

Coordinated Transportation Plans

How Your Local Transportation Elements Influence the Statewide Transportation Plan

Page Scott, Moderator, Yakima Valley
Conference of Governments



Ashley Probart, Association of
Washington Cities



Judy Lorenzo, Washington State
Department of Transportation



**Washington State
Department of Transportation**

Can you relate?

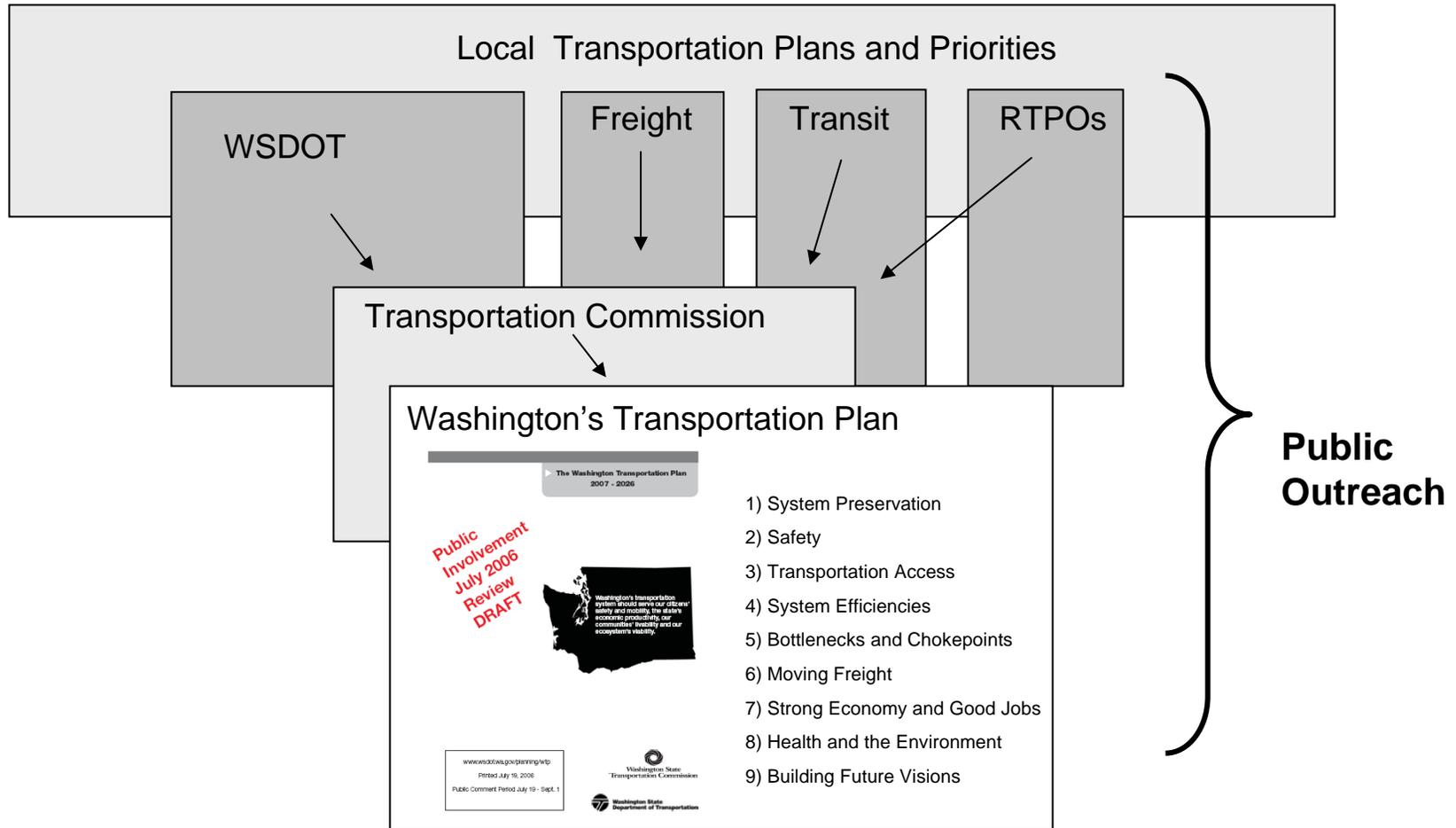


Local
transportation
concerns

are statewide
transportation issues

Transportation Planning - Cross Consistency

Washington's Transportation Plans is undertaken in accordance with state and federal laws



WTP Issue Areas

- 1) System Preservation
- 2) Safety
- 3) Transportation Access
- 4) System Efficiencies
- 5) Bottlenecks and Chokepoints
- 6) Moving Freight
- 7) Strong Economy and Good Jobs
- 8) Health and the Environment
- 9) Building Future Visions

Keys to Washington's Transportation Plan

“Cross Consistency”

State seeks consistency with region and locals

Local transportation priorities are consistent with region and state priorities

Regional priorities are consistent with locals and state

Data Driven

Identified gaps in transportation issue area are supported through technical analysis

Long Term Measure for Success

“Sizes” transportation investments for today and tomorrow

Keeps transportation a “front and center” issue

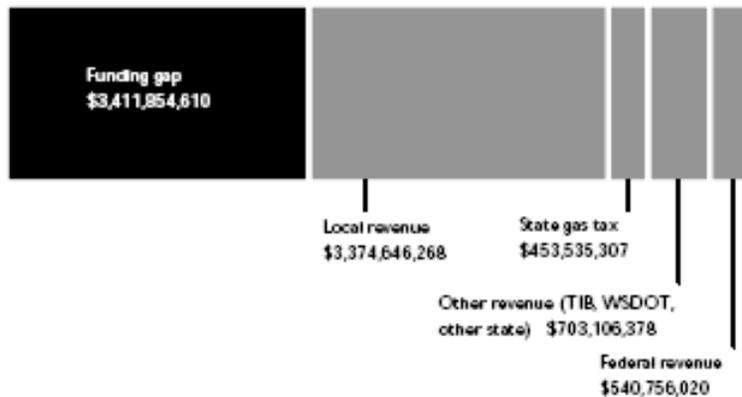
Example of Consistency

“2005 State of the Cities” Identified needs:

Where will future funding come from?

As it has historically, funding for transportation will continue to be a patchwork of local, state, and federal sources. Funding for projects will be pieced together through a combination of grants, loans, taxes, debt, and fees.

2004-2009 transportation funding will continue to be a patchwork of funding sources.*



WTP Documentation:

The Washington Transportation Plan 2007-2026

II. The Plan for the Future—B. Transportation Investments Underway

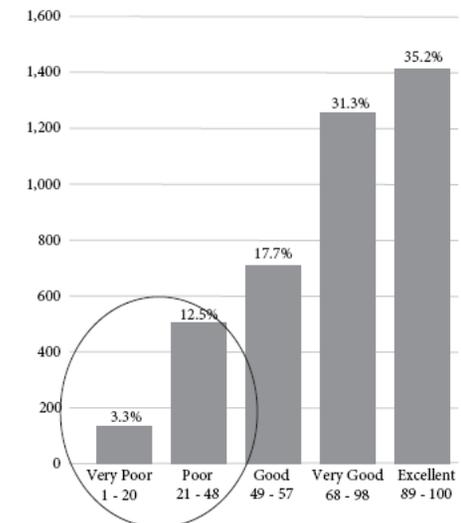
Preservation Investments Underway—Continued

Local Roadway Preservation

- Preserve county roads and ferries—\$850 million
- Preserve, maintain and operate city streets—\$2.6 billion
- Preserve city and county bridges—\$32 million

Figure II-1

City Roadway Conditions (Lane Miles)



The 20-Year Long Range Statewide Transportation Plan

- Transportation Demand and Growth Create Increasing Challenges for Today and Tomorrow
- Nine Key Issues and the Data are the Basis for the WTP
- Federal and State Law Require a Statewide Long-Range Plan Addressing Policy for All Modes
- Planning for the Future is the Right Thing to Do for Many Reasons

What We Set Out to Achieve

Washington's transportation system should serve our citizens' safety and mobility, the state's economic productivity, our communities' livability and our ecosystem's viability.



The 20-Year T Transportation Plan

The Washington T Transportation Plan update began in 2004

- Issues were discussed statewide with cities, counties, Regional Transportation Planning Organizations (RTPO), the Tribal Transportation Planning Organization (TTPO) and many issue or modal based stakeholders groups
- Fall 2005 RTPO and TTPO visits
- www.wsdot.wa.gov/planning/wtp - Online Survey
- Formal 45-day Public Comment Period

WTP Public Comment Form

Welcome to the 2006 Washington Transportation Plan Update Outreach Event

You are invited to continue planning Washington's Transportation Future. Think you're taking time to consider and help shape your thoughts about what transportation modes you want and what your future are priorities. Think of it as a transportation report card for the long-term vision and funding plan for Washington's Transportation Future.

Did we get it right? We and here to listen to you.

When I think of transportation, I think of safety, economic development, and a place for our future. Shelley Douglas, Governor

More than 17 billion dollars are needed to address statewide unmet transportation needs over the next 20 years.

Recognizing that securing revenue for the significant amount needed will probably take 20 years, the Transportation Commission published the needs list, high, medium and low priorities.

The result is \$20 billion in high priority targets that are currently unfunded.

The high priority needs further evaluated and prioritized using the five investment guidelines.

The Vision - Washington's transportation system should serve our citizens' safety and mobility, the state's economic productivity, our communities' livability and our ecosystem's viability.

1. Does the Vision Statement set the right course? Yes No
If no, why?

2. Do you agree with the WTP High Priorities? Yes No
If no, why?

3. What are your Top Three priorities for transportation investments? 1 2 3
Preserve the existing transportation system
Improve the safety of the transportation system
Improve traffic movement and efficiency
Make system improvements for economic growth
Improve environmental quality and community livability

4. What's missing in the WTP?

Please take a moment to tell us about yourself:
Home Zip Code _____ Number of drivers in your home? _____
How do you normally get to work/school/other daily activities? _____
Are you employed in the field of transportation? Yes No

Please return this comment form by mail to:
WSDOT HQ Planning Office
Attn: Ted Hinkle
PO Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98544-7250

Thank you for your input!

NOTES

The WTP online comment form: www.wsdot.wa.gov/planning/wtp

Washington Transportation Plan Update
Public Outreach Event

The Washington Transportation Plan Update 2007-2026 is ready for public comment. A Public Outreach Event is coming to Mount Vernon. You're invited to continue planning Washington's transportation future.

Farmhouse Restaurant
13724 La Conner-Whitney Road
Mount Vernon, Washington
August 24, 2006
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Accessibility accommodations and materials can be provided in alternative formats by calling the Office of Equal Opportunity (OEO) at (360) 705-7097. Individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing may contact OEO through the Washington Relay Service at 7-1-1.

Los materiales, o los servicios de traducción en español pueden ser arreglados llamando (800) 606-3868.

For more information, contact WSDOT:
Tari Hotsko at (360) 705-7919 or hotskot@wsdot.wa.gov
On the Web: www.wsdot.wa.gov/planning/wtp

Washington Transportation Plan Update 2007-2026
You're Invited
to continue planning Washington's transportation future.

The Washington Transportation Plan Update 2007-2026 is ready for public comment. A Public Outreach Event is coming to Mount Vernon. You're invited to continue planning Washington's transportation future.

Farmhouse Restaurant
13724 La Conner-Whitney Road
Mount Vernon, Washington
August 24, 2006
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Accessibility accommodations and materials can be provided in alternative formats by calling the Office of Equal Opportunity (OEO) at (360) 705-7097. Individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing may contact OEO through the Washington Relay Service at 7-1-1.

Los materiales, o los servicios de traducción en español pueden ser arreglados llamando (800) 606-3868.

We want to hear from you
Date: August 8, 2006
Time: 9:45 AM - 10:45 AM
Location: Quinalt Beach Resort
Ocean Shores
78 SR 115

To view the draft plan online, visit: <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/planning/wtp>
Sponsored by Corbin and Washington State Department of Transportation
WTP Preparation for the Tribal Transportation Planning Organization

For more information about this public outreach event or the update of Washington's Long-Range Transportation Plan, please contact WSDOT: (360) 705-7919

Changes Along the Way Created Opportunities and Challenges

2005 Legislative Session ~

- Transportation Partnership Act - Early WTP Findings
- Cabinet Level Agency - Leadership Oversight Change

Public Outreach Process



The Washington Transportation Plan 2007-2026

Public Outreach Events



Here is your opportunity to learn about the Washington Transportation Plan! Your local transportation planning organization will be co-hosting these events. Please join us to hear about the state and local transportation plans. Check the locations for the outreach event nearest you.

This is your chance to make comments on the state plan.
Your Opinion Is Important!

To view the draft plan online, go to www.wsdot.wa.gov/planning/wtp. The public comment period starts July 19, and ends September 1. We'll See You There!

For meeting details and additional locations, check the website <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/planning/wtp> or call: (360) 705-7918.

Accessibility accommodations, and materials can be provided in alternative formats by calling the Office of Equal Opportunity (OEO) at (360) 705-7097. Persons who are deaf or hard of hearing may contact OEO through the Washington Relay Service at 7-1-1.

Los materiales, o los servicios de traducción en español pueden ser arreglados llamando (800) 606-3868.

- 2006 Outreach Events**
- Yakima - July 25
 - Colfax - July 27
 - Olympia - July 31
 - Ephrata - August 1
 - Wenatchee - August 2
 - Colville - August 3
 - Spokane - August 10
 - Vancouver - August 22
 - Bremerton - August 22
 - Seattle - August 23
 - Mt. Vernon - August 24
 - Port Angeles - August 30

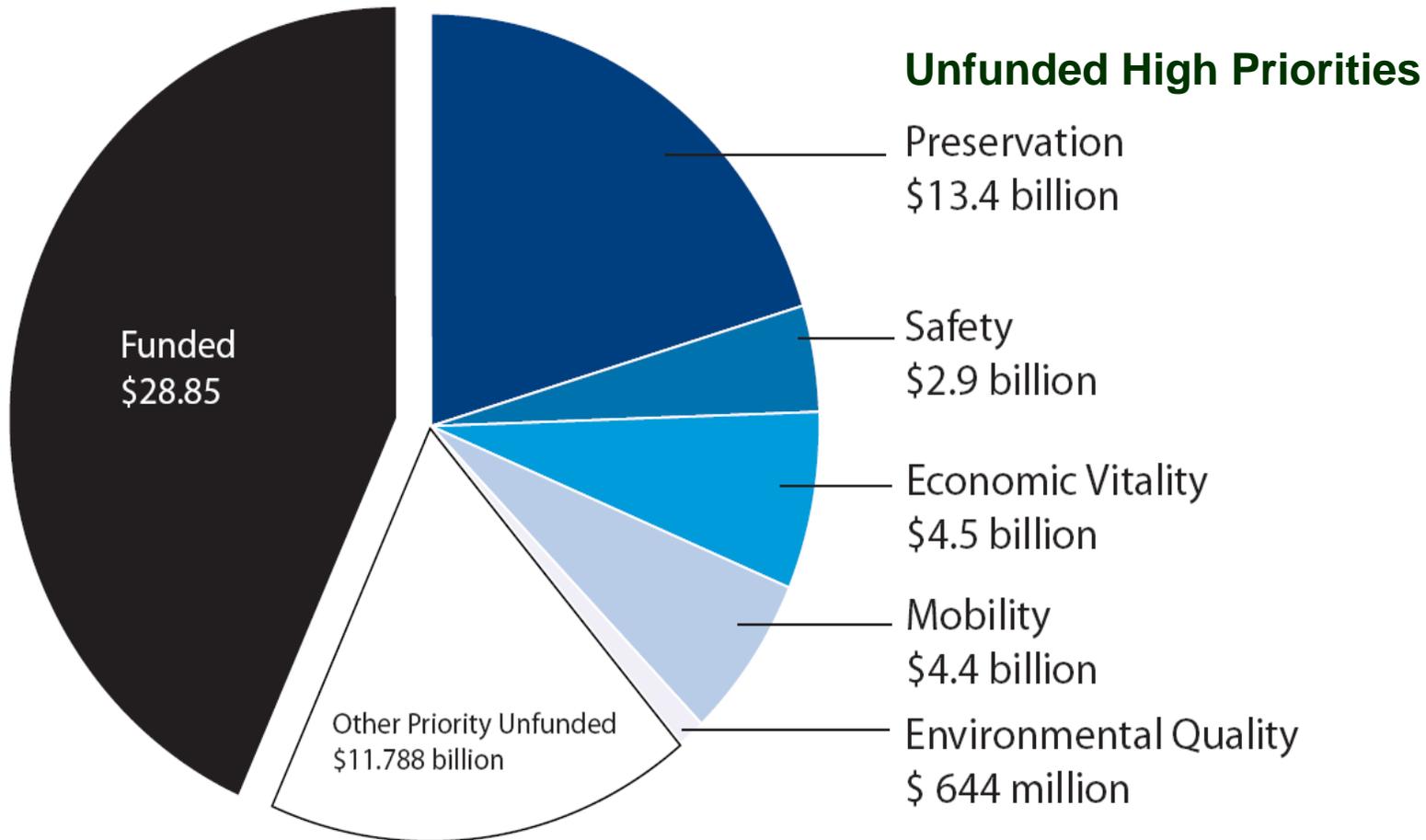


Key Priorities - WTP

Priorities Investment Guidelines

- **Preservation:** Invest to take care of the transportation systems we have today to preserve and extend prior investments in these facilities and the services they provide to people and commerce
- **Safety:** Invest in key safety targets to save lives, reduce injuries, and protect property
- **Economic Vitality:** Invest in ways to improve freight movement and support economic sectors that rely on the transportation system
- **Mobility:** Invest in better movement of people and goods to contribute to a strong economy and better quality of life for citizens
- **Environmental Quality and Health:** Invest in transportation improvements to bring benefits to the environment and our citizens' health

State-wide Transportation Needs



More than \$37 billion is needed over 20 years to address statewide transportation needs.

Issue Based – Stakeholder Focused

High Priorities for Local Agencies

Environmental Quality and Health

- Add sidewalks and trails between destinations in communities. (#9)

Preservation

- Replace city and county short-span and high-cost bridges (#5, # 6)
- Preserve, maintain and operate city streets (#4)

Safety

- Improve rural two-lane county roads safety by reducing risk locations (# 2)
- Improve safety by addressing accident locations on city streets (#3)
- Improve safety on city streets that are state routes in larger cities by addressing accident locations (#1)

Moving Freight – Identified by the freight community during the multiple freight summits & during RTP/O visits

- Develop a statewide county all-weather road network



Issue Based – Stakeholder Focused

Remaining Priorities for Local Agencies

Environmental Quality and Health

- Complete the Cities and Counties Inventory and assessment of fish passage barriers, storm water retrofit, and habitat connectivity and other environmental needs. (#7)
- Add sidewalks and trails between destinations in communities (#9)

Preservation

- Preserve county roads and ferries (#6)

Mobility

- Connect urban area local corridors that span several jurisdictions (#8)

Lessons Learned

- Making Data Driven Decisions
- Moving From Modes to Issues
- Knowing what is, verses what we *think* we know
- Outlining what additional data need to be collected in the future
- Boiling down the key points

Questions and Answers

