



Connecting Washington

Developing a 10-year strategy to maintain, prioritize and invest in the state's transportation system





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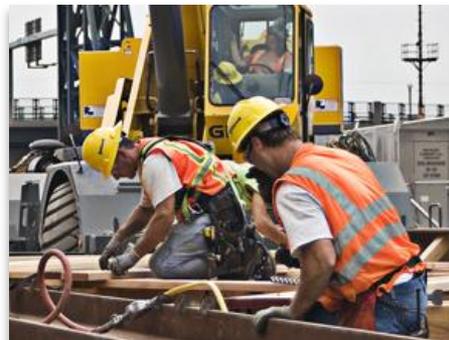
Transportation: Moving business

Trade, economic development

- 83,504 miles of roads, highways and bridges.
- 3,600 miles of public and private freight railroad moved 102 million tons of freight in 2009.

Jobs

- Freight-dependent industries accounted for approximately 44% of Washington's jobs in 2010.
- 74% of highway capital program dollars are contracted to the private sector.



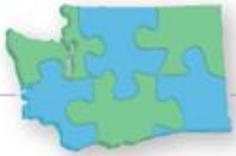


Transportation: Moving people

Commuters and tourists

- 21 ferry vessels serve 23 million passengers yearly.
- 31 transit systems reach 85% of the state's population.
- 215 million passenger trips on public transportation yearly.
- 57 billion vehicle miles traveled on state, city and county roads in 2010.
- 800,000 annual riders on passenger rail.





Transportation needs: Maintenance, preservation and safety

- Only 8 cents per gallon of the gas tax is available for maintenance, preservation and safety of highways, bridges, ferry vessels and terminals.
- Without reinvesting in preservation, pavement conditions decline each year.
- Need to maintain and preserve environmental impact mitigation.
- Twenty percent of county bridges are either structurally deficient or functionally obsolete.





Transportation needs: Greater demand, fewer funds

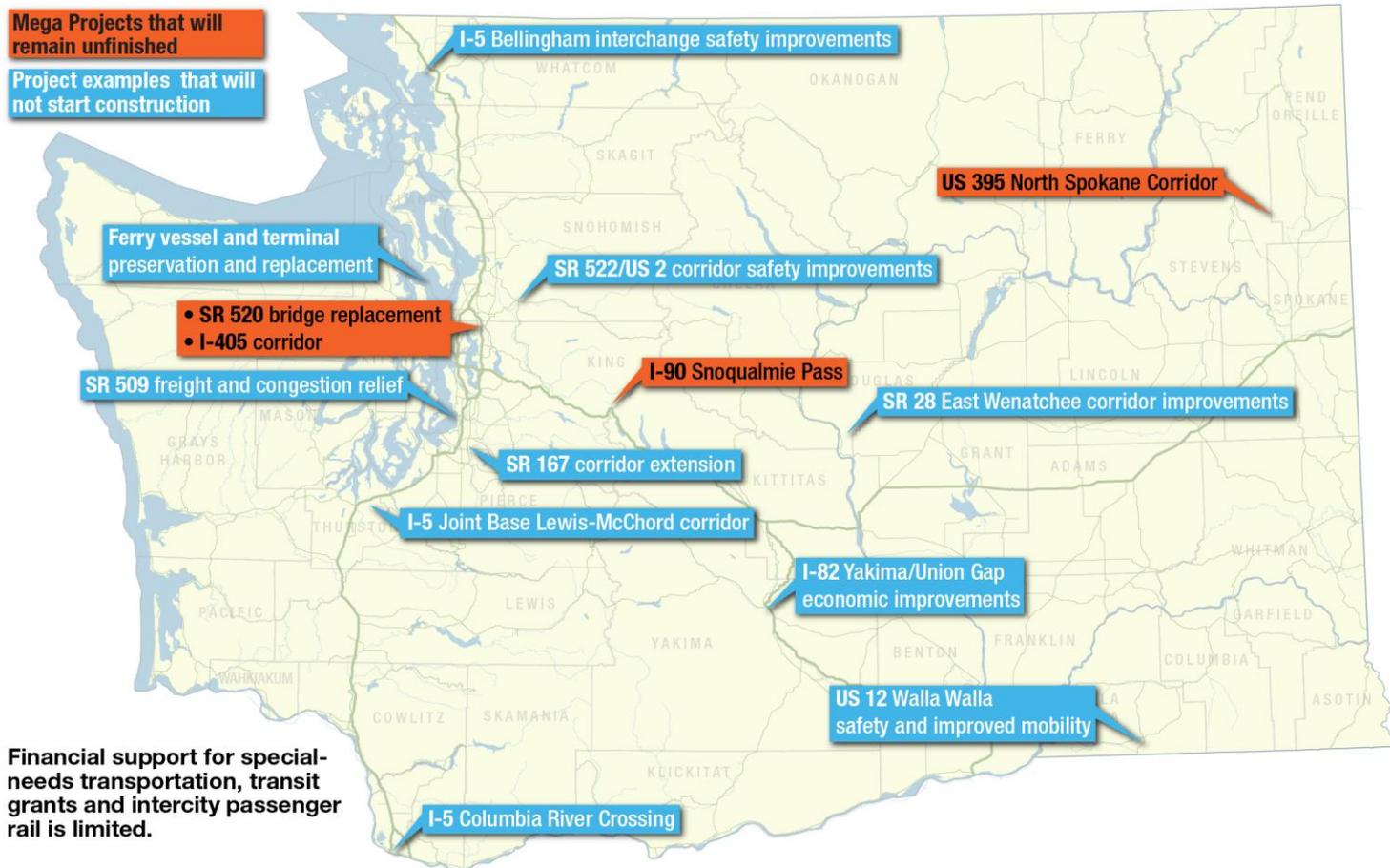
- Population will grow by 1.3 million between now and 2025.
- Federal revenue is declining.
- Gas tax funds are committed.
- Statewide congestion cost businesses and drivers \$608 million in 2009.
- Demand for transit is up, funds are down.
- PSRC: Transit ridership to grow by 90% between now and 2040.





Transportation needs: Vital corridors at risk

- Ferry system faces a \$1 billion funding shortfall.
- Key transportation routes are at risk.





Transportation needs: What if we ignore them?

- Lost jobs.
- Slower economic growth.
- More gridlock, congestion.
- Less reliable ferries, broken down terminals and service reductions.
- Less transit for commuters, workers and seniors.
- Lower quality of life.
- Washington ports less competitive with Canada, Panama Canal, East Coast and Gulf Region.



What's next

- Connecting Washington meetings Oct. 4, Nov. 15, and Nov. 29.
- Continue to develop and identify system's needs and priorities.
- Present proposal to the 2012 Legislature.
- More information on Governor Gregoire's website.



Feedback?

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<http://www.governor.wa.gov/priorities/transportation/connectwa.asp>