

COMMONLY USED WCOG ACRONYMS

AADT	Annual Average Daily Traffic
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
ADT	Average Daily Traffic
ATIS	Advanced Traveler Information System
AV	Automated (or Autonomous) Vehicle
AVL	Automatic Vehicle Location (System)
BCMoTI	British Columbia Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure
BRT	Bus Rapid Transit
CBP	(U.S.) Customs and Border Protection
CBSA	Canada Border Services Agency
CEDS	Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy
CN (or CON)	Construction (phase of a funded project)
CRAB	(Washington State) County Road Administration Board
CTAG	Citizens' Transportation Advisory Group
DBE	Disadvantaged Business Enterprise
DHS	(U.S.) Department of Homeland Security
EA	Environmental Assessment
EDL	Enhanced Driver's License
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EPA	(U.S.) Environmental Protection Agency
FAA	Federal Aviation Administration
FAST	Fixing America's Surface Transportation (the current federal transportation act)
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FMSIB	(Washington State) Freight Management Strategic Investment Board
FRA	Federal Railroad Administration
FTA	Federal Transit Administration
GIS	Geographic Information System
GMA	(Washington State) Growth Management Act
HOT	High-Occupancy Toll (lanes)
HOV	High-Occupancy Vehicle
HSTP	Human Services Transportation Plan
ILA	Inter-local Agreement
IMTC	International Mobility and Trade Corridor (Program)
ISTEA	Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (federal transportation act of 1991)
ITS	Intelligent Transportation System(s)
LOS	Level of Service
L RTP	Long-Range Transportation Plan
MAP-21	Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21 st Century (federal transportation act of 2012)
MOA	Memorandum of Agreement
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MPA	Metropolitan Planning Area (the region served by an MPO; WCOG's metropolitan planning area is all of Whatcom County)
MPO	Metropolitan Planning Organization

NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NEXUS	U.S.-Canada “Trusted Traveler” program for crossing the border
NHS	National Highway System
NSTA	North Sound Transportation Alliance (formerly The Farmhouse Gang)
PE	Preliminary Engineering (phase of a funded project during which design and other pre-construction activities are performed)
PSRC	Puget Sound Regional Council
RFID	Radio Frequency Identification
RFP	Request for Proposals
RFQ	Request for Qualifications
ROW	Right-of-Way (phase of a funded project during which property is acquired)
RTPO	Regional Transportation Planning Organization
SAFETEA-LU	Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (federal transportation act of 2005)
SCOG	Skagit Council of Governments
SOV	Single-Occupant Vehicle
SR	State Route (followed by a number)
STBG	Surface Transportation Block Grant (Program, formerly known as STP)
STIP	Statewide Transportation Improvement Program
STP	Surface Transportation Program
TA	Transportation Alternatives (Program)
TAZ	Traffic Analysis Zone
TDM	Transportation Demand Management
TEA-21	Transportation Equity Act for the 21 st Century (federal transportation act of 1998)
TIB	(Washington State) Transportation Improvement Board
TIP	Transportation Improvement Program
TOD	Transit Oriented Development
TSM	Transportation Systems Management
TTAG	Transportation Technical Advisory Group
USDOT	U.S. Department of Transportation
USFS	U.S. Forest Service
UPWP	Unified Planning Work Program
USBRS	U.S. Bicycle Route System
VACIS	Vehicle and Cargo Inspection System (X-ray device used by CBP in Blaine to scan trains entering the U.S. from Canada to detect weapons and other contraband)
VHD	Vehicle Hours of Delay
VHT	Vehicle Hours of Travel (the total amount of time spent by all vehicles traveling on a specific road segment over a given period of time)
VMT	Vehicle Miles of Travel (the total miles traveled by all vehicles on a specific road segment over a given period of time)
WBE	Women-owned Business Enterprise
WSDOT	Washington State Department of Transportation
WST	Whatcom Smart Trips (Program)
WSTC	Washington State Transportation Commission
WTA	Whatcom Transportation Authority