



CONNECTING WASHINGTON TASK FORCE

Meeting Agenda

Friday September 9, 2011 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Columbia Room, Legislative Building, Olympia

- 9:00 Welcome
- 9:05 Introductions
- 9:15 Overview of Schedule and Work Plan - John Howell, Facilitator
- 9:20 Initial Presentation of Identified Transportation Needs - continued from July meeting
- Overview summary of needs identified at July meeting
 - Tribal transportation needs - Mel Sheldon, Chairman, The Tulalip Tribes
 - Port transportation needs - Eric Johnson, Executive Director, Washington Public Ports Association
- 9:50 Task Force Reactions/Discussion of Initial Statements of Need
- Discussion questions:
 - Ø *What problems are we trying to solve?*
 - Ø *Are we clear about the transportation needs that must be addressed?*
 - Ø *Are we attempting to address the needs of an integrated statewide transportation system?*
- 10:45 Break
- 11:00 Follow-up on Information Requests from July Meeting
- Use of performance measures and benchmarking to determine system condition and performance - Wendy Korthuis-Smith, Director, Governor's Office of Accountability and Performance
- 12:00 Lunch Break
- 12:30 Public Comment Period
- 12:50 Discussion of Investment Principles - Task Force Members
- Discussion Question:
 - Ø *What are the broad statements of principles or values that should guide investments in the transportation system?*
 - Ø *Do these statements address the identified needs?*

- 1:35 Break
- 1:45 Discussion of Research Regarding Transportation Needs
- Information on existing polling and surveys regarding citizens views of statewide transportation needs, priorities, and funding options; and update on Transportation Commission survey - Ian Stewart, Vice President, EMC Research, Inc.
 - Discussion questions:
 - Ø *How can we best describe the statewide transportation needs? How can we help state residents understand the transportation needs facing our state?*
 - Ø *How can we establish credibility?*
 - Discussion of public education - Governor Gregoire
 - Outline of proposed public education activities - Cory Curtis, Communications Director, Office of the Governor
- 3:15 Discussion of Next Steps
- Additional information needs/requests
 - Confirm next meeting date
- 3:25 Closing Remarks - Governor Gregoire
- 3:30 Adjourn