



Puget Sound Regional Council

Freight Advisory Committee Agenda

Date: Wednesday, February 9, 2022, from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.

Location: *Online Meeting Only – See Remote Participation Instructions Below*

1. Welcome and Introductions (9:30) – Geri Poor, Chair

Roll call and introductions.

2. Approve Meeting Summary for January 12, 2022* (9:35)

3. Discussion: Industrial Lands Analysis* (9:40)

PSRC staff will provide a briefing on the update to the Industrial Lands Report, including an overview of the process, considerations, engagement plan, and schedule.

4. Action: NHFP Funding Process (10:00)

PSRC staff will provide a briefing on the freight projects identified by members to submit for WSDOT's National Highway Freight Program (NHFP) funding competition. Committee members will be asked to review and provide concurrence on the project list, for advancement to PSRC's boards before submittal to WSDOT in March. Additional materials will be sent in advance of the meeting.

5. Discussion: CUFC/CRFC Designation Process (10:30)

PSRC staff will provide a short overview of next steps for the broader Critical Urban Freight Corridor/ Critical Rural Freight Corridor (CUFC/CRFC) designation process. Committee members will discuss timing and the process for agencies to submit requests.

6. Discussion: Draft Regional Transportation Plan Public Comment Period (10:45)

PSRC staff will provide an overview of the online open house and opportunities to provide comment on the draft Regional Transportation Plan. Further RTP information can be found here: <https://www.psrc.org/our-work/rtp>

7. Discussion: Other Business and Announcements (10:55)

8. Next Meeting: April 13, 2022: 9:30-11:00 a.m.

9. Adjourn (11:00)

***Supporting materials attached**

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Freight Advisory Committee Meeting Summary

Date: January 12, 2022 – 9:30a.m. – 11:00a.m.

Location: Remote – Online Meeting Only (Zoom Meeting)

Welcome and Introduction to Online Meeting Format

Geri Poor, Chair, welcomed everyone at 9:30 a.m. Roll call was completed to confirm the members and alternates present.

Action: Approval of Meeting Summary

The December 8, 2021 meeting summary was approved as presented.

Discussion: CUFC/CRFC Designation and NHFP Funding Process

Jennifer Barnes, PSRC, provided an overview of the 2022 Critical Urban Freight Corridor (CUFC) and National Highway Freight Program (NHFP) funding process. She provided a briefing on the 2016 freight project list updates provided by members and led the committee discussion on the process to update the Critical Urban Freight Corridor/ Critical Rural Freight Corridor (CUFC/CRFC) designations, and options for submitting a list of projects for consideration in WSDOT's 2022 National Highway Freight Program (NHFP) funding competition.

The committee discussed the process and agreed that it would be reasonable to limit the projects submitted to one application per jurisdiction and be limited to jurisdictions within designated industrial areas. Jennifer said that once all the freight transportation project information is received, PSRC will compile this information into a summary to be discussed at the next Freight Advisory Committee meeting on February 9. She reminded the committee that PSRC will need to submit the completed project submission forms to WSDOT in mid-March and then a list of candidate freight projects will be presented for review by PSRC's Transportation Policy Board and Executive Board at their respective March meetings. She noted more details and information on next steps for project submissions would be forthcoming.

The presentation can be viewed on the FAC meetings webpage here:

<https://www.psrc.org/fac-meetings>

For more information, contact Jennifer Barnes, at jbarnes@psrc.org or Kelly McGourty, at kmcgourty@psrc.org

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:10 a.m.

***Members and Alternates Present**

See attached attendance roster for the member or alternate representing each agency/jurisdiction at the meeting; additional alternate (s) present is listed below.

***Alternates, Interested Parties, and PSRC Staff Present**

April Delchamps, WSDOT; Brennan Kidd, City of Tacoma; Brian Ziegler, FMSIB; Brittany Robinson, City of Tukwila; David Simpson, Port of Everett; Jeff DeVere, Washington Trucking Associations; Rob Brown, City of Kent; Trevor Davigourt, WSDOT; Wenjuan Zhao, WSDOT

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Monica Adkins, Jennifer Barnes, Kelly McGourty, Mitch Koch

**All attendees were present via remote participation*

Freight Advisory Committee Attendance Roster

Date: January 12, 2022 9:30am - 11:00am

Remote/Online Only

NOTE: Members are invited to sit at the table and vote. Alternates may sit at the table and vote when the member is absent. Please coordinate representation in advance of the meeting.

Jurisdictions		Name	Jurisdiction		Name			
Counties			Industrial Sub Areas					
King County (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	John Vander Sluis	Arlington - Marysville (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jim Kelly, Arlington			
		VACANT (Alt.)			Ryan Morrison, Arlington(Alt.)			
Kitsap County (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	David Forte	Dupont - Gray Field (1)		VACANT			
		Melissa Mohr (Alternate)			VACANT (Alt. - N/A)			
Pierce County (1)		Clint Ritter	Frederickson - Lakewood (1)		Paul Bucich, Lakewood			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Peter Lewis-Miller (Alt.)			Dana Brown, Tacoma (Alt.)			
Snohomish County (1)		Jim Young	Interbay - Ship Canal (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chris Eaves, Seattle			
		Max Phan (Alt.)			Joanna Valencia, Seattle (Alt.)			
		Sheela George (Alt.)	North-Central Everett (1)		Jesse Hannahs, Marysville			
Ports					VACANT (Alt.)			
Port of Bremerton (1)		Fred Salisbury	PSIC - Bremerton - Sinclair Inlet (1)		Shane Weber, Bremerton			
		VACANT (Alt.)			Vicki Grover, Bremerton (Alt.)			
Port of Everett (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Adam LeMieux	SeaTac - Des Moines (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	David Tomporowski, SeaTac			
		David Simpson (Alt.)			VACANT (Alt.)			
Port of Seattle (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Geri Poor, Chair	Auburn - Sumner (2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cecile Malik, Auburn			
		VACANT (Alt.)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Michael Kosa, Sumner			
Port of Tacoma (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Christine Wolf			VACANT (Alt.)			
		Alisha Pena (Alt.)			VACANT (Alt.)			
WSDOT (1)			Duwamish - North Tukwila (2)		VACANT			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jason Beloso			VACANT			
		Trevor Davis court (Alt.)			VACANT (Alt.)			
Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board (FMSIB) (1)					VACANT (Alt.)			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dan Gatchet	I-405 Corridor (2)		Rick Logwood, Bellevue			
		Brian Ziegler (Alt.)			VACANT			
Tribal Agencies					VACANT (Alt.)			
Muckleshoot Indian Tribe (1)		VACANT			VACANT (Alt.)			
		VACANT (Alt.)	Kent - Renton (2)		VACANT			
Puyallup Tribe (1)		VACANT			VACANT			
		VACANT (Alt.)			Mark Howlett, Kent (Alt.)			
Suquamish Tribe (1)		VACANT	South Everett (2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Richard Tarry, Everett			
		VACANT (Alt.)			VACANT			
Tulalip Tribe (1)		VACANT			Tom Hood, Everett (Alt.)			
		VACANT (Alt.)			VACANT (Alt.)			
			Tacoma - Puyallup (2)		Dana Brown, Tacoma			
					Hans Hunger, Puyallup			
				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Greg Vigoren, Fife (Alt.)			
				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jeremy Metzler, Edgewood (Alt.)			
			Non-Voting (5)					Denise Plumb, United Parcel Service (UPS)
					Eric Jessup, WSU, Freight Policy Transportation Institute			
					Jared Faker, Intl. Longshore and Warehouse Union #23			
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DISCUSSION ITEM

February 9, 2022

To: Freight Advisory Committee
From: Jason Thibedeau, Economic Development Program Manager
Subject: **Industrial Lands Analysis Update**

IN BRIEF

VISION 2050 directs PSRC to update the inventory of industrial lands and to research changing conditions related to industrial uses. Staff seek board direction on the scope of the industrial lands update, which will be coordinated with the Economic Development District Board, PSRC's Freight Advisory Committee, and the Growth Management Policy Board.

DISCUSSION

Industrial lands are a critical component of the region's landscape. Historic industries such as trade, maritime, aerospace, and manufacturing have long defined the region's economy. Industrial uses remain a key element of the region's economy and are a source of thousands of well-paying jobs. These industries, and their related supply chains, are dependent on the region's supply of industrial lands.

During the development of VISION 2050, PSRC's leaders recognized the importance of maintaining industrial uses and included policies that direct the protection of industrial lands from encroachment by incompatible uses. Additionally, the region's Economic Development District Board adopted a new Regional Economic Strategy in December 2021. This strategy affirms the importance of industrial lands to the region's economy and calls for the region to preserve, protect, and support ports, industrial lands, military installations, and maritime sites.

DP-Action-2 in VISION 2050 specially calls for an update of the industrial lands inventory:

DP-Action-2 Industrial Lands: PSRC will update its inventory of industrial lands, evaluate supply and demand for industrial land across all industry sectors, research trends for industrial uses as technology and markets evolve, and identify strategies to preserve, protect, and enhance industrial lands, jobs, and businesses in the region in coordination with jurisdictions' efforts to support their industrial land base. In 2021, PSRC will convene a working group to review policy related to preserving industrial lands and employment.

2015 Industrial Lands Report

In 2015, PSRC published an Industrial Lands Analysis that provides an assessment of the major industrial lands in the region. The report provides an inventory of a net supply of 28,615 acres of industrial lands that are primarily located in thirteen geographic concentrations across the region (See Exhibit E.1 from the report). The assessment demonstrated sufficient supply of industrial

lands through 2040 but observed that demand, development pressures, and activities on these lands varied by subarea and that tailored strategies would be required to support the industrial land base in the future. These areas of intense manufacturing and industrial uses often require unique and fundamental infrastructure, such as deep-water port access and rail connections, enhancing the importance of their preservation. For these reasons, VISION 2050 calls for the region to protect industrial lands and to provide the infrastructure and services necessary to support them.

The number of jobs on industrial lands totaled 473,700 in 2012, representing about 27.3% of all jobs across the central Puget Sound region. The report found that, in 2012, total wages paid out by industrial activities on industrial lands summed to \$24.4 billion and that average wages were significantly higher than the region's average wage.

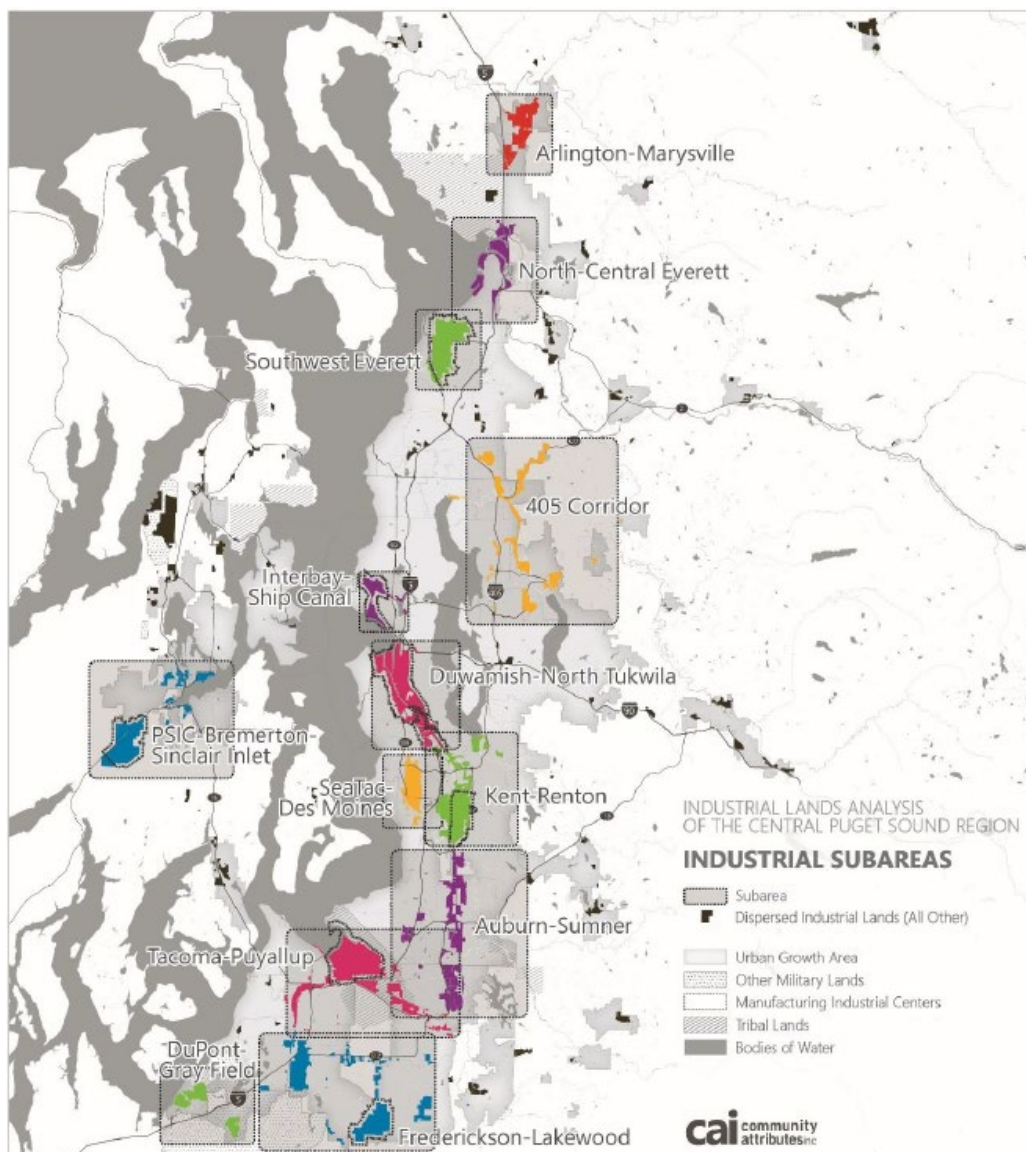


Exhibit E.1. Industrial Subareas of the Central Puget Sound Region

Project Scoping

VISION 2050's DP-Action-2 directs PSRC to update the inventory of industrial lands with the guidance of a project working group. The Growth Management Policy Board, Economic Development District Board, and Freight Advisory Committee, each with unique roles related to industrial lands, will be asked to provide guidance on the project and to help define the scope of analysis.

While the general inventory of industrial lands has not changed dramatically in the region since the report was published, new issues have emerged.

- Last mile delivery and package distribution have grown rapidly with changing spending habits and a growing regional population.
- Changes to state sales tax collection continue to shape the financial incentives for local jurisdictions to support and maintain industrial spaces.
- Pressure to convert industrial lands for non-manufacturing uses continues to rise.
- There is an increased awareness of the value of manufacturing jobs to increase access to opportunity.

Additionally, PSRC adopted the Regional Centers Framework in 2018, which incorporated findings from the industrial land analysis. Implementation of the Framework has raised additional questions on how terms and concepts are defined. Since the Industrial Lands Analysis was published in 2015, PSRC designated two additional Manufacturing/Industrial Centers as regional concentrations of industrial employment: the Sumner/Pacific MIC and the Cascade MIC that includes Arlington and Marysville. To be designated an MIC requires the center to include and maintain predominantly industrial lands, have a majority of industrial employment, and to prioritize funding for transportation projects that serve them.

The board is asked for feedback on early scoping of the industrial lands update:

- *What are trends and changes impacting industrial lands that this report update might consider?*
- *What are ways that an update to the industrial lands analysis might be useful for your community?*
- *How could the industrial lands analysis help the region improve equitable access to employment?*

PSRC plans to update the report using available GIS data and in-house research over the course of the year. Data collection, mapping updates, and initial interviews of stakeholders will be conducted in the spring. A draft report may be prepared in the late summer with a goal of completing the report late in 2022. Completing the update at this time will be useful for cities and counties as they begin work on local plan updates.

Engagement

The intent is to work with the Growth Management Policy Board, the Economic Development District Board, and Freight Advisory Committee to provide project and policy direction and to review the draft analysis as it is developed. In addition to an initial project discussion with the boards and committee, PSRC is reaching out to cities, counties, ports, and other stakeholders

to seek input on how the report could be updated and may be used. Consistent with DP-Action-2, staff anticipates organizing an ad hoc working group of technical staff to provide peer review of data and analysis. Please let us know if there are staff in your community that you would like us to connect with.

NEXT STEPS

Staff will begin collecting updated industrial lands data and it is anticipated that staff will be able to share a data snapshot in late spring/early summer. Review of a draft report is likely to occur in late summer/early fall.

ATTACHMENT

Map of Regional Growth Centers and Manufacturing/Industrial Centers

Regional Growth Centers and Manufacturing/Industrial Centers



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