

Transportation Issues in Pierce County

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Brian Ziegler, Director of Public Works and Utilities

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Washington Transportation Commission

Presentation Agenda

- Presenters
- Pierce County
- The Pierce County Transportation System
- Transportation Needs in Pierce County
- Other Issues



Pat McCarthy

- *Pierce County Executive since January 2009*
- *Vice-chair, PSRC Transportation Policy Board*
- *Chair, Sound Transit Board*

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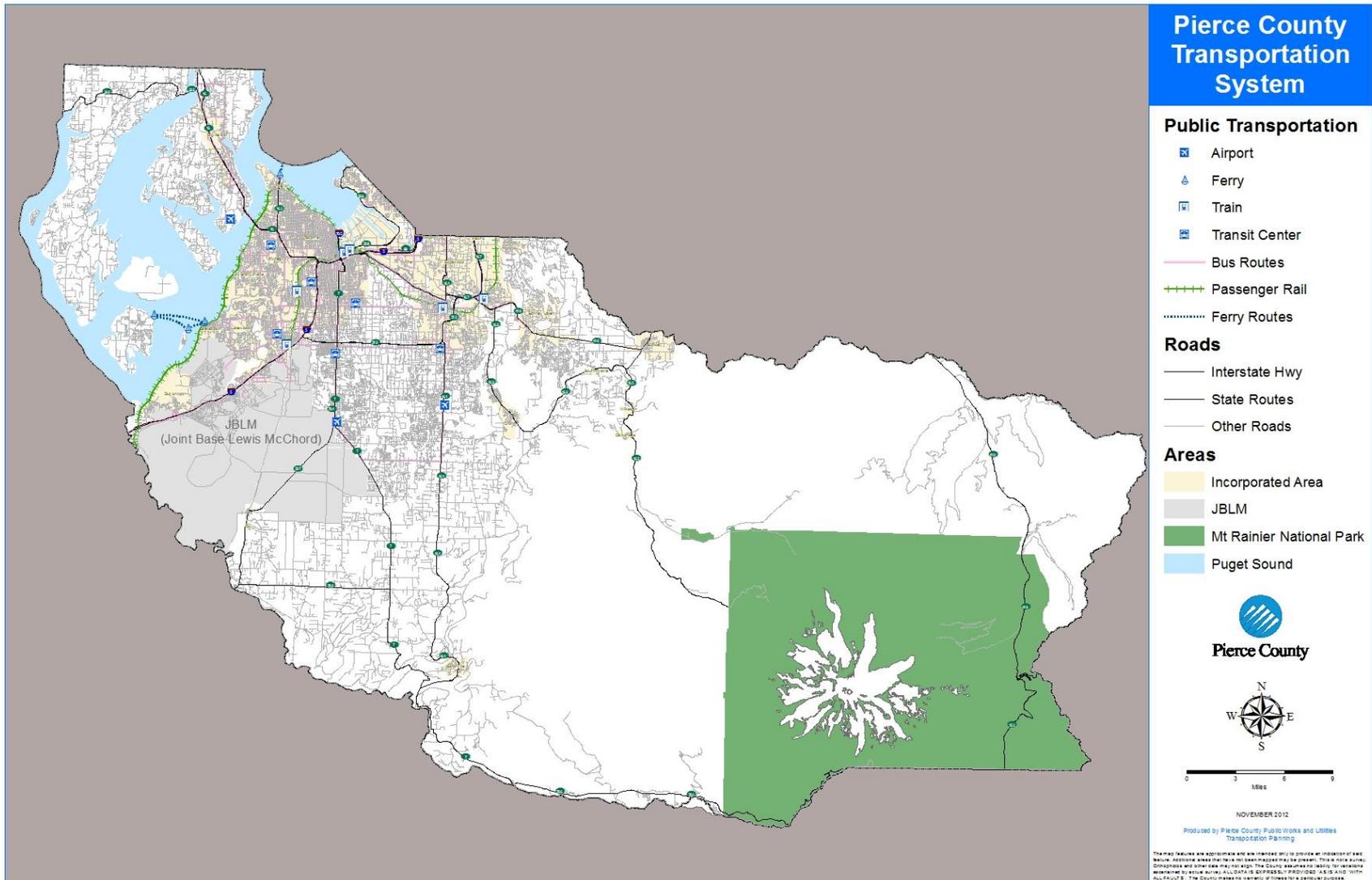
- *Director, Public Works and Utilities since 2003*
- *Member, Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board (FMSIB) since 2006*
- *WSDOT employee for 26 years*

Pierce County is home to **800,000** residents, 23 cities and towns, each with an array of qualities

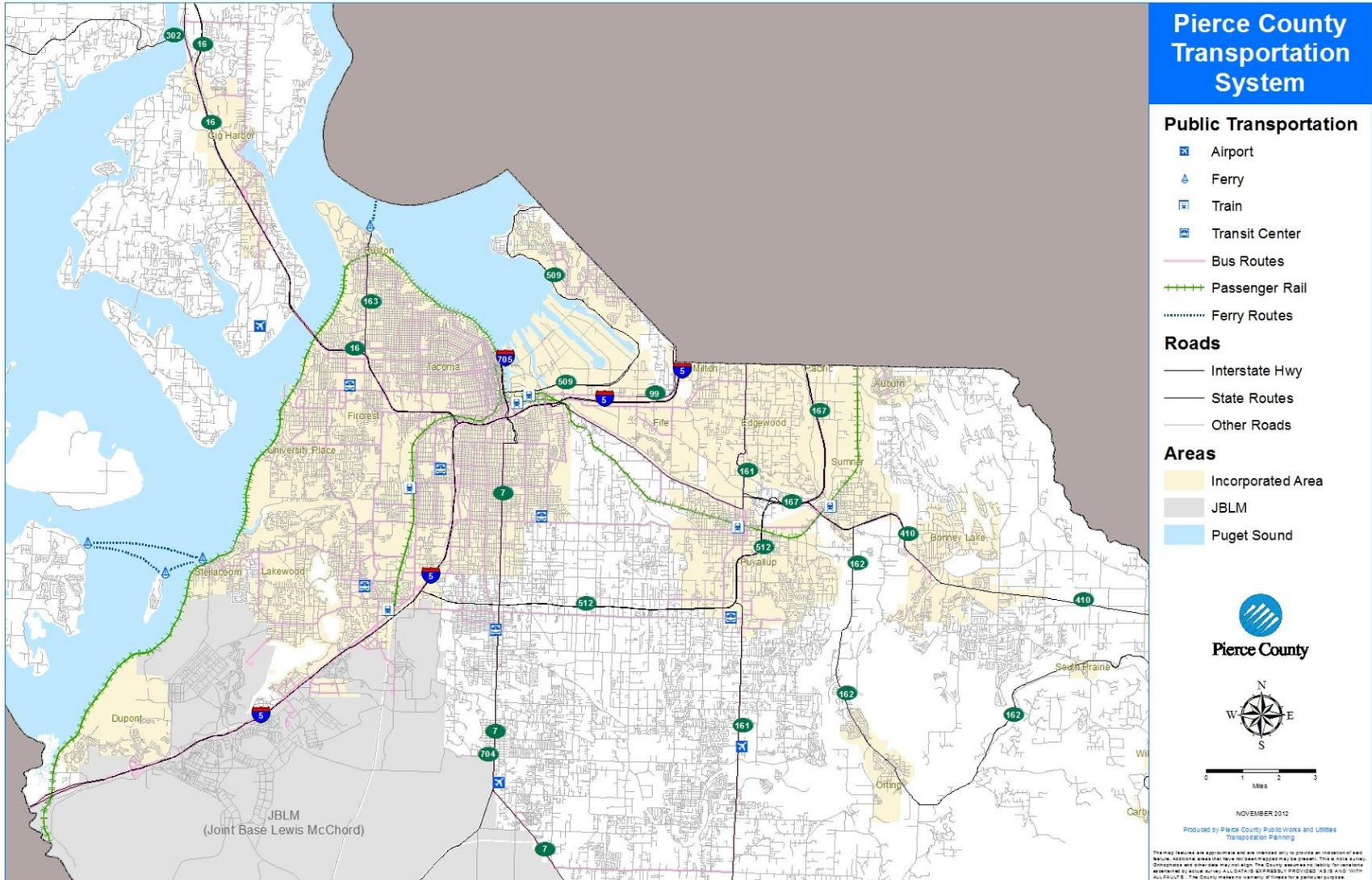


- *Unincorporated areas and communities like Graham, Midland, Summit, South Hill, Longbranch, etc.*
- *1,700 square miles, from Key Peninsula to Mount Rainier*
- *Urban, suburban and rural areas*

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Total Road Miles **5327.7**

Federal Hwy 32.6

State Routes 275.6

Urban Unincorporated 874

Rural Unincorporated 2034.7

Incorporated 1823.7

Urban Federal 172.5

Rural Federal 114.6

Bus Road Miles **338**

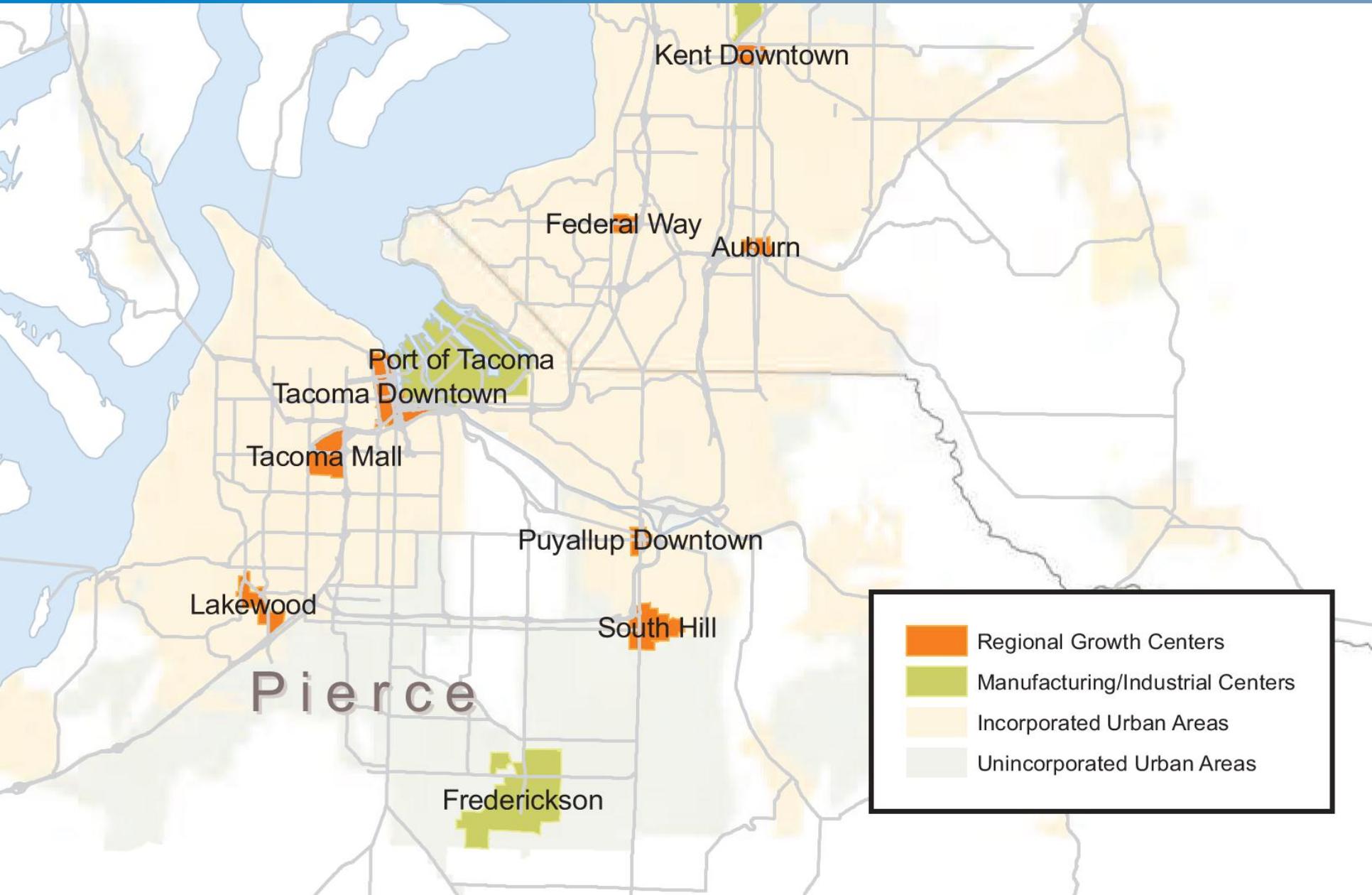
Bus Route Miles 805.8

Passenger Rail Miles **51.5**

Ferry Miles **6.8**

Airports **3**

PCRC Centers



	Regional Growth Centers
	Manufacturing/Industrial Centers
	Incorporated Urban Areas
	Unincorporated Urban Areas

Regional Transportation Priorities

WSDOT Priorities *West Pierce County*

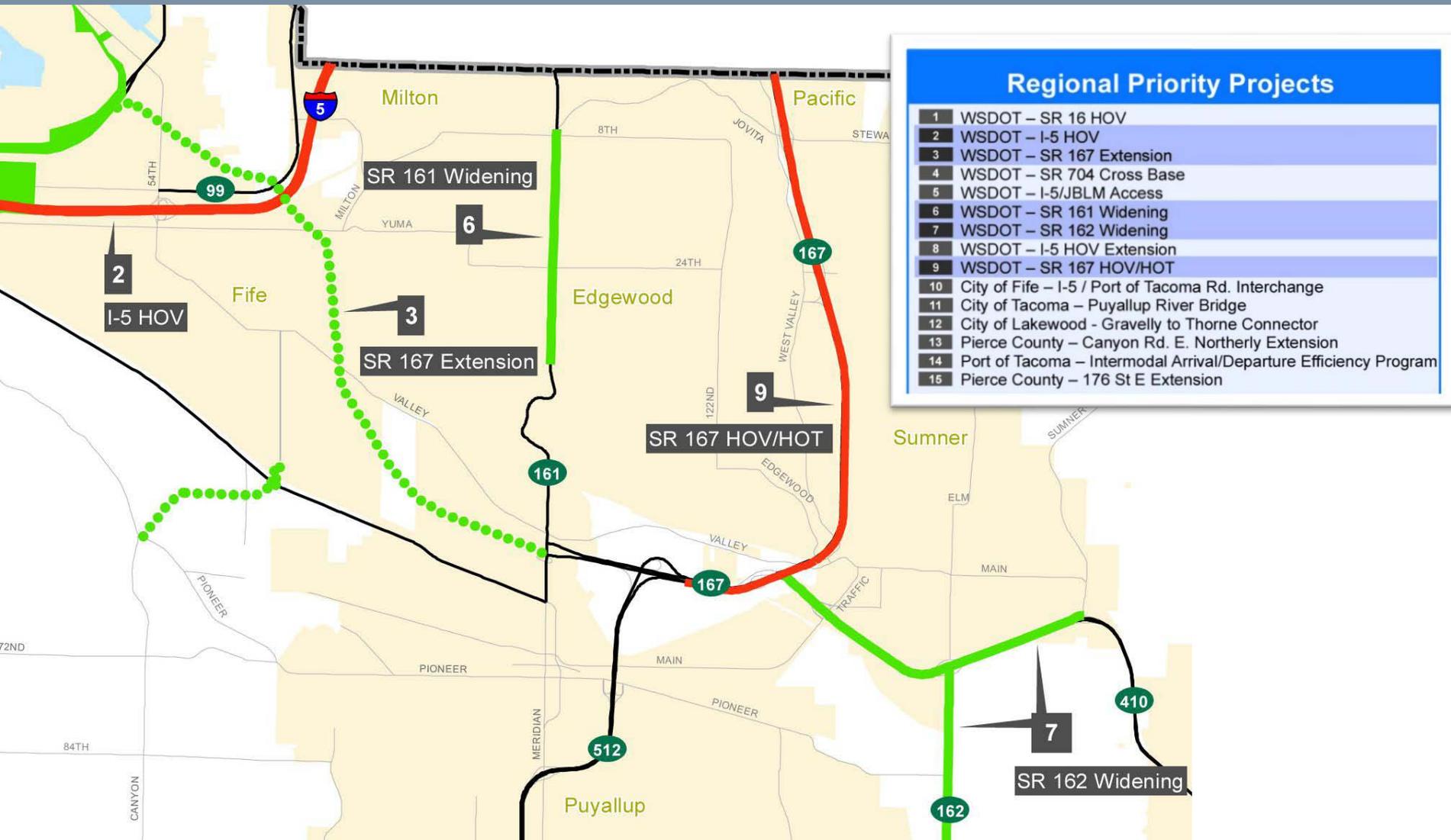
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WSDOT Priorities *East Pierce County*

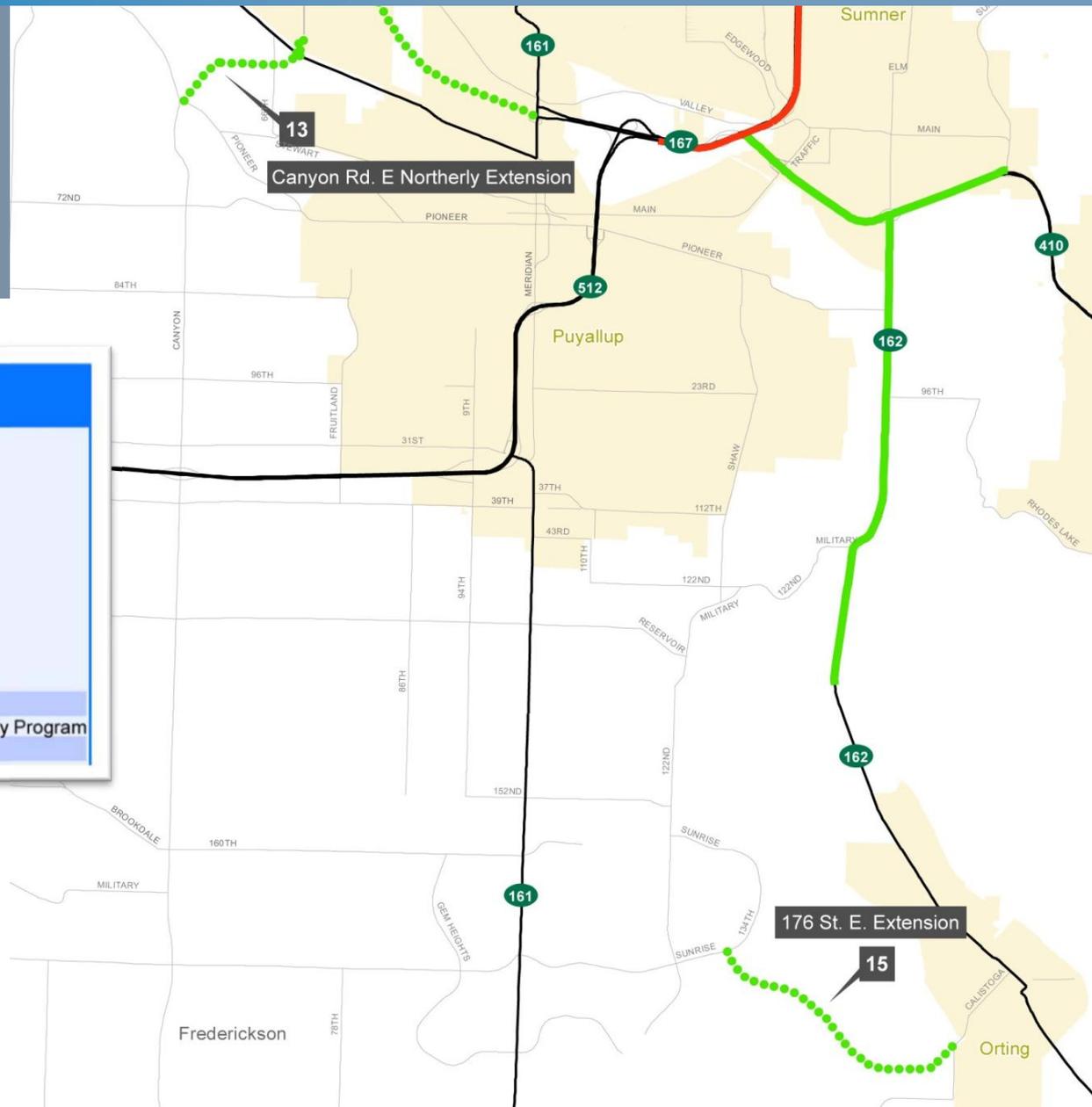


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Port of Tacoma Priorities

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Intermodal Arrival/Departure Efficiency Program

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City Priorities *Fife & Tacoma*

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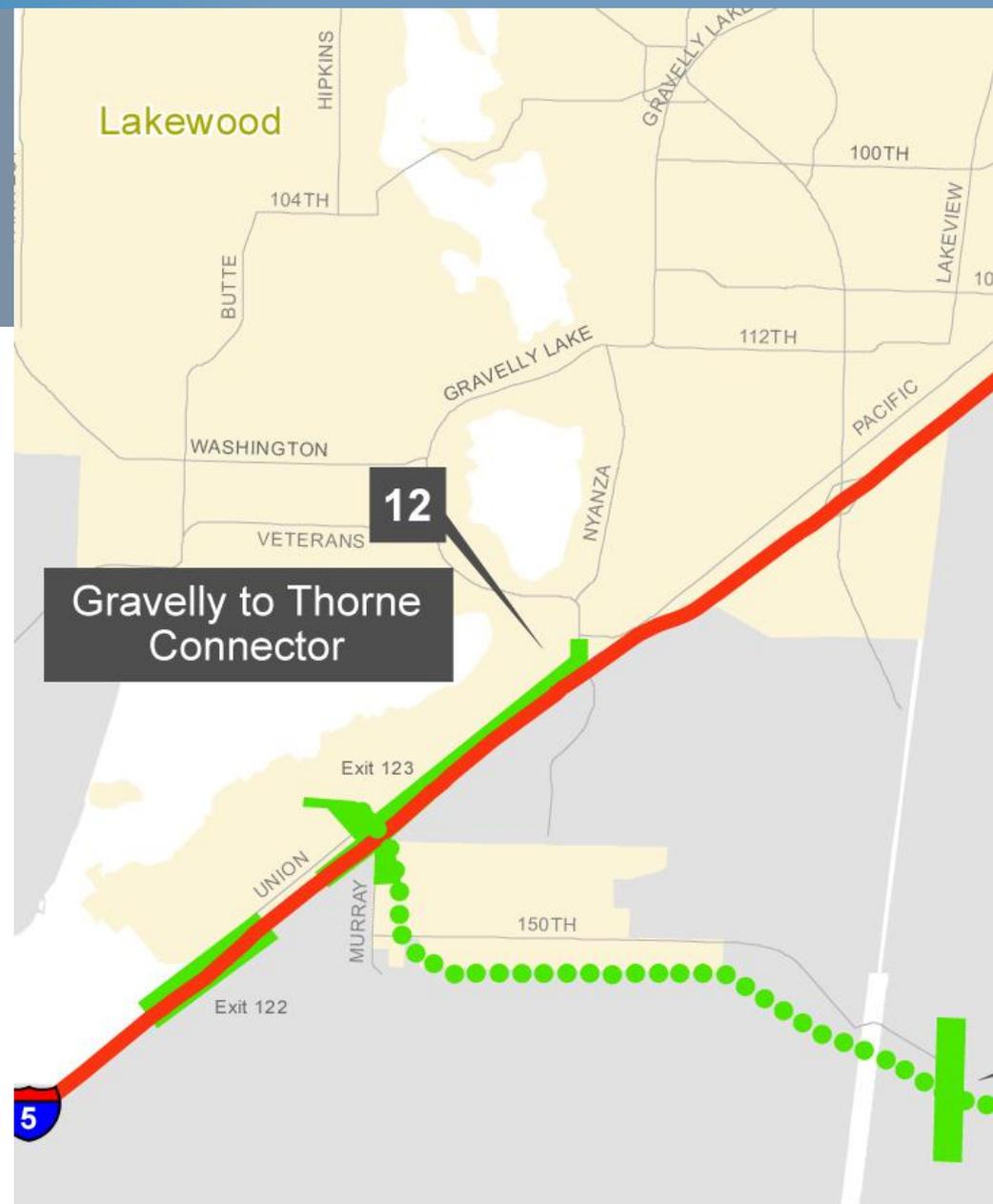


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City Priorities *Lakewood*

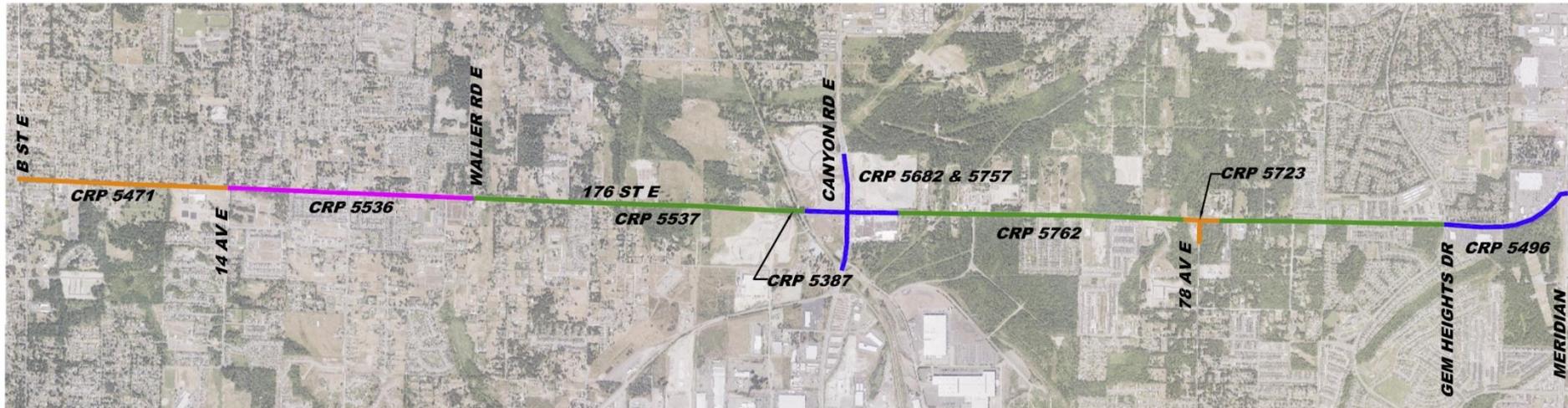
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Pierce County Improvements

176th St E Corridor



LEGEND

-  **UNDER DESIGN**
-  **CONSTRUCTION BEGINS 2012**
-  **CONSTRUCTION TO BE COMPLETED 2012**
-  **CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED**



Funding Sources

- *TIB *Traffic Impact Fees *Real Estate Excise Tax
- *Build America Bonds *Gas Tax *Property Tax

176 Street Corridor Costs

	Engineering	Right of Way	Construction	Total	Status
CRP 5496 SR-161 to Gem Heights Dr	\$260,000	\$660,000	\$1,726,000	\$2,646,000	Completed
CRP 5672 Gem Heights Dr to Canyon Road	\$1,827,000	\$3,320,000	\$11,776,000	\$16,923,000	To be completed in 2012
CRP 5723 176 Street E/78 Avenue E Intersection	\$250,000	\$150,000	\$800,000	\$1,200,000	Currently UNFUNDED
CRP 5682 & 5657 176 Street E/Canyon Road Intersection	\$1,140,000	\$436,000	\$6,500,000	\$8,076,000	Completed
CRP 5387 176 Street Bridge Over the Tacoma Rail	\$382,000	\$75,000	\$2,630,000	\$3,087,000	Completed
CRP 5537 Waller Road to 51 Avenue E	\$1,543,000	\$3,400,000	\$7,980,000	\$12,923,000	To be completed in 2012
CRP 5536 Waller Road E to 14 Avenue E	\$1,450,000	\$3,990,000	\$8,112,000	\$13,552,000	To begin construction in 2012 & complete construction late 2013
CRP 5471 14 Avenue E to B Street E	\$1,140,000	\$5,000,000	\$6,950,000	\$13,090,000	Project is NOT fully funded for Construction. If funding resolved construction starts in 2013
Overall TOTAL	\$7,992,000	\$17,031,000	\$46,474,000	\$71,497,000	

Canyon Road East Corridor

Funding Sources

*TIB *Traffic Impact Fees *Real Estate Excise Tax *Build America Bonds *Gas Tax

*Property Tax *Developer Funds *Surface Water Management Federal



Canyon Road Corridor Costs

	Engineering	Right of Way	Construction	Total	Status
CRP 5153 SR-512 to 116 Street E	\$1,500,000	\$3,310,000	\$6,700,000	\$11,510,000	Completed
CRP 5433 116 Street East to 131 Street East	\$680,000	\$4,550,000	\$6,910,000	\$12,140,000	Completed
CRP 5404 131 Street East to 160 Street East	\$1,630,000	\$4,640,000	\$19,120,000	\$25,390,000	Completed
CRP 5656 160 Street East to 176 Street East	\$1,070,000	\$2,310,000	\$6,160,000	\$9,540,000	Completed
Overall TOTAL	\$4,880,000	\$14,810,000	\$38,890,000	\$58,580,000	

Funding State Highways

- Thank you for continuing the state commitment to the **Tacoma/HOV** completion program
- Thank you for continuing to fund activities on the **Mega-Project SR-167**



- Thank you for the additional funding for IJR's at the Interchanges on **I-5/JBLM**. Meshes nicely with the City of Lakewood OEA grant from DOD and the WSDOT TIGER grant from FHWA.
- Need to increase state transportation revenues to fund remainder of **Regional Priority projects**

- Preservation funding for pavements and bridges is woefully inadequate
- Cities and counties attempting to create new revenue sources even though the problem is pervasive statewide.

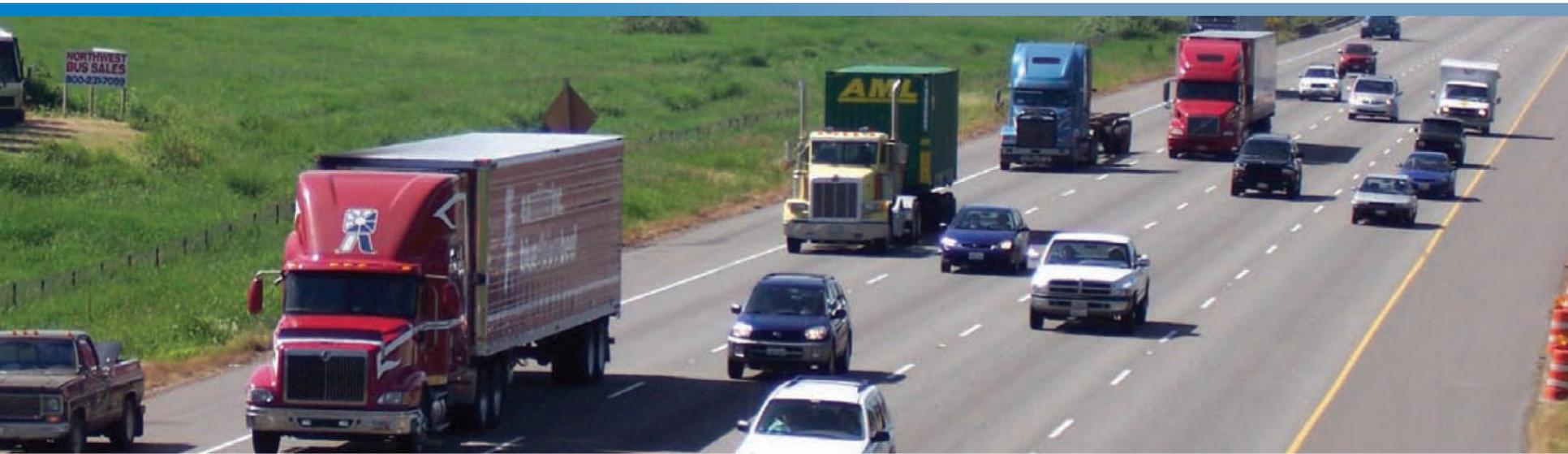


- Some communities are richer than others. We cannot balkanize infrastructure condition.
- “When the transportation pie gets smaller the table manners get worse.” Grant programs are getting smaller and way too numerous.

Some projects require a dozen revenue sources.

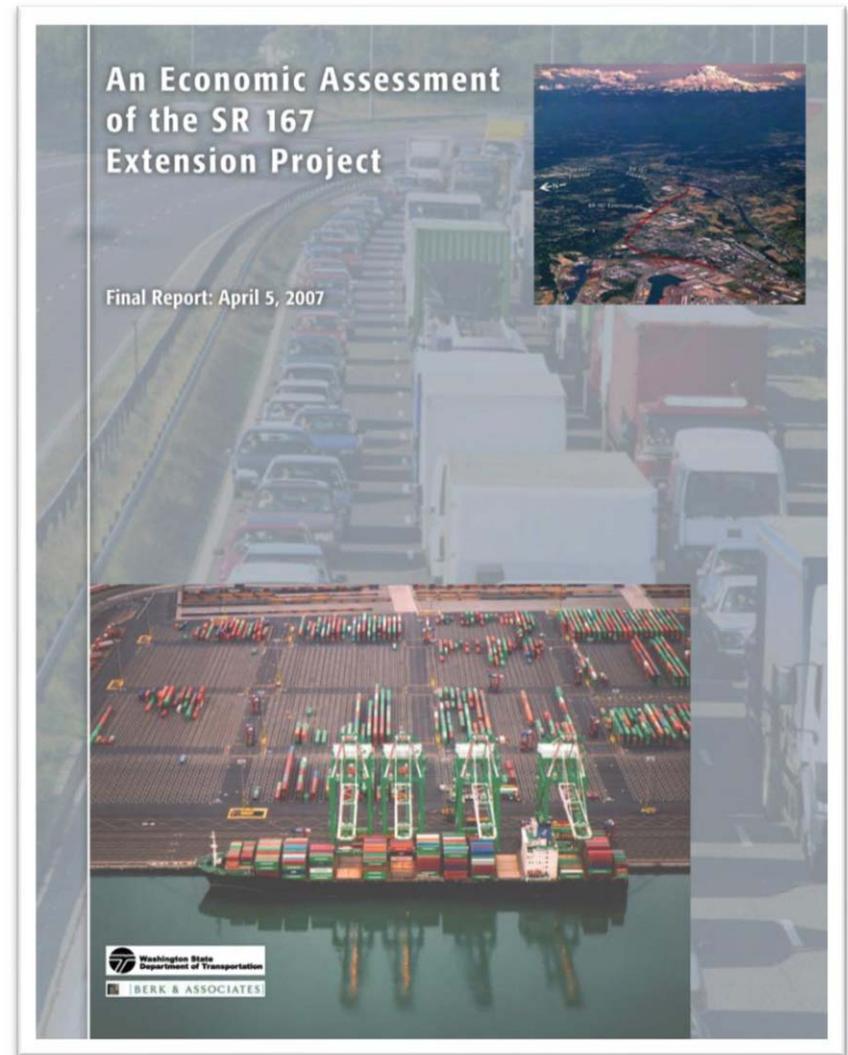


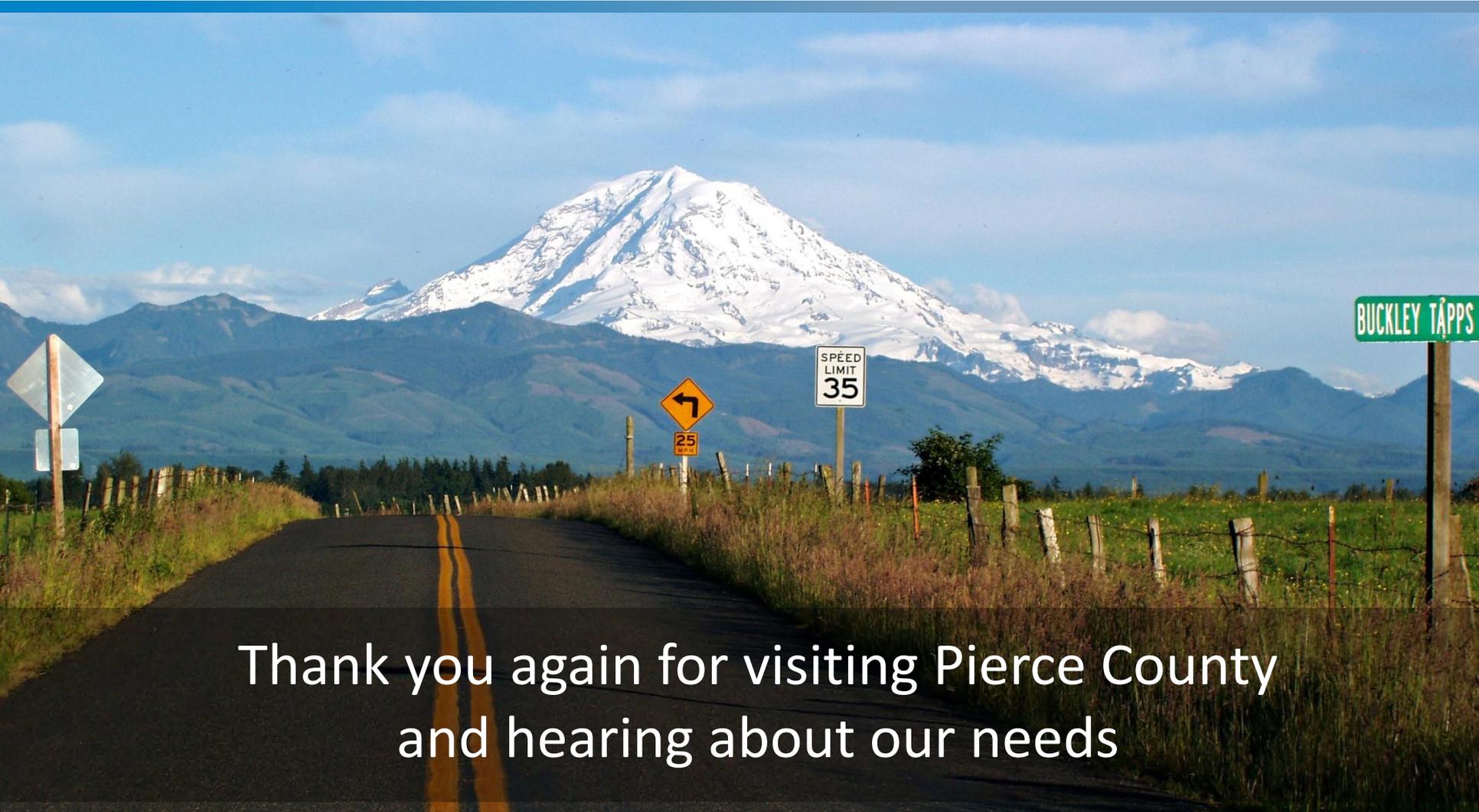
Local Option Revenue Sources



- Supportive of TBD concepts
- No cities in Pierce County have funded a TBD (University Place has one in place)
- Our citizens are not clamoring for another layer of government

- Infrastructure investment is an excellent economic stimulus for Washington
- SR-167 would generate 80,000 jobs statewide (according to WSDOT EIS)





Thank you again for visiting Pierce County
and hearing about our needs

QUESTIONS?

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