



Washington State Ferries Weekly Update



Sept. 25, 2015

This week:

- Innovations and Partnerships in Transportation conference
- Prepare for heavy traffic on Sunday
- Off-peak fares take effect Oct. 1
- Mark your calendar for upcoming San Juan Islands Reservations Program public meetings!

Innovations and Partnerships in Transportation conference

On Tuesday, I joined many WSDOT and WSF colleagues at the Innovations and Partnerships in Transportation conference in Tacoma. Hosted by WSDOT, the conference focused on how we can foster a more sustainable and practical transportation future here in Washington. The incredible roster of presenters talked a lot about trust, partnerships, collaboration and community engagement to help us achieve practical transportation solutions! I enjoyed the day and the collaboration with folks from all corners of our agency and look forward to implementing these ideas in the months to come.

Prepare for heavy traffic on Sunday

Sunday will be a busy day system-wide. We expect heavier than usual foot traffic on the Seattle/Bremerton and Seattle/Bainbridge routes as the Seahawks take on the Chicago Bears in a 1:25 p.m. game at CenturyLink Field. Also that day, the annual [Oyster Run](#) motorcycle event will bring 15,000 or more participants to all of our northern ferry routes. Motorcyclists will be traveling in the morning, converging on Anacortes by early afternoon.



Off-peak fares take effect Oct. 1

The last day the peak season surcharge will be in effect is Wednesday, Sept. 30. [Off-peak fares](#) go into effect Thursday, Oct. 1.

Mark your calendar for upcoming San Juan Islands Reservations Program public meetings!

We are evaluating some potential modifications to how reservations work in the San Juan Islands that would take effect for the spring/summer 2016 sailing seasons. We want your input to help us make sure reservations work well for everyone. Join us in October for a public meeting on Lopez, Orcas, San Juan or Shaw islands or share your thoughts by email. For more meeting information and to review information about this process, visit us [online](#).

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Oyster Run: <http://www.oysterrun.org/>

Fare information: <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/ferries/fares/>

Reservations program: <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Ferries/Planning/VehicleReservations.htm>

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