

**Transportation Futures Task Force  
Next steps for Funding Central Puget Sound Regional Transportation Needs**

**Final Report DRAFT Outline**

**Statement of Task Force Intent (potential letter)**

- Established to be independently minded
- Acknowledging the growing regional challenges
- Highlighting the transportation and trans funding challenges- long term and short term
- Commitment to efficiency, productivity, and providing choices for the regional system
- Recognizing the regional needs, demand and funding

**Introduction**

**Task Force Charge and membership**

- Who is the taskforce?
- What is their charge?

**Regional Problem definition**

- T2040 Plan – Funded and Unfunded “Gap” needs
- Growth
- Gas tax and federal support is declining
- Local and regional transportation needs are greater than current funding

**Influences of the regional transportation funding problem (quick summary with more details in background and appendices)**

*Findings*

- Population increase
- Land use changes
- Economic drivers and demands
- Changing demographics
- Evolving technology options
- Traffic and travel patterns and performance
- Environmental impacts
- Public knowledge of problem and acceptance to raise revenues
- Issues of social equity
- Timing of improvements

**Principles for reviewing revenue options**

- Sufficient
- Flexible, predictable, stable and diverse
- Equity; generational, economic and geographic

- Meets growth, land use and environmental regional vision
- Feasible

### **Major Revenue Sources and Options Considered**

- Brief summary of major revenue sources considered
- Brief summary of funding options and narrowing the options

### **Summary of Recommendations**

- Long term
  - Diverse
  - Flexible
  - Market based
- Short term (implement in next 2 to 3 years)

### **Early Action Steps**

- Briefing regional and local leaders
- Push for Puget Sound pay per mile pilot program
- Develop near term issues and solutions one-pager for local governments and state legislators

### **Background Information/Appendices**

#### **Regional transportation funding problem**

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#### **Revenue options studied**

- List of options (gas tax, indexing, fees, tolling, pay per mile, emission fee, transportation utility district, sales tax, property taxes, sales tax on gas, etc.)
- Summary of pros/cons and timing of each revenue source
- Experiences in other states with some of the revenue option

#### **Regional decision making approaches**

- Summary of experiences in other states

#### **Public Input and Outreach**

- Underserved community outreach
- Public opinion survey
- Public comment summary