



## Puget Sound Regional Council

### Executive Board

Thursday, February 23, 2023 • 10:00 – 11:30 AM

**Hybrid Meeting • PSRC Board Room • 1011 Western Avenue, Suite 500, Seattle 98104**

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1. **Call to Order and Roll Call (10:00) - Councilmember Claudia Balducci, President**
2. **Communications and Public Comment**
3. **President's Remarks**
4. **Executive Director's Report**
5. **Committee Reports**
  - a. Operations Committee - Mayor Becky Erickson, Vice President
6. **Consent Agenda (10:20)**
  - a. Approve Minutes of Meeting Held January 26, 2023
  - b. Approve Vouchers Dated December 31, 2022 through February 6, 2023 in the Amount of \$1,226,734.13
  - c. Approve Contract Authority for Audio-Visual Equipment Purchase and Installation

- d. Adopt Routine Amendment to the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

**7. Discussion Item**

- a. Safe Streets and Roads for All Safety Action Plan Grant -- *Ben Bakkenta*

**8. Discussion Item**

- a. State Legislative Update -- *Robin Koskey, PSRC*

**9. Discussion Item**

- a. Americas Competitiveness Exchange Coming to Region in May -- *Jason Thibedeau, PSRC*

**10. Information Items:**

- a. Save the Date: Joint Board Session on Affirm, Counter, Transform (ACT), Friday, April 28, 10 AM - 12 PM
- b. VISION 2025 Awards -- Call for Nominations

**11. Other Business**

**12. Next Meeting: Thursday, March 23, 2023, 10:00 - 11:30 AM, Hybrid Meeting**

**13. Adjourn (11:30)**

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February 13, 2023

## Transportation Work Program Status Report and Milestones

A proposed format for reporting on the progress of PSRC's transportation work program was presented. The Board provided feedback on additional details to include as well as the desired frequency of these reports. View [video](#) here.

For more information, please contact Gil Cerise at (206) 971-3053 or [gcerise@psrc.org](mailto:gcerise@psrc.org).

## Transportation Demand Management Activities

The Transportation Policy Board was briefed on Transportation Demand Management (TDM) activities in the region, including a new proposal from the Washington State Department of Transportation for the upcoming legislative session. The proposal would create a new Mobility Partnership Grant program to expand TDM beyond the existing Commute Trip Reduction program.

For more information, contact Gil Cerise at [GCerise@psrc.org](mailto:GCerise@psrc.org) or (206) 971-3053.

## Report on PSRC 2024 Office Relocation

Staff provided the board with a brief update on the new office space and plans for the move. With over ten properties viewed, PSRC executed a new lease for the fifth floor of 1201 Third Avenue in late 2022. The new location will allow for a more

flexible board room, provide more meeting rooms, and the space to support a hybrid work environment. The new lease will commence January 1, 2024. View [presentation](#) here.

For more information, please contact Nancy Buonanno Grennan at (206) 464-7527 or [nbgrennan@psrc.org](mailto:nbgrennan@psrc.org).

**In other business, the board:**

- Recommended adoption of a routine amendment to the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)



February 2, 2023

## Housing Public Opinion Survey Report

Staff provided a detailed review of the final results of a public opinion survey and how the results can support local housing efforts. PSRC collaborated with the state Department of Commerce to develop and field a public opinion survey that collected 4,329 responses from October 15 to November 6, 2022. Survey reports found the cost of housing is the top issue across the state, and there is widespread support for middle housing (triplexes in single-family zones). View [video](#) and [presentation](#) here.

For more information, please contact Paul Inghram at [Pinghram@psrc.org](mailto:Pinghram@psrc.org) or (206) 464-7549 or Laura Benjamin at [LBenjamin@psrc.org](mailto:LBenjamin@psrc.org).

## Housing Place Typology

The board provided feedback on the housing place typology, a Regional Housing Strategy implementation effort. The typology provides a common regional approach and identifies high impact housing tools and actions based on local needs and opportunities. PSRC is exploring the best way to share typology and is developing a web platform with an interactive map. The final web platform will be completed in spring 2023. View [presentation](#) here.

For more information, contact Laura Benjamin at [LBenjamin@psrc.org](mailto:LBenjamin@psrc.org) or 206-464-7134, or Paul Inghram at [Pinghram@psrc.org](mailto:Pinghram@psrc.org) or 206-464-7549.

## 2024 PSRC Office Relocation

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## Puget Sound Regional Council

### MINUTES

**Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Board**  
**Thursday, January 26, 2023**  
**Hybrid Meeting, PSRC Board Room**

### CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Executive Board was called to order at 10:03 AM by King County Councilmember Claudia Balducci, PSRC President. A video of the meeting was streamed live as well as recorded and will be available for viewing on PSRC's website. PSRC provided a call-in number on the meeting agenda for members of the public to call in by phone and listen live to the meeting. Roll call determined attendance and that a quorum was present.

### COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals provided public comment (either written or verbal):

- Alex Tsimerman
- Martin Pagel and Conrad Cipoletti

### PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Claudia Balducci welcomed the following new members and alternates to the Executive Board:

- Councilmember Larry Brown new alternate for City of Auburn
- Councilmember Jeff Coughlin new alternate for City of Bremerton
- Commissioner Nicole Grant new member representing Washington State Transportation Commission
- Councilmember Ryan Mello new member representing Pierce County
- Deputy Mayor Jared Nieuwenhuis new alternate for City of Bellevue
- Commissioner David Simpson new member representing Port of Everett and Commissioner Glen Bachman will now serve as alternate
- Mayor Jeff Wagner has changed from alternate to member representing Other Cities & Towns in King County

President Balducci stated that the discussion on agenda item (9) Climate Change Implementation Strategy will be deterred to a later meeting.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Vice President Becky Erickson, Chair of the Operations Committee, reported that at today's Operations Committee meeting, the committee recommended approval of vouchers dated October 31, 2022, through January 3, 2023, in the amount of \$1,854,785.56. The committee also approved contract authority for low-voltage installation.

The committee also met a new employee, reviewed monthly budget reports, and received an update on the status of PSRC's office move. Construction on the new office space will begin soon, and everything is on schedule for staff to occupy the space in January 2024.

## CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda Item e: Approve Consolidated Grant Competition Regional Rankings was removed from the Consent Agenda to allow discussion.

**ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Figueroa/Wahl) to:**

- a. Approve Minutes of Meeting Held December 1, 2022
- b. Approve Vouchers Dated October 31, 2022 through January 3, 2023 in the Amount of \$1,854,785.56
- c. Approve Contract Authority for Low Voltage Installation
- d. Approve Authorizing a Change in the Regional Transportation Plan Project Status for WSDOT's I-405 Corridor: SR 522 to SR 527 (SR 522 I/C and HOV/ETL Improvements) Project
- e. ~~Approve Consolidated Grant Competition Regional Rankings~~
- f. Adopt Routine Amendment to the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

The motion passed unanimously.

## NEW BUSINESS

### Approve Consolidated Grant Competition Regional Rankings

Following an explanation of why Kitsap County does not have projects ranked in this competition, the agency notes that Kitsap County participates in this funding through the Peninsula Regional Transportation Planning Organization.

**ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Dammeier/Wahl) to approve the regional priority rankings for the WSDOT Consolidated Grant competition as found in Attachment A.**



**The motion passed unanimously.**

#### Equity Advisory Committee Update

Noah P. Boggess, PSRC Senior Public Engagement Specialist, and Charles Patton, PSRC Program Manager – Equity Policy and Initiatives, briefed the board on the outreach process for new Equity Advisory Committee members and the proposed roster. The new cohort includes five new members: three from King County, one from Pierce County, and one from Snohomish County. With the addition of new members, the committee will work on the Equity Pilot Program and the Project Selection Program for the Federal Highway Administration funding through 2023.

**ACTION: It was moved and seconded (Wahl/Figueroa) approve the proposed roster for the Equity Advisory Committee.**

**The motion passed with one abstention.**

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

##### Housing Monitoring Report and Public Opinion Survey

Laura Benjamin, PSRC Principal Planner, briefed the board on the 2022 Housing Monitoring Report and a public opinion survey, two efforts to implement the Regional Housing Strategy. Staff shared the public opinion survey findings found that people cited the cost of housing as the number one issue across the state; housing is still inaccessible and discriminatory for many. The board provided feedback on how these data can advance housing solutions and provided guidance for the Growth Management Policy Board's 2023 housing work.

##### Regional Transportation Plan Performance Dashboard

Craig Helmann, PSRC Director of Data, reviewed with the board the draft performance and key metrics of the Regional Transportation Plan Performance Dashboard. He previewed the final draft dashboard and provided information on the next steps for PSRC's website and the continued work to maintain and improve the dashboard.

##### Draft FY2024-2025 Biennial Budget and Work Program

Andrew Werfelmann, PSRC Budget Manager, reported that PSRC is in the process of developing its FY 2024-2025 Biennial Budget and Work Program. The Operations Committee is responsible for developing the budget and work program for PSRC and the Economic District Development Board. The draft biennial budget includes estimated revenues and expenditures of \$32 million and is available for review by members online at [Budget | Puget Sound Regional Council \(psrc.org\)](https://psrc.org/Budget).

The boards and Regional Staff Committee will review the Draft Budget and Work Program and forward comments to the Operations Committee by March 16, 2023. The final budget is scheduled for approval by the Executive Board in April and adoption by the General Assembly on May 25, 2023.

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

Included in the agenda packet was a New Employee Status Report and the 2023 Executive Board and Operations Committee Meeting Schedule.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business brought before the board.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The board will next meet on Thursday, February 23, 2023, 10:00 - 11:30 AM. This will be a hybrid meeting.

### **ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 11:50 AM.

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Adopted this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February 2023.

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Councilmember Claudia Balducci, President  
Puget Sound Regional Council

ATTEST:

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Josh Brown, Executive Director

Attachments:  
ebjan2023-attendance

**Executive Board - January 26, 2023**

**6.a.a**

*Members and Alternates that participated for all or part of the meeting included:*

		Attend
<b>King County</b>	EXC Dow Constantine	1
	CM Claudia Balducci	1
	CM Joe McDermott Alt	
	CM Jeanne Kohl-Welles Alt	
Seattle	MYR Bruce Harrell	
	CM Andrew Lewis	
	CM Tammy Morales	1
	CM Dan Strauss	
	CM Teresa Mosqueda Alt	
Bellevue	MYR Lynne Robinson	1
	DPT MYR Jared Nieuwenhuis Alt	
Federal Way	MYR Jim Ferrell	
	<b>Vacant Alt</b>	
Kent	MYR Dana Ralph	1
	CM Toni Troutner Alt	1
Kirkland	MYR Penny Sweet	1
	DP MYR Jay Arnold Alt	
Renton	MYR Armondo Pavone	1
	CM James Alberson, Jr. Alt	
Redmond	MYR Angela Birney	1
	CM Jessica Forsythe Alt	
Auburn	MYR Nancy Backus	
	CM Larry Brown Alt	
Cities & Towns	CM James McNeal, Bothell	1
	CM Chris Roberts, Shoreline	1
	MYR Jeff Wagner, Covington	1
	MYR Mary Lou Pauly, Issaquah Alt	1
	MYR Jan Molinaro, Enumclaw Alt	1
	MYR Rob McFarland, North Bend Alt	1
<b>Kitsap County</b>	COM Charlotte Garrido	1
	COM Robert Gelder Alt	
Bremerton	MYR Greg Wheeler	1
	CM Jeff Coughlin Alt	1
Port Orchard	MYR Rob Putaansuu	1
	CM Jay Rosapepe Alt	
Cities & Towns	MYR Becky Erickson, Poulsbo	1
	CM Joe Deets, Bainbridge Island Alt	1
<b>Pierce County</b>	EXC Bruce Dammeier	1
	CM Ryan Mello	1
	CM Dave Morell Alt	1
Tacoma	MYR Victoria Woodards	
	CM Keith Blocker Alt	
Lakewood	CM Don Anderson	
	CM Linda Farmer Alt	
Cities & Towns	MYR Pro Tem Javier Figueroa, University Place Alt	1
	DP MYR Ned Witting, Puyallup Alt	1
<b>Snohomish County</b>	EXC Dave Somers	1
	CM Sam Low	
	<b>Vacant Alt</b>	
Everett	MYR Cassie Franklin	
	CM Don Schwab Alt	1
Cities & Towns	MYR Barbara Tolbert, Arlington	1
	MYR Pro Tem Bryan Wahl, Mountlake Terrace	1
	CM George Hurst, Lynnwood Alt	
	MYR Mason Thompson, Bothell Alt	
<b>Port of Bremerton</b>	COM Axel Strakeljahn	1
	COM Cary Bozeman Alt	
	COM Gary Anderson Alt	
<b>Port of Everett</b>	COM David Simpson	1
	COM Glen Bachman Alt	
<b>Port of Seattle</b>	COM Ryan Calkins	
	COMM Sam Cho Alt	
<b>Port of Tacoma</b>	COM Dick Marzano	1
	COMM Kristin Ang Alt	
<b>Washington State Department of Transportation</b>	Secretary Roger Millar	
	Julie Meredith Alt	
<b>Washington State Transportation Commission</b>	COMM Nicole Grant	
	COMM Jerry Litt Alt	

Attachment: ebjan2023-attendance (3658 : Minutes of Meeting Held January 26, 2023)



## Puget Sound Regional Council

### CONSENT AGENDA

February 16, 2023

**To:** Executive Board

**From:** Mayor Becky Erickson, Chair, Operations Committee

**Subject:** **Approve Vouchers Dated December 31, 2022 through February 6, 2023 in the Amount of \$1,226,734.13**

### IN BRIEF

Two representatives of the Operations Committee review and sign off on the vouchers. In accordance with RCW 42.24.080, following the Operations Committee's review, the Executive Board approves the vouchers. Because the meeting is being attended remotely, PSRC will email voucher information to 2 members of the Operations Committee for review and approval.

### RECOMMENDED ACTION

Recommend the Executive Board approve the following vouchers:

#### REQUESTED

<u>WARRANT DATE</u>	<u>VOUCHER NUMBER</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
01/09/23 - 02/06/23	AP Vouchers	\$ 470,044.10
12/31/22 - 01/15/23	Payroll	\$ 756,690.03
		<b>\$ 1,226,734.13</b>

For additional information, please contact Andrew Werfelmann at 206-971-3292; email [awerfelmann@psrc.org](mailto:awerfelmann@psrc.org).



## Puget Sound Regional Council

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

February 16, 2023

**To:** Executive Board

**From:** Mayor Becky Erickson, Chair, Operations Committee

**Subject:** **Approve Contract Authority for Audio-Visual Equipment Purchase and Installation**

### **IN BRIEF**

Authorization by the Executive Board is required for the Executive Director to enter a contract in excess of \$10,000 per year. A request is being made to authorize a contract for purchasing audio-visual equipment and its installation for PSRC's new office in an amount not to exceed \$485,000.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Recommend that the Executive Board authorizes the Executive Director to enter one or more contracts for new audio-visual equipment and its installation in an amount not to exceed \$485,000.

### **BUDGET IMPACT**

The adopted Biennial Budget and Work Program includes sufficient funds within the budget for the down payment needed to secure the purchase of audio-visual equipment and its installation in PSRC's new office space. The remainder of the expenditure will be reflected in the biennial budget and work program proposal for Fiscal Years 2024-2025.

### **DISCUSSION**

On July 28, 2022, the Executive Board authorized the Executive Director to execute a lease for new office space at 1201 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue in downtown Seattle, effective January 1, 2024. Staff has been working with Avidex, an audio-visual (AV) design consulting firm secured through the State of Washington's contracts. Avidex and staff have been working in designing PSRC's audio-visual needs for the new office

space and specifically for its eight meeting spaces, including one dividable board room. PSRC's Information Technology Team and Avidex inventoried PSRC's current AV equipment to determine what could be moved and repurposed/reused in the new space versus what new equipment will need to be purchased. PSRC most recently updated its meeting room equipment, including the board room, ten years ago; much of its current equipment is either outdated (using older technology) or is nearing the end of its life cycle and, therefore, not able to be used at 1201 3<sup>rd</sup>.

To save the time and expense of conducting an independent request for proposal for the AV equipment purchase and installation, pursuant to Chapter 39.34 RCW, PSRC will piggyback on the State of Washington's Contracts for audio-visual equipment purchase and installation. Using the cooperative purchasing statute will allow PSRC to benefit from the State's competitive process and pricing.

For more information, please contact Piset Khuon, Senior IT Specialist, at [pkhuon@psrc.org](mailto:pkhuon@psrc.org) or (206) 971-3271 or Nancy Buonanno Grennan, Deputy Executive Director, at [nbgrennan@psrc.org](mailto:nbgrennan@psrc.org) or (206) 464-7527.



## Puget Sound Regional Council

### CONSENT AGENDA

February 16, 2023

**To:** Executive Board

**From:** Mayor Dana Ralph, Chair, Transportation Policy Board

**Subject:** **Adopt Routine Amendment to the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

### IN BRIEF

Six agencies submitted fourteen projects this month for routine amendment into the Regional TIP. The projects are summarized in Exhibit A. These projects were awarded local, state, and federal funding through various funding processes, such as the Connecting Washington funds managed by the Washington State Department of Transportation. PSRC staff reviewed the projects for compliance with federal and state requirements and consistency with VISION 2050 and the Regional Transportation Plan. At its meeting February 9, the Transportation Policy Board recommended the adoption of the amendment.

### RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Executive Board should adopt an amendment to the 2023-2026 Regional TIP to include the projects as shown in Exhibit A.

### DISCUSSION

Under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), PSRC has project selection authority for all projects programming regional funds from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) - Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) - and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) - Urbanized Area Formula Program (5307), State of Good Repair (5337), Bus and Bus Facilities Formula (5339), and Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities (5310).

While PSRC does not have project selection authority for other types of federal, state, or local funds, the Executive Board is responsible for adding these projects to the Regional TIP. Each project must comply with requirements regarding plan consistency, air quality, and financial constraint. The attached Exhibit A illustrates the action needed to amend the Regional TIP.

The recommended action would approve the TIP amendment request based on a finding of consistency with VISION 2050, the Regional Transportation Plan, and the air quality conformity determination of the Regional TIP. Approval is also based on a determining that funding is reasonably expected to be available to carry out the project. Information describing plan consistency, air quality conformity, and the funding basis for approving the request is further described below.

### **Consistency with VISION 2050 and the Regional Transportation Plan**

The projects recommended for action were reviewed by PSRC staff and were determined to be consistent with the multicounty policies in VISION 2050 and the Regional Transportation Plan.

### **Air Quality Conformity**

The projects in Exhibit A were reviewed, and it has been determined that a new air quality analysis and conformity determination is not required because each project falls into one or more of the following categories:

- It is exempt from air quality conformity requirements.
- It is an existing project already included in the current air quality modeling.
- It is a non-exempt project not able to be included in the regional model.

### **Funding Reasonably Expected to be Available**

For the projects in Exhibit A, PSRC has confirmed the funds are reasonably expected to be available.

### **PSRC's Project Tracking Policies**

This month's amendment includes no project tracking actions.

### **Federal and State Fund Source Descriptions**

The following federal and state funding sources are referenced in Exhibit A.

<b>BR</b>	The Local Bridge Program provides funding for eligible bridges on public roads
<b>CWA</b>	State Connecting Washington Account



<b>CSRF</b>	State Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund for all federal moneys from the American Rescue Plan
<b>MVA</b>	State funds from the Motor Vehicle Account
<b>PROTECT</b>	This program is to support planning, resilience improvements, community resilience and evacuation routes, and at-risk coastal infrastructure.

For more information, please contact Jennifer Barnes at 206-389-2876 or [jbarnes@psrc.org](mailto:jbarnes@psrc.org).

Attachments:  
Exhibit A

Month: February

## Project(s) Proposed for Routine Amendment to 2023-2026 TIP

Year: 2023

Exhibit A

Sponsor	Project Title and Work Description	Funding	PSRC Action Needed			
			Project Tracking	New Project/Phase	UPWP Other	Amend
1. Duvall	<b>3rd Avenue NE Reconstruction</b> New project programming a preliminary engineering phase to reconstruct 3rd Ave NE between NE 143rd Pl and NE Stephens St, installing curbs and gutters, bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, updated storm and culvert system, traffic calming, landscaping, and roadway repaving.	\$874,748 Local	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		\$874,748 Total				
2. Federal Way	<b>City Center Access Project - Ph 1 (SB Ramp Modifications)</b> New project programming preliminary engineering phase to construct a SB I-5 off-ramp from the existing S 320th off-ramp to S 324th, a SB I-5 on-ramp at S 324th, and modifying existing SB I-5/320th on-ramp to a braided ramp from S 320th to S 324th. Extend and widen S 324th up to 5 lanes with sidewalk and multi-use path from SR 99 to the new S 324th ramp.	\$14,000,000 State	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		\$14,000,000 Total				
3. Issaquah	<b>NW Gilman Bridge Seismic Retrofit</b> New project programming preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction phases to seismically retrofit NW Gilman Bridge over Issaquah Creek by installing additional columns and repairing existing ones.	\$3,620,000 Federal BR	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		\$3,620,000 Total				
4. Kitsap County	<b>Newberry Hill Road - Culvert</b> New project programming preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction phases to replace culvert with fish passable structure.	\$3,020,000 Federal PROTECT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		\$370,000 Local				
		\$3,390,000 Total				
5. Pierce County	<b>Bridge Deck Rehabilitations - Mashel River, Puyallup River, Kapowsin Creek</b> New project programming preliminary engineering and construction phases to resurface and rehabilitate three bridge decks in Pierce County.	\$3,419,700 Federal BR	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		\$72,570 Local				
		\$3,492,270 Total				

Attachment: Exhibit A (3650 : Routine Amendment to the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP))

Sponsor	Project Title and Work Description	Funding	PSRC Action Needed				
			Project Tracking	New Project/Phase	Other	UPWP Amend	
6. WSDOT Northwest Region	<b>I-90/Soderman Creek - Fish Passage</b> New project programming preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction phases to remove the existing fish passage barrier and replace with a fish passable structure. This is a multi-year project, and the programming reflects the planned expenditure schedule within the span of the current TIP.	\$147,958	Connecting Washington	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		\$24,337,028	CSRF				
		\$693,837	MVA				
		\$25,178,823	Total				
7. WSDOT Northwest Region	<b>SR 161/19th Way S Vicinity Unnamed Tributary to East Fork Hylebos Creek - Fish Passage</b> New project programming preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction phases to remove the existing fish passage barrier and replace with a fish passable structure. This is a multi-year project, and the programming reflects the planned expenditure schedule within the span of the current TIP.	\$4,330,345	Connecting Washington	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		\$9,112,101	CSRF				
		\$318,580	MVA				
		\$13,761,026	Total				
8. WSDOT Northwest Region	<b>SR 202/Unnamed Tributary to Patterson Creek - Fish Passage</b> New project programming preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction phases to remove the existing fish passage barrier and replace with a fish passable structure. This is a multi-year project, and the programming reflects the planned expenditure schedule within the span of the current TIP.	\$123,124	Connecting Washington	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		\$3,264,070	CSRF				
		\$87,505	MVA				
		\$3,474,699	Total				
9. WSDOT Northwest Region	<b>SR 515/Panther Creek to Springbrook Creek - Fish Passage</b> New project programming preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction phases to remove the existing fish passage barrier and replace with a fish passable structure. This is a multi-year project, and the programming reflects the planned expenditure schedule within the span of the current TIP.	\$256,692	Connecting Washington	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		\$5,859,182	CSRF				
		\$1,130,278	MVA				
		\$7,246,152	Total				

Attachment: Exhibit A (3650 : Routine Amendment to the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP))

Sponsor	Project Title and Work Description	Funding	PSRC Action Needed				
			Project Tracking	New Project/Phase	Other	UPWP Amend	
10. WSDOT Northwest Region	<b>SR 516/Mill Creek - Fish Passage</b> New project programming preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction phases to remove the existing fish passage barrier and replace with a fish passable structure. This is a multi-year project, and the programming reflects the planned expenditure schedule within the span of the current TIP.	\$72,636	Connecting Washington	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		\$3,455,637	CSRF				
		\$113,061	MVA				
		\$3,641,334	Total				
11. WSDOT Northwest Region	<b>US 2/Unnamed Tributaries to Skykomish River - Fish Passage</b> New project programming preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction phases to remove the existing fish passage barrier and replace with a fish passable structure. This is a multi-year project, and the programming reflects the planned expenditure schedule within the span of the current TIP.	\$389,884	Connecting Washington	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		\$9,129,086	CSRF				
		\$328,638	MVA				
		\$9,847,608	Total				
12. WSDOT Northwest Region	<b>SR 9/Bunk Foss Creek &amp; Cemetery Creek - Fish Passage</b> New project programming preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction phases to remove the existing fish passage barrier and replace with a fish passable structure. This is a multi-year project, and the programming reflects the planned expenditure schedule within the span of the current TIP.	\$138,618	Connecting Washington	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		\$4,444,668	CSRF				
		\$131,411	MVA				
		\$4,714,697	Total				
13. WSDOT Northwest Region	<b>US 2/Bunk Foss Creek and Unnamed Tributary to French Creek - Fish Passage</b> New project programming preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction phases to remove the existing fish passage barrier and replace with a fish passable structure. This is a multi-year project, and the programming reflects the planned expenditure schedule within the span of the current TIP.	\$488,459	Connecting Washington	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		\$11,322,500	CSRF				
		\$330,587	MVA				
		\$12,141,546	Total				
14. WSDOT Northwest Region	<b>US 2/Groeneveld &amp; Unnamed Creek to Skykomish River - Fish Passage</b> New project programming preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction phases to remove the existing fish passage barrier and replace with a fish passable structure. This is a multi-year project, and the programming reflects the planned expenditure schedule within the span of the current TIP.	\$317,210	Connecting Washington	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
		\$3,959,812	CSRF				
		\$111,312	MVA				
		\$4,388,334	Total				

Attachment: Exhibit A (3650 : Routine Amendment to the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP))



## Puget Sound Regional Council

### DISCUSSION ITEM

February 16, 2023

**To:** Executive Board

**From:** Josh Brown, Executive Director

**Subject:** **Safe Streets and Roads for All Safety Action Plan Grant**

### IN BRIEF

At its February meeting, the Executive Board will be briefed on a \$4.9 million FHWA Safety Action Plan grant recently awarded to PSRC and 6 member partners.

### DISCUSSION

In September 2022, PSRC applied for a Safety Action Plan grant through the U.S. Department of Transportation's new Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Program, part of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law enacted in 2021.

As part of the provisions of the grant program, USDOT reserved the right to ask for multiple grant applications from a single region to consolidate into a single joint application. In November 2022, USDOT contacted PSRC, Burien, Everett, Kent, Redmond, Tukwila, and Pierce County and asked them to do so. PSRC, in coordination with its partners, prepared a revised application and submitted it to the program.

On February 1<sup>st</sup> the US Department of Transportation announced that PSRC and its partners will receive a nearly \$4.9 million grant. The grant will support the development of a Regional Safety Plan – a priority RTP Implementation action – and also fund local safety plans for the cities of Burien, Everett, Kent, Redmond, Tukwila, and Pierce County. PSRC will act as the lead agency for the grant.

The funding breakdown is as follows:

PSRC	\$2,680,000.00
Burien	\$160,000.00
Everett	\$788,363.00

Kent	\$472,000.00
Redmond	\$160,000.00
Tukwila	\$200,000.00
Pierce County	\$400,000.00
Total	\$ 4,860,363.00

FHWA has notified PSRC that in the weeks ahead more information will be issued about next steps for the process leading to an executed grant agreement.

For more information, please contact Ben Bakkenta, Director of Regional Planning, at [bbakkenta@psrc.org](mailto:bbakkenta@psrc.org), 206-971-3286.



## Puget Sound Regional Council

### **DISCUSSION ITEM**

February 16, 2023

**To:** Executive Board  
**From:** Josh Brown, Executive Director  
**Subject:** **State Legislative Update**

### **IN BRIEF**

At its February meeting, the board will hear recent developments at the state legislature on the budget and bills of interest.

### **DISCUSSION**

The recommendations to the 2023 State Legislature adopted by the Executive Board in December are attached.

For more information, contact Robin Koskey, Director of Government Relations and Communications, at [rkoskey@psrc.org](mailto:rkoskey@psrc.org) or 206-971-3602.

Attachments:  
2023 State Legislative Agenda

# Recommendations to the 2023 State Legislature



The Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) supports adoption of state legislation that provides an exceptional quality of life, opportunity for all, connected communities, a spectacular natural environment and an innovative, thriving economy in alignment with adopted regional plans.



## Keep the Region Moving

VISION 2050 and the Regional Transportation Plan lay out a foundation for completing regional transportation investments and future work to strengthen connections to and between the region's centers. PSRC supports:

- Sustaining the transportation investments made with Move Ahead Washington during the 2021 legislative session
- Developing an equitable road usage charge (RUC) system through the work of the Washington State Transportation Commission to generate necessary revenue to eventually replace the gas tax, fund the state's long-term transportation needs, including multimodal connections and introduce revenue flexibility
- Maintain agreed upon state and local funding split decisions as agreed upon by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) workgroup

## Increase Housing Choices and Affordability

PSRC's Regional Housing Strategy identifies coordinated strategies, policies, and actions to expand housing options create greater affordability, and promote fair and equal housing access to address the housing affordability crisis in our state. The PSRC region needs to build 800,000 more homes by 2050 and 20% of these homes need to be affordable to people earning less than half of the Area Median Income. PSRC supports legislation and funding in three action areas:

- **Supply:** Build more housing of different types
- **Stability:** Provide opportunities for residents to live in housing that meets their needs
- **Subsidy:** Create and sustain long-term funding sources to create and preserve housing for very low-income households and unhoused residents



## Significantly Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions

VISION 2050 and the Regional Transportation Plan outline how state, regional, and local partners can act in coordination to reduce emissions in the region and prepare for climate impacts. PSRC supports state legislation to respond to the urgent environmental, economic and equity threat of climate change in alignment with the essential components of regional long-range planning:

- Transit-focused land use
- Multimodal transportation choices
- Pricing the transportation system
- Decarbonization of the transportation system, including improvements to freight and passenger vehicles and fuels

PSRC supports state legislation to address these components to respond to the urgent environmental, economic, and equity threat of climate change.

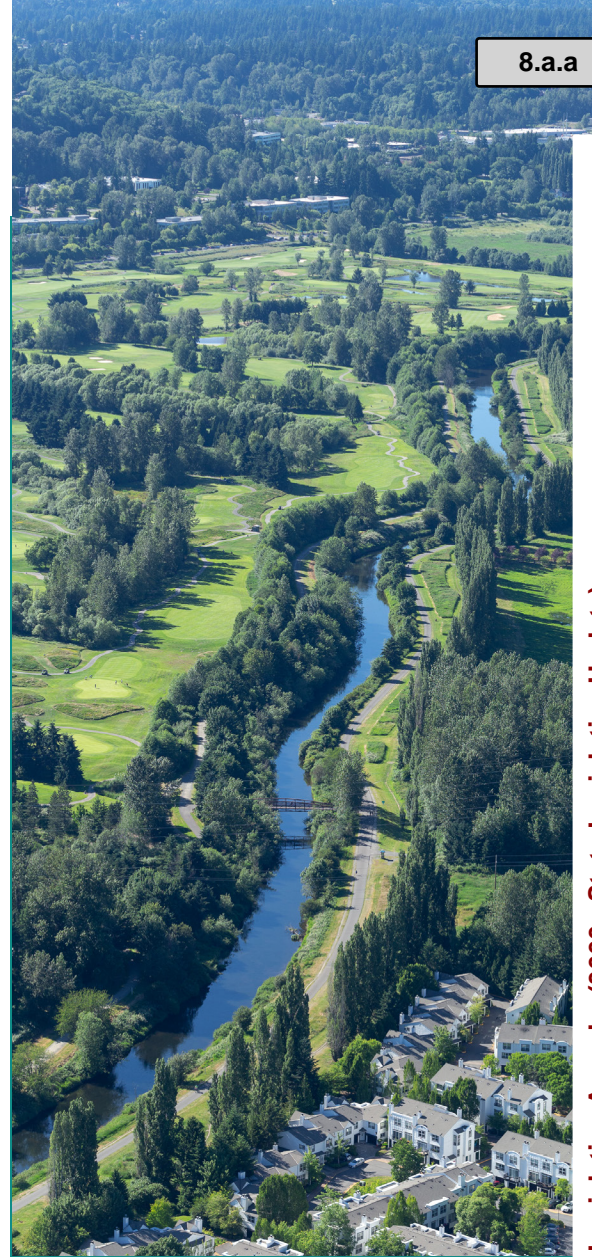
## Sustain a Strong Economy

VISION 2050 and the Regional Economic Strategy plan for economic growth and opportunity that creates widespread prosperity and living-wage jobs throughout the region. PSRC supports continued investments in critical infrastructure and workforce development programs that help sustain the region's economy.

PSRC supports strong state engagement for a successful American Competitiveness Exchange (ACE) learning visit by up to 50 senior-level government, business, policy, and economic decision-makers from across the Americas exploring economic development, innovation, and entrepreneurship in the Puget Sound region.

For more information, please contact:

**Robin Koskey**  
 Director of Government Relations & Communications  
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 206-798-4462



Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) develops policies and coordinates decisions about regional growth, transportation and economic development planning within King, Pierce, Snohomish and Kitsap counties. PSRC is composed of nearly 100 members, including the four counties, cities and towns, ports, state and local transportation agencies and Tribal governments within the region.



## Puget Sound Regional Council

### DISCUSSION ITEM

February 16, 2023

**To:** Executive Board  
**From:** Josh Brown, Executive Director  
**Subject:** **Americas Competitiveness Exchange Coming to Region in May**

### IN BRIEF

The Americas Competitiveness Exchange is coming to the Greater Seattle region in May 2023. The program will bring up to 60 senior-level international delegates to experience the region's economic ecosystem and expand international cooperation.

### DISCUSSION

From May 14-19, 2023, the Americas Competitiveness Exchange (ACE) is coming to the Greater Seattle region. ACE brings together up to 60 senior-level government, business, policy, and economic decision-makers from across the Americas and beyond to experience first-hand the diverse range of projects, strategic investments, public-private partnerships, and best practices from a particular region's economic, innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem.

ACE is the premier economic development, innovation, and entrepreneurial network of the Americas and is one of the leading high-level events of the Organization of American States (OAS). Headquartered in Washington, D.C., the OAS is an international organization founded in 1948 for the purpose to bring together all 35 [independent states](#) of the Western Hemisphere to enhance development, democracy, human rights, and security. In addition, the OAS has 71 [Permanent Observer](#) countries that are invited to attend its activities. The U.S. Department of Commerce's Economic Development Administration, the International Trade Administration, the U.S. Department of State, and the OAS comprise the Coordinating and Advisory Committee for the ACE program. The ACE program:

- Showcases a region's diverse range of projects, strategic investments, public-private partnerships, and best practices.
- Expands international cooperation networks and promotes long-term partnerships.
- Strengthens economic development ecosystems and accelerates economic growth.
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In November 2022, the ACE program was held in Ecuador and convened leaders from more than 20 countries and a diverse array of international organizations.

Representatives attended from nations throughout Latin America, including Ecuador, Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, and Guatemala, as well as Germany, Canada, and the United States. Delegates also came from international organizations, including the International Economic Development Council, the Pan American Development Foundation, and the U.S.-Mexico Foundation. At the closing ceremony in Ecuador, there was an announcement proclaiming the Greater Seattle Region will host the ACE program during the week of May 14-19, 2023.

Visiting delegates will spend a week visiting businesses, organizations, universities, and important cultural sites across King, Kitsap, Pierce and Snohomish Counties. PSRC is leading the coordination of this visit, with financial support from the Washington State Department of Commerce.

For more information contact Jason Thibedeau, Economic Development Program Manager, at [jthibedeau@psrc.org](mailto:jthibedeau@psrc.org) or (206) 389-2879.

# Joint Board Session on ACT

## Affirm, Counter, Transform

**Friday, April 28**

**10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

Hybrid Meeting



Puget Sound Regional Council

The joint board session will cover how to apply ACT (Affirm, Counter, Transform) as a tool to address challenging conversations about racial equity and educate others about the topic. The session will provide board members with the opportunity to practice applying ACT to racial equity issues impacting our region today.

All PSRC board members are highly encouraged to attend. You do not need to have attended a past session to participate.

RSVP information coming soon.

# VISION 2050 AWARDS



## Call for Nominations 2023

The Puget Sound Regional Council is seeking nominations for the VISION 2050 Awards Program through April 1, 2023.

The VISION 2050 Awards celebrate progress to enhance the region's communities and natural environment while advancing equity and opportunity for all. The awards recognize innovative work by jurisdictions, Tribes, nonprofit organizations, businesses, and other groups in the region to create a better future for central Puget Sound.

We welcome nominations in the following categories:

### On the Ground

Projects that show VISION 2050 in action today, including housing, mixed-use development or redevelopment, expanding access to opportunity, open space preservation, and transportation investments.

### Planning Ahead

Comprehensive or subarea plans, economic development plans, climate action plans, equity initiatives, design guidelines, outreach programs, and other similar efforts that are shaping a positive future for the region.

### Working Together

Cross-jurisdictional or public/private partnerships focused on solutions or working together to tackle tough problems and advance VISION 2050. Examples include multijurisdictional work on housing affordability, environmental and climate initiatives, corridor transportation planning, or other similar efforts to face long-term regional challenges.



### The region's vision for 2050

is to provide exceptional quality of life, opportunity for all, connected communities, a spectacular natural environment, and an innovative, thriving economy. More information about the goals and themes of VISION 2050 can be found at [www.psrc.org](http://www.psrc.org)

## Eligibility

Nominations must be for projects, programs, plans and partnerships in the four-county region (King, Kitsap, Pierce and Snohomish counties) that are developed in the public or private sectors, or through public/private partnerships. Any individual, business, agency, Tribe, organization or jurisdiction may submit a nomination.

## Submit a Nomination!

Nominations must be submitted online through the [VISION 2050 Awards Nomination Form](#)

Learn more at: [www.psrc.org](http://www.psrc.org)

Scan the code for  
the nomination form



## Schedule

April 1, 2023 – Nominations due

April-May 2023 – Awards Selection Committee composed of PSRC board members will select the award winners

Summer/Fall 2023 – Awards presented on location around the region

