

Long Range Public Transportation Plan

Community Advisory Group
March 12, 2015

PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- Welcome & Background
- Introductions/Roles & Responsibilities of the CAG
- What we have heard so far
- What will be included in the LRP

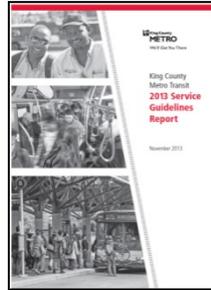
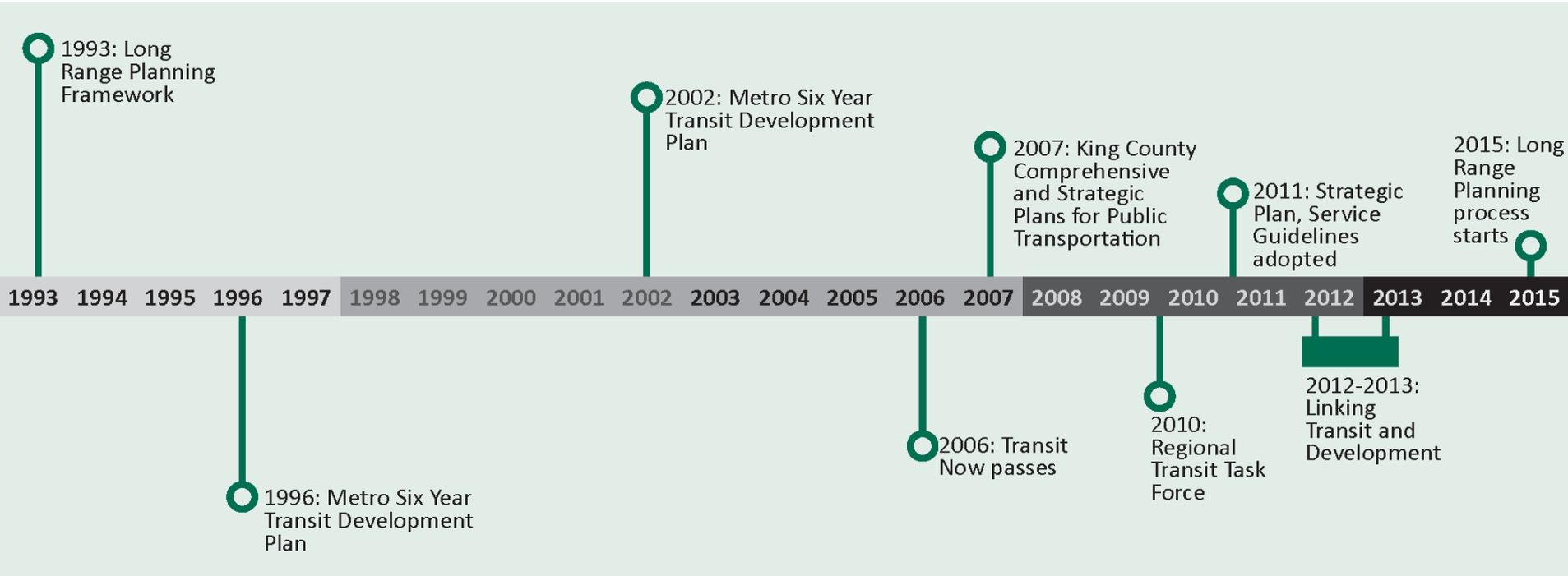
WELCOME AND BACKGROUND

WHY NOW?

- King County continues to grow
- Metro ridership continues to grow
- Metro funding is insufficient
- Light Rail is expanding
- Congestion is increasing – limiting growth
- Changing travel behaviors and demand

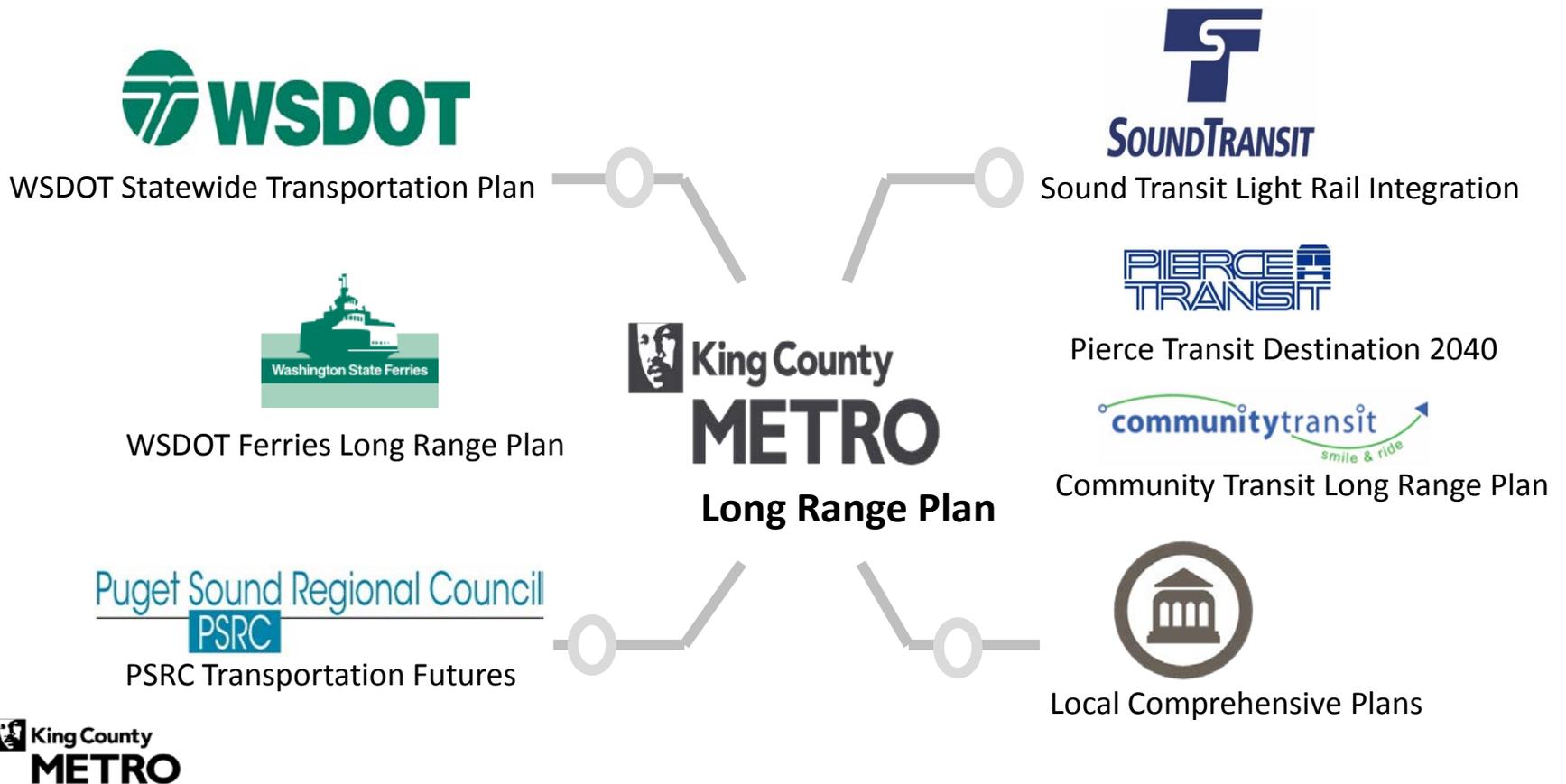


Metro's Recent History

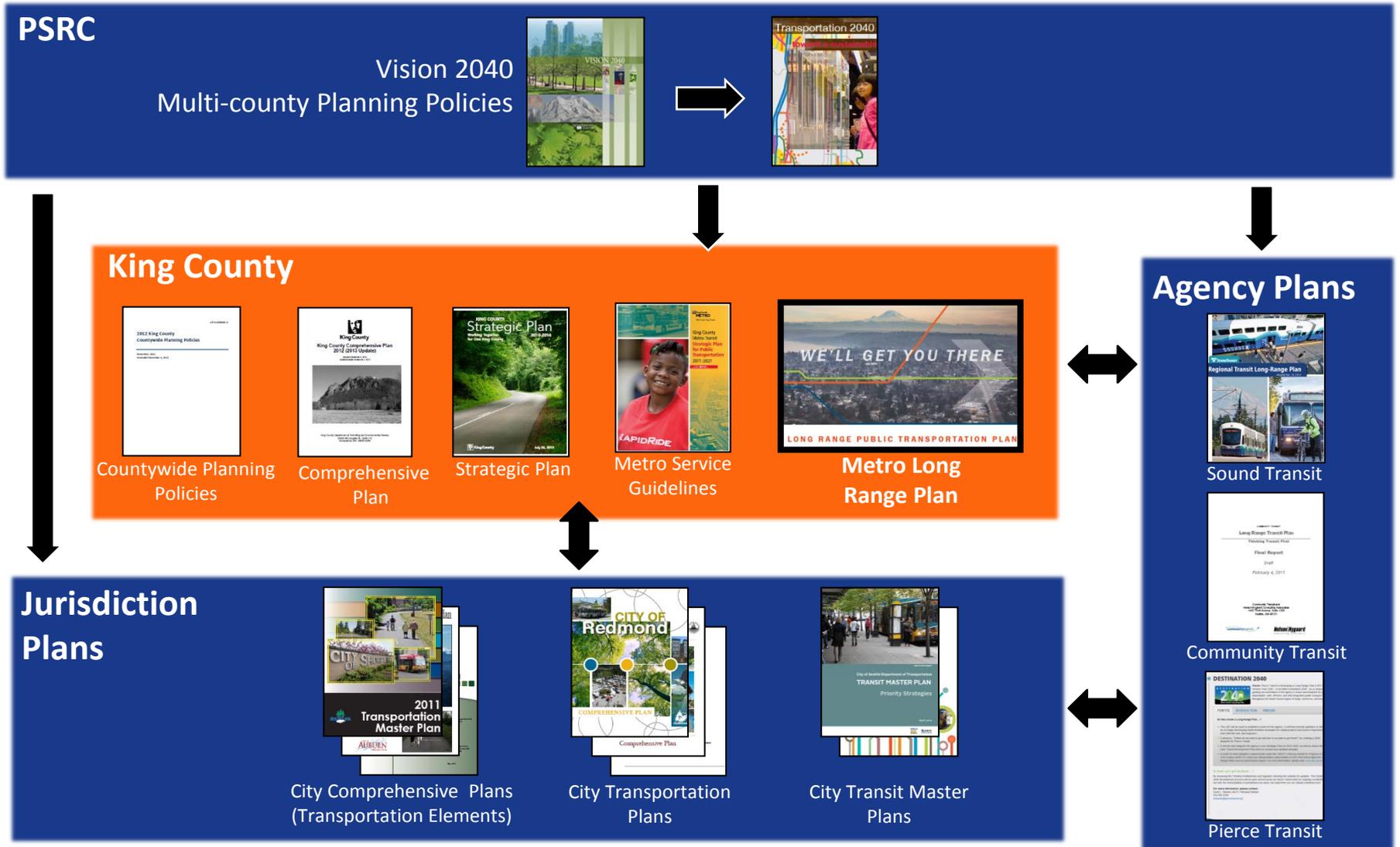


Regional Coordination

- Long range transportation decisions being made now will define what transit like for decades to come.



Relationships among plans

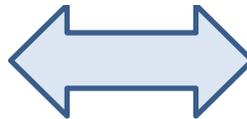


Service Guidelines Task Force

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- **Near-term service needs and investments**
- Performance measures for types of service
- Geographic value and social equity in near-term service investments
- Purchase of contracted service
- Alternative services in guidelines

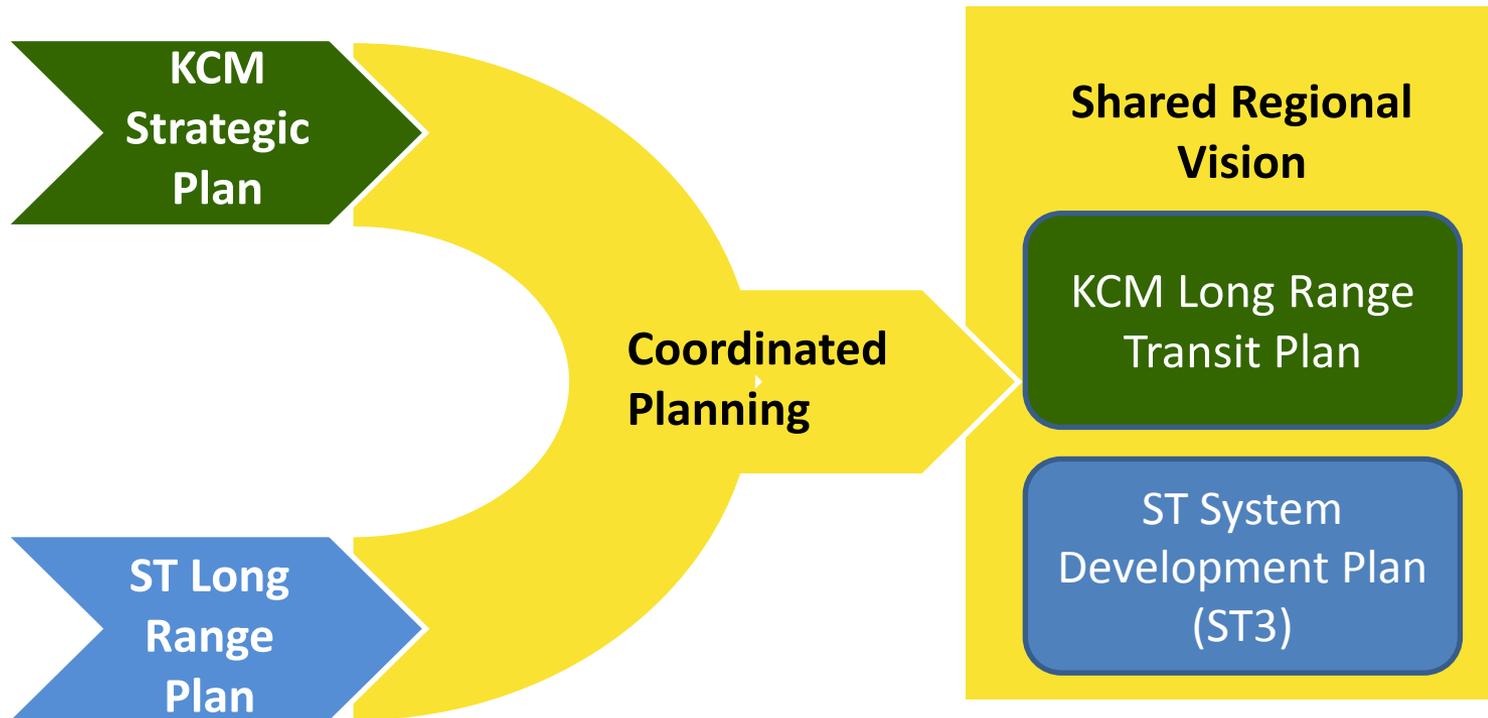
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each other



Long Range Plan

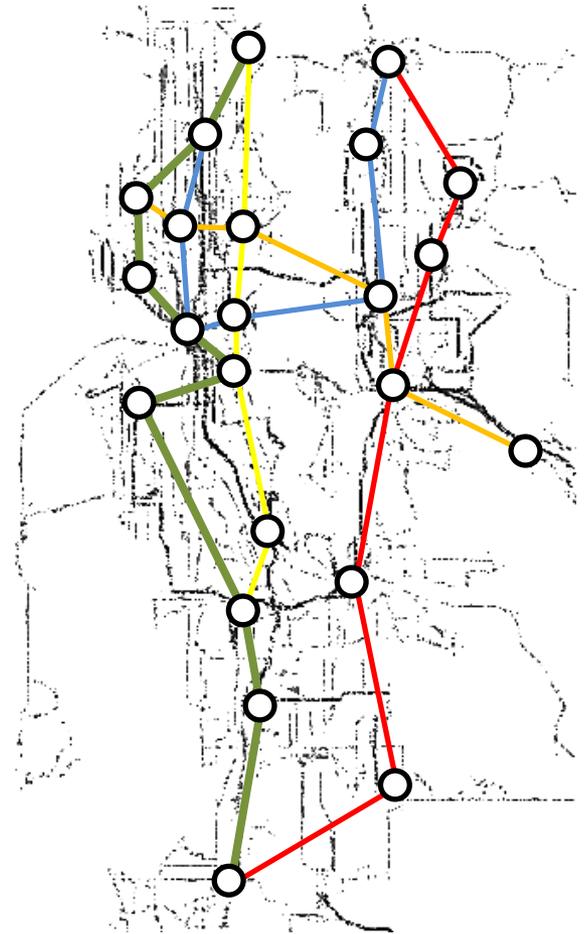
- **Mid to long-term service needs and investments**
- Services and facilities provided in the future
- Geographic value and social equity in long-term service investments
- Closer collaboration with jurisdictions and organizations on future needs
- Future partnerships and funding
- Alternative services in the future

Coordinated Transit Planning

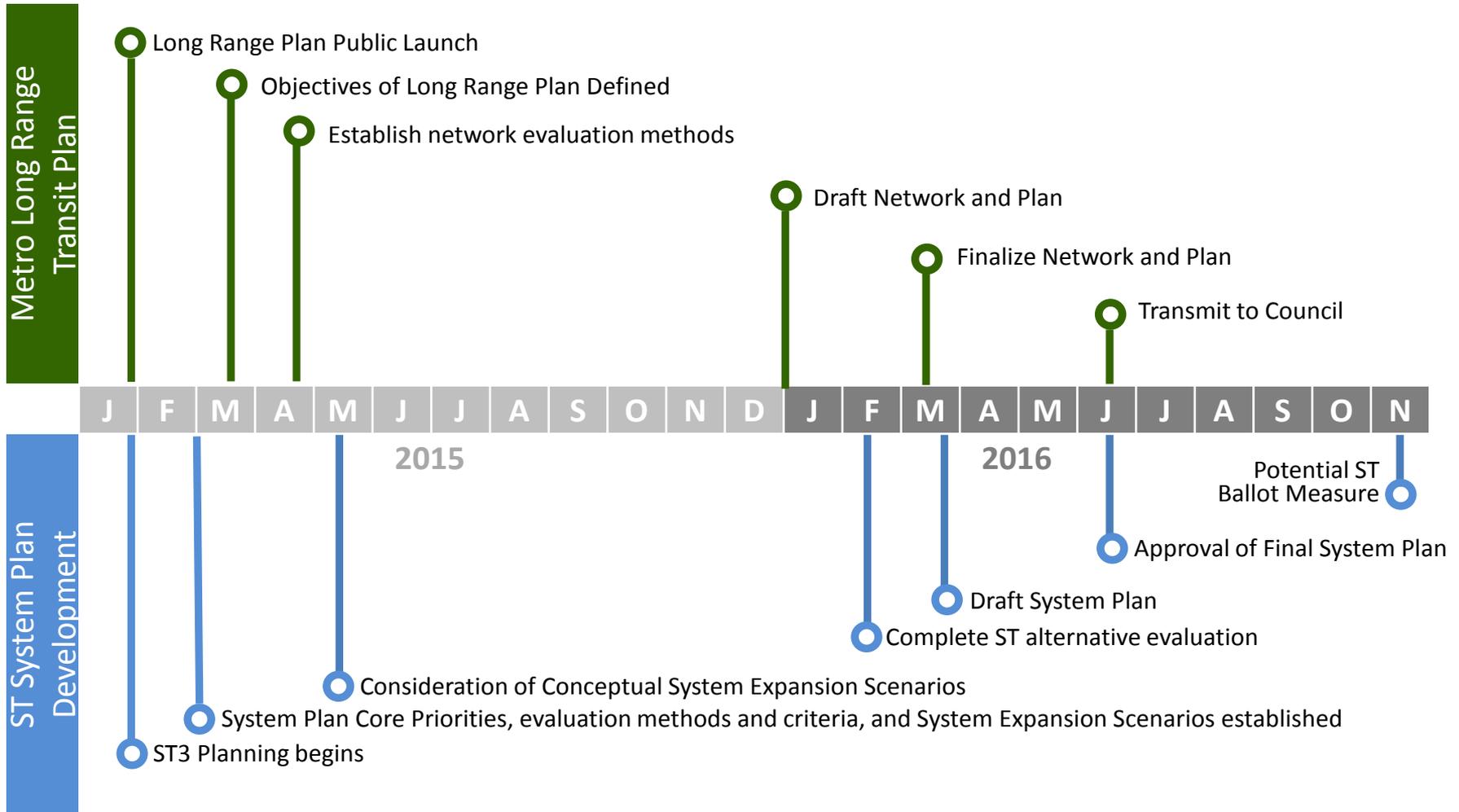


What is the Long Range Plan?

- How Metro will help the region grow
- 2025 and 2040 transit service network
 - Higher levels of detail for frequent and RapidRide like services
- Capital investments required to support the network
- Multiple funding assumptions



Coordination with Sound Transit



Community Advisory Group Introductions

CAG Representation

What Perspective do you bring?	Who is here?
Metro Customer	
Disabled	
Language diversity	
Youth	
Senior	
Institutions	
Employers	
Urban	
Suburban	
Rural	
East	
North	
South	

Community Advisory Group and the Planning Process

Long Range Plan Process Timeline

Discovery

Jan – May 2015

Alternatives

May– Dec 2015

Preliminary Plan

Jan – May 2016

Final Plan

June – Oct 2016

Outreach: Visioning and initial input from the community and stakeholders

CAG:

- Introduction to Long Range Plan
- Review existing conditions
- Input on initial concepts
- Input on public transportation needs
- Review/input on community outreach

Outreach:

Community and stakeholder input on service network alternatives

CAG:

- Review/input on alternatives, direction on preferred alternative
- Review what we heard from second phase of outreach
- Support outreach efforts in your community
- Input on next phase of community outreach

Outreach:

Community and stakeholder input on Preliminary Plan

CAG:

- Review and input on Preliminary Plan
- Review what we heard from third phase of outreach
- Support outreach efforts in your community
- Input on next phase of community outreach

Outreach:

Community and stakeholder input on Final Plan

CAG

- Review and input on Final Plan
- Review what we heard from fourth phase of outreach
- Support outreach efforts in your community
- Review/ input on Public Engagement Report

Public Engagement Overview

		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
ADVISORY GROUPS	Community Advisory Group			✗	 WORKSHOP		✗		✗		✗		✗
	Technical Advisory Committee		✗		 WORKSHOP		✗		✗		✗		✗
ONLINE ENGAGEMENT	Website and social media	Develop		Maintain									
	Online Surveys		✗								✗		✗
PUBLIC OUTREACH	On the ground					Fairs and festivals							
	Informational materials		Distribute rack card and one pager, build and update listserv										
	Open House			 VISIONING EVENT							✗		
PHASE	DISCOVERY			ALTERNATIVES				DRAFT					

CAG and Community Engagement

- Advise on how best to engage your community
- Support and promote engagement efforts in your community
 - Surveys
 - Open houses and events
 - Stakeholder outreach

CAG Work Plan

Tentative Schedule	Meeting Topics
March 12, 6-8pm	Introductions, Role of the CAG, Themes of the Plan, Outreach
April 16, 6-8pm	Existing Conditions Report, Evaluation Criteria, Initial Concepts
June 18, 6-8pm	Review initial concepts, input on preferred concept
August 20, 6-8pm	Review initial concepts, input on preferred concept (continued) What we heard in second phase of outreach
October 15, 6-8pm	Refine preferred concept, input on third phase of outreach
December 17, 6-8pm	Refinement of preferred concept, Review Preliminary Plan
February 18, 6-8pm	Review Preliminary Plan (continued) What we heard in third phase of outreach
April 21 6-8pm	Review Final Plan Review community feedback from fourth phase of outreach
May 20, 6-8pm (tentative)	Review, discuss Final Plan prior to transmittal to King County Council

CAG Working Rules

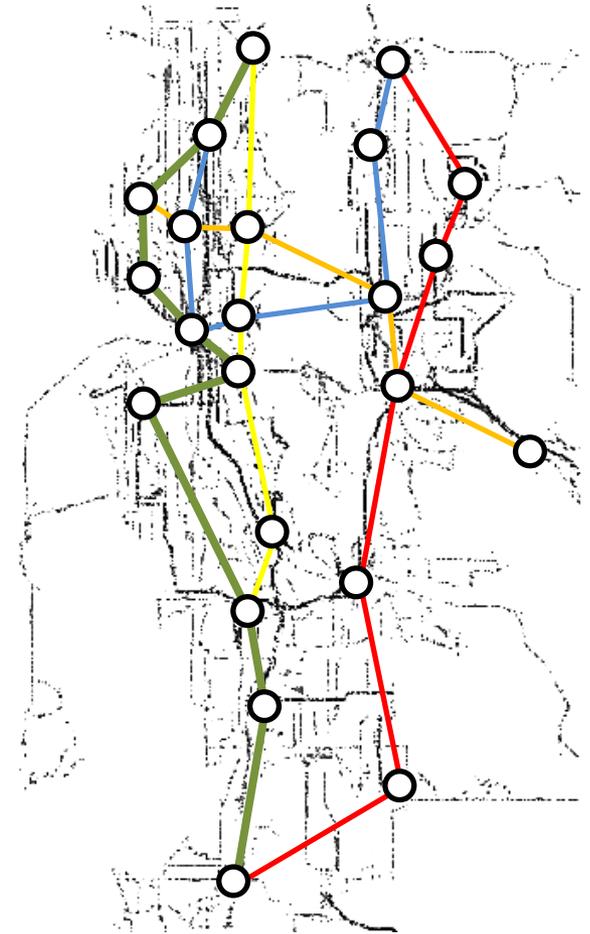
A set of informal working rules guide how the Long Range Plan Community Advisory Group members work together in an environment of mutual respect and trust.

Questions, comments or suggested changes?

Long Range Plan Background and Themes

What is the Long Range Plan?

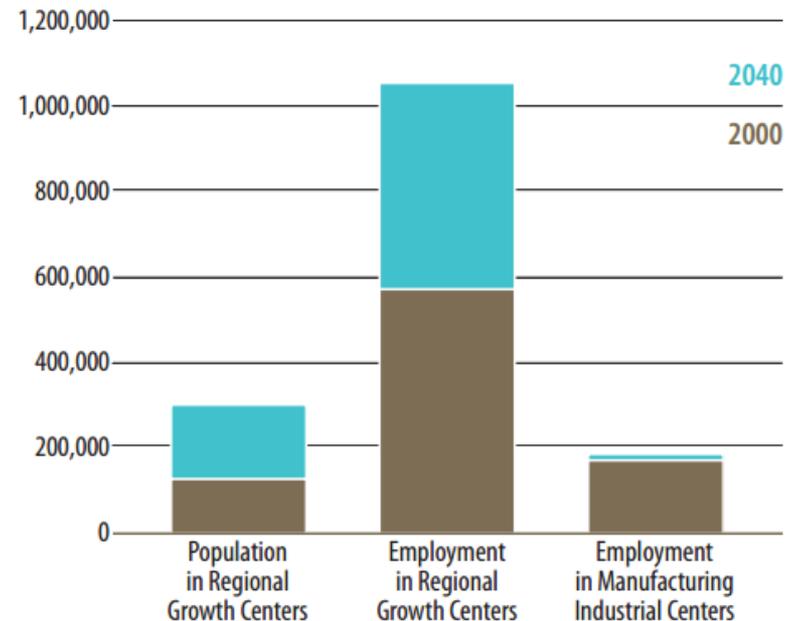
- Metro's role in regional growth
- 2025 and 2040 transit service network
 - Higher levels of detail for frequent and RapidRide type services
- Capital investments required to support the network
- Multiple funding assumptions



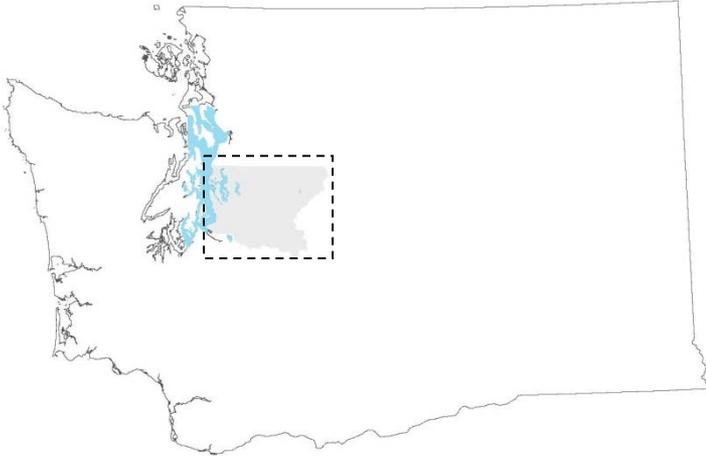
What are we planning for?

- Projected growth through 2040:
 - 360,000 new residents
 - 560,000 new jobs
- Regional growth to be concentrated in centers
- Only 6-7% growth in lane miles
 - Must make better use of existing capacity
- Transit ridership to double
- Mode shift to transit support environmental goals

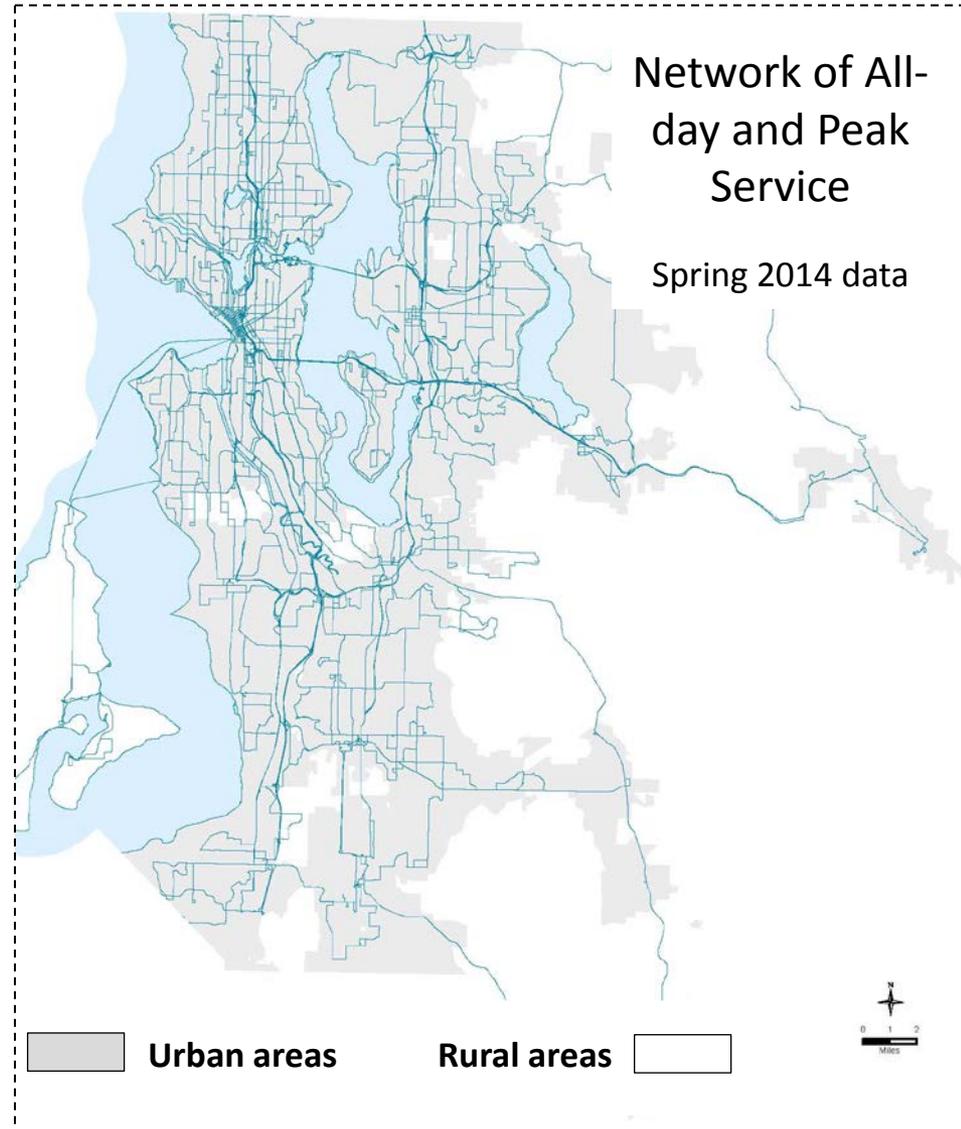
Population and Employment in Regional Growth Centers



Who is King County Metro?



- 2 million people
- 2,134 sq mile service area
- 120 million trips per year on more than 1,400 buses
- 3.5 million annual service hours



Who is King County Metro?

Fixed Route
service: 120
million



Contracted
service: 20.5
million



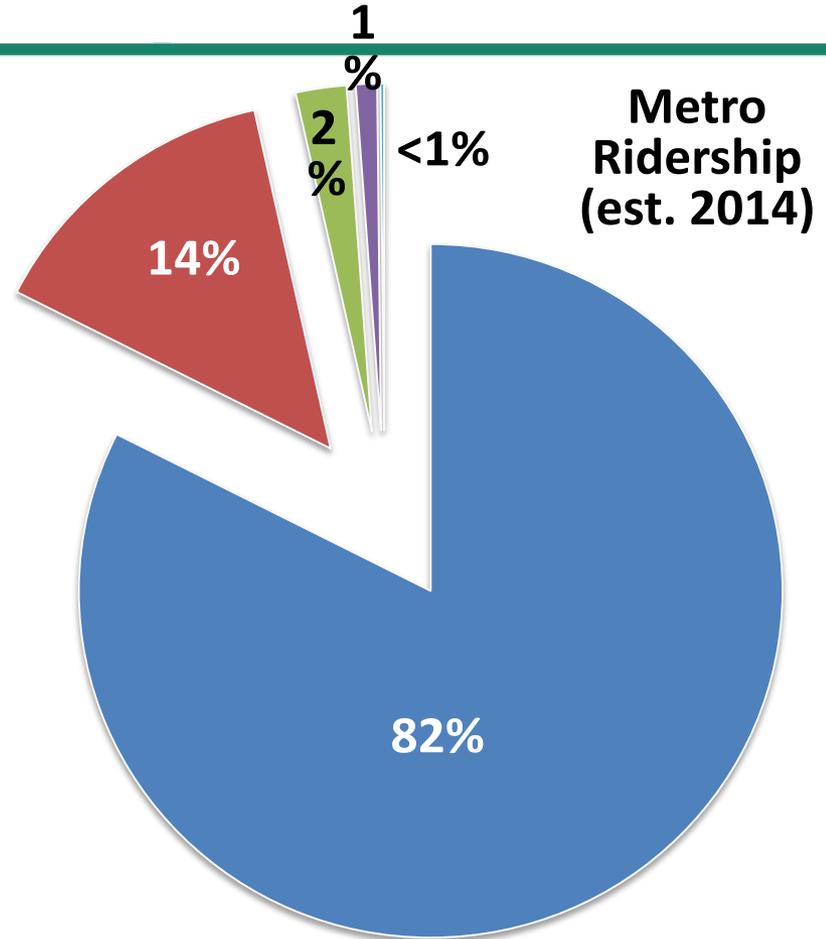
Vanpool/
Vanshare:
3.4 million



Accessible
services: 1.4
million



Alternative
services:
17,000

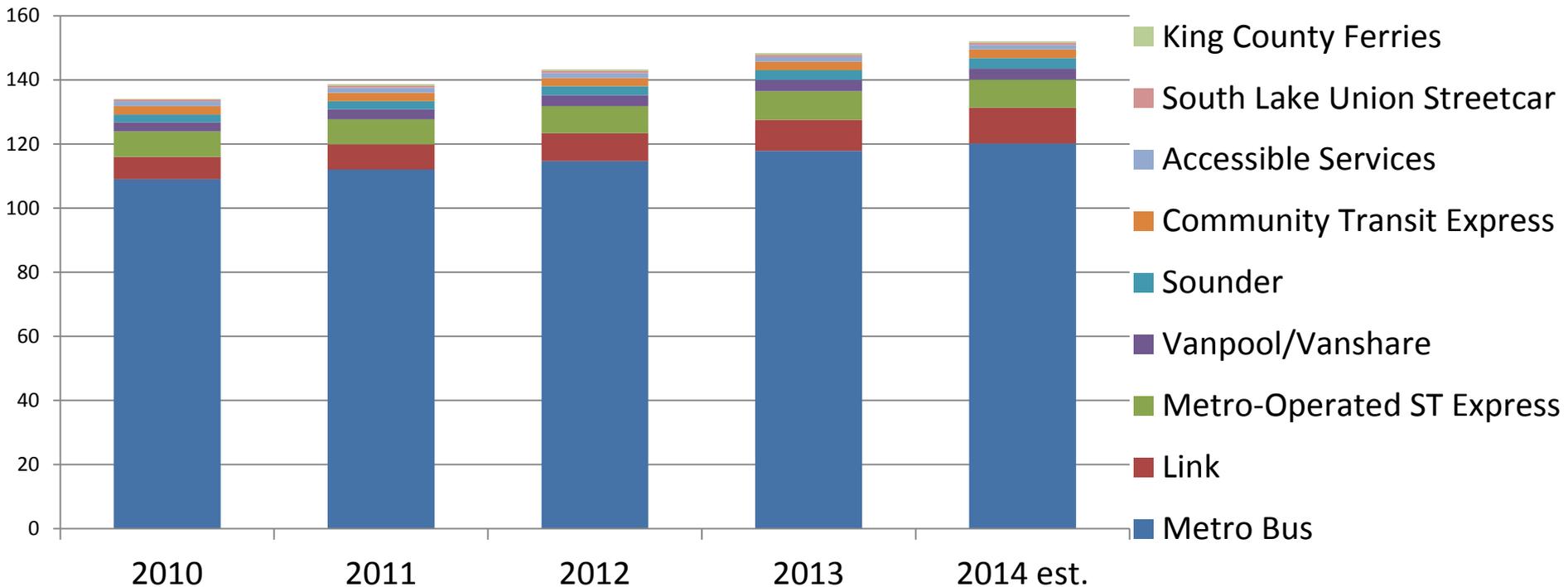


Grand Total: 145.7 million rides

Transit in King County

- Agency coordination produces countywide results

King County Ridership Across Different Agencies





Connections



Accountability



Partnership



Economic Growth

Long Range Plan Themes



Connections

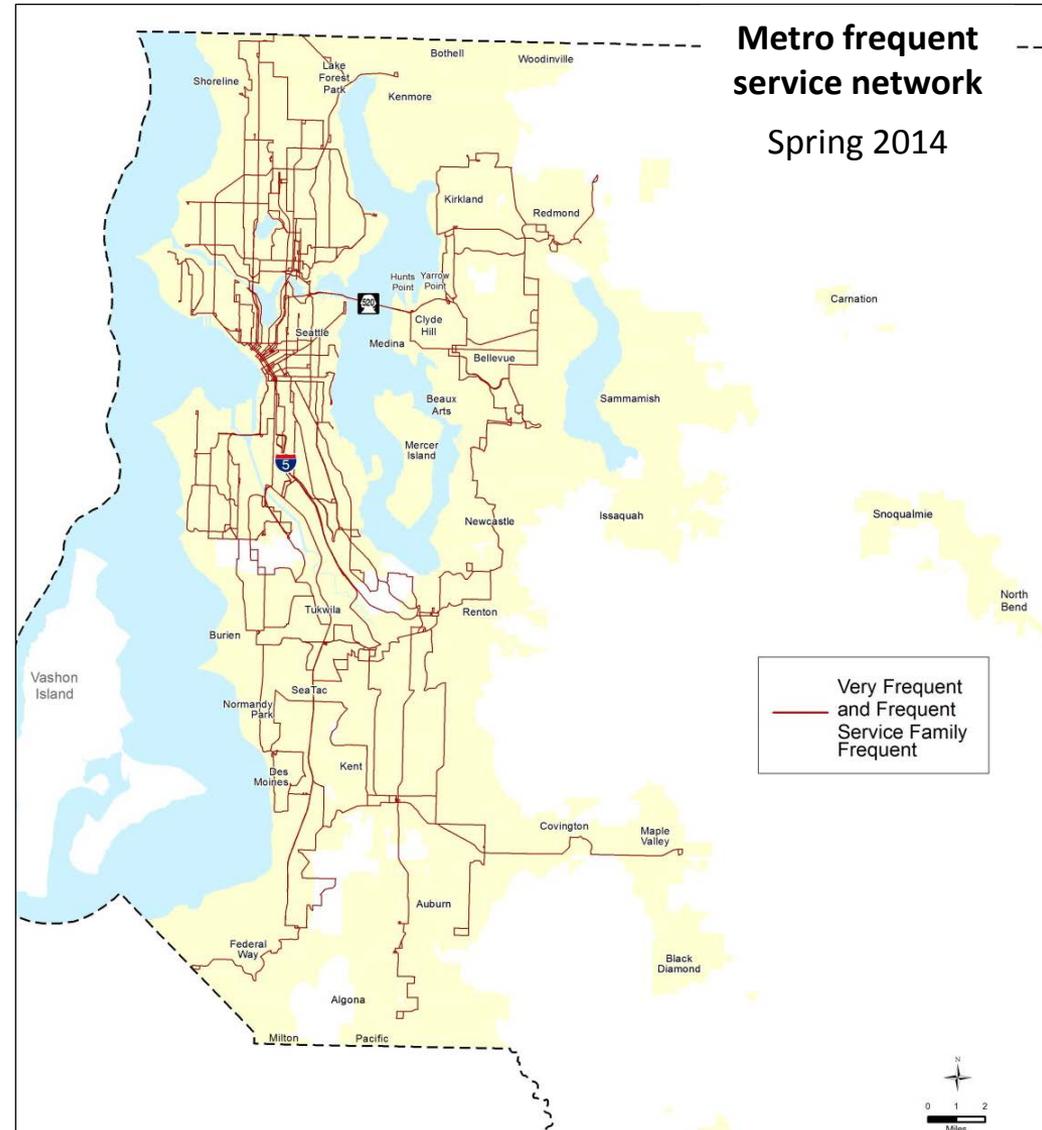
How public transportation will connect people to jobs, education, communities, services, shopping and more



Frequent Service

Purpose

- Connect highest demand centers
- Is the foundation of the multi-centric network

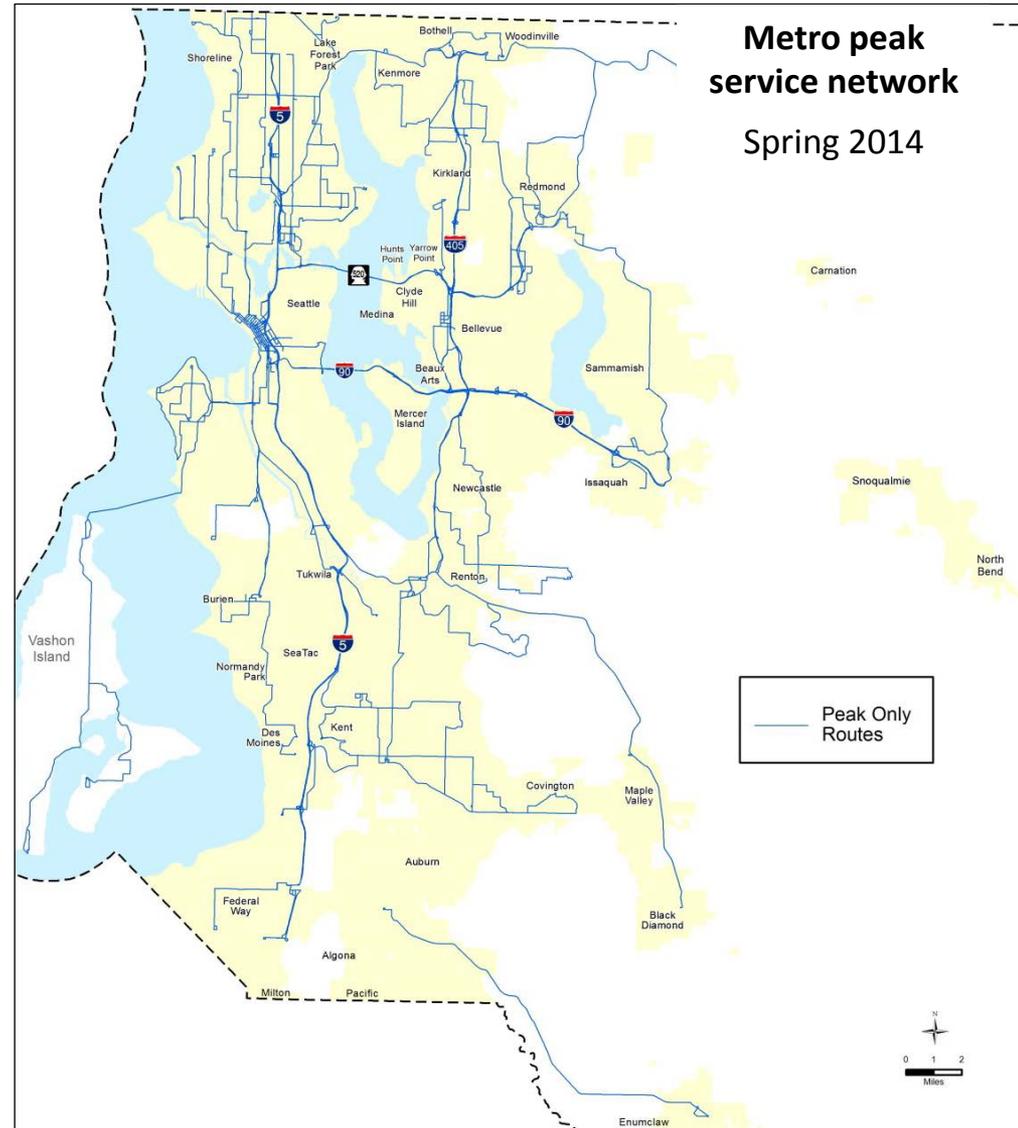




Peak Service

Purpose

- Connects to major employment centers
- Express services when travel demand is greatest





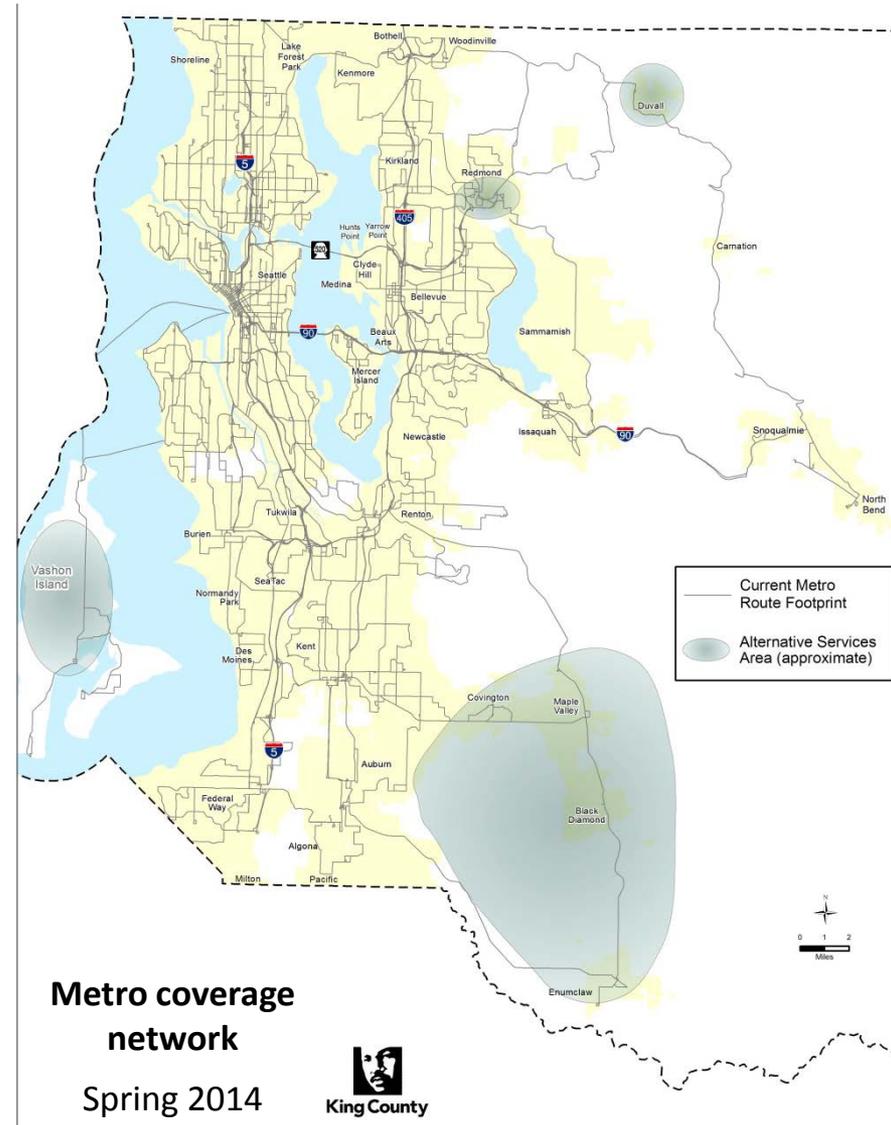
Coverage Network

Purpose

- Ensures that as many people as possible have access to transit service

Types of service

- Less frequent bus service (30 min. or greater headways at peak hours)
- Alternative services
- Shuttle
- Last mile





Discussion

What types of service are a priority for you?



Accountability

Measurable objectives
to make sure public
transportation
investments add
economic, social and
environmental value



Discussion

How would you measure successful service
in your community?



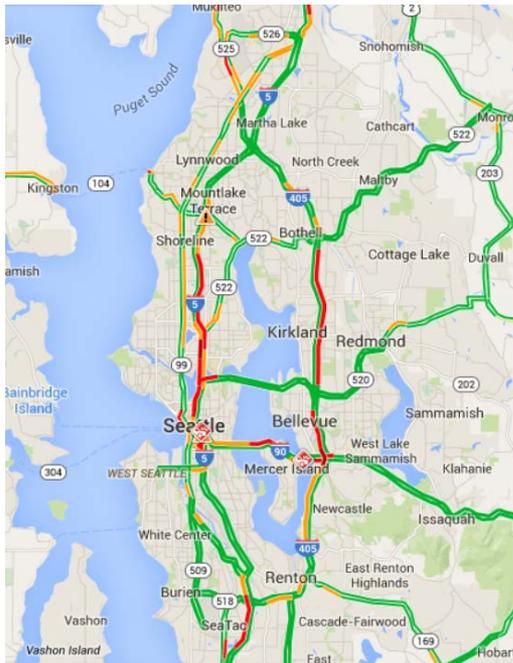
Partnerships

How Metro will work with other transit agencies, the Washington State Department of Transportation, local cities and the private sector to develop an integrated transportation system that delivers the greatest value to the public



Maximizing Infrastructure

- Addressing Congestion
- Maximizing current transportation infrastructure
- Capital investments





Maximizing Infrastructure

Many HOV lanes throughout the county carry more people per lane during the peak periods than the general purpose lanes.

I-5 at Northgate:

HOV lanes carry

2.9 times

the people per lane

I-5 at Southcenter:

HOV lanes carry

2.2 times

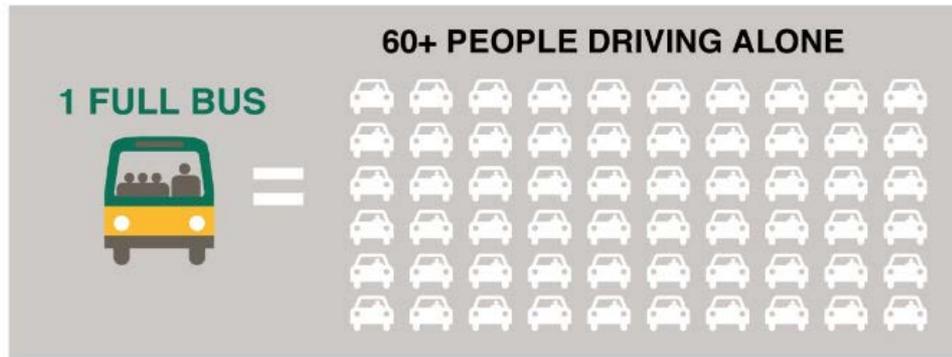
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SR 520 at Medina:

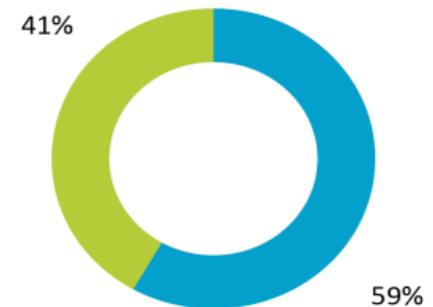
HOV lanes carry

2.8 times

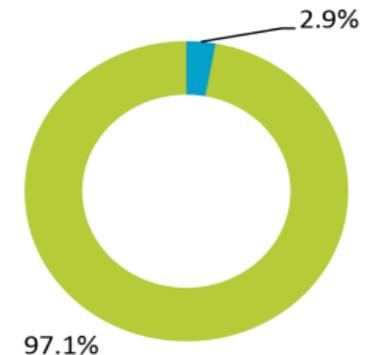
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Projected Travel Demand¹
2030 PM Peak



Person Throughput



Vehicle Throughput

Bus Auto



Discussion

What are barriers to using transit in your community?

Economic Growth

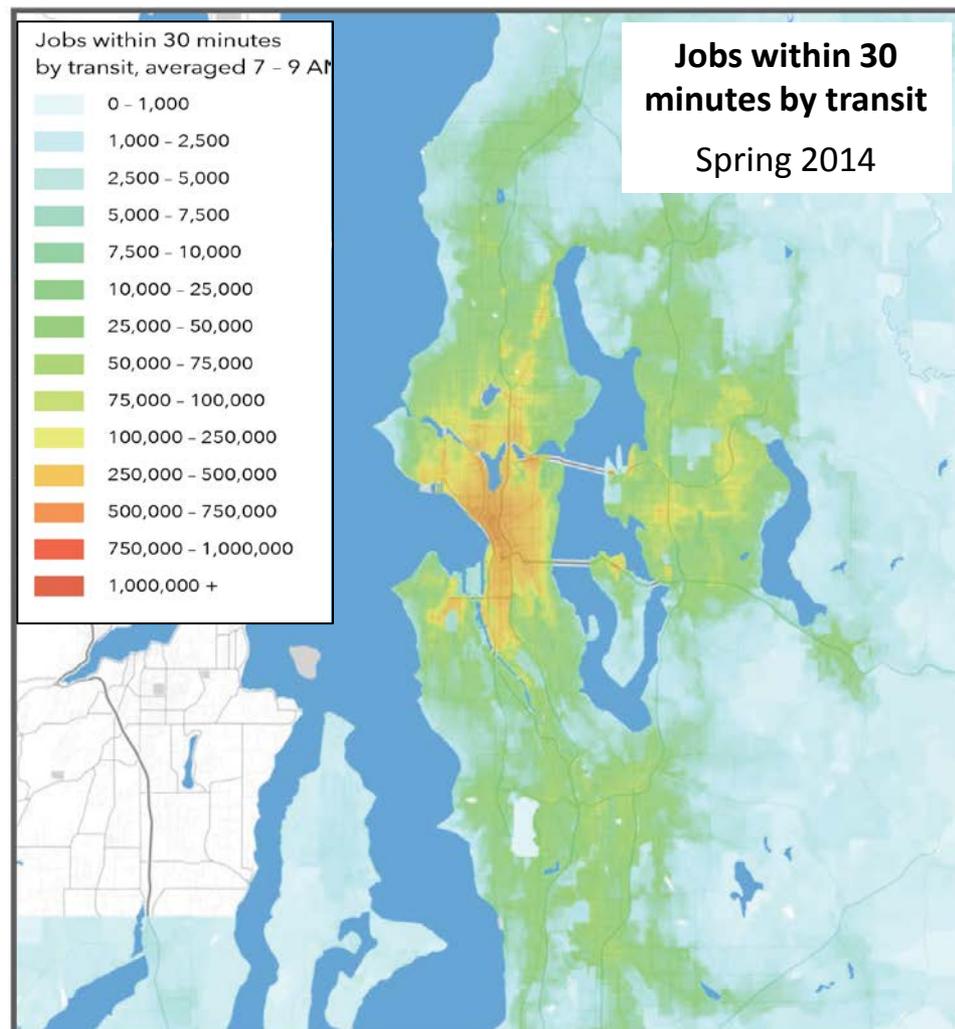
How public transportation will expand our region's capacity to move people, goods and services in order to advance our economy, keep our cities healthy, and maintain our quality of life





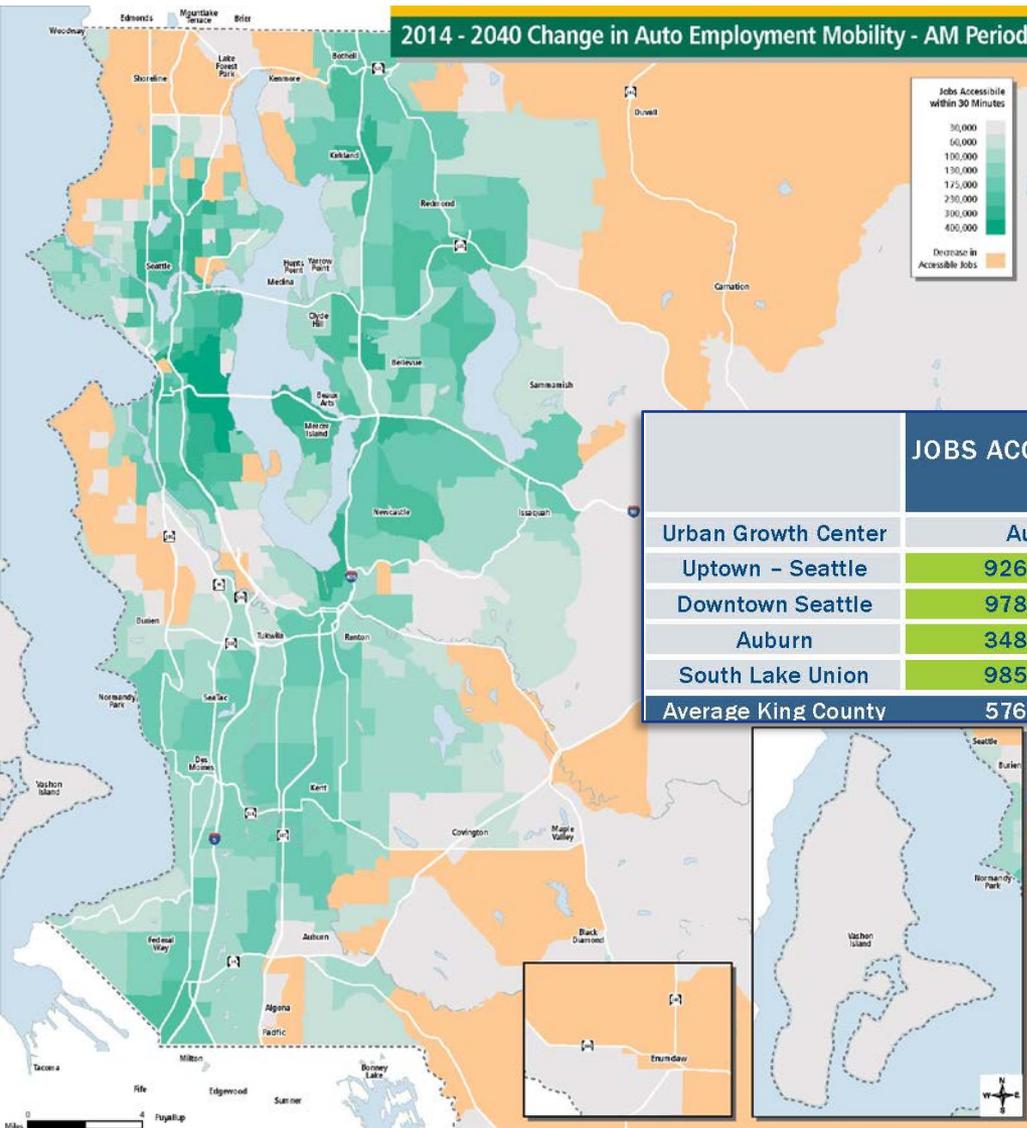
Bringing it all together

- Sustainable, Healthy, Equitable, Economic Growth
- Transit's Role
 - Connect people to opportunity
 - Minimize adverse impacts
- How
 - Identifying service network & frequency
 - Identifying capital to keep transit moving and provide access





Transit Mobility



Concentration of employment growth in Regional Growth Centers and along transit corridors

Urban Growth Center	JOBS ACCESSIBLE IN 2015 WITHIN 30 MINUTES		CHANGE IN JOBS ACCESSIBLE WITHIN 30 MINUTES	
	Auto	Transit	Auto	Transit
Uptown - Seattle	926,000	344,000	88,000	135,000
Downtown Seattle	978,000	431,000	134,000	162,000
Auburn	348,000	32,000	6,000	19,000
South Lake Union	985,000	367,000	129,000	140,000
Average King County	576,000	74,000	107,000	35,000

In 2040, 47% more jobs will be accessible within 30 minutes on transit

NEXT STEPS

Community Visioning Event

Expert panel discussion and breakout sessions

Tuesday, March 31st

Seattle Central Library

1000 Fourth Ave.

6-8pm

Open to the Public

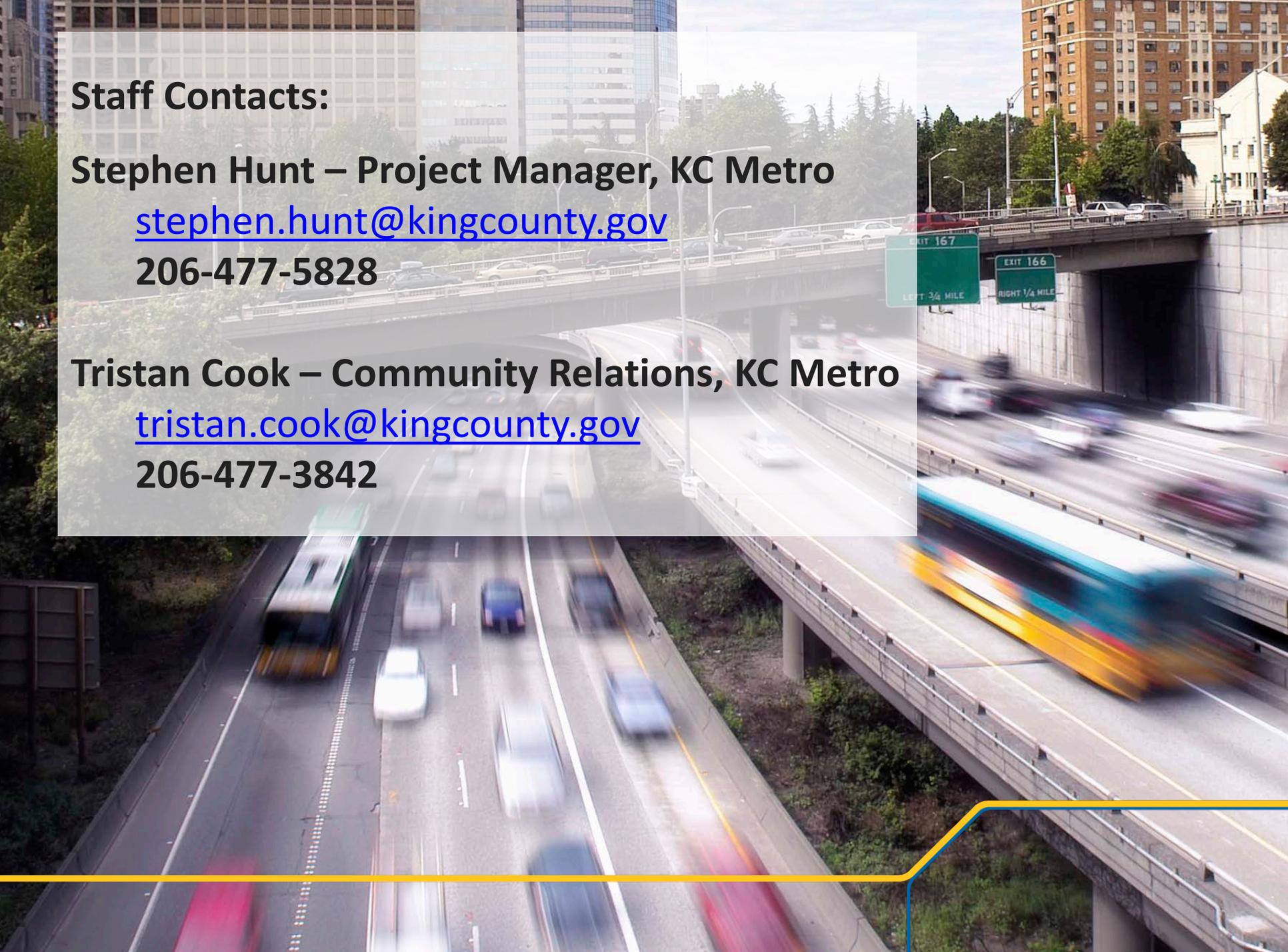
Next CAG Meeting

Thursday, April 16th

King Street Center

201 South Jackson, Seattle (tentative)

6-8 p.m.



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