

**AGENDA**

Transportation Advisory Committee  
**Thursday, April 21, 2016, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.**  
Thurston Regional Planning Council  
Conference Room A – 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
2424 Heritage Court SW, Suite A  
Olympia, WA 98502-6031

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|----|-----------|---|---|
| 1. | 2:00 p.m. | <u>Introductions</u>  | INTRODUCTIONS<br>All                        |
| 2. | 2:10 p.m. | <u>Flood and Landslide Impacts on Transportation Attachment</u> | DISCUSSION<br>Paul Brewster<br>Mike Burnham |
| 3. | 2:40 p.m. | <u>State of the System Report Attachment</u>                    | DISCUSSION<br>Paul Brewster                 |
| 4. | 3:10 p.m. | <u>Public Draft 2040 RTP Attachment</u>                         | DISCUSSION<br>Jailyn Brown                  |
| 5. | 3:50 p.m. | <u>Member Information Sharing</u>                               | DISCUSSION<br>All                           |
| 4. | 4:00 p.m. | <u>Adjourn</u>  |   |

**Next TAC Meeting**

**PROBABLY ON:**

Tuesday, May 3, 2016  
Time TBD  
TRPC, Room A

**TO BE CONFIRMED**

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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Technical Advisory Committee

**FROM:** Paul Brewster, Senior Planner  
Mike Burnham, Associate Planner

**DATE:** April 14, 2016

**SUBJECT:** Flood and Landslide Impacts on Transportation

**PURPOSE**

TRPC staff will discuss the agency's ongoing hazard mitigation and climate adaptation planning work and solicit TAC feedback regarding the location and impacts of floods and landslides on transportation infrastructure.

**Summary:**

- TRPC is updating the regional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan and beginning work on a Climate Adaptation Plan.
- The [Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan](#), required by FEMA, seeks to mitigate the impacts of storms, earthquakes, wildfires, floods, and landslides. The [Climate Adaptation Plan](#), funded by federal grant dollars, will recommend strategies and actions that the public and private sectors could take to prepare for and cope with the effects of climate change-exacerbated natural hazards (e.g., rising sea levels, more frequent and intense storms).
- To inform both planning efforts, TRPC staff are using GIS and other tools to assess regional transportation infrastructure's vulnerability to such natural hazards.
- TRPC staff has developed a process for local jurisdictions to map where and how often areas within Thurston County are affected by floods and landslides. TRPC staff would then digitize this information so that it could be analyzed spatially and shared online and printed for local agency use.

**REQUESTED ACTION**

TRPC staff will discuss their planning work and hazard mapping process, as well as solicit input from TAC members. In the meantime, TRPC staff are asking TAC members to consider the following questions in preparation for the April 21 meeting:

- What policy does your agency have in place to deal with flooding and landslides?
- Has your agency recorded roadway elevations, and will it share this information?
- Has your agency identified sites that are current and future flooding and/or landslide problem areas?
- Has your agency prioritized these sites for retrofits, relocation, or other mitigation/adaptation actions?

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**TO:** Technical Advisory Committee  
**FROM:** Paul Brewster, Senior Planner  
**DATE:** April 14, 2016  
**SUBJECT:** State of the System Report

**PURPOSE**

TAC members and TRPC staff will discuss the need, content, audience, and format of the State of the System Report

**Summary:**

- During the 2015 Regional Council Retreat, the Council identified the creation of a “State of the Transportation Infrastructure Report” as a 2016 regional transportation work program priority.
- The Council asked the Transportation Policy Board to take the lead on outlining the report and staff gathered feedback from the TPB during their April 13 meeting.
- TAC members will share ideas with TRPC staff on how the report could serve their Jurisdiction’s needs and assist TRPC in identifying useful content.

**REQUESTED ACTION**

No action is required. This agenda item is for discussion only.

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## BACKGROUND

During the April 13 Transportation Policy Board Meeting, staff introduced the concept of an annual State of the System Report. The members shared their ideas on its purpose, audience, content, and format.

A summary of the TPB's input is included below.

### Purpose

- Educate and inform
- Increase awareness and provide a sense of scale of the issues
- Celebrate accomplishments
- Support decision making

### Audience

- Community – should be relevant to people's lives
- Elected officials and Policy Makers – should inform and support decision making
- Planners and staff – should support work programs and help prioritize projects

### Content

- Transportation and land use data
- Infrastructure and Operations
- Multimodal
- Information specific to the Thurston County Region
- Related to the greater Puget Sound Region
- Local agency data
- Regional (TRPC) data
- WSDOT data
- Pavement Condition Data
- Other data not specified

### Format

- User friendly
- Combination of charts, figures, tables, and narrative
- Dashboards
- Use social media
- Story telling

### Transcribed Notes

- Messaging around return on investments – what does the community get in exchange for their tax dollars, but balance the messaging around increasing peoples' awareness about the benefits of projects
- Include a user friendly dashboard feature for data viewing
- Avoid using vertical axis in charts and figures that distort what are actual small changes in trends
- Include information about pavement condition (pavement condition index or PCI)
- The data and information in the report should reflect the reality we are facing and our project priorities
- Include snippets every year – in other words, the report should include recurring data
- The report should be useful to general audiences, planners (staff), and elected officials and policy makers.
- The information should explain funding gaps and multimodal infrastructure and service gaps
- The report should include a context for why we do the projects we do. For example: Why do we invest in the projects identified in Journeys?

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- The content should be a combination of charts, figures, and narrative
- Use social media to periodically highlight projects/stories/topics of interest throughout the year
- Illustrate the relationship between land use (growth and density) and transit expansion
- The communities overall can collectively do a better job of informing the public about transportation projects in general – from start to end
- Weave in the bigger picture on transportation projects – how does it affect community health, land use, or other regional transportation issues like Sound Transit?
- Profile a particular project and tell a personal story – how does it affect peoples' lives?
- Highlight and celebrate projects that are not new-construction such as re-paver projects, transit route expansions, new school bus route service areas, etc.
- Build in elements to give audiences a sense of appreciation for the scale of projects and services – i.e. school district enterprise



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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Technical Advisory Committee  
 FROM: Jailyn Brown, Senior Planner  
 DATE: April 14, 2016  
 SUBJECT: Public Draft 2040 RTP

**PURPOSE**

Review changes from the 2/29 version, share TAC feedback, and discuss public comment.

**Summary:**

- TRPC released the draft 2040 RTP for public comment beginning April 6, 2016. The comment period closes May 9, 2016.
- TAC received a working draft of the RTP dated 2/29/2016. Some limited changes were made to the plan before the April 6 public edition was released. The location and extent of the changes will be presented.
- TRPC is providing online tools to support review and comment of the draft RTP. These will be reviewed.
- TAC's initial feedback will be discussed, as well how agencies should comment.
- Public comment received so far, and the plan for response will be reviewed.

**REQUESTED ACTION**

To prepare for this meeting:

- Be ready to discuss major comments on the plan from reviewers in your jurisdiction.
- Coordinate how your jurisdiction will provide comments and let TRPC staff know what to expect. For example: Will comment be provided through the City Manager, Public Works Director, Mayor, TRPC or TPB policy maker, or in another way?

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