

Freight Advisory Committee

April 12, 2023



Puget Sound Regional Council

Agenda

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

Roll call and introductions.

2. Approve Meeting Summary for December 14, 2022* (9:35)

3. Discussion: Freight and Goods Transportation System Update (9:40)

WSDOT and PSRC staff will provide a briefing on the update to the statewide Freight and Goods Transportation System (FGTS) that is currently underway, including the steps and overall timeline.

4. Discussion: Regional Transportation Plan –Freight Work Program (10:00)

Committee members will review work program feedback provided at previous meetings and through the FAC work program survey and discuss methods for sharing best practices and priorities for upcoming meetings.

5. Discussion: Other Business and Announcements (10:45)

6. Next Meeting: June 14, 2023: 9:30-11:00 a.m.

7. Adjourn (11:00)



FGTS Update

Biennial update to the Freight and Goods Transportation System (FGTS) is currently underway

- Statewide update led by WSDOT
- PSRC facilitating data collection for jurisdictions within the region for cities and ports in King, Pierce, and Snohomish counties
 - Counties' data being coordinated by the County Road Administration Board (CRAB)
 - Jurisdictions within Kitsap County being coordinated by the Peninsula Regional Transportation Planning Organization (PRTPO)



FGTS Update

PSRC process:

- Solicitations sent to FAC and countywide forum email lists on April 6
- WSDOT excel workbook sent with existing FGTS route and volume data
- Agencies asked to send back workbook with updated information for FGTS facilities within their jurisdiction/district
 - Review existing FGTS facilities and data
 - Provide updated Average Daily Traffic (ADT), truck count, and truck tonnage data where available (collected since June 2021)
 - Include data to support requests for new FGTS facilities, if applicable



FGTS Update

PSRC process:

- Completed workbooks with updated data due to PSRC by **May 5**
- PSRC will conduct cursory review of submitted data
 - Will follow up with jurisdictions if there are obvious gaps to be filled or clarifications needed
 - Will not be vetting/validating data that is provided (but WSDOT will!)
- PSRC will compile the updated data into a regional list for submittal to WSDOT prior to June deadline
- Remaining process completed by WSDOT



FGTS Update

Questions on the FGTS update process?



Freight Work Program

Regional Transportation Plan – FAC Role:

- 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



Freight Topic Priorities/Expertise – FAC Poll

FAC poll conducted last fall:

- What are the committee's freight-related priorities?
- What can the committee's role be in advancing these priorities?



Freight Topic Priorities/Expertise – FAC Poll

FAC
Expertise/Example

5

1st



Interjurisdictional coordination on freight improvement

2

2nd



Reducing/removing conflicts between trucks and other modes

3

3rd



Context-sensitive design - local street systems

2

4th



Freight-supportive land use policies

6

5th



Truck parking

4

6th



Equity considerations in freight

1

7th



Context-sensitive design - major freight facilities

2

8th



Curbside management

Other Areas of Expertise

- Economic value of freight (1)
- Interface between intermodal facilities and freight network (1)



Freight Work Program Survey

Purpose of survey

- Begin matching priority topics with FAC members' expertise
- Identify preferred, implementable means for sharing information

Survey open through end of April

- All FAC members/alternates strongly encouraged to respond
- FAC interested parties also welcome to respond if you have relevant freight information you would like to share



Freight Work Program Survey

Survey Topics:

- For each of eight priority freight topics, indicate if you have experience/examples you can share
- Identify format(s) of best practice information you can share
- Identify lead time needed to present/provide information on a specific topic
- Identify preferred forums for sharing
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Freight Work Program Survey

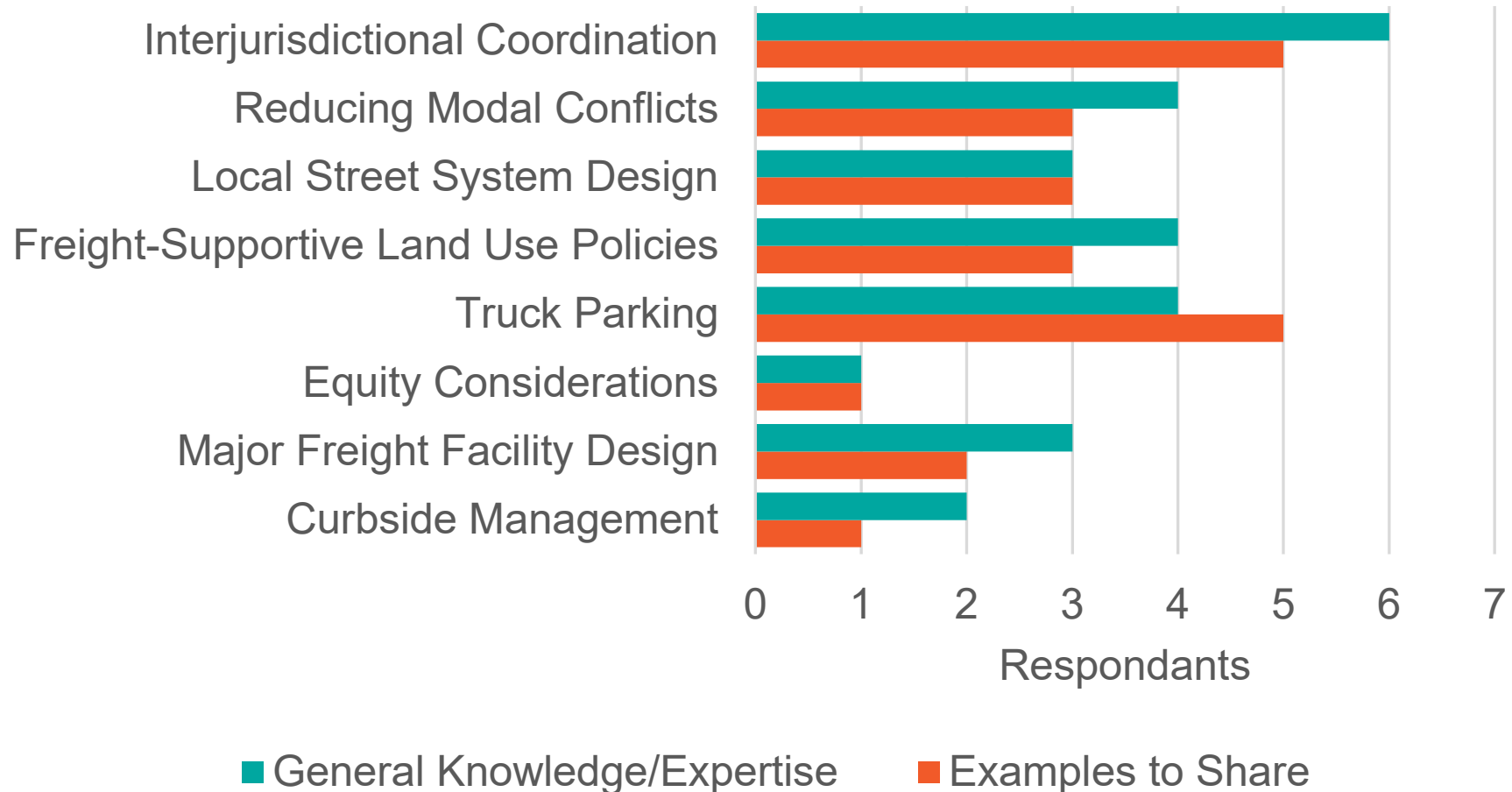
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Seven responses so far!



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Other Areas of Expertise/Experience Identified

- Inland container freight terminal assessment
- Freight modeling

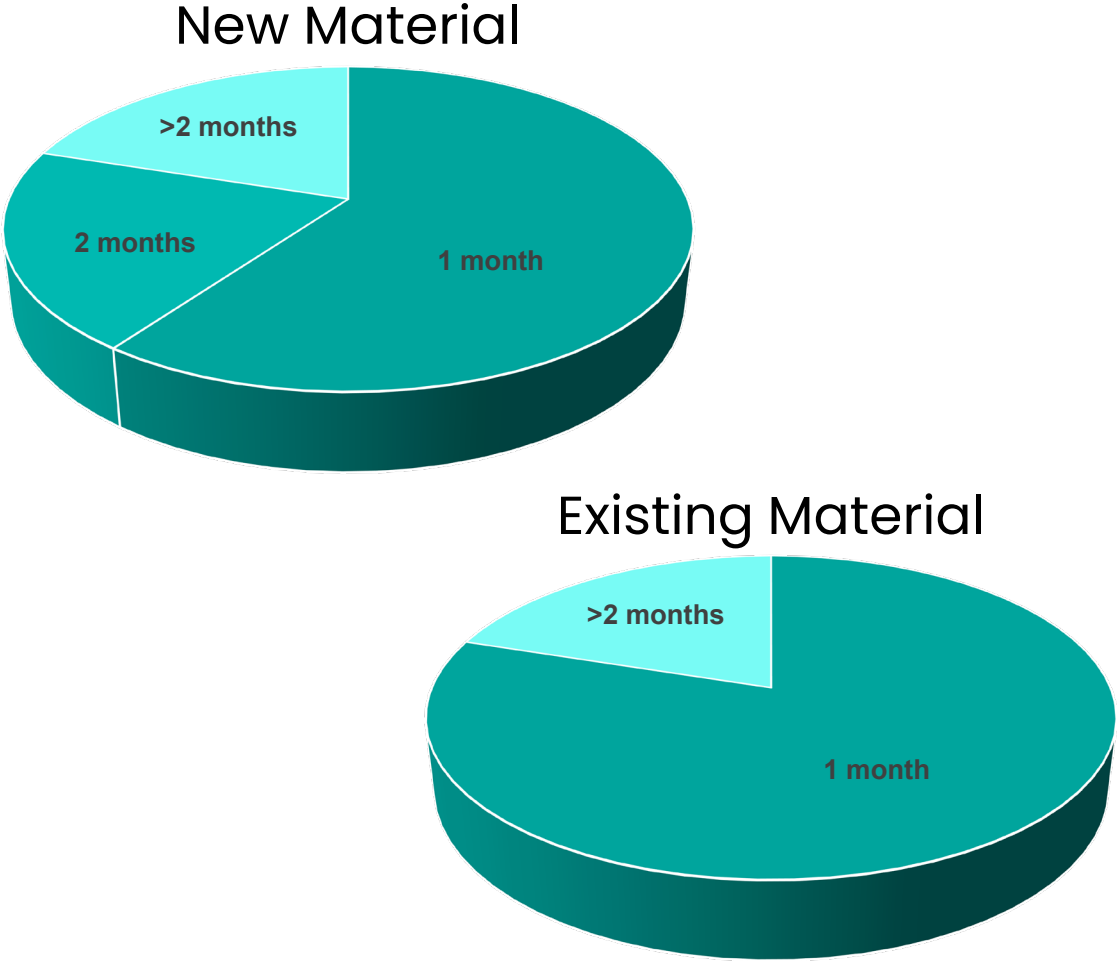
Areas Identified for Brainstorming/Group Discussion

- How to improve internal education on the needs of large truck movement
- How to integrate freight transportation system with city airport



Freight Work Program Survey

Lead Time



Format for Sharing Information

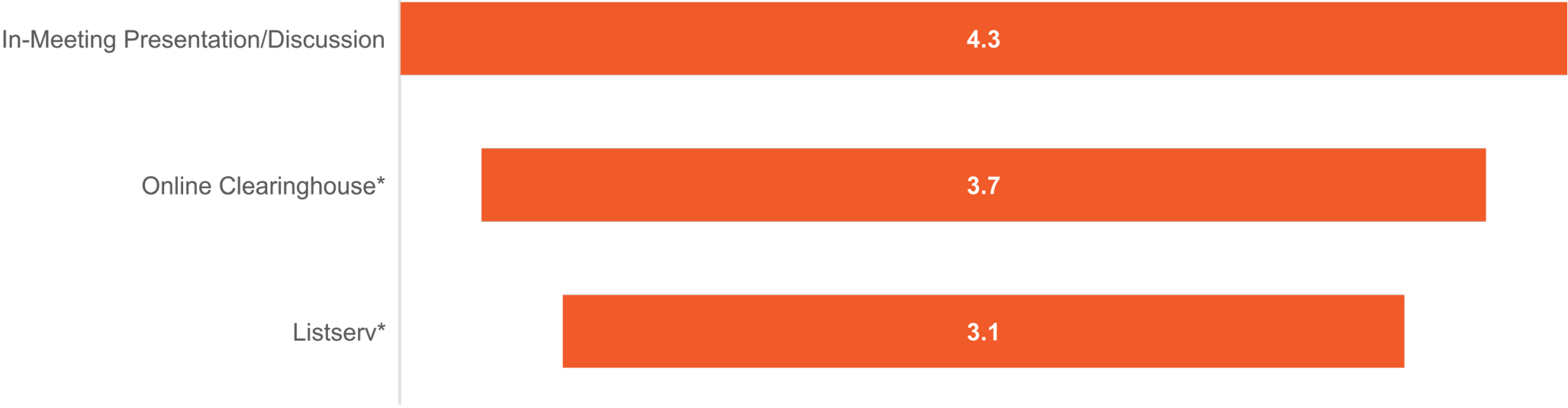


Freight Work Program Survey

Forum Preferences



Average Score



Freight Work Program – Proposed Next Steps

- Please complete the survey!
- Based on input provided to date, recommend “Interjurisdictional Coordination on Freight Improvement” as first topic to discuss at next (June 14) FAC meeting
 - PSRC staff will coordinate with FAC members to present/share information on this topic
 - Will include time for roundtable discussion
- Survey information will provide basis for planning/prioritizing future meeting topics



Freight Work Program

Questions/Comments on the
FAC Freight Work Program?

