



Puget Sound Regional Council

# TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND CLIMATE UPDATES

Executive Board  
July 27, 2023



*We are leaders in the region to realize equity for all. Diversity, racial equity and inclusion are integrated into how we carry out all our work.*

[psrc.org/equity](https://psrc.org/equity)

# Today's Overview

- ❑ Safety Work
  - ✓ Safety Summit
  - ✓ Safe Streets For All Grants
- ❑ Climate Work
  - ✓ Expert Review Panel
  - ✓ Partnership Efforts
- ❑ Overall Schedule



# PSRC Regional Safety Summit – June 29th



- Regional conversation about transportation safety – discuss key issues, needs, challenges and opportunities
- First step in the development of Regional Safety Plan
- 140+ attendees



# PSRC Regional Safety Summit – June 29th

## Morning speakers:

- U.S. Department of Transportation
- National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
- National Safety Council
- Vision Zero Network



Source: USDOT



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Local agency tabling:



**LYNNWOOD**  
WASHINGTON



# PSRC Regional Safety Summit – June 29th

## Afternoon breakout sessions:

- Safer Streets
- Safer People



# Key Takeaways

*It's time to transition from the traditional methods to a Safe System Approach*

## Traditional

## Safe System

Prevent crashes → Prevent deaths and serious injuries

Improve human behavior → Design for human mistakes/limitations

Control speeding → Reduce system kinetic energy

Individuals are responsible → Share responsibility

React based on crash history → Proactively identify and address risks

Source:

[https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/zerodeaths/docs/FHWA\\_SafeSystem\\_Brochure\\_V9\\_508\\_200717.pdf](https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/zerodeaths/docs/FHWA_SafeSystem_Brochure_V9_508_200717.pdf)



# Key Takeaways

## General themes:

- ✓ Identify roles and responsibilities across all levels
- ✓ Coordination and consistency is important
- ✓ Context matters – there is no one size fits all solution
- ✓ Develop a regional toolbox that can be scaled





# Next Steps

- All Summit presentations posted on PSRC's website at <https://www.psrc.org/our-work/safety>
- Summary of proceedings being developed
  - To include feedback from breakout sessions
  - Anticipated by late July



# Safe Streets For All Grants

- \$4.9 million consolidated grant awarded to PSRC under Round 1
  - PSRC to develop Regional Safety Plan and support planning efforts for member jurisdictions
  - PSRC also serving as grant administrator to support local safety plan development for Burien, Everett, Kent, Redmond, Tukwila and Pierce County



# Safe Streets For All Grants

- Round 2 of funding released
- PSRC again offering to serve as the regional umbrella to support local safety plan development for 10 jurisdictions
- Bonney Lake, Eatonville, Edmonds, Federal Way, Fife, Kirkland, Renton, Shoreline, Snohomish County, Sultan
- \$2.9 million grant submitted; anticipated October notification



SS4A Planning grants, **awarded** or **submitted**



# Next Steps

## Scoping of the Regional Safety Plan:

- Regional data analysis and trends
- Identification of strategies, best practices
- Following a Safe System Approach
- Incorporating feedback from the Summit
- Outreach and engagement

*Situational,  
context specific,  
equity lens*



# Feedback on Regional Safety Plan

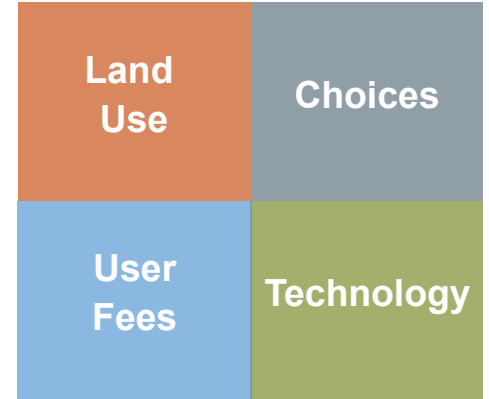
- Are there specific elements you would like to see in the Regional Safety Plan?
- How can the Regional Safety Plan assist your local safety planning and implementation?
- Are there other themes / topics that haven't yet been mentioned?



# Climate Updates

- Regional Transportation Plan Climate work to date:

- ✓ Four-Part Greenhouse Gas Strategy
- ✓ 2050 analysis
- ✓ 2030 analysis
  - ✓ Sensitivity testing



- Upcoming work:

- ✓ Climate expert review panel, August–September
- ✓ Fall – begin discussions on climate implementation strategy, next steps



# Climate Updates

- Partnership Projects:
  - Puget Sound Regional Emissions Analysis Project
    - ✓ Updated regional GHG inventory, consistent four-county framework
  - Regional Electric Vehicle Collaborative
    - <https://pugetsoundrev.org/>
  - Puget Sound Climate Preparedness Collaborative
    - <https://pugetsoundclimate.org/>



# Climate Updates

- Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program (CPRG)
  - Through EPA
  - Planning and Implementation grants
    - \$1 million to the region, \$3 million to the state
    - Short-term Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP) due March 2024
    - Longer-term Comprehensive Climate Action Plan due Summer 2025
    - Regional partnership effort led by Puget Sound Clean Air Agency





# Climate Updates

- Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program (CPRG)
  - Planning and Implementation grants
    - \$4.6 billion
    - Eligible activities must be included in the PCAP
    - Prioritizing reduction of GHG emissions and benefits to disadvantaged communities
    - Release of details expected in September
    - Anticipated due date for applications ~April 2024
    - Grant awards anticipated between ~\$2 million and \$500 million



# Next Steps

August 2023

September  
2023

4<sup>th</sup> Quarter  
2023

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter  
2024

4<sup>th</sup> Quarter  
2024

Scoping of  
Regional  
Safety Plan

Board  
discussions  
and Launch  
of Regional  
Safety Plan

Board  
discussions  
on project  
selection –  
climate,  
safety, equity

2024 Project  
Selection  
Process

Complete  
Regional  
Safety Plan

Climate expert review panel



# Thank You

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