

# **Point Defiance Bypass Project**

## ***Executive Advisory Group***

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# Program Update

- Recovery Act Funding
  - WSDOT and FRA secure \$590 million in federal ARRA passenger rail funding
  - WSDOT and FRA secure \$145.5m of Recovery Act rail funding returned from Ohio & Wisconsin
  - WSDOT applied for \$120m additional federal funding
- Next steps
  - Finalize Stakeholder Agreements
  - Finalize scopes & schedules – spring 2011
  - Start construction on select projects – fall 2011

# Public Outreach

- Fall 2010
  - Lakewood City Council
  - Tacoma Farmer's Market
  - Lakewood United
  - DuPont City Council
  - S. Tacoma Neighborhood Council
- Winter 2011
  - Tacoma City Council
  - Tillicum/Woodbrook Neighborhood Association
  - Regional Access Mobility Partnership (RAMP)
  - Steilacoom Town Council
  - Lakewood's Pacific Neighborhood



*Project staff at a community meeting*

# EA Schedule

- Traffic count modeling – winter 2010-2011
- Discipline report reviews – summer 2011
  - Transportation
  - Noise/vibration
  - Socio-economic
- Publish EA – Fall 2012

# Traffic studies

- **Traffic counts**
  - 2010 Counts/Modeling
  - 2030 Modeling



# Technical Memos

- Greenfield Tech Memo
  - Final modeling comments from BNSF
  - Final revisions
- Shoreline Technical Memo
  - Final revisions



# For more information

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