



**YAKIMA VALLEY
TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD
AGENDA**

Monday, August 19, 2019
1:30 p.m.

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

TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD:

James Restucci, Council Member, City of Sunnyside, Chair
John Hodkinson, Council Member, City of Union Gap, Vice Chair
Janice Gonzales, Council Member, City of Zillah
Brad Hill, Council Member, City of Yakima
Bill Moore, Council Member, City of Grandview
Mike Leita, Commissioner, Yakima County
Sherry Raymond, Mayor, City of Selah (Member at Large)
Todd Trepanier, Region Administrator, WSDOT SCR
Jon Smith, President/CEO, YCDA
Madelyn Carlson, CEO, People for People

13th District:
Sen. Judy Wamick
Rep. Tom Dent
Rep. Alex Ybarra

14th District:
Senator Curtis King
Representative Chris Corry
Representative Gina Mosbrucker

15th District:
Senator Jim Honeyford
Representative Bruce Chandler
Representative Jeremie Dufault

CALL TO ORDER

The July 15, 2019 meeting of the Transportation Policy Board will come to order at ____ p.m.

- I. INTRODUCTIONS
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 15, 2019 *pp. 3-4*

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

None.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. US Senator Patty Murray Lead Policy Advisor Local Visit (August 26th)
Jodi Smith, Communication Specialist
 - Opportunity to “share projects”, discuss transportation, commerce and economic development with Zach Mallove.
 - 3:00 - 4:30 at Yakima Chamber of Commerce

Action: Information
- 2. Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Fiscal Year 2019 Certifications & Assurances *pp. 5-6*
Chris Wickenhagen, Executive Director
 - Certifies YVCOG’s compliance with all federal laws and requirements for FTA Funding.

Action: Authorize YVCOG Executive Director and YVCOG Policy Board Chair to sign FTA Federal Fiscal Year 2019 Certifications & Assurances
- 3. National Park and Recreation Association (NPRA) “10-Minute Walk” Funding and Technical Assistance Planning Grant *p. 7*
Chris Wickenhagen, Executive Director
 - Support Letter “Yakama Nation / NPRA “10-Minute Walk” Grant. Complements previously submitted National Park Service “Heritage Trail” Technical Assistance Grant

Action: Authorize Executive Director to sign letter of support for Yakama Nation-led National Parks and

Recreation Association "10-Minute Walk" Program Funding & Technical Assistance Grant for the Yakama Nation led "Heritage Trail" project.

VI. WSDOT STATE & REGIONAL UPDATE

Todd Trepanier, WSDOT South Central Regional Administrator

Action: Information

OTHER BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURN at _____ p.m.

YVCOG ensures full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 by prohibiting discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the provision of benefits and services resulting from its federally assisted programs and activities. For questions regarding YVCOG's Title VI Program, you may contact the Title VI Coordinator at 509.574.1550.

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

July 15, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair John Hodkinson called the July 15, 2019 meeting of the Transportation Policy Board to order at 1:32 p.m. A quorum was present.

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.

ROLL CALL &
INTRODUCTIONS

Members present: John Hodkinson, Bill Moore, Mike Leita, Brian White, Madelyn Carlson

Members present via teleconference: Brad Hill

Members Absent: Jonathan Smith*, Sherry Raymond*, Janice Gonzales

YVCOG staff present Larry Mattson, Alan Adolf, Chris Wickenhagen, Mike Shuttleworth, Jodi Smith

Others present: Matt Pietrusciewicz

**Indicates notice of absence received prior to meeting.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES*

Mike Leita moved to approve the minutes from June 17, 2019. Bill Moore seconded. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

*NPS Technical Assistance
Planning Grant Update*

Alan Adolf, Transportation Program Manager, gave an update on the National Park Service Technical Assistance Grant. Yakama Nation submitted for the "Heritage Connectivity Trail" on June 30, 2019. Union Gap, Toppenish, Yakima County, Yakima Health District, WSDOT and non-profits Greenway, Cowiche Canyon Conservancy all working collaboratively. The grant is for a hub of trails for bicycle and pedestrian pathways providing safe alternatives for travel within the Yakama Nation boundary.

Action: Information

NEW BUSINESS

July 2019 M/RTIP Amendment

Alan Adolf presented information on the following:

- Resolution 2019-13 for Determination of Air Quality and authorize Chair to sign Resolution 2019-13.
- Resolution 2019-14 for Findings and authorize Chair to sign Resolution 2019-14.
- 2019-2022 M/RTIP July Amendment and TIP Amendment Checklist.

Action: Motion to authorize the Chair to sign Resolution 2019-13, 2019-14 and the July TIP Amendment Checklist made by Bill Moore. Seconded by Mike Leita. Motion carried.

*FFC Request**

Alan Adolf presented information on Yakima County's Federal Functional Classification request to YVCOG. Yakima County requests a change from Urban Collector to Rural Collector functional class for a portion of South Naches Road. Prior to the 2010 census, classification was Rural. Matt Pietrusciewicz reported that the County would like to improve the road, but to rural standards without sidewalks, curbs, gutters. That portion of S. Naches Road was classified Urban due to a small cluster development and is not the norm for this roadway.

Action: Motion to approve YVCOG Executive Director sign the FFC Request Concurrence Letter made by Madelyn Carlson. Seconded by Bill Moore. Motion carried with one abstention by Mike Leita.

**HSTP Grant Amendment
GCB2872-01***

Alan Adolf presented information on the Human Services Transportation Plan Grant Amendment GCB2872-01. The amendment is an extension of the 2017-19 Biennium Agreement through June 30, 2020. Approximately \$8,000 remaining funds to extend use of dollars through June 30, 2020.

Action: Motion to authorize the Chair to sign the HSTP Amendment made by Bill Moore. Seconded by Madelyn Carlson. Motion carried.

**WSDOT STATE & REGIONAL
UPDATE**

Brian White provided a regional update on south Union Gap, I-90 Snoqualmie Pass, I-82 maintenance, and collaborative work with the Southwest Region.

Action: Information

OTHER BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURN

With no other business, John Hodkinson adjourned the meeting at 1:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Restucci
YVCOG Transportation Policy Board Chair

Date signed

ATTEST:

Jodi Smith, Office Specialist

Date signed

FTA FISCAL YEAR 2019 CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES

FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2019 CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES FOR FTA ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

(Signature pages alternate to providing Certifications and Assurances in TrAMS.)

Name of Applicant: Yakima Valley Conference of Governments

The Applicant certifies to the applicable provisions of categories 01-18. X

Or,

The Applicant certifies to the applicable provisions of the categories it has selected:

Category	Certification
01 Certifications and Assurances Required of Every Applicant	_____
02 Tax Liability and Felony Convictions	_____
03 Lobbying	_____
04 Private Sector Protections	_____
05 Transit Asset Management Plan	_____
06 Rolling Stock Buy America Reviews and Bus Testing	_____
07 Urbanized Area Formula Grants Program	_____
08 Formula Grants for Rural Areas	_____
09 Fixed Guideway Capital Investment Grants and the Expedited Project Delivery for Capital Investment Grants Pilot Program	_____
10 Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities and Low or No Emission Vehicle Deployment Grant Programs	_____
11 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Programs	_____
12 State of Good Repair Grants	_____
13 Infrastructure Finance Programs	_____
14 Alcohol and Controlled Substances Testing	_____
15 Rail Safety Training and Oversight	_____
16 Demand Responsive Service	_____
17 Interest and Financing Costs	_____
18 Construction Hiring Preferences	_____

**FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2019 FTA CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES SIGNATURE
PAGE**

(Required of all Applicants for federal assistance to be awarded by FTA in FY 2019)

AFFIRMATION OF APPLICANT

Name of the Applicant: Yakima Valley Conference of Governments

BY SIGNING BELOW, on behalf of the Applicant, I declare that it has duly authorized me to make these Certifications and Assurances and bind its compliance. Thus, it agrees to comply with all federal laws, regulations, and requirements, follow applicable federal guidance, and comply with the Certifications and Assurances as indicated on the foregoing page applicable to each application its Authorized Representative makes to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) in federal fiscal year 2019, irrespective of whether the individual that acted on his or her Applicant's behalf continues to represent it.

FTA intends that the Certifications and Assurances the Applicant selects on the other side of this document should apply to each Award for which it now seeks, or may later seek federal assistance to be awarded during federal fiscal year 2019.

The Applicant affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of the Certifications and Assurances it has selected in the statements submitted with this document and any other submission made to FTA, and acknowledges that the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, 31 U.S.C. § 3801 *et seq.*, and implementing U.S. DOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 CFR part 31, apply to any certification, assurance or submission made to FTA. The criminal provisions of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 apply to any certification, assurance, or submission made in connection with a federal public transportation program authorized by 49 U.S.C. chapter 53 or any other statute

In signing this document, I declare under penalties of perjury that the foregoing Certifications and Assurances, and any other statements made by me on behalf of the Applicant are true and accurate.

Signature _____ Date: August 19, 2019

Name Chris Wickenhagen, Executive Director Authorized Representative of Applicant

AFFIRMATION OF APPLICANT'S ATTORNEY

For (Name of Applicant): Yakima Valley Conference of Governments

As the undersigned Attorney for the above-named Applicant, I hereby affirm to the Applicant that it has authority under state, local, or tribal government law, as applicable, to make and comply with the Certifications and Assurances as indicated on the foregoing pages. I further affirm that, in my opinion, the Certifications and Assurances have been legally made and constitute legal and binding obligations on it.

I further affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, there is no legislation or litigation pending or imminent that might adversely affect the validity of these Certifications and Assurances, or of the performance of its FTA assisted Award.

Signature _____ Date: August 19, 2019

Name James Restucci, YVCOG Trans. Policy Board Chair Attorney or Board Chair for Applicant

Each Applicant for federal assistance to be awarded by FTA must provide an Affirmation of Applicant's Attorney pertaining to the Applicant's legal capacity. The Applicant may enter its electronic signature in lieu of the Attorney's signature within TrAMS, provided the Applicant has on file and uploaded to TrAMS this hard-copy Affirmation, signed by the attorney and dated this federal fiscal year.



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August 19, 2019

Yakama Nation Tribal Council
Chairman JoDe Goudy
P.O. Box 151
Toppenish, WA
98948

Subject: Yakama Nation's National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) Funding Grant and Technical Assistance program for the Heritage Trail Project

Dear Tribal Council Chairman Goudy,

The Yakima Valley Conference of Governments (YVCOG) is pleased to support of the Yakama Nation's Funding and Technical Assistance Grant application sponsored by the National Recreation and Park Association's (NRPA) "10-Minute Walk Campaign.

As the Metropolitan (MPO) and Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO) for the Greater Yakima Metropolitan Area and Yakima County, YVCOG ensures compliance with state and federal transportation planning requirements to remain eligible for federal transportation project funding; and provides a forum for local, regional and state transportation agencies and other interested parties to participate in discussions of regional transportation issues.

The "10-Minute Walk" campaign fits perfectly with the Yakama Nation led National Parks Service's Community Assistance Grant currently under review. The Heritage Trail Project's proposed connective system of trails providing a safe route to travel for pedestrians/cyclists throughout the Yakima Valley Region provides opportunities for park and rides, transit stop(s), historical information sites, and cultural awareness opportunities in addition to increased opportunity for economic development are key components of the project's vision. Bringing NRPA's "10-Minute Walk" efforts into the region's greater Heritage Trail process helps our local rural communities prepare their local planning efforts to integrate their pedestrian systems with the inter-jurisdictional segments.

The YVCOG Transportation Policy Board supports the Yakama Nation application and respectfully recommends that the National Recreation and Parks Association award the technical assistance grant to the Yakama Nation / Heritage Trail Project.

Sincerely,

Christina Wickenhagen
Executive Director
Yakima Valley Conference of Governments

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Sunnyside • Tieton • Toppenish • Union Gap • Wapato • Yakima • Yakima County • Zillah

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