

# Connecting People to Transit

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Puget Sound Regional Council



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# Today's Presentation

- **Transit Access Work Program**
- **Where we are at...**
  - Literature review
  - Case study locations analysis
  - Transit access working group meetings
- **Discussion**
- **Next Steps**



# ***Regional Transportation Plan calls for PSRC to:***

“...Develop and update tools and resources to **help identify where access to transit can be improved**, particularly for bicyclists and pedestrians. ”

## **Transit access in RTP:**

- Transit-Oriented Development (TOD)
- Walk, Bike, and Roll
- Transit Service
- Drop-off/Pick-up Modes
- Parking



# Transit Access Work Program

## Task 1: Review existing transit access tools and resources to help identify potential improvements to transit access assessments and next steps.

- This task builds upon past work and will help inform future tasks.
- Work with the Transit Access Working Group to assess unique challenges/needs for different contexts in the region.



# ***Where We Are At...***

**First transit access working group meeting was held in July**

**Staff reviewed relevant resources**

**Conducted a high-level analysis for potential case study locations:**

- PSRC staff compiled locations identified by committees
- PSRC reviewed sites based on key factors (urban form, equity, parking)—most locations serve or will serve HCT

**Second working group meeting was on September 12<sup>th</sup>**

- Working group discussed the final locations for case studies

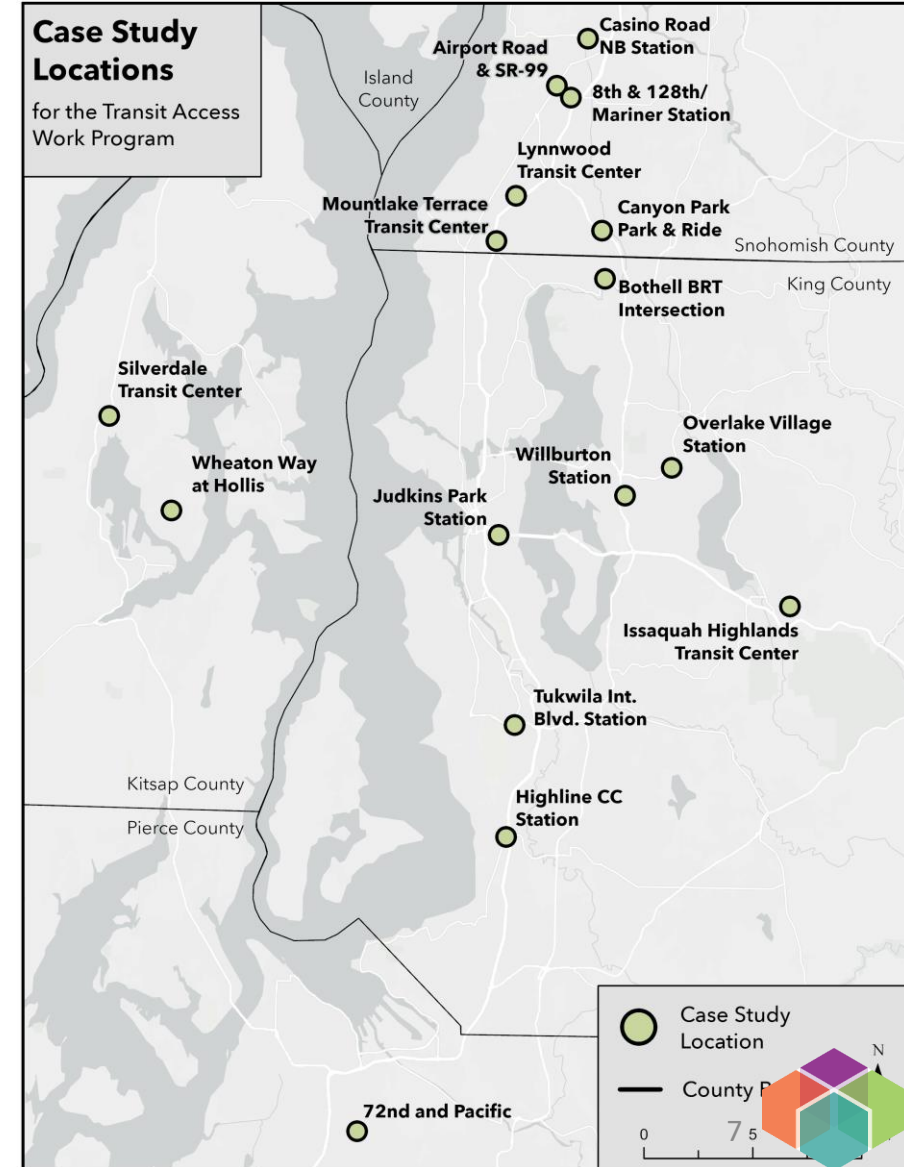
# Literature Review

- Staff is finalizing the literature review.
- Recent research and studies **reinforced the key characteristics** influencing transit access:
  - Urban form
  - Transit service
  - Parking
- One new key emphasis is on **equity**.



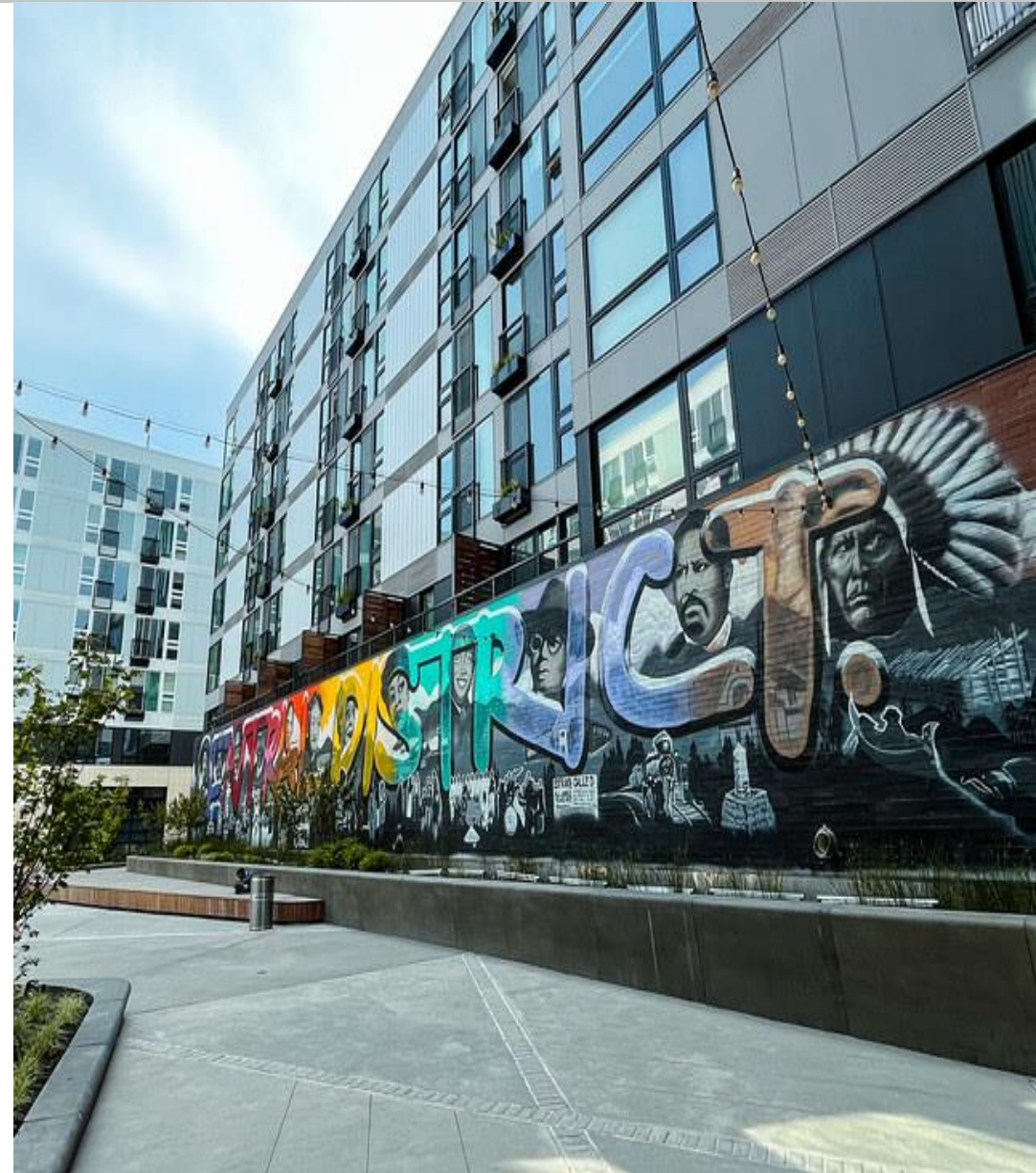
# Case Study Locations Analysis

- Board, committees, working group members suggested **16** case study locations.
- Analyzed the **one-mile radius** around each station.
- Conducted a high-level analysis
- Sites were selected based on **urban form, equity, and parking** factors.



# September Transit Access Working Group Meeting

- Working group members agreed to select **five locations** throughout the region.
- **At least one** case study location in each county:
  - Two in King County: in Seattle & South King
- Locations represent **different contexts** and **accessibility challenges**.
- Emphasis on **equity** and **MOD** program availability.





# *Next Steps*

## **September–November 2023:**

Conduct case studies

**Late October 2023:** Transit Access  
Working Group Meeting #3

**Early 2024:** Begin work on next tasks

**Periodic updates to committees and  
boards throughout process**



An aerial photograph of a coastal city, likely Everett, Washington. A large, multi-lane bridge spans across a wide body of water, connecting the city to the mainland. The city is densely packed with residential and commercial buildings. In the background, there are mountains under a clear blue sky. The water is a deep blue, and there are several boats visible in a marina area.

# *Thank You!*

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