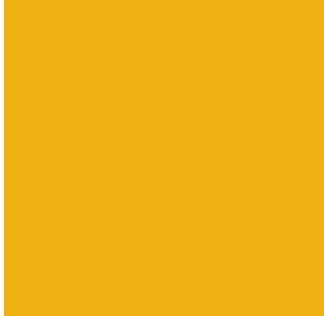
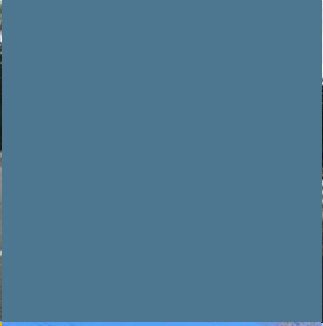
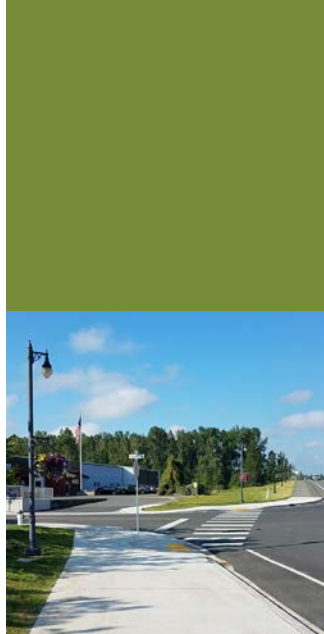


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Information provided in this Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is gathered from member jurisdictions and is used to represent the region's projects in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Qualifying transportation projects for the Whatcom County region include both MPO and non-MPO areas. This document also contains annual certifications required by federal law.

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Transportation Improvement Program

2022 Whatcom Council of Governments Membership

Executive Committee

Bellingham City Council
Mayor of Bellingham
Mayor of Ferndale
Mayor of Nooksack

Mayor of Lynden
Port of Bellingham
Whatcom County Council
Whatcom County Executive

Council Board (Executive Committee plus)

Bellingham City Council
Birch Bay Water & Sewer District
Lake Whatcom Water & Sewer District
Lummi Indian Business Council Chair
Mayor of Everson
Mayor of Sumas
Mayor of Blaine

Mayor of Ferndale
The Opportunity Council
Sudden Valley Association
Western Washington University
Whatcom County Council
Whatcom Transportation Authority
Whatcom Public Utility District No. 1

WTPB Policy Board (Executive Committee plus)

Bellingham Technical College
Lummi Indian Business Council Chair
Mayor of Everson
Mayor of Blaine
Mayor of Sumas
Nooksack Tribal Council Chair
TTAG Representative
Western Washington University
Whatcom Community College

Whatcom Public Utility District No. 1
Whatcom Transportation Authority
WA State Department of Transportation
40th District Representative
40th District Representative
40th District Senator
42nd District Representative
42nd District Representative
42nd District Senator

Past Project - Lincoln Street Improvements



Opened in 2019, Everson’s Lincoln St was reconstructed from Everson Rd to Washington St and extended the roadway construction from Washington St to Blair Rd.

IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTION OF THE
2023 WHATCOM COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Resolution #2022-10-1

WHEREAS, the Whatcom Council of Governments' Whatcom Transportation Policy Board, hereinafter referred to as the POLICY BOARD, is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Bellingham-Ferndale urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, the POLICY BOARD, is the Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO) for Whatcom County; and

Whereas, the POLICY BOARD, as the MPO and RTPO has the responsibility of annually developing, adopting and amending a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and

WHEREAS, transportation improvement projects must be included in the TIP to be eligible for federal assistance under Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration funding programs; and

WHEREAS, the POLICY BOARD certifies that all requirements of 23 U.S.C. Section 134 Transportation Planning are met; and

WHEREAS, the POLICY BOARD certifies that the TIP meets all Federal and State air quality requirements; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WHATCOM
TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD:

That it approves the scope and content of the 2023 Transportation Improvement Program, with the understanding that minor changes may be required after federal review, for submission to the Washington State Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration.

ADOPTED: _____

WTPB Chairmain
Scott Korhuis

Executive Director
Robert H. Wilson, AICP

**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION SELF-CERTIFICATION
FOR THE FOLLOWING METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA**

In accordance with 23 CFR Part 450, §450.336, the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and the Whatcom Council of Governments (WCOG) Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Whatcom Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA), hereby certify that the metropolitan transportation planning process is being carried out in accordance with all applicable requirements including:

1. 23 U.S.C. 134, 49 U.S.C. 5303, and 23 CFR 450, Subpart C;
2. In nonattainment and maintenance areas, sections 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506 (c) and (d)) and 40 CFR part 93;
3. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21;
4. 49 U.S.C. 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity;
5. Section 1101(b) of the FAST Act (Pub. L. 114-357) and 49 CFR part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in DOT funded projects;
6. 23 CFR Part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;
7. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) and 49 CFR parts 27, 37, and 38;
8. The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance;
9. Section 324 of title 23 U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender;
10. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR part 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities; and
11. Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (2 CFR part 200).
12. The MPO uses at least 2.5% of its PL funds on planning activities to increase safe and accessible options for multiple travel modes for people of all ages and abilities.

MPO

Robert H. Wilson

Signature

Robert H. Wilson

Printed Name

Executive Director

Title

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Date

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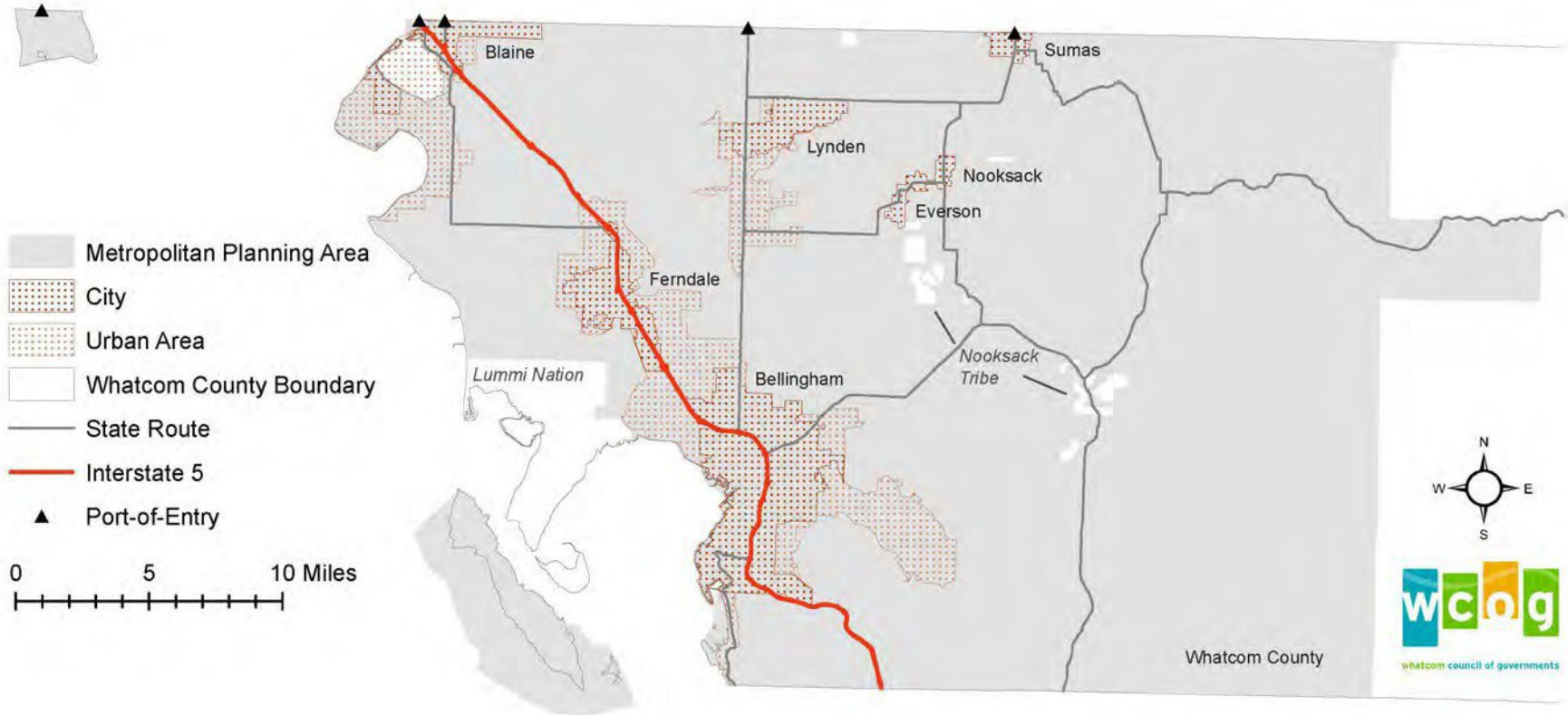
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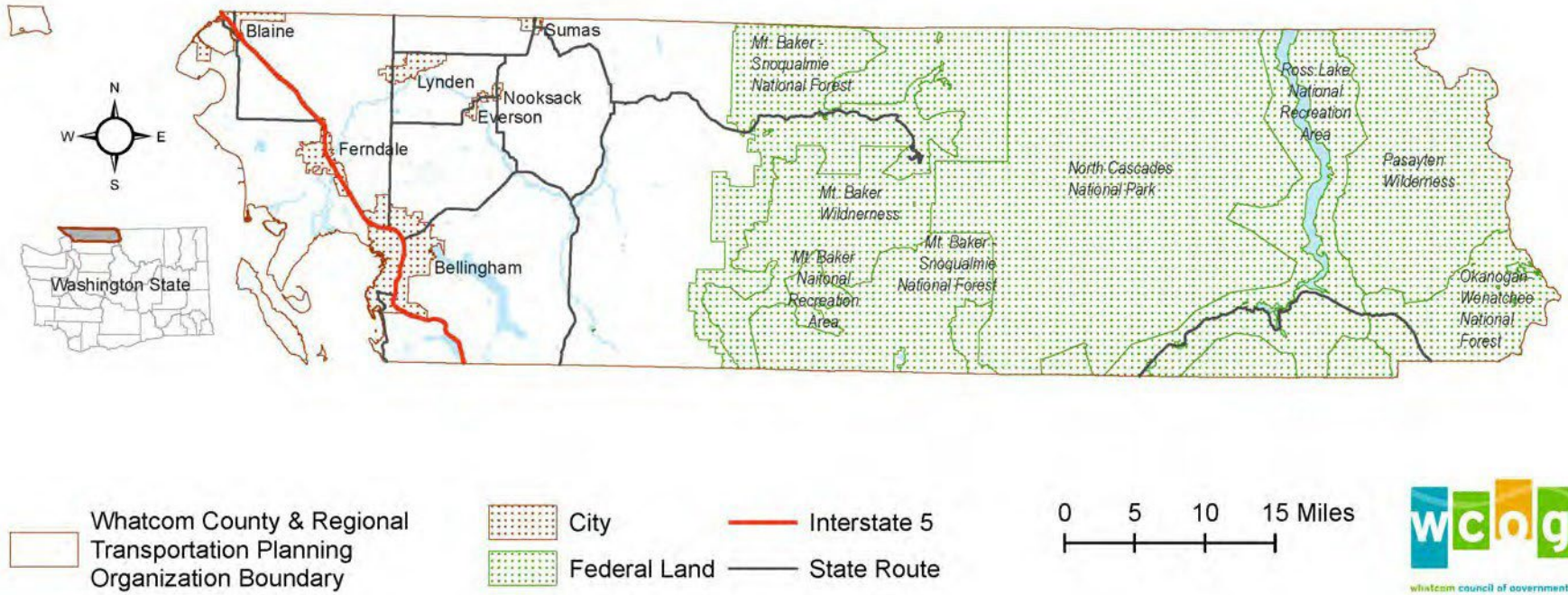
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Whatcom Metropolitan Planning Area



Whatcom Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO) Boundary



INTRODUCTION

Background

The Whatcom Council of Governments (WCOG) was established in 1966 as a 16-member intergovernmental agency. Members of the WCOG represent the general-purpose local and special district governments in Whatcom County. The existing WCOG structure was formed under R.C.W. 36.70.060, which authorized creation of regional planning councils.

The principal mission of the WCOG is to provide a forum for the exchange of information and data on a regional basis. To accomplish this mission, WCOG provides local jurisdictions with technical support and coordination in transportation, and census data information services. This report was prepared as part of the WCOG [2023 Unified Planning Work Program \(UPWP\)](#).

Metropolitan Planning Area

Following the 1980 Census, the City of Bellingham and the surrounding metropolitan area was designated as an "urbanized area," with a population over 50,000. In 1981, WCOG was designated as the area's Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). This designation makes additional federal transportation funds available for transit and road improvements and transportation planning.

In 1993, WCOG revised the Whatcom County Metropolitan Planning Area boundaries to reflect the requirements of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act. The metropolitan planning area includes the cities of Bellingham and Ferndale, the unincorporated area of Whatcom County known as Sudden Valley, and portions of the unincorporated county north of Bellingham and Ferndale (Figure 1). WCOG is annually recertified as the Whatcom County MPO.

In 2013, the Whatcom Transportation Policy Board, with concurrence from the Governor, expanded the Metropolitan Planning Area boundary to encompass the populated areas of Whatcom County with a couple exceptions. The Lummi Nation reservation, the Nooksack Tribe trust lands and the portion of State Highway 20 east of Mount Baker are excluded from the boundary.

Regional Transportation Planning Organization

On September 20, 1990 the WCOG was designated by the governor as the Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO) for Whatcom County. In 1990-1991, the RTPO Policy Board was established from the membership of the WCOG Full Council. Each member jurisdiction in the WCOG agreed to the RTPO acting as the designated project selection body for Regional Surface Transportation Program funds and Transportation Alternative Program funds. The region encompasses all of Whatcom County.

Purpose and Scope of the Transportation Improvement Program

WCOG is required by Federal and State regulations to develop a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); it must be updated every four years, or more frequently. The TIP is the financial plan that identifies and prioritizes federally funded transportation projects to be carried out in the Whatcom County Metropolitan Planning Area. Projects including Federal funds must appear in the WCOG TIP. Projects in the WCOG TIP are approved by the WCOG Whatcom Transportation Policy Board, Governor, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and Federal Transit Administration (FTA). The projects are then included in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). While the TIP is a six-year document, the primary focus is on the first four years: 2023-2026.

WCOG's annual TIP aids in the coordination and cooperation of transportation planning in the region. The TIP also provides the public, elected officials, state and local staffs, transit providers, and other interested parties the opportunity to review regional projects for consistency with regional goals and policies. All WCOG-managed federal funded projects were awarded through a scoring process based on regional goals outlined in [Way to Go, Whatcom](#).

TIP Legislative Requirements

The Whatcom Council of Governments' TIP has been developed in response to two pieces of legislation:

1. Public Law 147-58 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), also known as Bipartisan Infrastructure Investment Law (BIL)
2. Revised Code of Washington (RCW), Title 47, Chapter 47.80.

FAST Act requires Metropolitan Planning Organizations to prepare a TIP detailing those projects within the Metropolitan Area Boundary that will utilize federal transportation funds or are considered [regionally significant](#). The Washington State RTPO law requires Regional Transportation Planning Organizations to prepare a TIP in cooperation with Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) that similarly details all projects in Whatcom County that will utilize federal funds or are considered regionally significant. The WCOG TIP reflects both metropolitan projects and non-Metropolitan projects (those outside the adopted Metropolitan area boundary) separately in the project tables.

IIJA-BIL focuses on the first four years of the traditional six-year project lists and requires fiscal constraint and secured funding sources. Projects in the TIP are prioritized on an annual basis as the following:

1. 2023 projects are priority one,
2. 2024 projects are priority two,
3. 2025 projects are priority three,
4. 2026 projects are priority four.

Projects that have not secured funding are shown in the unfunded table (page ?).

TIP DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

MPO and RTPO Roles in TIP Development

The metropolitan planning requirements of IJJA-BIL have advanced the role of the MPO in developing the regional Transportation Improvement programs (TIP). As the MPO, WCOG applies a comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing process in coordination with WSDOT and member jurisdictions in the development of the combined Regional and Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and the combined Regional and Metropolitan TIP. The MPO TIP reflects "the investment priorities established in the current transportation plan". As the MPO, and in cooperation with local and state jurisdictions, WCOG prioritizes proposed federally funded projects according to their significance and consistency with the current regional transportation plan, [Way To Go, Whatcom](#). (23 CFR 450.326)

Under the Washington Growth Management Act (RCW 36.70A.020), the transportation planning requires the "encouragement of efficient multimodal transportation systems that are based on regional priorities and coordinated with county and city comprehensive plans." WCOG assumed the RTPO role to achieve regional objectives. RTPOs are required to certify that the transportation chapters of jurisdiction's GMA comprehensive plans are consistent with regional transportation plan. Regional transportation improvement programs are required to be consistent with the regional transportation plans. (WAC 468-86-160)

TIP Development Stages

Whatcom Council of Governments initiates the development of the TIP in July of each year when local jurisdictions and agencies provide copies of their respective TIPs to WCOG. The Washington State Department of Transportation and the Whatcom Transportation Authority also submit their projects to WCOG for inclusion in the WCOG TIP.

The TIP submissions are compiled into a comprehensive document for the metropolitan and non-MPO areas of Whatcom County. Review and refinement occur throughout the process to arrive at a program of improvements that are both consistent with the regional transportation plan and are financially feasible. Stages of the development process include:

1. Preparation and submission to WSDOT of local six-year programs.
2. Submission of six-year road programs to MPO/RTPO.
3. Project review and prioritization by WCOG ensuring that:
 - a. All projects scheduled for federal funding are included in the TIP.
 - b. All projects are fiscally constrained by showing a four-year implementation schedule and funding source by program.
 - c. The TIP was developed in cooperation with local jurisdictions, agencies and WSDOT.
 - d. The public and interested parties were afforded an opportunity to comment on the TIP in accordance with the [WCOG Public Participation Plan](#).

- e. The TIP is consistent with [Way To Go, Whatcom](#).
 - f. The TIP provides for the development of an intermodal transportation system that considers all modes of transportation.
 - g. TIP projects are consistent with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act.
 - h. The TIP includes FTA Title VI Assurances.
4. WCOG will adopt and submit the regional TIP to WSDOT by November 1st.
 5. Final review of the WCOG TIP will be completed by WSDOT with final project selection incorporated into the STIP for the Washington State Governor's approval.
 6. The STIP is submitted to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).
 7. After the STIP is approved by the FHWA and FTA, the local jurisdiction or agency may proceed with project funding obligation through local agency agreements in coordination with WSDOT.

Public Involvement

WCOG's adopted public participation policy includes a requirement for a public notice and availability of draft documents 14 days in advance of a public hearing or meeting where documents will be reviewed or approved. For the WCOG MPO/RTPO public hearing on October 12, 2022, public notice was published in the Bellingham Herald on Sunday, September 25th, and posted in the Cascadia Daily News civic agenda page for the week of October 6-12, and on the WCOG website. A copy of the public notice is available at the WCOG.

Additionally, jurisdictions and agencies that submitted projects for inclusion in the regional TIP undertook their own public participation processes that included formal transportation program adoptions through their respective council or board meetings.

Significant comments: WCOG certifies that citizens and interested parties have been provided early and reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposed TIP as required under FAST Act Section 5303 (j)(1) and the WCOG [Public Participation Plan](#).

Additional Information

All federally funded projects in the MPA boundary and in the RTPO region have been included in the TIP. Federal funding for the projects does not exceed the amounts reasonably anticipated to be available to each jurisdiction.

Consideration for all types of transportation (multimodal)

Projects listed in the 2023 TIP were developed from a multimodal approach that includes consideration for modes other than automobile travel, commonly referred as alternative modes, that includes bicycle and rolling, pedestrian, ride-sharing, and fixed route and paratransit bus services that provided by WTA. The approach to accommodate planning efforts towards a complete multimodal transportation system is the second highest [regional goal](#).

TIP Amendment Process

Federal requirements stipulate significant changes to the TIP require an amendment to the original document, which then triggers an amendment to the STIP. This is important because a jurisdiction cannot proceed with a project for which it has been awarded federal money until the TIP and STIP is formally amended and approved by the federal agencies, even though the jurisdiction has been awarded money for the project.

The formal amendment process may take three to four months to complete and proceed through the following steps:

- Submittal of TIP amendment request from official project or program manager
- Public notice and comment opportunity for the proposed amendment
- Review and adoption of proposed amendment from Whatcom Transportation Policy Board
- Submit TIP amendment to WSDOT to request STIP amendment
- WSDOT submittal of amendment request to FHWA or FTA for authorization
- Authorization by federal agencies for local jurisdiction to proceed with amended project or program

Depending upon the level of significance of change required of a project, planning endeavor or program, an amendment may not be necessary, but rather a more streamlined administrative modification or a simple corrective change to the TIP/STIP. All changes are initiated by the respective project or program manager with coordination with WCOG and WSDOT. The following outline the criteria that distinguishes the formal amendment, administrative modification, and simple STIP correction.

1. A formal amendment is triggered by the following conditions
 - a. Adding a new project
 - b. Removing (deleting) a project
 - c. Changes to a project's current total STIP programmed amount by more than 30% (or any amount greater than \$3 million).
 - d. Major project scope changes
 - e. Adding a future phase
 - f. Adding federal funds to a project currently programmed in the TIP/STIP that does not have federal funds (federalizing a project).

2. Administrative modifications – does not require Whatcom Transportation Policy Board approval and are updated monthly by WSDOT, thus total process time typically reduced to under two months.
 - a. Revision to lead agency
 - b. Adding prior phase not previously authorized
 - c. Changes to a project’s current total STIP programmed funding amount by less than 30% (or any amount less than \$3million).
 - d. Minor changes or errors in project information
3. Updates not requiring STIP change – the local agency, WCOG and WSDOT will coordinate to verify no STIP action is necessary.
 - a. Moving a project within the four years of the STIP.
 - b. Changes to federal funding source
 - c. Federal funding authorized for current programmed projects in the STIP without consideration for phase split
 - d. All adjustments in a project’s funding authorization for award of a contract

SPECIAL REGIONAL CONSIDERATION AREAS

Environmental Justice

Environmental Justice (EJ) is the practice of identifying and addressing disproportionately high adverse effects of transportation investments on minority groups and low-income communities to help ensure equitable distribution of both benefits and burdens. WCOG effectively accounts for EJ under the regional goals and is a scoring factor in the regional surface transportation block grant program’s project application and selection process.

Further information regarding EJ can be found under [Way To Go, Whatcom](#) (6.7.1).

Congestion Management

WCOG is not a Transportation Management Area (TMA) that serves an urbanized area greater than 200,000. TMA provisions of IIJA-BIL planning requirements are not applicable to the WCOG MPO or RTPO.

Air Quality

WCOG is not an air quality non-attainment area. Air quality requirements of IIJA-BIL are not applicable to WCOG 2022 TIP.

Projects not included in the 2023 TIP

The following projects were programmed in the 2022 TIP but are not programmed for the 2023 TIP for reasons that include: underway, completion, cancellation, delay or transit purchase.

Agency	Project Name	Description	Total Cost*	Status
Blaine	Peace Portal Community Trail Phase 3	Construct a multi-modal path from Hughes Ave to Bell Rd	356	Cancellation
	ADA Transition Plan Development	Develop a American Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance transition plan	100	Cancellation
Ferndale	Thornton Street Project, Vista Drive to Malloy Avenue	Reconstruct roadway that includes ADA compliant pedestrian sidewalks and ramps with shoulders and Illumination.	4,025	Underway
Lummi Nation	Mackenzie Rd Sidewalk Safety Project	Pedestrian lighting at crossings, marked crosswalks, speed feedback signs, and sidewalk with curb and buffer seperation	864	Underway
Lynden	West Main St and Berthusen Roundabout	Construct a roundabout	1,450	Delay
	Main Street Corridor Completion	Improve remaining section of Main Street between SR539 and Berthusen Road to full city arterial standards.	2,108	Delay
WCOG	UPWP - 2023	Planning and programming responsibilities for WCOG 2023 federal fiscal years	409	Underway
Whatcom County	Birch Bay Drive & Pedestrian Facility	Construct soft shore roadway protection berm and drainage upgrades. Includes ADA compliant pedestrian pathway.	11,716	Complete
	Lummi Island Breakwater Replacement	Replace existing timber pile breakwater with steel pile supported structures	2,535	Underway
WSDOT	I-5/Guide Meridian Interchange - ADA Compliance	ADA curb ramps do not meet current ADA standards. Evaluate and upgrade curb ramps to current standards improving accessibility for all pedestrians.	794	Underway
	SR 548/Bell Road - Intersection Improvements	This project will improve traffic operations by installing a traffic signal and corresponding channelization at the intersection of SR 548 and Bell Road.	2,585	Underway

*Listed in thousands.

Total Projects Cost \$26,942

PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT

A significant feature of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act of 2012, known as Map-21, is the requirement for states and metropolitan planning organizations to establish a performance management program. The performance management program was developed in collaboration with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT). The following national performance goal areas apply to Whatcom Council of Governments:

Highway Safety Improvement Program

23 USC 150 states that performance management provides a means to the most efficient investment of federal transportation funds by (1) focusing on national transportation goals, and (2) improving project decision making through performance-based planning and programming. The stated goal for *Safety: to achieve a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads*. Pursuant to these national goals, State Departments of Transportation (DOTs) are required by the federal Highway Safety Improvement Program regulations under 23 CFR 924 to set five performance targets. These five required performance targets use five year rolling averages for (1) number of fatalities, (2) rate of fatalities per 100 million VMT, (3) number of serious injuries, (4) rate of serious injuries per 100 million VMT, and (5) number of non- motorized fatalities and non- motorized serious injuries. These targets are required for all public roads regardless of ownership or functional class.

Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) are also required to establish the same five target areas with the state DOT for all public roads within 180 days of submittal of the state established targets. An MPO can agree to either support the State DOT targets or establish separate MPO numerical targets specific to the metropolitan planning area boundary.

On January 17, 2018, the WCOG Transportation Policy Board adopted the statewide Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) targets as reported to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) in coordination with WSDOT and thus agrees to plan and program projects so that they contribute towards the accomplishment of that HSIP target.

Pavement and Bridge Condition

RCW 47.05 and the Washington State Department of Transportation's (WSDOT's) Highway System Plan set the direction for management of infrastructure condition in Washington State, which is to preserve pavements and bridges at lowest life cycle cost. The lowest life cycle strategy for any pavement or bridge is the strategy that maintains acceptable condition at the lowest annualized cost over the life of the asset. WSDOT has demonstrated this by taking a preservation first approach to pavement and bridge management over several decades.

Local agencies manage approximately 31% of the non-Interstate National Highway System (NHS) in Washington State. Using the [Target Setting Framework](#), WSDOT worked with Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to establish performance measures and communicate its pavement and bridge management practices, as well as what these practices mean in the context of the National Highway System (NHS). WSDOT has also communicated the annual average state facility needs for pavements and bridges within each MPO boundary. Further supporting asset performance and investments on the NHS, WSDOT Local Programs issued a call for projects specifically focused on asset management practices, for pavements on NHS roadways.

Washington MPOs & WSDOT have agreed to plan and program projects to work towards and achieve Washington pavement and bridge condition targets for infrastructure condition under 23 CFR 490. As required under 23 CFR 515, the specific strategies for pavement and bridge preservation are documented in WSDOT's [Transportation Asset Management Plan](#), certified by FHWA in May 2018.

System Performance and Freight

In 2018, Washington State Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) set, adopted, and reported to FHWA statewide targets for the Highway System Performance and Freight. Washington State MPOs and WSDOT are working to improve the planning and programming process to align funding decisions with performance targets.

In Washington State, many of the projects selected to address mobility are prioritized through the legislative process. For this reason, it is essential that WSDOT, MPOs, regional transportation planning organizations (RTPOs), and local agencies coordinate their transportation planning efforts to develop transportation priorities that contribute towards performance targets and can be shared with lawmakers.

One such way WSDOT and its partner MPOs and RTPOs are working to make performance-supporting projects and programs clear to the legislature is through the Plan Alignment Work Group. A major focus of the group is to increase the consistency between regional plans and WSDOT's statewide plans, which includes sharing and collaboratively perfecting the data and information necessary to identify a comprehensive list of financial forecasts, maintenance needs, and project priorities related to the state system within MPOs and RTPOs.

Another way WSDOT and its partners are assessing performance and target achievement is through the Regional Integrated Transportation Information System (RITIS) data tool. The state's financial participation makes this tool available for WSDOT and MPOs to use the system in evaluating regional targets and to assist in other decision-making processes.

To guide freight investments and improve freight system performance in Washington, WSDOT developed the 2017 Washington State Freight Investment Plan by engaging various freight partners and stakeholders, including MPOs and RTPOs. The Freight Investment Plan identified freight priority projects and described how those priorities would be invested and funded

through National Highway Freight Program (NHFP). Those NHFP investments would be incorporated into STIP and TIPs contributing to improving statewide freight performance on National Highway Freight Network.

Over the coming years WSDOT and its partners will further align planning and programming with performance. All are committed to developing practical approaches to work towards our regional and statewide performance targets.

Transit Asset Management

Whatcom Transportation Authority (WTA) is committed to operating a public transportation system that offers reliable, accessible, and convenient service with safe vehicles and facilities. Transit Asset Management (TAM) is an administrative management process that combines the components of investment (available funding), rehabilitation and replacement actions, and performance measures with the outcome of operating assets in the parameters of a State of Good Repair (SGR).

WTA is currently operating as an FTA-defined Tier II transit operator in compliance with (49 CFR §625.45 (b)(1)). Tier II transit providers are those transit agencies that do not operate rail fixed-guideway public transportation systems and have either 100 or fewer vehicles in fixed-route revenue service during peak regular service, and have 100 or fewer vehicles in one non-fixed route mode service during peak regular service hours.

WTA’s has developed a TAM Plan to provide an outline of how it will assess, monitor, and report the physical condition of assets utilized in the operation of the public transportation system. WTA’s approach to achieving an SGR includes the strategic and systematic process of operating, maintaining, and improving physical assets, with a focus on both engineering and economic analysis based upon quality information. WTA will identify a structured sequence of maintenance, preservation, repair, rehabilitation, and replacement actions that will achieve and sustain a desired SGR over the life cycle of the assets for a minimal, practical cost.

Public Transportation Safety

In July, 2021, WCOG, in coordination with the Whatcom Transportation Authority (WTA), adopted WTA’s developed Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) inclusive of targets established to address safety performance criteria:

Criteria	Objective	Target
Fatalities	Reduce number of transit related fatalities	Zero fatalities
Preventable Accident Frequency and Severity	Reduce frequency of preventable collisions and events	At least 5% improvement over previous year
Passenger Accidents Frequency	Reduce the frequency of passenger injuries	At least 5% improvement over previous year
On-The-Road Reliability	Reduce frequency of vehicle road failures	At least 5% improvement over previous year

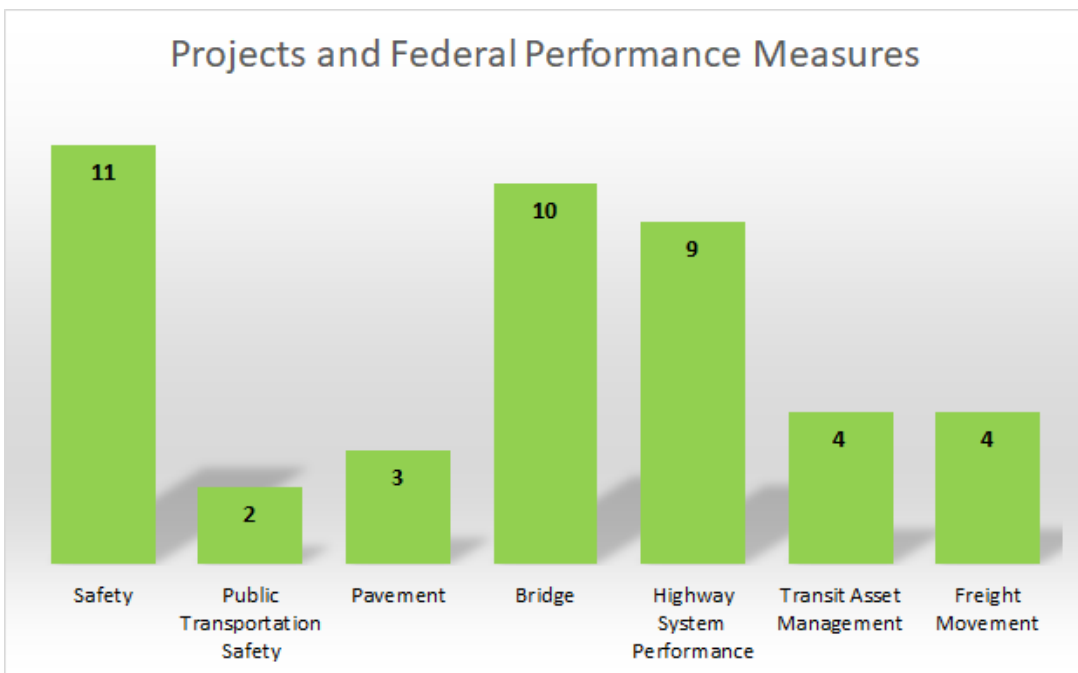
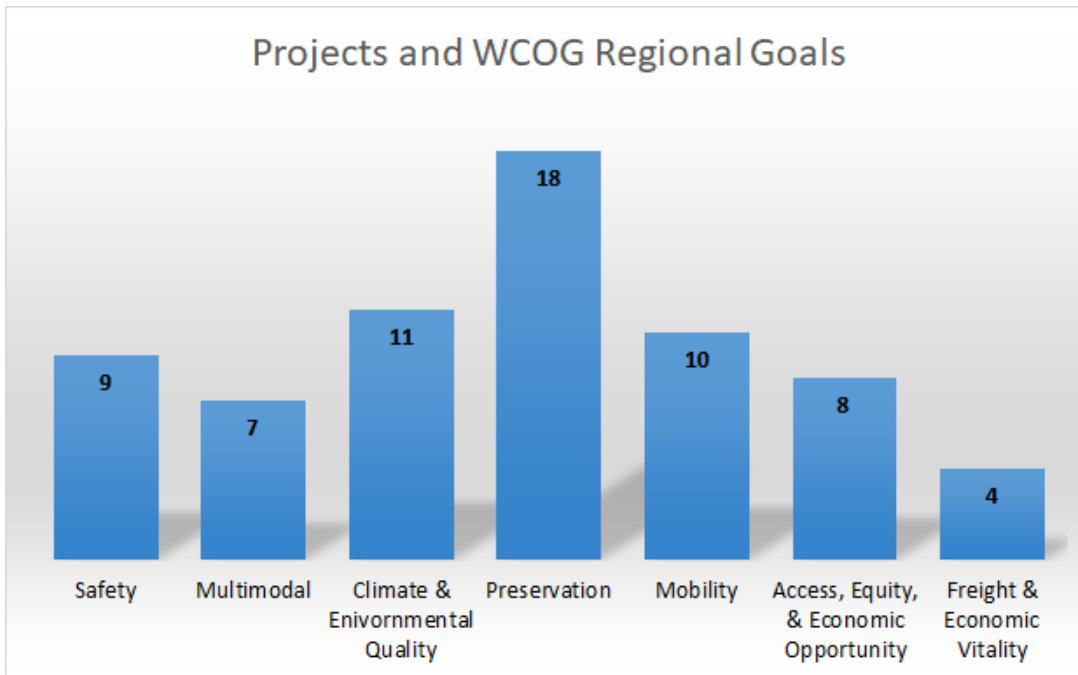
Link Regional Goals and Federal Performance

Transportation investments in the WCOG TIP were developed and prioritized towards achieving regional goals. Regional goals closely align with federal performance measures (23 CFR 450.326) as illustrated below.

Regional Goals (ranked)		Federal Performance Measure	Federal Performance Measures (Criteria or Metrics)
1	Safety	Highway Safety Plan	Number of fatalities on all public roads Number of fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT) on all public roads Number of serious injuries on all public roads Number of serious injuries per 100 million VMT on all public roads Number of non-motorist fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads
		Public Transportation Safety	Reduce number of transit-related fatalities Reduce frequency of preventable vehicle collisions and events Reduce severity of preventable collisions and events Reduce the frequency of passenger injuries Reduce frequency of vehicle road failures
2	Multimodal		
3	Climate & Environment Quality	Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality	Federal air quality program does not apply to WCOG
4	Preservation	Pavement	Percent of Interstate Pavement on the National Highway System in good condition Percent of Interstate Pavement on the National Highway System in poor condition Percent of non-Interstate Pavement on the National Highway System in good condition Percent of non-Interstate Pavement on the National Highway System in poor condition
		Bridge	Percent of National Highway System Bridges classified in good condition (weighted by deck area) Percent of National Highway System Bridges classified in poor condition (weighted by deck area)
5	System Efficiency and Reliability (Mobility)	Highway System Performance	Percent of person-miles traveled on the Interstate System that are reliable Percent of person-miles traveled on the Non-Interstate National Highway System that are reliable
		Transit Asset Management	Percentage of non-revenue service vehicles (by type) that meets or exceeds the Useful Life Benchmark (ULB) Percentage of revenue vehicles (by type) that meets or exceeds the ULB (Buses, Paratransit Vans, and Vanpools) Percentage of facilities (by group) rated less than 3.0 on the Transit Economic Requirements Model (TERM) Scale
		Congestion Management	Federal congestion management program does not apply to WCOG
6	Access, Equity and Economic Opportunity		
7	Freight and Economic Vitality	Freight Movement	Truck Travel Time Reliability (TTTR) Index (on the Interstate System)

Projects to advance Regional Goals and Federal Performance

The following graphs display the number of 2023 - 2028 TIP projects programmed towards advancing regional goals and federal performance measure targets. Note that the projects are identified for each goal and performance measure based on the project's primary objective or highest scoring, per WCOG STBG and TA process, and that the projects may also impact other regional goals and performance measures.



CONSISTENCY WITH REGIONAL LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

The projects contained in the 2022-2027 years of the TIP are consistent with the goals of [Way to Go, Whatcom](#). WCOG prepares the TIP based on input from local agencies and WSDOT, and all projects are considered for their consistency with the WCOG transportation plans.

Financial Plan

This TIP is based on, and therefore consistent with, the region's [Way to Go, Whatcom](#) as required under Title 23 CFR Part 450. The plan contains the financial assumptions, revenue and expenditures forecasts, and fiscal constraints that account for TIP implementation. The funding sources chart for the full six-year program can be found on **page 20** and the fiscally constrained feasibility table for the first four years (2023 - 2026) can be found on **page 30**. Project expenditures are listed in year of expenditure amounts as determined by the individual agencies.

Federal Funding Programs

The following programs currently support the regional projects contained in the WCOG 2023 TIP. There are additional federal programs and grant opportunities, most notably from the recent [Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act](#), that may also award regional projects and be accounted for at a later date in the WCOG TIP.

FTA Section 5307 Urban Areas

FTA Section 5307 provides transit operators with predictable funding. Grants are allocated on a per capita basis to urbanized areas. In small urban areas, the funding is distributed on a per capita basis, but the actual "schedule for release" is negotiated between WSDOT and the small transit operators. Section 5307 funds may be used for capital acquisition.

Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program

The Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program is used to fund improvements to bridges determined to be deficient because of structural problems, physical deterioration, or functional obsolescence. The program assists local governments replace or rehabilitate roadway bridges over waterways, topographical barriers, other roadways, railroads, canals, ferry landings, etc. Funding of projects in this program is on a competitive basis. All jurisdictions must inventory their bridges according to state procedures. A statewide priority listing is established based in the inventory. Bridge projects are evaluated and selected on a priority basis by a committee comprised of city, county and WSDOT representatives.

Coordinated Border Infrastructure

The CBI funding is used to improve the safe movement of motor vehicles at or across the land border between the U.S. and Canada and the land border between the U.S. and Mexico.

Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)

The overall purpose of the Highway Safety Improvement Program is to achieve a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads through the implementation of infrastructure-related highway safety improvements.

Safe Routes to School (SRTS)

The Safe Routes to School program was established to address the need for children to safely walk and bike to and from school. SRTS funds the development and improvement of facilities connecting neighborhoods to their respective schools, as well as educational and promotional programs to encourage children and parents to walk and bike. Projects eligible for federal SRTS program funding can be pursued under Transportation Alternatives program and Highway Safety Improvement Program.

National Highway Performance Program (NHPP)

MAP-21 created the NHPP as a new category for federal transportation funding that incorporates Interstate Maintenance, the National Highway System (NHS) and the Highway Bridge Program for bridges that are on the NHS.

Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) / Surface Transportation Program (STP)

The STBG/STP grant program is a flexible funding source utilized by states and regions that can be applied to a broad spectrum of transportation investments. The STBG program is also the primary source of regionally allocated funds managed that are by WCOG.

Transportation Alternatives (TA)

Created by MAP-21, TA program (set-aside of Surface Transportation Block Grant program) funds transportation alternatives programs and projects including federally funded pedestrian and bicycle facilities, infrastructure projects for improving non-driver access to public transportation and improved mobility, community improvement activities, and environmental remediation; recreational trail projects; and safe routes to school projects.

Western Federal Lands (WFL)

Federal Lands Highway Program provides funding for the Federal Highway Administration for the use of providing access to, through or within Federal or Tribal Lands.

The MPO section lists the projects within the metropolitan planning area (MPA), the non-MPO section lists the projects outside the MPA boundary, and the unfunded section lists the countywide, planned, regionally significant projects that do not have secure funding.

TIP PROJECTS AND FINANCIAL TABLES

The project and financial tables of the 2023 TIP are arranged in three tabs, MPO, non-MPO and Unfunded.

The **MPO** section includes the funding secured four-year Metropolitan projects with a Financial Feasibility report. The **non-MPO** section includes the funding secured four-year non-MPO projects (outside the MPO boundary). Lastly, the **Unfunded** section includes the planned but not funding secured six-year MPO and non-MPO projects.

The following abbreviations are used throughout the project tables:

Federal Funding Program Abbreviation

BR or STP(BR)	Bridge Replacement or Rehabilitation
CBI	Coordinated Border Infrastructure
Discretionary	Public Highway Lands, Scenic Byways, Others
HSIP	Highway Safety Improvement Program
IRR or TTP	Indian Reservation Roads or Tribal Transportation Program
NHS	National Highway System
NHPP	National Highway Performance Program
SRTS	Safe Routes To School
STBG (UM)	Surface Transportation Block Grant (Urban Medium)
STBG (USS)	Surface Transportation Block Grant (Urban Small)
STBG (R)	Surface Transportation Block Grant (Rural)
TA (UM)	Transportation Alternatives (Urban Medium)
TA (USS)	Transportation Alternatives (Urban Small)
TA (R)	Transportation Alternatives (Urban Rural)
WFL	Western Federal Lands
5307	Federal Transit Administration - Urban Areas Grant
5339	Federal Transit Administration - Buses and Facilities Program

State Funding Program Abbreviations

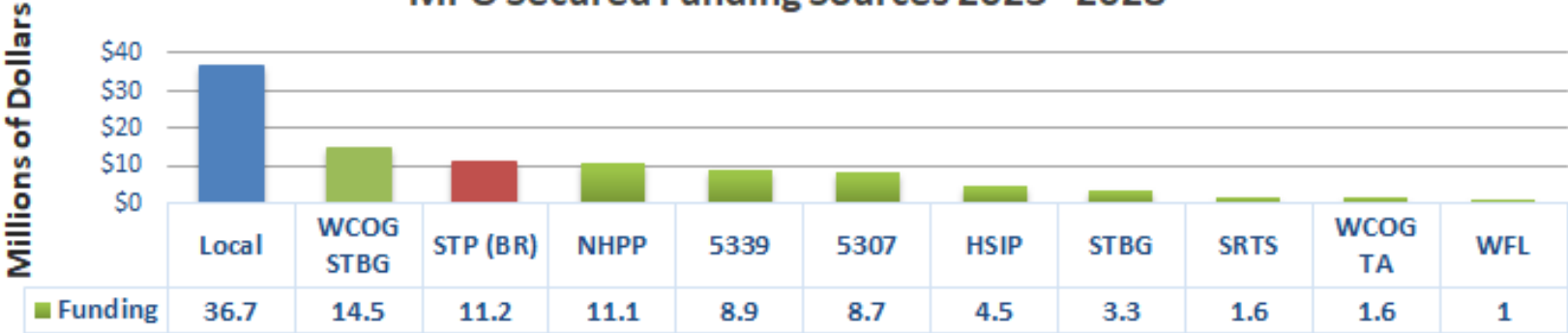
CSRV	Coronavirus State Recovery Fund
CRAB	County Road Administration Board
CWA	Connecting Washington Account
FMSIB	Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board
MVA	Motor Vehicle Account
OTHER	Any other state fund codes

Past Project - Hannegan Road / Ten Mile Creek Bridge

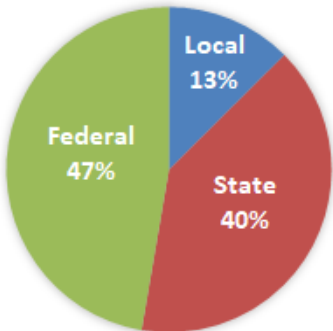


Completed in 2019, this Whatcom County bridge project replaced a failing bridge with a new expanded bridge.

MPO Secured Funding Sources 2023 - 2028



Funding Share by Level of Government



Metropolitan Planning Area Secured Funding Table for 2023 - 2028 (listed in thousands)

Project Title	Description	Agency	Regional Goal(s)	Federal Performance Measure	Program (Federal and/or State)	2022 - 2027 Program Funding				Total Estimated Cost*
						Federal	State	Local	Total Program	
James Street/Whatcom Creek Bridge	Remove and replace existing four span precast concrete girder bridge on timber foundations with a single span pre-stressed concrete Deck Bulb Tee girder bridge.	Bellingham	Preservation	Bridge	STP (BR)	3,784		100	3,884	4,522
Meador Avenue / Whatcom Creek Bridge	Remove and replace existing four span precast concrete girder bridge on timber foundations with a single span pre-stressed concrete Deck Bulb Tee girder bridge.	Bellingham	Preservation	Bridge	STP (BR)	3,784		100	3,884	4,522
Telegraph Road Multimodal Safety Improvements	Reconstruct road to add sidewalks, bike lanes, and center turn lane, curb, gutter, storm water, and pedestrian crossing for transit stop access.	Bellingham	Multimodal; Safety; Access, equity and economic opportunity	Highway Safety Plan	STBG (US)	1,650	100	4,957	6,707	7,207
James-Bakerview Intersection Reconstruction	Reconstruct intersection to a multimodal roundabout.	Bellingham	Safety, Mobility	Highway System Performance, Highway Safety Plan	STBG (UM) / HSIP	2,900		1,170	4,070	4,070
Parkview ES Safe Routes to School Improvements	Pedestrian improvements including sidewalk, curb extensions, ADA ramps, and enhanced marked crosswalks, bicycle improvements including road rechannelization, bicycle wayfinding signs and markings, and safe routes to school programs	Bellingham	Multimodal; Safety; Access, equity and economic opportunity	Highway Safety Plan	SRTS	1,620	350	400	2,370	2,370

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Project Title	Description	Agency	Regional Goal(s)	Federal Performance Measure	Program (Federal and/or State)	2022 - 2027 Program Funding				Total Estimated Cost*
						Federal	State	Local	Total Program	
Meridian-Birchwood Roundabout Phase I	Connect Squalicum Parkway to Birchwood Ave by regrading and merging the two parallel roadways approximately 500 feet west of Guide Meridian. Construct non-motorized connections along the merged corridor. Decommission Squalicum/Meridian traffic signal.	Bellingham	Safety; Multimodal; Mobility; Freight & Economic Vitality	Highway System Performance, Highway Safety Plan	STBG (UM)	2,500		4,500	7,000	7,000
West Illinois Pedestrian & Bicycle Safety Improvements	Green pavement markings, marked crosswalk, lane width reduction, prohibit right turn on red, ADA curb ramp retrofits, bicycle wayfinding (signs and markings), standard bike lanes, sidewalk with curb and buffer, pedestrian countdown signal, parking removal.	Bellingham	Safety; Multimodal; Access, Equity, & Economic Opportunity		SRTS (state)		1,907	800	2,707	2,707
Boblett St Traffic Channelization and Corridor Improvements	Improvements will include: Channelization, ROW acquisition, non-motorized, sidewalk replacement, storm drainage, roundabout construction.	Blaine	Freight & Economic Vitality; Access, equity and economic opportunity	Highway System Performance	STBG (US)	900		141	1,041	1,631
SR544 S. Everson Sidewalk Improvements	Fill in missing segments of sidewalk along SR 544 from approximately Robinson Street to Everson Road.	Everson	Multimodal; Access, equity and economic opportunity	Highway Safety Plan	TA (R)	1,316	482	271	2,069	2,376

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Project Title	Description	Agency	Regional Goal(s)	Federal Performance Measure	Program (Federal and/or State)	2022 - 2027 Program Funding				Total Estimated Cost*
						Federal	State	Local	Total Program	
Blair Drive Improvements (Lincoln St Improvements, Phase 3)	Reconstruct roadway to include sidewalks, curb and gutter, on-street parking, and a bike lane.	Everson	Multimodal, Preservation	Highway System Performance	STBG (R)	1,470		318	1,788	2,013
Main Street, Barrett Road to Old Settler Drive	Reconstruct roadway to include bike and pedestrian improvements and bus pullouts.	Ferndale	Safety; Multimodal; Access, equity and economic opportunity	Safety	STBG (UM)	1,250		3,985	5,235	5,235
Benson Road Improvements, Sunrise Dr to Badger Rd	Reconstruct roadway to current standards including the addition of bike and pedestrian facilities.	Lynden	Preservation	Highway System Performance	STBG (USS)	1,866		1,903	3,769	3,769
UPWP - SFY 2024	Planning and Programming identified in the Unified Planning Work Program.	WCOG			STBG (UM)	301		47	348	348
E. Smith & Hannegan Road Intersection Improvements	Reconstruct intersection to include: left turn lanes, lengthen Hannegan Road channelization, increase turn radii for truck traffic, and stormwater management.	Whatcom County	Mobility; Access, Equity, & Economic Opportunity; Freight & Economic Vitality	Highway System Performance, Freight Movement	STBG (R), HSIP	2,000		2,700	4,700	5,250
North Lake Samish Drive Bridge No. 107 Replacement	Replace existing bridge with a new prestressed concrete girder bridge.	Whatcom County	Preservation	Bridge	STP (BR)	8,413		1,312	9,725	10,875
Goshen Road/Anderson Creek Bridge No. 248 Replacement	Replace existing bridge with a new prestressed concrete girder bridge.	Whatcom County	Preservation	Bridge	STP (BR)	2,680		710	3,390	3,840

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Project Title	Description	Agency	Regional Goal(s)	Federal Performance Measure	Program (Federal and/or State)	2022 - 2027 Program Funding				Total Estimated Cost*
						Federal	State	Local	Total Program	
Birch Bay Lynden Road & Blaine Road Intersection Improvements	Reconstruct stop control intersection with a roundabout to improve level of service and safety.	Whatcom County	Mobility; Access, Equity, & Economic Opportunity	Highway System Performance	STBG (USS), HSIP	1,801		2,299	4,100	4,850
Marine Drive II	Reconstruct to add pedestrian and bicycle facilities	Whatcom County	Multimodal	Safety	STBG (UM)	800		3,750	4,550	4,550
Birch Bay Lynden Rd/Kickerville Rd Intersection Safety Improvements	Add left turn lanes on Birch Bay Lynden Rd and add intersection lighting.	Whatcom County	Safety, Mobility	Highway System Performance	HSIP	940		385	1,325	1,325
Jackson Rd/Terrell Creek Bridge No. 81 Replacement	Replace existing bridge with a new prestressed concrete girder bridge.	Whatcom County	Preservation	Bridge	BR	130		470	600	4,266
SR 9/Acme Vicinity to Mt Baker Highway Vicinity - Virtual Weigh-In-Motion Enforcement Area	The project will construct a Virtual Weigh-in-Motion Enforcement Area location. Washington State Patrol WSP will be able to police freight traffic on SR 9 more effectively as a result of this project.	WSDOT	Freight & Economic Vitality	Freight Movement	N/A			2,814	2,814	2,814
I-5/Squalicum Creek to SR 539 - Bridge Deck Overlays	The project will rehabilitate Bridges 5/820E, 5/822E and 5/822W on I-5 by removing the existing asphalt, reapplying a waterproofing membrane (deck seal), and repaving the bridge decks with HMA.	WSDOT	Preservation	Bridge	NHPP, MVA	1,062	28		1,090	1,090

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Project Title	Description	Agency	Regional Goal(s)	Federal Performance Measure	Program (Federal and/or State)	2022 - 2027 Program Funding				Total Estimated Cost*
						Federal	State	Local	Total Program	
SR 546/Benson Road - Intersection Improvements	Installing a compact single lane roundabout at this location will improve mobility and reduce the risk of collisions.	WSDOT	Safety	Safety	HSIP, MVA	578	12		590	735
NWR Breakaway Cable Terminal Replacement 21-23	The BCTs will be removed and replaced with guardrail terminals meeting current standards reducing the risk of injury collisions at these locations.	WSDOT	Safety	Safety	HSIP, MVA	46	1		47	53
SR 539/Bay-Lyn Dr to International Boundary - Corridor Improvements	Constructing a four-lane divided highway will improve mobility, reduce the risk of collisions, and facilitate freight movement across the international border.	WSDOT	Mobility	Highway System Performance, Freight	CWA		40,000		40,000	40,000
SR 20/Tributary to Thornton Creek - Culvert Replacement	The project will replace the existing 2 feet in diameter corrugated metal culvert with a larger culvert to adequately allow stream water flow.	WSDOT	Climate & Environmental Quality	n/a	STBG, WFL, MVA	920	97		1,017	1,017
Concrete Roadway Preservation Whatcom Council of Governments	Replace existing concrete with a thicker concrete and steel bars at the joints. This work will extend the life of the highway at least another 40 years, and provide a smoother ride.	WSDOT	Preservation	Pavement	NHPP, MVA	1,100	44		1,144	1,144
Asphalt/Chip Seal Preservation Whatcom Council of Governments	Resurface the roadway with chip seal or hot mix asphalt to preserve the structural integrity of the roadway and extend the service life of the pavement.	WSDOT	Preservation	Pavement	NHPP, STBG, MVA	5,474	3,221		8,695	8,695

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Project Title	Description	Agency	Regional Goal(s)	Federal Performance Measure	Program (Federal and/or State)	2022 - 2027 Program Funding				Total Estimated Cost*
						Federal	State	Local	Total Program	
I-5/Slater Road Interchange - Improvements	The project will relieve congestion on the I-5 off ramps at the Slater Road Interchange. This will include the implementation of improvements at the Slater Road NB/SB ramp terminals, as well as the intersections on Northwest Ave, Pacific Highway and Rural Ave.	WSDOT	Mobility	Highway System Performance	CWA		17,899		17,899	21,463
SR 539/Duffner Ditch - Fish Passage	Remove the existing fish passage barrier and replace it with a fish passable structure.	WSDOT	Climate & Environmental Quality	n/a	NHPP, CWA	2,849	58		2,907	4,165
SR 539/Telegraph Road to Westerly Road - ADA Compliance	This project will improve pedestrian safety by upgrading ADA sidewalk ramps within the project limits.	WSDOT	Access, equity and economic opportunity	Safety	NHPP, MVA	746	15		761	952
SR 542/Bagley Creek Bridge - Bridge Scour	The footing for the bridge has been exposed due to erosion to the point of forming a void beneath one of the footings. Filling the void and placing riprap around the exposed footings will protect the bridge from further erosion.	WSDOT	Preservation	Bridge	STP, WFL, MVA	772	104		876	876
SR 548/Bell Road Intersection Improvements	This project will improve traffic operations by installing a traffic signal and corresponding channelization at the intersection of SR 548 and Bell Road.	WSDOT	Mobility	Highway System Performance	MVA		1,985		1,985	2,585
SR 548/Alderson Road Vicinity - Culvert Replacement	The culvert will be replaced with a new culvert that will convey water properly.	WSDOT	Preservation	Bridge	STBG, MVA	1,663	34		1,697	2,106

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Project Title	Description	Agency	Regional Goal(s)	Federal Performance Measure	Program (Federal and/or State)	2022 - 2027 Program Funding				Total Estimated Cost*
						Federal	State	Local	Total Program	
SR 542/Squalicum Creek to Bellingham Bay - Fish Passage	Remove the existing fish passage barrier and replace it with a fish passable structure.	WSDOT	Climate & Environmental Quality	n/a	CSRF, CWA		13,877		13,877	15,849
SR 546/Unnamed Tributary to Fishtrap Creek - Fish Passage	Remove the existing fish passage barrier and replace it with a fish passable structure.	WSDOT	Climate & Environmental Quality	n/a	CSRF, CWA		7,414		7,414	8,744
SR 542/Unnamed Tributaries to High, Mitchell & Nooksack Creeks - Fish Passage	Remove the existing fish passage barrier and replace it with a fish passable structure.	WSDOT	Climate & Environmental Quality	n/a	CSRF, CWA, MVA		23,740		23,740	23,740
I-5/Tributaries to Friday, Lake & Chuckanut Creeks - Fish Passage	Remove the existing fish passage barrier and replace it with a fish passable structure.	WSDOT	Climate & Environmental Quality	n/a	CSRF, MVA		21,416		21,416	24,137
SR 542/Cornell Creek - Bridge Deck Overlay	Repair and resurface the existing bridge deck to maintain structural integrity, continue safe operation of the highway, and extend the life of the bridge.	WSDOT	Preservation	Bridge	STBG, MVA	880	20		899	899
I-5/Baker Creek & Spring Creek - Fish Passage	Remove the existing fish passage barrier and replace it with a fish passable structure.	WSDOT	Climate & Environmental Quality	n/a	CSRF, CWA, MVA		20,552		20,552	20,552
SR 539/Baker Creek - Fish Passage	Remove the existing fish passage barrier and replace it with a fish passable structure.	WSDOT	Climate & Environmental Quality	n/a	CSRF, CWA, MVA		24,034		24,034	25,821
Replace Paratransit Mini Buses	Program to replace paratransit mini buses	WTA	Preservation	Transit Asset Management	5307	2,108		372	2,480	2,480

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Project Title	Description	Agency	Regional Goal(s)	Federal Performance Measure	Program (Federal and/or State)	2022 - 2027 Program Funding				Total Estimated Cost*
						Federal	State	Local	Total Program	
Replace Paratransit Mini Buses	Program to replace paratransit mini buses	WTA	Preservation	Transit Asset Management	5307	904		160	1,064	1,064
Replace Fixed Route Buses	Program to replace fixed route buses	WTA	Preservation; Climate change & Environment	Transit Asset Management	5307	5,640		1,410	7,050	7,050
Replace Fixed Route Buses	Program to replace fixed route buses	WTA	Preservation; Climate change & Environment	Transit Asset Management	5339	8,863		1,564	10,427	10,427
Totals						73,710	177,387	36,636	287,733	311,181

*Total project costs estimate accounts for all phases of a project that includes previously obligated, secured and planned phases.

Funding Secured Non-MPO Projects (listed in thousands)

Project Title	Description	Agency	Regional Goal	Federal Performance Measure	Program (Federal and/or State)	2022 - 2027 Program Funding				Total Estimated Cost*	
						Federal	State	Local	Total Program		
No Projects											
						Totals					

*Total Project Costs estimates all phases of a project that includes previously obligated, secured and planned phases.

WCOG 2023-2026 TIP Feasibility Table

Anticipated Federal Funding & Programmed Expenditures (in Thousands)

	Funding Type	Year	Starting Balance	Annual Allocation	Total Available	Total Program	Remaining Balance	
WCOG-Managed Federal Funds	STBG (R, USS, and UMM)	2023	-\$592	\$3,279	\$2,687	\$1,986	\$701	
		2024		3,279	3,980	3,900	80	
		2025		3,279	3,359	2,678	681	
		2026		3,279	3,960	3,924	36	
	TA (R, USS, and UMM)	2023	608	450	1,058	137	921	
		2024		247	1,167	0	1,167	
		2025		247	1,414	1,179	235	
		2026		247	481	0	481	
	WCOG Totals			16	14,305	14,321	13,804	517
		Funding Type	Year	Starting Balance	Annual Allocation	Total Available	Total Program	Remaining Balance
State-Managed Federal Funds	BR	2023		\$8,543	\$8,543	\$8,543	\$0	
		2024		2,680	2,680	2,680	0	
	HSIP	2023		743	743	743	0	
		2024		1,900	1,900	1,900	0	
		2025		1,000	1,000	1,000	0	
		2026		821	821	821	0	
	NHPP	2023		7,238	7,238	7,238	0	
		2024		432	432	432	0	
		2025		1,239	1,239	1,239	0	
		2026		2,214	2,214	2,214	0	
	SRTS	2023		1,620	1,620	1,620	0	
	STBG	2023		2,238	2,238	2,238	0	
		2024		797	797	797	0	
		2025		287	287	287	0	
	STP (BR)	2023		7,567	7,567	7,567	0	
	WFL	2023		519	519	519	0	
2025			500	500	500	0		
Other	5307 (FTA)	2023		8,652	8,652	8,652	0	
	5339 (FTA)	2023		8,863	8,863	8,863	0	
State and Other Totals			n/a	57,853	57,853	57,853	0	

	Total Available	Total Program
Federal Funds	\$72,174	\$71,657
State & Local Funds	208,480	208,480
All Funds	280,654	280,137

Past Project - Lummi Transit Bus Shelters



Funded in part by regional Transportation Alternative Program, this project reconstructed bus shelters in Lummi Nation to improve transit infrastructure.

Unfunded Projects (listed in thousands)

Agency	Project	Type	Cost Estimate
Bellingham	James Street Multimodal Improvements; Segments 1, 2, 3 & 4	Reconstruction	14,100
	North James Street Multimodal Arterial Connection	Construction	3,600
	Meridian St / Birchwood Roundabout Phase 2	Roundabout	6,000
	Lincoln St Multimodal Safety Improvements	Reconstruction	2,200
Blaine	Hughes Ave Pedestrian Improvements	Reconstruction	720
	Marine Dr Phase 3 - Lighthouse Point Water Rec. to Public Pier	Construction	3,000
	H St Sidewalk and Road Reconstruction	Reconstruction	3,350
Everson	BNRR R/W - Trail/Utility Corridor	Right-of-Way	300
Ferndale	Thornton Road - Church to Maureen	Construction	1,150
	Portal Way Corridor Pedestrian and Bike Improvements	Design	125
Lummi	Lummi Shore Rd Pedestrian Safety Improvements	Reconstruction	1,850
	Lummi Nation Kwina/Marine Dr./Lummi Shore Intersection	Reconstruction	4,500
Lynden	Line Road - Aaron to Badger Road	Reconstruction	1,550
	Pepin Parkway Arterial	Construction	5,290
	SR-546 Intersection with city arterials	Intersection Reconstruction	500
Nooksack Tribe	Mt Baker Hwy - Mitchell Rd to Marshall Hill Rd	Corridor reconstruction	5,000
Sumas	Sumas Ave - Front Street to Garfield Street	Construction	2,150
WCOG	Unfunded priority programd and projects in the UPWP	Planning	2,309
Whatcom County	Marine Drive / Little Squalicum Bridge No. 1	Rehabilitation	250
	Smith Rd and Northwest Dr	Intersection Reconstruction	350
	Birch Bay Lynden Rd & Blaine Rd	Intersection Reconstruction	4,249
	Lincoln Rd - II, Harborview Rd to SR 548	Reconstruction	5,000
Whatcom County	Marine Drive II, Alderwood Ave to Bridge No 172	Reconstruction	5,000
	Everson Goshen Rd & E Smith Rd	Construction	1,500

Unfunded Projects (listed in thousands)

Agency	Project	Type	Cost Estimate
WTA	Replace Paratransit Mini Buses	Purchase	5,360
	Replace Vanpool Vans	Purchase	776
	Replace Fixed Route Buses	Purchase	4,476
TOTAL			\$84,655