

SKAGIT COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

September 4, 2025 – 1:30 p.m.

[Microsoft Teams](#)

Call In: 1 (323) 553-1010

Phone Conference ID: 404 570 573#

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. [August 7, 2025 Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes](#)
3. [September Regional Transportation Improvement Program Amendments](#) – *Mark Hamilton*
4. Project Selection Debriefing – *Mark Hamilton*
5. [2025 Obligation Authority Plan](#) – *Mark Hamilton*
6. [2026 Skagit Regional Transportation Priorities](#) – *Grant Johnson*
7. 2026–2031 Regional Transportation Improvement Program – *Mark Hamilton*
8. 2026 Obligation Authority Plan – *Mark Hamilton*
9. Update on Move Skagit: Regional Transportation Plan – *Mark Hamilton*
10. Roundtable and Open Topic Discussion
11. Next Meeting: October 2, 2025, 1:30 p.m.
12. Adjourned

Please contact [Mark Hamilton](#) at (360) 416-7876 if there are any other items that need to be brought up for discussion.

[Meeting Packet](#)

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP AND VOTES

VOTING MEMBERS

Anacortes.....	1
Burlington	1
Mount Vernon	1
Sedro-Woolley	1
Skagit County	3
Skagit Transit.....	1
WSDOT.....	1
Ports	1
• Port of Anacortes	
• Port of Skagit	
Towns.....	1
• Concrete	
• Hamilton	
• La Conner	
• Lyman	
Tribes	1
• Samish Indian Nation	
• Swinomish Indian Tribal Community	

NON-VOTING MEMBERS

Skagit PUD

QUORUM REQUIREMENT

A quorum consists of half the total votes (5), with Skagit County consisting of one seat toward the quorum calculation. Formal recommendations to the Transportation Policy Board can only be made when a quorum is present.

Title VI Notice to the Public: The Skagit Council of Governments fully complies with Title VI of the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 and related statutes, and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color or national origin. For more information, or to obtain a Title VI Complaint Form, visit SCOG's website at <http://scog.net/about/nondiscrimination/>.

Aviso resumido del Título VI al público: El Consejo de gobiernos de Skagit cumple plenamente con el Título VI de la Ley federal de derechos civiles de 1964 y los estatutos relacionados, y no discrimina por motivos de raza, color u origen nacional. Para mayor información, o para obtener un Formulario de queja del Título VI, visite el sitio web del SCOG en <http://scog.net/about/nondiscrimination/>.

ADA Notice to the Public: The Skagit Council of Governments fully complies with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) and does not discriminate on the basis of disability. For more information, or to file a grievance contact the ADA Coordinator, Kevin Murphy at 360-416-7871 or kmurphy@scog.net.

Aviso de la ADA para el público: El Consejo de Gobiernos de Skagit cumple plenamente con la Sección 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973 y la Ley de Americanos con Discapacidades de 1990 (ADA) y no discrimina por motivos de discapacidad. Para obtener más información, o para presentar una queja, póngase en contacto con el Coordinador de la ADA, Kevin Murphy en 360-416-7871 or kmurphy@scog.net.

SKAGIT COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

August 7, 2025

Microsoft Teams Remote Meeting

AGENCIES REPRESENTED

- City of Burlington Tyler Stamey, Brian Dempsey
- City of Mount Vernon Frank Reinert
- City of Sedro-Woolley Kyle Anderson, Bill Bullock
- Samish Indian Nation Nick Dorr
- Skagit County Given Kutz, Tom Weller
- Skagit PUD Mark Semrau
- Skagit Transit Rebekah Tuno, Crystle Stidham
- Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) Erica Nolan, David Strich

STAFF PRESENT

- Skagit Council of Governments Kevin Murphy, Mark Hamilton, Grant Johnson, Sarah Reuther, Anika Nelson

OTHERS PRESENT

Jeff Frkonja, Resource Systems Group; Adriana Dominguez & Benjamin Fleming, WSP USA Inc.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 1:32 p.m.

Roll Call: Roll was taken with a quorum present.

2. June 5, 2025 Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes: Mr. Anderson moved to approve the June 5, 2025 Technical Advisory Committee meeting minutes, and Mr. Reinert seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
3. August Regional Transportation Improvement Program Amendments: Mr. Johnson presented this agenda item. He explained that there were three Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) amendments for the month, and one administrative modification submitted by the Samish Indian Nation. Anacortes' amendment for the 32nd Street at Storvik Park Pedestrian Crossing project adds the project to the RTIP. This project was awarded Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) funds through SCOG's project selection process earlier in the summer. The project is fully funded, with a total estimated project cost of \$180,500 including \$48,777 in local funds. Skagit Transit's amendment for the Skagit Station HVAC Repair project adds the project to the RTIP. The amendment adds all phases of the project to the RTIP, with a total estimated project cost of \$300,000, including \$152,184

in federal 5339 funds and \$147,816 in local funds. WSDOT's amendment for the SR 536/Skagit River Bridge Painting project revises a project already programmed in the RTIP. The total estimated project cost has been increased to \$14,289,575. Construction phase costs have been increased to \$12,432,427 in Highway Infrastructure Program funds and \$300,573 in state funds. The administrative modification for the Samish Indian Nation's SR 20/Campbell Lake Road Roundabout Project revises a project already programmed in the RTIP and does not require Transportation Policy Board action.

Mr. Dempsey motioned to recommend approval of the August Regional Transportation Improvement Program Amendments to the Transportation Policy Board as presented. Mr. Weller seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

4. Move Skagit Stakeholder Discussion: Mr. Frkonja presented this agenda item. The consultant team working on the Move Skagit planning effort gave an update on the Regional Transportation Plan, the Regional Safety Action Plan and the Transportation Resiliency Improvement Plan. The consultant team then gathered feedback from TAC members.
5. 2026-2031 Regional Transportation Improvement Program: Mr. Hamilton presented this agenda item. He explained that work is beginning on the 2026-2031 RTIP and that projects need to be submitted to SCOG by August 18th. He stated that this is work that SCOG does on an annual basis. The draft RTIP will come to the TAC for review at their September meeting, with adoption by the Transportation Policy Board anticipated at their October meeting.
6. Quarterly Obligation Report: Mr. Hamilton presented this agenda item. He stated that as of the date of this meeting, the region had obligated approximately \$500,000. The regional obligation target is just over \$2.6 million, and staff still expect that the region will ultimately obligate over \$4.5 million for Federal Fiscal Year 2025.
7. 2025 Obligation Authority Plan: Mr. Hamilton presented this agenda item. He gave an overview of obligation deadlines and project sponsors gave updates.
8. Project Selection Debriefing: SCOG staff tabled this presentation due to lack of time and will be bringing this item back to the TAC at their September meeting.
9. Roundtable and Open Topic Discussion: Technical Advisory Committee members provided project updates for their jurisdictions.
10. Next Meeting: September 4, 2025, 1:30 p.m.
11. Adjourned: 3:00 p.m.

Attest:

Mark Hamilton, Senior Transportation Planner
Skagit Council of Governments

Date: _____

ACTION ITEM X.X. – SEPTEMBER REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENTS

Document History

Meeting	Date	Type of Item	Staff Contact	Phone
Technical Advisory Committee	09/04/2025	Review and Recommendation	Mark Hamilton	(360) 416-7876
Transportation Policy Board	09/17/2025	Action	Mark Hamilton	(360) 416-7876

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Skagit Council of Governments (SCOG) staff and Technical Advisory Committee recommend approval of the following Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) amendments:

- Concrete
 - School Secondary Access: this amendment revises a project already programmed in the RTIP. The amendment moves all secured funding for the project's construction phase to 2029 to maintain overall fiscal constraint in the 2025–2028 program years. SCOG staff anticipates the funding will be reprogrammed in the 2026–2031 RTIP, which is scheduled for adoption October 15, 2025.
- Skagit Council of Governments
 - SCOG Administration: this amendment revises a project already programmed in the RTIP. The amendment moves all secured funding for the project to 2029–2030 to maintain overall fiscal constraint in the 2025–2028 program years. SCOG staff anticipates the funding will be reprogrammed in the 2026–2031 RTIP, which is scheduled for adoption October 15, 2025.

FISCAL CONSTRAINT

Regional Transportation Improvement Program is fiscally constrained in the 2025–2028 program years.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A public comment period began on August 29 and ended on September 5.

ADMINISTRATIVE MODIFICATIONS

Administrative modifications to the Regional Transportation Improvement Program do not require Transportation Policy Board approval, and are submitted to the Washington State Department of Transportation along with any amendments for the month. Administrative modifications are provided below for informational purposes only.

- Sedro-Woolley
 - John Liner Road Arterial Improvements: this administrative modification revises a project already programmed in the RTIP. Sedro-Woolley staff moved forward the right-of-way

phase for this project earlier in 2025, placing the phase on the 2025 Obligation Authority Plan, consistent with Obligation Authority Procedures. Due to a project delay, the phase will be unable to obligate federal funding prior to the October 1, 2025 deadline, as required, so will be removed from the RTIP by SCOG staff per Obligation Authority Procedures. An appeal may be made to the Transportation Policy Board to reprogram the federal funds for this phase in the future, consistent with Obligation Authority Procedures.

DRAFT

Agency Concrete

Project Title School Secondary Access

Description Construction of a second access road to school and airport to include traffic lanes, shoulder, traffic curb and gutter, planter strip, and bicycle/pedestrian path as well as possible storm drainage, sewer and water facilities and fire hydrant improvements. PE done under C293(001).

Road Name

Begin Termini SR 20

End Termini Airport Way

Total Project Length 0.47

Improvement Type New Construction Roadway

Functional Class Major Collector

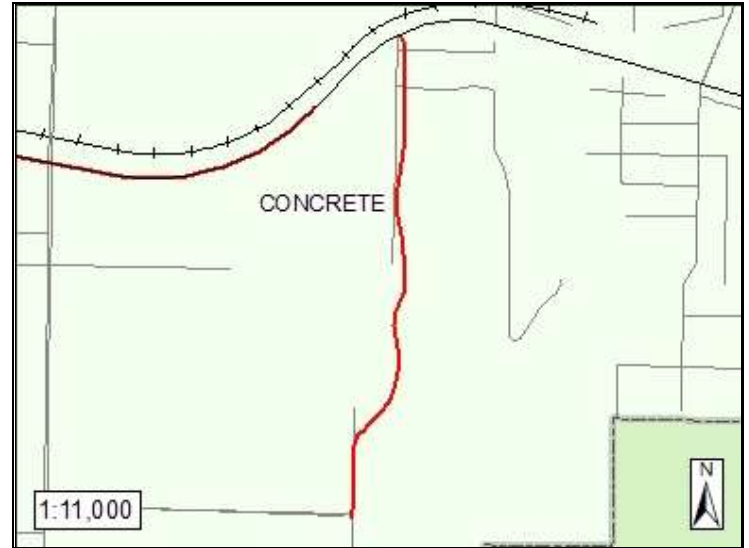
Environmental Type Categorical Exclusion

Priority Number 8

Amendment Number

Amendment Date

Total Project Cost \$3,542,051



Regionally Significant ☒ **Right-of-Way Required** ☒

STIP ID WA-03707

WSDOT PIN

Federal Aid Number C293(002)

SCOG ID

Agency ID

Hearing Date 7/8/2024

Adoption Date 7/8/2024

Resolution Number 2024-14

Phase Obligation Schedule

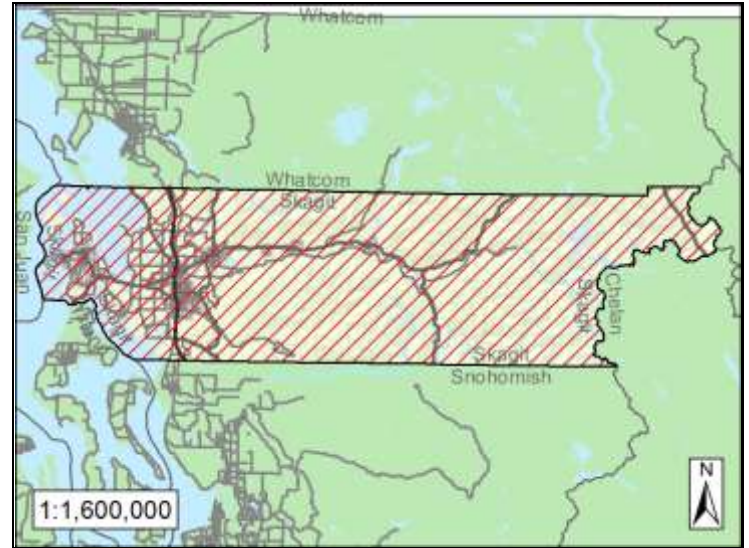
Phase	Phase Start	Federal Fund Code	Federal Funds	State Fund Code	State Funds	Local Funds	Total	Date Programmed
CN	2027		\$0		\$0	\$400,000	\$400,000	10/16/2024
CN	2027		\$0	TIB	\$395,431	\$0	\$395,431	10/16/2024
CN	2027	STBG(R)	\$1,063,022		\$0	\$166,978	\$1,230,000	10/16/2024
Total			\$1,063,022		\$395,431	\$566,978	\$2,025,431	

CN FUNDING MOVED TO 2029

Agency SCOG

Project Title SCOG Administration

Description Surface transportation planning program support of the agency.



Road Name N/A

Begin Termini N/A

End Termini N/A

Total Project Length

Improvement Type Planning

Functional Class No Functional Classification

Environmental Type Categorical Exclusion

Priority Number 1

Amendment Number

Amendment Date

Total Project Cost \$1,809,060

Regionally Significant ☐ **Right-of-Way Required** ☐

STIP ID SCOG Admin

WSDOT PIN

Federal Aid Number

SCOG ID

Agency ID

Hearing Date 10/16/2024

Adoption Date 10/16/2024

Resolution Number

Phase Obligation Schedule

Phase	Phase Start	Federal Fund Code	Federal Funds	State Fund Code	State Funds	Local Funds	Total	Date Programmed
PL	2026	STBG(US)	\$312,967		\$0	\$48,845	\$361,812	5/21/2025
PL	2027	STBG(UM)	\$312,967		\$0	\$48,845	\$361,812	5/21/2025
PL	2028	STBG(R)	\$312,967		\$0	\$48,845	\$361,812	5/21/2025
Total			\$938,901		\$0	\$146,535	\$1,085,436	

ALL FUNDING MOVED TO 2029-2030

Agency Sedro Woolley

Project Title John Liner Road Arterial Improvements

Description Reconstruct John Liner Road including drainage, curbs, sidewalk, shared use path, HMA, pavement markings and illumination.



Road Name John Liner Road

Begin Termini N Reed Street

End Termini SR9/Township Street

Total Project Length 0.38

Improvement Type Reconstruction, No Added Capacity

Functional Class Minor Arterial

Environmental Type Categorical Exclusion

Priority Number 2

Amendment Number

Amendment Date

Total Project Cost \$2,518,677

Regionally Significant ☒ **Right-of-Way Required** ☒

STIP ID SW59

WSDOT PIN

Federal Aid Number 7390(003)

SCOG ID

Agency ID C1D

Hearing Date 6/12/2024

Adoption Date 6/26/2024

Resolution Number 1146-24

Phase Obligation Schedule

Phase	Phase Start	Federal Fund Code	Federal Funds	State Fund Code	State Funds	Local Funds	Total	Date Programmed
CN	2028	STBG(UM)	\$617,956		\$0	\$96,444	\$714,400	10/16/2024
Total			\$617,956		\$0	\$96,444	\$714,400	

RW PHASE REMOVED

Financial Feasibility Table

Funding Program	Carryover	2025			2026			2027			2028			4-Year Allocation	4-Year Programmed	4-Year Difference
		Estimated Allocation	Available	Pro-programmed	Estimated Allocation	Available	Pro-programmed	Estimated Allocation	Available	Pro-programmed	Estimated Allocation	Available	Pro-programmed			
Regionally Managed Federal Funds	\$0	\$2,650	\$2,650	\$6,691	\$2,650	-\$1,390	\$509	\$2,650	\$751	\$817	\$2,650	\$2,584	\$1,284	\$10,601	\$9,301	\$1,300
CRP	\$806	\$294	\$1,100	\$1,016	\$294	\$379	\$0	\$294	\$673	\$0	\$294	\$967	\$0	\$1,983	\$1,016	\$967
STBG	-\$1,018	\$2,086	\$1,066	\$5,581	\$2,086	-\$2,426	\$130	\$2,086	-\$470	\$800	\$2,086	\$817	\$1,060	\$7,327	\$7,571	-\$243
TA	\$212	\$270	\$482	\$94	\$270	\$657	\$380	\$270	\$547	\$17	\$270	\$800	\$224	\$1,291	\$715	\$576

Other Federal Funds & State Funds	\$0	\$132,685	\$132,685	\$132,685	\$44,186	\$44,186	\$44,186	\$26,475	\$26,475	\$26,475	\$15,225	\$15,225	\$15,225	\$218,571	\$218,571	\$0
5307	\$0	\$2,011	\$2,011	\$2,011	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$12,511	\$12,511	\$0
5339	\$0	\$239	\$239	\$239	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$239	\$239	\$0
5339(b)	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0
BR	\$0	\$16,364	\$16,364	\$16,364	\$4,612	\$4,612	\$4,612	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,976	\$20,976	\$0
DEMO	\$0	\$1,740	\$1,740	\$1,740	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,740	\$1,740	\$0
Discretionary	\$0	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$0
FBP	\$0	\$605	\$605	\$605	\$621	\$621	\$621	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,226	\$1,226	\$0
FTA Discretionary	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
HIP(S)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,432	\$12,432	\$12,432	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,432	\$12,432	\$0
HSIP	\$0	\$10,487	\$10,487	\$10,487	\$3,429	\$3,429	\$3,429	\$785	\$785	\$785	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$14,701	\$14,701	\$0
NHFP	\$0	\$389	\$389	\$389	\$4,506	\$4,506	\$4,506	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,895	\$4,895	\$0
NHPP	\$0	\$10,321	\$10,321	\$10,321	\$9,756	\$9,756	\$9,756	\$9,197	\$9,197	\$9,197	\$9,197	\$9,197	\$9,197	\$38,472	\$38,472	\$0
RAISE	\$0	\$19,500	\$19,500	\$19,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$19,500	\$19,500	\$0
STBG(S)	\$0	\$3,377	\$3,377	\$3,377	\$2,106	\$2,106	\$2,106	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$579	\$579	\$579	\$6,062	\$6,062	\$0
TIFIA	\$0	\$26,826	\$26,826	\$26,826	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$26,826	\$26,826	\$0
TTP	\$0	\$1,471	\$1,471	\$1,471	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,471	\$1,471	\$0
CRAB	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,378	\$1,378	\$1,378	\$3,841	\$3,841	\$3,841	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,219	\$5,219	\$0
CSRF	\$0	\$7,398	\$7,398	\$7,398	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,398	\$7,398	\$0
MAW	\$0	\$728	\$728	\$728	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$728	\$728	\$0
MVA	\$0	\$5,632	\$5,632	\$5,632	\$1,846	\$1,846	\$1,846	\$3,688	\$3,688	\$3,688	\$959	\$959	\$959	\$12,125	\$12,125	\$0
Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,964	\$2,964	\$2,964	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,964	\$2,964	\$0
TIB	\$0	\$326	\$326	\$326	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$989	\$989	\$989	\$1,315	\$1,315	\$0
WSDOT	\$0	\$7,771	\$7,771	\$7,771	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,771	\$7,771	\$0

Matching Funds	\$0	\$17,089	\$17,089	\$17,089	\$5,726	\$5,726	\$5,726	\$6,240	\$6,240	\$6,240	\$3,700	\$3,700	\$3,700	\$32,755	\$32,755	\$0
Local	\$0	\$17,089	\$17,089	\$17,089	\$5,726	\$5,726	\$5,726	\$6,240	\$6,240	\$6,240	\$3,700	\$3,700	\$3,700	\$32,755	\$32,755	\$0

Total	\$0	\$152,424	\$152,424	\$156,464	\$52,562	\$48,522	\$50,421	\$35,365	\$33,466	\$33,532	\$21,575	\$21,509	\$20,210	\$261,927	\$260,627	\$1,300
-------	-----	-----------	-----------	-----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	-----------	-----------	---------

2025 OBLIGATION AUTHORITY PLAN

The following projects had until **March 1, 2025** to obligate federal funding. If project funds did not obligate by March 1, 2025, they would have been deprogrammed by deletion from the RTIP by SCOG staff. No projects were deprogrammed.

AGENCY	TITLE	STIP ID	PHASE	FUNDS OBLIGATED	STBG/TA/CR FUNDS
(None)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

The following project must obligate federal funding before **August 1, 2025**, or it will be deprogrammed by deletion from the RTIP by SCOG staff.

AGENCY	TITLE	STIP ID	PHASE	FUNDS OBLIGATED	STBG/TA/CR FUNDS
SCOG	SCOG Admin 2022-2025	SCOG 22-25	PL	✓	\$312,967

The following projects must obligate federal funding by **September 30, 2025**, or contingent funding will be withdrawn on **October 1, 2025**. Project sponsors are encouraged to obligate federal funding before **July 1, 2025**.

AGENCY	TITLE	STIP ID	PHASE	FUNDS OBLIGATED	STBG/TA/CR FUNDS
City of Anacortes	12 th Street and K Avenue Intersection Improvements	WA-15132	PE	(Not Yet)	\$224,000
City of Sedro-Woolley	John Liner Road Arterial Improvements	SW59	RW	✗	\$210,089
City of Sedro-Woolley	SR20/Cascade Trail West Extension Phase 2B Hospital Drive to Holtcamp Road	SW43	PE	✓	\$104,665
Skagit Transit	Construction of Ancillary Maintenance Buildings	WA-16440	CN	✓	\$275,000
Skagit Transit	Construction Zero Emissions Vehicle Infrastructure and Equipment Purchase	WA-16441	CN	✓	\$275,000
Skagit Transit	Skagit Transit's Maintenance Operations and Administration Facility Project Phase II	WA-14012	CN	✓	\$3,000,000

TOTAL EXPECTED STBG-TA-CR OBLIGATIONS¹: \$4,534,984
OBLIGATION AUTHORITY TARGET: \$2,650,244

¹ Includes a total of \$4,310,984 STBG-TA-CR obligations and deobligations authorized by FHWA from October 1, 2024 – July 31, 2025. Includes any Extensions and Appeals that have obligated funding.

Extensions

The following projects have been granted an extension to obligate federal funding by **December 31, 2025**. These projects will be deprogrammed with expiration of the 2025–2030 RTIP in January 2026.

To be granted an extension, any extension request must be received by SCOG no later than **February 26, 2025**. A project phase may only be granted one extension.

AGENCY	TITLE	STIP ID	PHASE	FUNDS OBLIGATED	STBG/TA/CR FUNDS
City of Sedro-Woolley	SR20/Cascade Trail West Extension Phase 2A, Holtcamp Road to Hodgins Street	SW42	CN	(Not Yet)	\$408,742
Samish Indian Nation	SR20/Campbell Lake Road - Intersection Improvement	WA- 11959	CN	(Not Yet)	\$1,285,200
City of Anacortes	Q Avenue Pedestrian Crossings	WA-15131	CN	(Not Yet)	\$396,000
City of Burlington	SR20 Nonmotorized & Safety Improvements	WA-12018	PE ²	✓	\$350,000
City of Mount Vernon	Kulshan Trail Safety Lighting - Phase 3	WA-15134	PE	✓	\$27,680

TOTAL STBG-TA-CR EXTENSIONS: \$2,467,622

Appeals

The Transportation Policy Board approved an appeal to reprogram a project phase in the 2025–2030 RTIP. The following project phase must obligate federal funding by **December 31, 2025**. This project will be deprogrammed with expiration of the 2025–2030 RTIP in January 2026.

A project phase may only be appealed once to the Transportation Policy Board.

AGENCY	TITLE	STIP ID	PHASE	FUNDS OBLIGATED	STBG/TA/CR FUNDS
(None)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

TOTAL STBG-TA-CR APPEALS: \$0

² \$350,000 obligated for PE phase, not RW phase as programmed.

DISCUSSION ITEM X.X. – 2026 SKAGIT REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES

Document History

Meeting	Date	Type of Item	Staff Contact	Phone
Technical Advisory Committee	09/04/2025	Discussion	Grant Johnson	(360) 416-6678
Transportation Policy Board	09/17/2024	Discussion	Grant Johnson	(360) 416-6678

DISCUSSION

Skagit Council of Governments (SCOG) staff has been working with member jurisdictions to update the [Skagit Regional Transportation Priorities](#). The Skagit Regional Transportation Priorities is an annual list of projects created as an information item for the state legislature to provide visibility for regionally important projects. The list includes information such as a project description, sponsoring agency, project cost, existing funding and funding needed. Projects have been updated based on information provided by member jurisdictions. Where applicable, programmatic funding need amounts have been updated based on best available estimates.

SCOG staff is in the process of gathering updates and finalizing the draft document prior to presenting it to the Technical Advisory Committee at their December 4, 2025 meeting for review and recommendation. SCOG staff anticipate that the Transportation Policy Board will take action on the 2026 Skagit Regional Transportation Priorities at the December 17, 2025 meeting.



Skagit Regional Transportation Priorities

January 2025



Contents

- About SCOG
- 2025 Legislative Priorities
- 2025 Regional Summary
- 2025 List of Regional Transportation Priorities
- Project Information (available upon request)

About SCOG

The Skagit Council of Governments (SCOG) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization and Regional Transportation Planning Organization in Skagit County. SCOG works cooperatively with local and tribal governments, the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), Skagit Transit and other stakeholders to plan for all modes of transportation.

SCOG Transportation Policy Board Consists of Representatives From:

- City of Anacortes
 - City of Burlington
 - City of Mount Vernon
 - City of Sedro-Woolley
 - Port of Anacortes
 - Port of Skagit
 - Samish Indian Nation
 - Skagit County
 - Skagit PUD
 - Swinomish Indian Tribal Community
 - Town of Concrete
 - Town of Hamilton
 - Town of La Conner
 - Town of Lyman
 - Washington State Department of Transportation
-

2025 Legislative Priorities

Approved by the SCOG Transportation Policy Board on December 18, 2024

Support Increased Funding for Regional Transportation Planning Organizations

Increase the Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO) program budget to \$11.7 million in State Fiscal Year 2026-2027 and adjusted annually for inflation thereafter in order to achieve the transportation planning outcomes and requirements of RCW 47.80. The original biennial appropriation for the state-wide RTPO program (\$4.4 million) has not changed since the program's creation 34 years ago. RTPO's have an important responsibility to provide transportation planning in support of rural and tribal areas across the state. Duties outlined in RCW 47.80 include developing Long Range Transportation Plans, creating Transportation Improvement Plans and coordinating with local planning agencies. Since the creation of RTPO's, their duties have been expanded and RTPO's are struggling to keep up with the requirements at the current funding levels. Funding allocations have not increased over time to meet the rising costs of operations as well as the expanded responsibilities of RTPO's. SCOG supports an effort to completely assess the amount of funding required for RTPO's to perform their duties.

WSDOT Highway System Needs

Maintenance, preservation, safety, operations, seismic resilience, environmental retrofit and other needs are estimated at approximately \$61 million per year for the Skagit region. These needs are for Interstate 5 and state routes in Skagit County. Currently, 36% of these needs are funded. Environmental retrofits, principally to improve fish passage, are the highest estimated need.

Local Roadway System Needs

The vast majority of the roadway network in the Skagit region is owned and maintained by local jurisdictions. Maintenance and preservation needs for these local facilities are estimated at \$27 million per year. Of these local needs, nearly 60% are being met with available revenues (~\$16 million) and the other 40% are unmet needs (~\$11 million). Transportation benefit districts have been utilized in recent years by local jurisdictions to provide funding for maintenance and preservation, but these districts have not provided the funding necessary to address all unmet needs. Deferred maintenance due to these unmet needs are leading to further degradation of local roadways.

2025 Regional Summary

Approved by the SCOG Transportation Policy Board on December 18, 2024

New Projects

- Riverside Drive Improvements - 2, Mount Vernon, \$3,900,000 project cost, \$1,000,000 existing funds
- Cook Road/ I-5 Interchange Improvements, Skagit County, \$10,154,492 project cost, \$8,471,255 existing funds
- Concrete Sauk Valley Road Stabilization, Skagit County, \$5,500,000 project cost, \$500,000 existing funds
- Rosario Road/ Marine Drive Roundabout, Skagit County, \$3,609,000 project cost, \$2,609,000 existing funds

Removed Projects

- Cap Sante Marina T-Dock, Port of Anacortes
- Library Commons Project Regional Transportation Supporting Elements, Mount Vernon

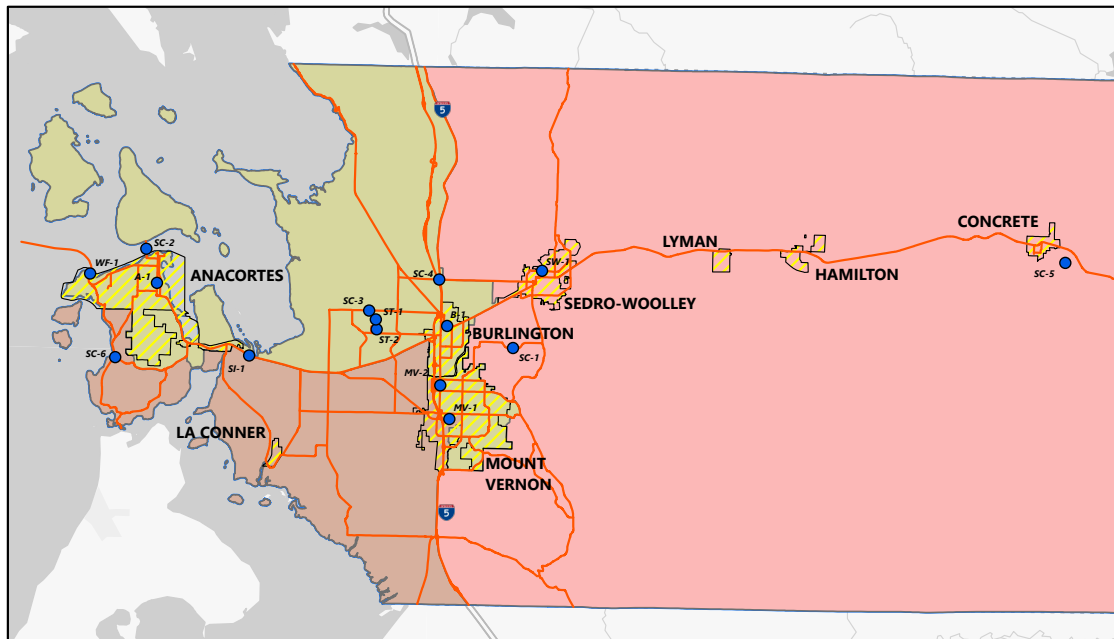
Financial Summary

	Number of Projects	Project Cost	Existing Funds	Funding Needed
Legislative District 10	4	\$54,609,000	\$2,809,000	\$51,800,000
Legislative District 39	5	\$81,998,133	\$28,250,296	\$53,747,922
Legislative District 40	10	\$348,177,740	\$149,297,852	\$198,879,888
Skagit Region Total*	15	\$433,630,381	\$171,685,893	\$261,944,573

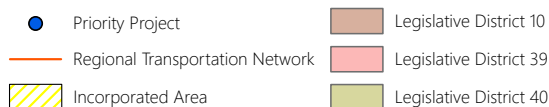
* Some projects overlap Legislative District boundaries. Legislative District totals will not match Skagit Region totals

2025 List of Regional Transportation Priorities

Approved by the SCOG Transportation Policy Board on December 18, 2024



Regional Transportation Priorities



2025 List of Regional Transportation Priorities

Approved by the SCOG Transportation Policy Board on December 18, 2024

Map ID	Project Title	Agency	Leg. Dist.	Description	Total Cost	Existing Funding	Funding Needed
A-1	South Commercial Avenue Corridor Plan	Anacortes	40	Non-motorized improvements to a combination main street and SR 20 Spur	\$56,770,628	\$3,750,000	\$53,020,628
B-1	SR 20 (Alder St to Cascade Hwy) Non-Motorized and Safety Improvements	Burlington	40	Safety improvements for multi-modal users along SR 20 within Burlington City limits from Alder Street to Cascade Highway	\$4,000,000	\$700,000	\$3,300,000
MV-1	I-5/Kincaid Interchange Vicinity Improvements	Mount Vernon	10	Corridor improvement project to improve safety, mobility, circulation and economic vitality	\$20,000,000	\$0	\$20,000,000
MV-2	Riverside Drive Improvements - 2	Mount Vernon	40	Rehabilitate pavement, repair sidewalk, correct ADA deficiencies, improve sight distance and underground overhead utilities	\$3,900,000	\$1,100,000	\$2,800,000
SW-1	Jones/John Liner/ Trail Road Corridor Improvements	Sedro-Woolley	39	Roadway and trail transportation improvements around the SR 20 corridor	\$40,454,000	\$10,821,400	\$29,632,600
SC-1	Francis Road Reconstruction (Sections 1,3 & 4)	Skagit County	39	Reconstruct Francis Road to current standards in order to provide alternate route from I-5 to SR 9	\$15,889,641	\$8,457,641	\$7,432,085
SC-2	Guemes Island Ferry Replacement	Skagit County	40	Replace the aging diesel powered Guemes Island Ferry with an all-electric ferry	\$45,102,650	\$30,133,321	\$14,969,329
SC-3	Josh Wilson Road Reconstruction (Phase 2, 2A, 3 & 4)	Skagit County	40	Reconstruct Josh Wilson Road, an alternate route to SR 20, to current standards	\$18,197,629	\$0	\$18,197,629
SC-4	Cook Road /I-5 Interchange Improvements	Skagit County	39, 40	Adding a travel lane to the Interstate-5 / Cook Road Interchange (Exit 232) and signaling the on/off ramps to reduce collisions and alleviate congestion	\$10,154,492	\$8,471,255	\$1,683,237
SC-5	Concrete Sauk Valley Road Stabilization	Skagit County	39	Design and Construct Bank Protection measures along Concrete Sauk Valley Road due to erosion caused by the Skagit River.	\$5,500,000	\$500,000	\$5,000,000
SC-6	Rosario Road / Marine Drive Roundabout	Skagit County	10	Design and construct intersection improvements at the three intersecting roads.	\$3,609,000	\$2,609,000	\$1,000,000
ST-1	Zero Emission Vehicles and Infrastructure	Skagit Transit	10, 40, 39	Investment in infrastructure and vehicles to convert to zero emission transit fleet	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$10,000,000

2025 List of Regional Transportation Priorities

Approved by the SCOG Transportation Policy Board on December 18, 2024

Map ID	Project Title	Agency	Leg. Dist.	Description	Total Cost	Existing Funding	Funding Needed
ST-2	Construction of New Maintenance, Operations and Administration Facility	Skagit Transit	40	Construction of new facility to support ongoing and future transit service support activities	\$56,652,341	\$30,143,276	\$26,509,065
SI-1	SR 20 Safe Access Improvements	Swinomish Indian Tribal Community	10, 40	Project to improve safety and access on SR 20 at Casino Drive and at Long John Drive	\$21,000,000	\$200,000	\$20,800,000
WF-1	Anacortes Terminal Replacement	Washington State Ferries	40	Construct a new or enhanced ferry terminal that meets current safety, security and accessibility requirements	\$122,400,000	\$74,800,000	\$47,600,000



Project Information

AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST
