

# 2022 ANNUAL LISTING OF FEDERAL OBLIGATIONS



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# **INTRODUCTION**

The 2022 Annual Listing of Federal Obligations lists the projects in the Skagit region that obligated federal transportation funds last year from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA). Developed in partnership with Skagit Transit and the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), this document demonstrates the coordination between Skagit Council of Governments (SCOG) member agencies to implement regional transportation priorities.

#### REQUIREMENTS

Federal regulations (23 CFR 450.334) require that SCOG publish a list of all projects in the Skagit region that obligated funding from FHWA or FTA during the last program year. In Washington state, the program year is the same as the calendar year. Federal law also requires the 2022 Annual Listing of Federal Obligations be published no later than 90 days after the year ends. SCOG works cooperatively with WSDOT and Skagit Transit to meet these federal requirements each year.

The list of obligated projects must include sufficient descriptions of each project (type of work, project termini, total length, etc.). The list must also include: the amount of obligated funding for each project in 2022; the amount of federal funding requested in the 2022 Regional Transportation Improvement Program for projects that obligated funding; and the amount of federal funding available for future program years.

The annual listing is published on SCOG's website by the end of March each year with paper copies available upon request.

#### OTHER PURPOSES

Another purpose of the 2022 Annual Listing of Federal Obligations is to evaluate the Skagit region's effectiveness at implementing regional transportation projects. By tracking the funds obligated during the previous program year, SCOG can monitor its success delivering projects in their planned timeframes.

#### **OBLIGATION**

Obligation is defined as the federal government's legal commitment to pay the federal share of a project's cost. For Federal Transit Administration projects, obligation occurs when the FTA grant is awarded. For Federal Highway Administration projects, obligation occurs when a project agreement is executed and the State/grantee requests that the funds be obligated.

# REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING

SCOG facilitates a continuous, cooperative and comprehensive multimodal transportation planning process through its regional transportation planning efforts. Regional transportation priorities are identified through the development of the long-range regional transportation plan. Medium-range regional transportation priorities are identified in the six-year regional transportation improvement program.

#### REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

SCOG's long-range regional transportation plan is the strategic framework for meeting the Skagit region's existing and future transportation needs. The <u>Skagit 2045 Regional Transportation Plan</u> (Skagit 2045) identifies the region's transportation goals through 2045. Transportation priorities include maintaining existing roadways and enhancing the transportation network through regionally significant projects.

Projects identified in Skagit 2045 are developed through the comprehensive planning process of cities, towns, Indian tribes, Skagit Transit and Skagit County. Skagit 2045 is also consistent with federal and state requirements, serving as a link between local planning efforts and the statewide Washington Transportation Plan.

As projects in Skagit 2045 draw closer to implementation, they are often programmed in SCOG's medium-range program of projects – the 2023–2028 Regional Transportation Improvement Program.

#### REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The 2023–2028 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) includes projects with secured federal transportation funding, as well as projects that are regionally significant. Projects included in the program are expected to obligate funding within its six-year timeframe.

Projects included in the first year of the RTIP are expected to obligate their secured federal funding during the current program year. Within 90 days of that program year's end date, each obligated project should be included in the annual listing of federal obligations for that year.

Occasionally, project obligations do not occur in the year in which they are programmed. Projects that are committed to obligating funds in the current year and fail to do so may be sanctioned. Additionally, projects programmed in the second to fourth years of the RTIP can occasionally obligate funding in the current program year. SCOG coordinates a regional process every year to monitor obligations as they occur, and ensure that the Skagit region is delivering projects to help meet the regional portion of the statewide obligation authority target.

Projects in the first four years of the RTIP are forwarded to WSDOT to be included in the <u>Statewide Transportation Improvement Program</u>. To obligate federal funding, a project from the Skagit region must first be programmed in the RTIP, and then the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program. Federal authorizations occur only after regional and statewide programming requirements are met.

## ANNUAL LISTING OF FEDERAL OBLIGATIONS

The 2022 Annual Listing of Federal Obligations – displayed in **Table 1** – includes all the projects in the Skagit region that obligated relevant

federal funds in 2022. The table includes the total programmed¹ amount of federal funding for each obligated project in the 2022–2027 Regional Transportation Improvement Program. Obligations are included for each project phase that received federal authorization last year. Many projects have additional phases that will obligate federal funding in future years. The listing also records the funding available to complete the project unless the amount obligated exceeded the programmed amount. These overages are displayed as "Over Obligated" in the table.

Obligations reported by WSDOT for programmatic projects (e.g. Asphalt/Chip Seal Preservation and Concrete Roadway Preservation) are combined together into their respective programs. These programmatic expenditures are often referred to as "buckets" of funding for these types of projects.

For any projects with "FTA Transfer" in the title, the date of obligation is reported as the date the transfer of funds between the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration was approved. This method of reporting is consistent with how obligation authority is tracked in the Skagit region and statewide.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Only includes Available and Committed funds programmed in RTIP and STIP per 23 CFR 450.104 Definitions (i.e. "Secured" funds in RTIP). Other reasonably anticipated funds are not included in Table 1 (i.e. "Planned" funds in RTIP).

TABLE 1: 2022 ANNUAL LISTING OF FEDERAL OBLIGATIONS

Agency	Project	STIP ID	Federal Project #	Type of Work	Begin	End	Length (in miles)	Obligation Date	Phase	2022-2027 RTIP Federal Programming (Project)	2022 Federal Obligations	Federal Funding Remaining (Project)	Fund Type
Anacortes	R Avenue Long Term Improvements	T-1301	6239(002)	Safety	SR 20 Spur	22nd Street	1.00	8/16/2022	PE	\$0	\$66,361	Over Obligated	STBG(USS)
Burlington	Pease Road Cascade Mall Nonmotorized Connection	WA-07782	7323(004)	Non-Motorized	Cascade Mall Drive	Pease Road	0.15	9/12/2022	CN	\$296,084	\$470,000	Over Obligated	STP(S), TA(UM)
Mount Vernon	15th Street Sidewalk Improvements	WA-13502	7285(001)	Non-Motorized	Broad Street	Division Street	0.32	9/16/2022	PE	\$42,000	\$42,000	\$0	STP(US)
Mount Vernon	30th Street Improvements - 1	WA-13504	7339(001)	Maintenance & Preservation	Paul Place	College Way	0.27	8/15/2022	PE	\$373,000	\$372,988	\$12	STP(US)
Mount Vernon	Freeway Drive Improvements (Cameron Way to College Way)	T-97-07	7333(001)	Mobility	Cameron Way	College Way	0.65	8/22/2022	CN	\$0	\$292,813	Over Obligated	STP(S)
Mount Vernon	Minor Intersection Enhancements	WA-14464	000S(648)	Safety	Various	Various	0.00	12/19/2022	CN	\$67,800	\$68,500	Over Obligated	HSIP
Mount Vernon	Riverside Drive Improvements - 1	WA-13503	7323(006)	Maintenance & Preservation	Cedar Street	College Way	0.56	8/15/2022	PE	\$411,000	\$411,000	\$0	STP(US)
Mount Vernon	Riverside Drive Improvements - 2	WA-13533	7323(007)	Maintenance & Preservation	College Way	Skagit River Bridge	0.56	8/19/2022	PE	\$348,000	\$348,000	\$0	STP(US)
SCOG	Regional Transportation Resilience Improvement Plan	WA-13485	PD23(012)	Other	N/A	N/A	0.00	7/7/2022	PL	\$129,750	\$129,750	\$0	STP(US)
SCOG	SCOG Admin 2022-2025	SCOG 22- 25	PD23(001)	Other	N/A	N/A	0.00	7/7/2022	PL	\$571,731	\$190,577	\$381,154	STP(R)
Sedro-Woolley	John Liner Road, Reed to Township Bicy- cle/Pedestrian Improvements	SW08A	7390(002)	Non-Motorized	Reed Street	SR9/Township Street	0.37	9/16/2022	PE	\$500,835	\$58,820	\$442,015	STBG(UM)
Sedro-Woolley	SR20/Cascade Trail West Extension Phase 2A, Holtcamp Road to Hodgin Street	SW42	0020(200)	Non-Motorized	MP 63.64 Holtcamp Road	MP 64.21 Hodgin Street	0.57	9/16/2022	RW	\$429,935	\$21,193	\$408,742	STP(US)
Sedro-Woolley	SR20/SR9N - Township Intersection Improvements	SW33	0020(199)	Mobility	MP 66.08	MP 66.18	0.10	9/7/2022	CN	\$0	\$354,317	Over Obligated	STP(S), STP(US)
Skagit County	Active Warning Signs (Install Active Warning Signs)	WA-10727	000S(515)	Safety	Various	Various	0.10	5/3/2022	CN	\$90,000	\$40,946	\$49,054	HSIP
Skagit County	Barrier Protection	WA-14041	000S(625)	Safety	Various	Various	0.90	5/11/2022	PE	\$656,000	\$141,000	\$515,000	HSIP
Skagit County	Bay View-Edison Joe Leary Slough Bridge (Deck Overlay)	WA-09548	L291(002)	Maintenance & Preservation	5.80	5.82	0.02	6/29/2022	PE	\$487,400	\$54,760	\$432,640	BR
Skagit County	Francis Road Section 3	WA-01192	F294(002)	Mobility	2.87	3.85	0.98	9/8/2022	PE	\$1,625,075	\$381,197	\$1,243,878	HSIP, STBG(R)
Skagit County	Guemes Island Ferry Parking Lot Improvements and Passenger Shelter	WA-13327	2029(058)	Transit & Fer- ries	N/A	N/A	0.00	7/22/2022	PE	\$899,907	\$262,277	\$637,630	FBP
Skagit County	Illuminate Channelized Intersections	WA-12500	000S(579)	Safety	Various	Various	0.00	4/28/2022	CN	\$65,000	\$98,676	Over Obligated	HSIP
Skagit County	Lane Departure Reduction, Intersection Aware- ness, Signage & Delineation Improvements	WA-14029	000S(620)	Safety	Various	Various	27.04	4/11/2022	PE	\$855,000	\$183,000	\$672,000	HSIP
Skagit County	Prairie Road Guidance Improvements	WA-12501	T292(002)	Safety	0.00	7.79	7.79	4/25/2022, 8/4/2022	PE, CN	\$57,000	\$141,921	Over Obligated	HSIP

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Skagit County	Upper Finney Creek Bridge (Seismic Retrofit)	WA-08577	2029(057)	Mobility	4.60	4.70	0.10	4/4/2022, 8/4/2022	PE, CN	\$2,567,990	\$2,972,716	Over Obligated	BR, STP(BR)
Skagit County	Samish River Bridge Repair (Old Hwy 99 N)	WA-01224	M291(007)	Maintenance & Preservation	MP 4.39	MP 4.41	0.02	1/26/2022	PE	\$0	\$22,202	Over Obligated	BHS
Skagit County	Friday Creek Bridge Repair (Old Hwy 99)	WA-07235	M291(008)	Maintenance & Preservation	MP 6.00	MP 6.10	0.10	2/23/2022	CN	\$0	\$7,133	Over Obligated	BHS
Skagit Transit	FTA Transfer: Bus Stop Amenities	WA-13988	WA-2022- 070	Transit & Ferries	N/A	N/A	0.00	2/11/2022, 7/28/2022	CN	\$68,062	\$68,062	\$0	STP(US)
Skagit Transit	FTA Transfer: Bus Stop Surveys	WA-14249	WA-2022- 070	Transit & Ferries	N/A	N/A	0.00	7/28/2022	PE	\$66,300	\$66,300	\$0	STP(US)
Skagit Transit	FTA Transfer: Design Services for Transit Island Canopy at March's Point Park and Ride	WA-14247	WA-2022- 070	Transit & Ferries	N/A	N/A	0.00	7/28/2022	PE	\$164,900	\$164,900	\$0	STP(US)
Skagit Transit	FTA Transfer: Design Services for Transit Pullouts along Memorial Highway	WA-14248	WA-2022- 070	Transit & Ferries	MP 0.0	MP 4.7	4.7	7/28/2022	PE	\$73,100	\$73,100	\$0	STP(US)
Skagit Transit	Skagit Transit's Maintenance Operations and Administration Facility Phase 1	WA-11566	WA-2019- 078	Transit & Ferries	N/A	N/A	0.00	11/25/2022	CN	\$112,310	\$112,310	\$0	5339
WSDOT	Asphalt/Chip Seal Preservation Skagit Council of Governments SCOG	WA-08601	N/A	Maintenance & Preservation	Various	Various	Various	2/10/2022, 3/7/2022, 4/6/2022, 5/23/2022, 6/15/2022, 6/29/2022	PE, CN	\$5,061,579	\$5,730,961	Over Obligated	NHPP, STP(S)
WSDOT	I-5/Skagit River Bridge - Bridge Painting	WA-13916	0055(256)	Other	I-5 MP 228.25	I-5 MP 228.47	0.22	8/15/2022	PE	\$12,604,638	\$1,243,163	\$11,361,475	NHPP
WSDOT	I-5/Southbound Samish River - Bridge Deck Overlay	WA-11016	0055(253)	Maintenance & Preservation	MP 234.04	MP 234.08	0.04	1/4/2022	PE, CN	\$1,353,582	\$338,650	\$1,014,932	IM, NHPP
WSDOT	SR 20 Spur/Commercial Ave to Anacortes Ferry Terminal - ADA Compliance	WA-08334	0020(185)	Safety	MP 51.92	MP 54.79	2.87	2/10/2022	CN	\$0	\$34	Over Obligated	NHPP
WSDOT	SR 20 Spur/R Avenue Vicinity - ADA Compliance	WA-07783	0020(185)	Safety	MP 50.45	MP 50.49	0.04	2/10/2022	CN	\$0	\$3	Over Obligated	NHPP
WSDOT	SR 20/Burlington to Sedro-Woolley – Corridor Improvements	WA-12458	0020(207)	Safety	SR 20 MP 61.32	SR 20 MP 63.06	1.74	6/15/2022	PE	\$8,520,264	\$933,944	\$7,586,320	HSIP
WSDOT	SR 20/Deception and Canoe Pass Bridges - Soil Abatement	WA-13368	0020(209)	Environmental	SR 20 MP 41.81	SR 20 MP 42.14	0.33	9/13/2022	PE	\$1,118,769	\$55,083	\$1,063,686	NHPP
WSDOT	SR 20/Deception Pass & Canoe Pass Bridges - Special Bridge Repair	WA-09834	0020(194)	Maintenance & Preservation	MP 41.61	MP 42.34	0.73	2/4/2022	CN	\$0	\$105,442	Over Obligated	NHPP
WSDOT	SR 536/Skagit River Bridge - Painting	WA-14366	0055(256)	Other	SR 536 MP 4.72	SR 536 MP 4.84	0.12	9/12/2022, 12/15/2022	PE	\$6,799,135	\$851,688	\$5,947,447	STP(S)
										Total	\$16,875,786		

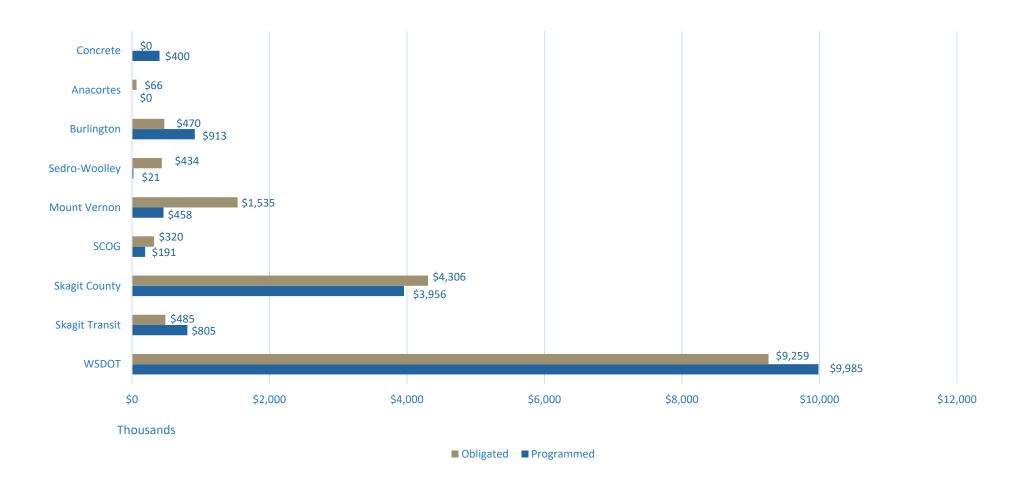
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## SUMMARY OF FEDERALLY FUNDED PROJECTS

**Figure 1** compares project obligations with programming for each jurisdiction that obligated relevant federal funding in 2022. For the most part, projects obligated precisely the amount programmed or have funding remaining to obligate in future years.

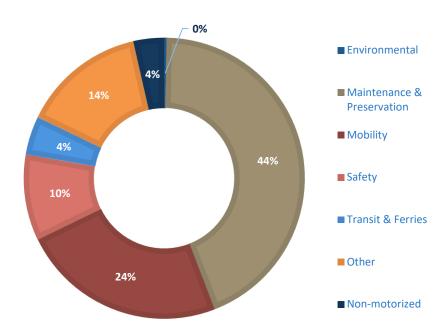
The 2022 Annual Listing of Federal Obligations does not account for all funds used for transportation purposes in the Skagit region. State, tribal and local agency funds are not included in the annual listing. These funds often provide match to federal funds or are used to fund other transportation priorities of these governments.

FIGURE 1: 2022 PROJECT PROGRAMMING AND OBLIGATIONS<sup>2</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Chart only includes 2022 obligations, not deobligations.

#### FIGURE 2: 2022 OBLIGATIONS BY PROJECT TYPE<sup>3</sup>



**Figure 2** shows 2022 obligations by project classifications created by SCOG. Local transportation funds, predominantly used for maintenance and preservation of the transportation system, are mostly not included in the 2022 Annual Listing of Federal Obligations. If these funds were included, the chart would portray a higher proportion of funds allocated to maintenance and preservation purposes.

Forty-four percent of relevant federal funds, obligated in the Skagit region in 2022, went toward maintenance and preservation projects. Approximately \$5.7 million in this category went to WSDOT asphalt/chip seal projects, primarily on State Route 20.

Mobility projects accounted for 24% of obligations in 2022. The largest project in this category is the Upper Finney Creek Bridge (Seismic Retrofit) project which obligated nearly \$3 million in 2022, which is classified as a Mobility project due to added capacity the project adds to the bridge.

Other projects accounted for 14% of obligations in 2022. One project in this category is the I-5/Skagit River Bridge – Bridge Painting project, which obligated over \$1.2 million in 2022 to begin preliminary engineering.

#### PROJECT DELIVERY

Approximately \$16.1 million<sup>4</sup> in relevant federal funds were obligated for transportation projects in the Skagit region in 2022. The amount obligated during a program year can differ from the amount programmed due to project delays, administrative challenges and additional project awards that obligate funding but have not been programmed.

In 2022, SCOG member agencies obligated over \$2.6 million in regionally managed federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program and Transportation Alternatives Set-aside funding. The largest federal obligation of these regionally managed funds was \$411,000 for a Mount Vernon maintenance and preservation project.

# **DEOBLIGATION OF FEDERAL FUNDS**

When projects are completed, they typically go through a closure procedure. Deobligation of federal funding occurs if all the federal funds obligated for the project were not necessary to complete the project. Deobligation may also occur if the project is unlikely to progress toward completion or if funding has been obtained from another source and a project sponsor chooses to defederalize a project. **Table 2** lists the deobligations for projects using federal funds that occurred in the Skagit region during 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Chart only includes 2022 obligations, not deobligations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> This figure includes total 2022 obligations and deobligations.

When federal funds are deobligated, they are returned to the awarding agency to be reallocated for future transportation projects. Federal funds returned from the Federal Highway Administration or Federal Transit Administration are not guaranteed to be reprogrammed for other Skagit region projects.

Regionally managed funds – federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program, Transportation Alternatives Set-aside and Carbon Reduction Program funds – are returned to SCOG when deobligated. SCOG can then reprogram the funds for other regional transportation priorities that are competitively selected through SCOG projectselection processes.

**TABLE 2: 2022 DEOBLIGATIONS** 

Agency	Project	STIP ID	Federal Project #	Type of Work	Begin	End	Length (in miles)	Obligation Date	Phase	2022 Federal Deobligations	Fund Type
Skagit County	Install/Upgrade Guardrail with Reflectors	WA-12547	000S(578)	Safety	Various	Various	1.38	5/19/2022	PE, CN	-\$163,608	HSIP
Skagit County	Guardrail (Installation / Upgrade Various Locations)	WA-10726	000S(514)	Safety	MP 2.74/5.82	MP 2.90/6.22	0.56	11/8/2022	PE, CN	-\$148,289	HSIP
Skagit County	Friday Creek Bridge Repair (Old Hwy 99)	WA-07235	M291(008)	Maintenance & Preservation	MP 6.00	MP 6.10	0.10	2/23/2022	CN	-\$7,133	BHS
Skagit County	Samish River Bridge Repair (Old Hwy 99 N)	WA-01224	M291(007)	Maintenance & Preservation	MP 4.39	MP 4.41	0.02	1/26/2022	PE	-\$22,202	BHS
SCOG	Household Travel Survey	WA-11060	2029(053)	Other	N/A	N/A	0.00	10/18/2022	PL	-\$13,752	STP(US)
Burlington	Intersection Modification at Cherry St and Fairhaven Ave	WA-02441	7308(002)	Maintenance & Preservation	Cherry Street	Fairhaven Avenue	0.20	9/22/2022	PE	-\$42	STP(US)
WSDOT	SR 530/Sauk-Suiattle Confluence - Chronic Environmental Deficiency Retrofit	WA-07780	0530(030)	Environmental	MP 55.68	MP 55.91	0.23	4/11/2022	PE, CN	-\$224,094	STP(S)
WSDOT	SR 9/Tributary to Lake McMurray and Norway Park Creek - Fish Passage	WA-11597	0009(079)	Environmental	MP 39.96	MP 41.19	1.23	3/11/2022	PE	-\$120,046	STP(S)
WSDOT	I-5/SB Samish River - Bridge Deck Overlay	WA-11016	0055(253)	Maintenance & Preservation	MP 234.04	MP 234.08	0.04	5/2/2022	PE	-\$48,354	IM

Total -\$747,520