

Thurston Regional Transportation Planning Retrospective

25 Years of the Thurston Regional Planning Council

Transportation Policy Board's

Activities and Achievements



Genesis of MPOs and TRPC

- **1962 Federal – Aid Highway Act** created federal requirements for urban transportation planning and led to the formation of MPOs
- **1965 Housing and Urban Development Act** encouraged the formation of regional planning organizations controlled by elected rather than appointed officials
- **1966 Thurston County Planning Department and Commission** -established by the County Commissioners who proposes the establishment of a regional planning organization to address population growth in the county's urban center
- **1967 Thurston Regional Planning Council** was established



Early Regional Transportation Planning Projects and Programs

- 1972 County-wide Trails Inventory
- 1975 *Thurston Regional Transportation and Planning Study* 1st RTP
- **1982 Governor Spellman designates TRPC an MPO** for the urbanized area of Lacey, Olympia, and Tumwater
- 1982 Comprehensive Plan Coordination
- 1982 Regional Ridesharing and Flex-Time Programs Study



Early MPO Transportation Planning

- 1984 *Transportation System Plan for the Thurston Metropolitan Area* (Lacey, Olympia, Tumwater urbanized area)
- 1986/87 Rural/Special Needs Transportation Planning
- 1987 *Metropolitan Area Bicycle Plan*
- 1987 Amtrak Centennial Depot
- 1988 Rail Right of Way Inventory/Abandonment Analysis/Strategy initiated



TRPC Transportation Policy Board Formation

- **1990 Growth Management Act creates Regional Transportation Planning Organizations.** RCW 47.80.040 directs each RTPO to create a Transportation Policy Board to provide policy advice to the RTPO.
- June 1990 TRPC reviews options for TPB's structure
- July 1990 TRPC approves representation for its initial TPB
 - TPB would choose its own Chair, and establish its own meeting schedule and rules
- September 1990 First assembly of the TPB



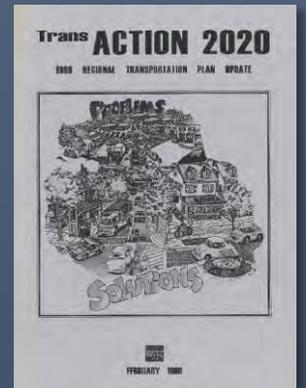
Federal Surface Transportation Authorizations and RTPs, 1990 to Present

Federal Authorizations

- 1991 Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) strengthened MPOs
- 1998 Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21)
- 2005 Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU)
- 2012 Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21)

Regional Transportation Plans

- 1993 *Transportation Future 2010: Making Connections*
- 1998 *Trans Action 2020*
- 2004 *Guiding our Future 2025*
 - 2005 to present, RTP amended annually
- 2012 RTP Update Launched



Regional Surface Transportation Program

Funding Priorities <ul style="list-style-type: none">SafetyPreservationSystem Efficiency	Funding Firsts	Total Awards
Funding Process <ul style="list-style-type: none">Priority ProjectsPredictable RevenueNon-Traditional Partners	1993 STP	\$51,290,400
	1998 Enhancement	\$4,869,370
	2008 CMAQ	\$4,144,820
	2013 TAP	\$1,176,800
	Total Awards Combined	\$61,481,390

TPB Activities and Accomplishments 1990-1999

- 1990-1993 Rail Right-of-Way Inventory/Abandonment Analysis/Strategy
- 1991 Commute Trip Reduction Act becomes Law
- 1992 Urban Trails Plan
- 1993 Multi-Modal Transportation Level of Service Policy
- 1997 I-5/US 101 Origin Destination Survey
- 1998-1999 Region's First Household Travel Survey
- 1999 Guide to Transportation Finance

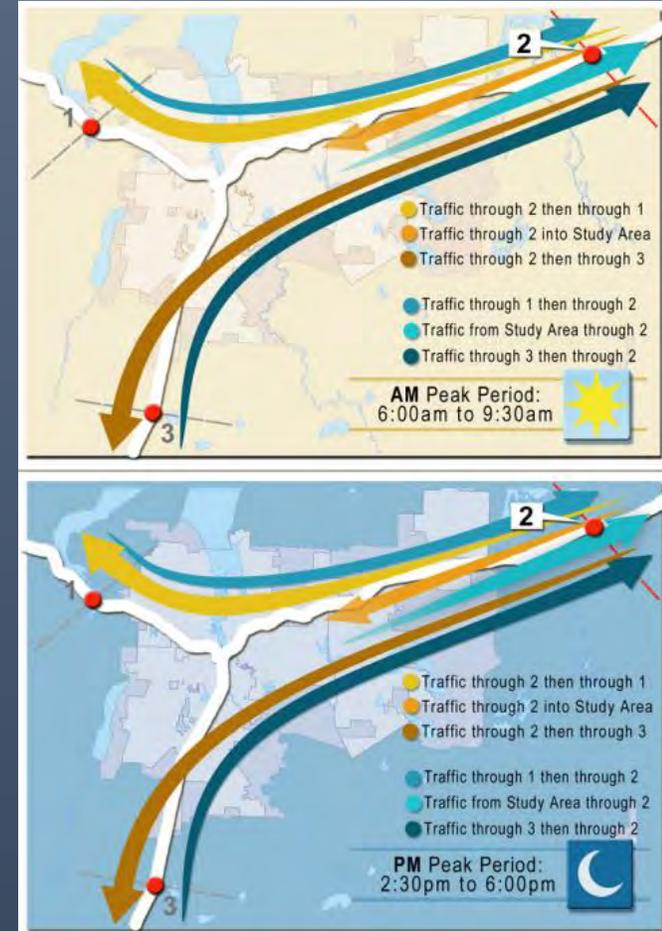
TPB Activities and Accomplishments 2000-2005

- 2001 Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Architecture
- 2001-2014 Bridging the Gap – Chehalis Western Trail
- 2001 *Planning to Stay – Ten Years of Integrating Transportation and Land use in the Thurston Region* Forum
- 2002 *Getting There... The Land Use Transportation Connection* Forum
- 2003-2005 Vision/Reality Task Force
- 2005 Passenger Rail Workgroup
- 2005 South Thurston County License Plate Survey



TPB Activities and Accomplishments 2006-2010

- 2007 Regional Commute Trip Reduction (CTR) Plan
- 2007 Human Services Coordinated Transportation Plan
- 2007 Regional Trails Plan
- 2009-2012 Urban Corridors Task Force
- 2009-2012 Smart Corridors Planning
- 2010 I-5/US 101 License Plate Survey



TPB Activities and Accomplishments 2011-2015

- 2011-2013 Sustainable Thurston
- 2013 Region's 2nd Household Travel Survey
- 2015 5th Edition of the Thurston County Bicycle Map
- 2015 First Transportation Policy Board Retreat

