YAKIMA VALLEY  
TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD  
AGENDA

Wednesday, February 21, 2018  
1:30 p.m.  

TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD:  
James Restucci, Council Member, City of Sunnyside, Chair  
John Hodgkinson, Council Member, City of Union Gap, Vice Chair  
Janice Gonzales, Council Member, City of Zillah  
Bill Moore, Council Member, City of Grandview  
Brad Hill, Council Member, City of Yakima  
Dan Olson, Member at Large  
Mike Leita, Commissioner, Yakima County  
Todd Trepiner, Region Administrator, WSDOT SCR  
Jon Smith, President/CEO, YCDA  
Madelyn Carlson, CEO, People for People

13th District:  
Sen. Judy Warnick  
Rep. Tom Dent  
Rep. Matt Manweller  

14th District:  
Senator Curtis King  
Representative Norm Johnson  
Representative Gina McCabe  

15th District:  
Senator Jim Honeyford  
Representative David Taylor  
Representative Bruce Chandler

The 300 Building  
311 N. 4th St, Ste 204, Yakima, WA

ALL TO ORDER  
The February 21, 2018 meeting of the Transportation Policy Board will come to order at _____ p.m.

I. INTRODUCTIONS

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 17, 2018

PUBLIC COMMENT POLICY – It is the policy of the Transportation Policy Board to accept public comment on agenda items at the time the item is being discussed. Public comments regarding items not on the agenda will be heard at the end of the meeting.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

1. State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2019 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Development  
   Larry Mattson, Executive Director & Alan Adolf, Transportation Program Manager  
   • SFY 2019 UPWP Update Status  
   Action: Information

2. 2018 Title VI Annual Report Approval –  
   Larry Mattson, Executive Director  
   Action: Authorization to Submit to WSDOT

3. Human Services Transportation Plan (HSTP) Monthly Status Update  
   Mike Shuttleworth, Planning Manager, Alan Adolf, Transportation Program Manager  
   Action: Information

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. February 2018 Metropolitan/Regional Transportation Improvement Program (M/RTIP) Amendment  
   Alan Adolf, Transportation Program Manager  
   • Public comment period from January 24, 2018 – February 7, 2018 no comments received.  
   • Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) recommended on February 8, 2018 provided that no
2. **2018 Safety Performance Target Concurrence**
   Alan Adolf, Transportation Program Manager
   - New MPO “Target Zero” Safety Performance Goals
     Action: Authorize Chair to sign confirmation letter and adopt Resolution 2018-05 for 2018 Safety Performance Measures and Targets.

3. **Federal Fiscal Year 2017 Metropolitan & Regional Obligation and Closure Report**
   Alan Adolf, Transportation Program Manager
   - Public Review Period (Feb. 21 - Mar. 7, 2018)
   Action: Information (March Action Item by Policy Board)

4. **Traffic Modeling Program Update**
   Alan Adolf, Transportation Program Manager
   Action: Information

5. **Federal Infrastructure Bill Proposal – An Overview**
   Alan Adolf, Transportation Program Manager & Raquel Ferrell Crowley, Sen. Murray’s Office
   Action: Information

**OTHER BUSINESS – Larry Mattson, Executive Director**

**April Meeting Date:**
- Proposal to change meeting date from April 16 to April 23, 2018.

**Open Public Meetings and Public Records Training**
- Certification that Training was completed needed

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**ADJOURN at _________ p.m.**

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*If you need special accommodations to participate in this meeting, please call us at 509.574.1550 by 10:00 a.m. three days prior to the meeting. For TDD users, please use the state’s toll-free relay service, 800.833.6388 and ask the operator to dial 509.574.1550.*
YVCOG TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
January 17, 2018

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Mr. Hodkinson moved to approve the December 18, 2017. Mr. Leita seconded the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS
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Monthly Status Update*

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NEW BUSINESS
Correspondence

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Mr. Mattson provided information on 2019 UPWP guidance from WSDOT. Deadline to submit proposal for SFY 2019 unmet needs is February 1, 2018.

Traffic Modeling Program Update
Mr. Adolf provided information on the implementation of user training and the activation of the traffic model. Currently scheduling training with jurisdictions. The simulations can help determine the impact an improvement project can have on air quality, traffic congestion, for example.

2018-2019 Transportation Advisory Committee Chair/Vice Chair Elections
Mr. Adolf presented information that the TAC bylaws and the retirement of the current chair, Gary Ekstedt, that a Chair and Vice Chair be elected. Lance Hoyt, Grandview, will serve as Chair. Dennis Henne, Union Gap, as Vice Chair.

It was suggested that YVCOG honor Mr. Ekstedt for his many years of outstanding service.

2018 Title VI Report – Policy Board Equal Opportunity Survey Attendance Sheet
YVCOG is in the process of gathering information for the Title IV report. This will be presented in February at the Policy Board meeting on February 21, 2018.

OTHER BUSINESS
None.

PUBLIC COMMENT
None.

ADJOURN
With no other business, Mr. Restucci adjourned the meeting at 1:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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James A. Restucci
YVCOG Transportation Policy Board Chair

ATTEST:

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Jodi Smith, Office Specialist

Date signed

Date signed

Transportation Policy Board Meeting Minutes
January 17, 2018

A recording of this meeting is available.

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Resolution 2018 - 05
Yakima Valley Metropolitan and Regional Planning Organizations

2018 Safety Performance Measures and Targets

WHEREAS, the Yakima Valley Conference of Governments (YVCOG) is the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization, (MPO), for the Yakima Valley region, as well as the state-designated Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO) as required in accordance with the following authorities --
1. 23 CFR Section 450,
2. 23 USC Section 134 and 49 USC Section 5303
3. RCW 47.80,
4. WAC 486; and,

WHEREAS, the YVCOG is therefore responsible for budgeting state and federal funds to fulfill transportation planning tasks according to and guided by these cited authorities; and

WHEREAS, as the MPO and RTPO, the YVCOG has specific responsibilities under federal and state laws, including the federal Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act; including the adoption of targets relating to the Final Safety Performance Rule (as Described in U.S. Code 23 Section 148(i));

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the YVCOG Policy Board hereby adopts the following safety performance target: “reduce the number of traffic fatalities and serious injuries on Yakima County Roadways to zero by 2030”; and

THAT the YVCOG will measure progress towards achieving the safety performance target using the following performance measures for the Yakima Valley Metropolitan and Regional Transportation Planning Organizations:
- Number of fatalities on all public roads,
- Number of fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT) on all public roads,
- Number of serious injuries on all public roads,
- Number of serious injuries per 100 million VMT on all public roads, and
- Number of non-motorist fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads.

Signed this 21st day of February 2018.

James A. Restucci, Policy Board Chair
Yakima Valley Metropolitan & Regional Transportation Planning Organization

ATTEST

Lauris C. Mattson, Executive Director
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Matt Kunic
Manager, Tribal & Regional Coordination Office
Washington State Department of Transportation
Multi-modal Planning Division
Room 3D20
310 Maple Park Ave, SE
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YVCOG, as the MPO, adopted the following safety performance target: “reduce the number of traffic fatalities and serious injuries on Yakima Metropolitan Area roadways to zero by 2030.”

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5. Number of non-motorist fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads.

Following are the specific short-term targets for 2018 that YVCOG will strive to meet as developed by Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT)
YVCOG would like to thank WSDOT for compiling the safety data and developing the county targets. Your help has been much appreciated.

Sincerely

Lauris Mattson
Executive Director
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Attachment

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PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP’S AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE INITIATIVE

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  o $6 billion will go to expanding Private Activity Bonds.
• $10 billion will go to a new Federal Capital Revolving Fund, which will reduce inefficient leasing of Federal real property which would be more cost-effective to purchase.
• A new fund will allow some incremental revenues from energy development on public lands to pay for the capital and maintenance needs of public lands infrastructure.

INVEST IN RURAL AMERICA: Rural America’s infrastructure has been left behind for too long, and President Trump’s plan will make sure it is supported and modernized.

• $50 billion of the $200 billion in direct Federal funding will be devoted to a new Rural Infrastructure Program to rebuild and modernize infrastructure in rural America.
  o The bulk of the dollars in the Rural Infrastructure Program will be allocated to State governors, giving States the flexibility to prioritize their communities’ needs.
  o The remaining funds will be distributed through rural performance grants to encourage the best use of taxpayer dollars.

INCREASE STATE AND LOCAL AUTHORITY: President Trump’s proposal will return decision-making authority to State and local governments, which know the needs of their communities.

• Funds awarded to State and local authorities, such as through the Incentives Program and the Rural Infrastructure Program, will be allocated to infrastructure projects they prioritize.
  o This empowers States and localities to make more infrastructure investment decisions and prioritize projects based on the needs of their communities
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ELIMINATE REGULATORY BARRIERS: The President’s plan would eliminate barriers that prevent virtually all infrastructure projects from being efficiently developed and managed.

- The President’s plan will:
  - Provide more flexibility to transportation projects that have minimal Federal funding but are currently required to seek Federal review and approval.
  - Incentivize the efficient development and management of water infrastructure, in part, by providing more flexibility to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and its partners.
  - Give the Department of Veterans Affairs the flexibility to use its existing assets to acquire new facilities by allowing it to retain property sale proceeds and exchange existing facilities for construction of new facilities.
  - Expand funding eligibility for land revitalization projects through the Superfund program and establish tools to help manage their legal and financial matters.

STREAMLINE PERMITTING: President Trump’s infrastructure proposal will shorten and simplify the approval process for infrastructure projects.

- Working with Congress, we will:
  - Establish a “one agency, one decision” structure for environmental reviews.
  - Shorten the lengthy environmental review process to two years while still protecting the environment.
  - Eliminate certain redundant and inefficient provisions in environmental laws.
  - Create two new pilot programs to test new ways to improve the environmental review process.

INVEST IN OUR COUNTRY’S MOST IMPORTANT ASSET – IT’S PEOPLE: The President is proposing reforms so Americans secure good-paying jobs and meet the needs of our industries.

- The President’s plan would reform Federal education and workforce development programs to better prepare Americans to perform the in-demand jobs of today and the future. This includes:
  - Making high-quality, short-term programs that provide students with a certification or credential in an in-demand field eligible for Pell Grants.
  - Reforming the Perkins Career and Technical Education Program to ensure more students have access to high-quality technical education to develop the skills required in today’s economy.
  - Better targeting Federal Work-Study funds to help more students obtain important workplace experience, including through apprenticeships.
A Blueprint to Rebuild America’s Infrastructure
Creating Over 15 Million New Jobs

$210B to repair crumbling Roads and Bridges, saving the average American family over $1,700 a year.
2.7M New Jobs

$110B to modernize Water & Sewer systems without burdening local ratepayers.
2.5M New Jobs

$180B to replace & expand Rail and Bus Systems, making the daily commute safer & cheaper for millions of Americans.
2.5M New Jobs

$200B for a new Vital Infrastructure Program (VIP) to get major projects moving.
2.6M New Jobs

$75B to rebuild America’s Schools, ensuring our next generation learns in a State-of-the-Art Environment without raising local property taxes.
975,000 New Jobs

$65B to modernize America’s Ports, Airports, & Waterways helping move people and goods, and building more resilient communities.
845,000 New Jobs

$100B in new funding to build 21st century Energy Infrastructure, upgrade our failing power grid, and lower electric bills.
1.3M New Jobs

$20B in funding to Expand Broadband access to millions of Americans.
260,000 New Jobs

$20B to address infrastructure backlogs on Public & Tribal Lands.
260,000 New Jobs

$10B to construct new VA Hospitals & Extended Care Facilities for our nation’s heroes.
130,000 New Jobs

$10B to support New Innovative Financing tools aimed at increasing infrastructure investment.
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