

Freight Advisory Committee



Agenda

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

Roll call and introductions.

2. Approve Meeting Summary for May 11, 2022* (9:35)

3. Discussion: FMSIB Statewide Freight Investment Priority List (9:40)

PSRC and FMSIB staff will provide a briefing on the process and status of the Statewide Freight Investment Priority database that is under development by FMSIB in cooperation with MPOs/RTPOs.

4. Action: CUFC/CRFC Designation Process - Recommendation for the Designations (9:55)

PSRC staff will provide an overview of the candidate corridor lists that have been developed and refined for the respective CUFC and CRFC designations. Committee members will vote on the final recommended CUFC/CRFC lists for the region. Note: additional materials will be sent in advance of the meeting.

5. Discussion: Regional Transportation Plan – Freight Element (10:40)

PSRC staff will provide an overview of the key messages and next steps related to implementation of the freight element of the Regional Transportation Plan.

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

7. Next Meeting: August 10, 2022: 9:30-11:00 a.m.

8. Adjourn (11:00)



FMSIB Freight Project Investment List

- Comprised of freight transportation projects ready for construction between now and 2028
- Excel workbook emailed to all PSRC jurisdictions on June 1
 - Includes description of eligibility and prioritization criteria
 - Includes “Project List” page to be completed by sponsors
- Sponsors requested to **return completed Project List page to PSRC by June 30**
- PSRC will compile regional list, provide for Board review in July, and submit to FMSIB



FMSIB Freight Project Investment List

- Eligibility Criteria

1. On the FGTS or benefits the FGTS
2. Under construction within next six years

- Prioritization Criteria

1. Freight tonnage
2. Non-state match (percentage of total cost)
3. Percentage of funding committed



CUFC Designation Process

- Guided by location of freight transportation improvement projects planned for implementation, and seeking NHFP or INFRA funds, between 2022-2026
- Covers roadway segments not already on Primary Highway Freight System
- Must meet federal guidelines for CUFC
- 103 miles originally submitted have been refined to ~71 miles, which meets WSDOT's allotment of CUFC miles to PSRC region



Refinement of CUFC Designations

- List primarily refined through voluntary reductions by sponsors
- Refined list has been grouped into four tiers, in descending order of consistency with CUFC criteria
- Last segments removed from list will be provided to WSDOT on a contingency list, to be requested for consideration if additional miles are available from statewide allotment



CRFC Designation Process

- WSDOT allocated 17.1 miles per MPO/RTPO region
- Corridor must be located outside WSDOT-designated *Highway Urban and Urbanized Area* (mapped)
- Jurisdictions with FGTS facilities in eligible rural areas were requested to submit candidate CRFC segments by June 6
- One segment with length of 2.2 miles submitted so far
 - PSRC staff will coordinate with four Counties to determine if there are additional segments to be added (up to ~4.2 miles per county)
 - Any balance will be returned to WSDOT for statewide contingency list consideration



CUFC/CRFC Designation Process

FAC Discussion and Action Item

Review and discuss the refined candidate CUFC/CRFC* list and CUFC contingency list, and recommend list for advancement to PSRC's boards for approval.

**CRFC list may include additional segments up to average 4.2 miles per county, depending on follow-up with Counties.*



Regional Transportation Plan

- 2022 Regional Transportation Plan adopted at General Assembly in May
- Freight key messages
 - Freight is an integral part of the region's multimodal transportation system
 - Accommodating freight traffic should be explicitly addressed in transportation planning and programming, including land use policy, development regulations, and roadway design and pavement standards
 - Context matters, and potential strategies and projects to address freight issues are different depending on the setting
 - Local jurisdictions should actively engage to help address truck parking issues
 - PSRC will continue to lead and participate in forums that foster regional and statewide cooperation on freight



Regional Transportation Plan

- Anticipated FAC role in RTP implementation
 - Serve as forum to compile best practices for design, management, and operation of freight transportation, and examples of solutions to freight problems within varying contexts
 - Work with PSRC to serve as a clearinghouse to help partner agencies share this information
 - Serve as forum to support partnerships to address and prioritize regional freight issues, and leverage resources to address regional freight priorities
- Development and implementation of FAC work program to support these functions will be focus of future meetings

