TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD AND OTHER PSRC UPDATES

Mayor Erickson shared an update on the PSRC’s Regional Transportation Plan, which received a large number of comments. It will be a challenge to meet the deadline to discuss the comments and share the final product with the Executive Board before going to the General Assembly.

The top project in the Rural Town Centers and Corridors Competition is Kitsap County’s Kingston automated system.

KRCC staff will update the PSRC roster to remove Councilmember Ashby and replace Councilmember Gorman with Councilmember Goodnow.

E. CORRIDOR UPDATES

Mayor Erickson shared that the City of Poulsbo will be holding a ribbon cutting ceremony for the SR 305 Johnson Road Roundabout in August. The City will be inviting the Governor and will keep the rest of TransPOL updated on the timing. TransPOL members shared challenges, including:

- Supply chain issues, particularly for concrete.
- Updates on the Totten Road Roundabout, which will include a fish passage barrier project.
- Labor issues and staffing continue to be a concern for projects.

F. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEXT STEPS

Sophie Glass opened the public comment portion of the meeting. No public comments were made.

The meeting ended at 3:45 p.m.

Attachment A: Meeting Attendees

NAME	JURISDICTION
TRANSPOL MEMBERS:	
Councilmember Schneider	City of Bainbridge
Mayor Wheeler	City of Bremerton
Commissioner Gelder	Kitsap County
Commissioner Clauson	Kitsap Transit
Councilmember Rosapepe	City of Port Orchard
Mayor Erickson	City of Poulsbo
Commissioner Strakeljahn	Port of Bremerton
Allison Satter	Naval Base Kitsap

Commissioner McClure	Port of Kingston
Dennis Engel	WSDOT
OBSERVERS:	
David Forte	Kitsap County
Steffani Lillie	Kitsap Transit
Mark Dorsey	City of Port Orchard
Ned Lever	City of Bremerton
Kenneth Hammer	City of Port Orchard
Fred Salisbury	Port of Bremerton
Josh Ranes	City of Poulsbo
Shane Weber	City of Bremerton
STAFF:	
Sophie Glass	KRCC Program Manager
Claire Wendle	KRCC Transportation Program Lead