Washington Transportation Commission

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Who We Are

• Launched in 1983 after Kitsap County passed ballot measure
• Public Transportation Benefit Area (PTBA), 0.8% sales tax levy
• Service area statistics (2017):
  • 396 square miles
  • 259,000 residents
• Governed by 10-member board
• Approximately 430 FTEs
• Headquartered in Bremerton
• Fleet of 426 vehicles, 7 vessels
• Operating Budget of $59.6 M:
  • $43M in Transit, $16M in Ferry
• Capital Budget of $91 M:
  • $39M in Transit, $52M in Ferry
• 2019 Total Budget: $150M
Kitsap Transit Ridership, 2018

3.83 million boardings in 2018

Ridership Trends
- ↑ 1% in Routed
- ↑ 4% in ACCESS & VanLink
- ↓ 8% in Worker/Driver
- ↑ 13% in Foot Ferry
- ↑ 153% in Fast Ferry
- ↓ 8% in Vanpool
Routed Service & Route Analysis

Fixed-Route Service Statistics:
42 fixed routes, 18 on Saturdays
> 1.8 million revenue vehicle miles in 2018
~ 118,000 revenue vehicle hours in 2018
ACCESS

- Transportation for elderly and disabled unable to use fixed-route buses
- Eligibility application
- ADA requires service within ¾ mile of fixed route
- Kitsap Transit exceeds ADA requirements
Worker/Driver

- One of the oldest, largest vanpools anywhere
- 33 routes serve Puget Sound Naval Shipyard
- 1 route serves Bangor Trident Base
Local Foot Ferries

Carlisle II (1917), 140 passengers

Admiral Pete (1994), 120 passengers

First hybrid electric ferry to operate commercial service in Puget Sound

Waterman (2019), 150 passengers
Fast Ferries

Passenger-only ferry to downtown Seattle from Kitsap Peninsula in half the time it would take otherwise.

Video: A Decade of Wake Research

Video: Finest: A Ferry Reborn
PERFORMANCE INDICATORS
May 2019

More than 44,700 riders in May

Service Reliability 100% sailings completed in May

On-Time Performance 97% in May

Ridership by route
Ferryboat Agencies in Urbanized Areas, ranked by passenger trips, 2017

PACIFIC NORTHWEST
1. WA State Ferries, 24.2 million
14. Kitsap Transit, 618,000
15. King County, 600,000
17. Pierce County, 436,300

NORTH EAST
2. Staten Island Ferry, 23.9 million
3. NY Waterway, 6.4 million
4. Martha’s Vineyard, 3.0 million
7. NYC Ferry, 1.8 million
8. Mass. Bay Trans., 1.5 million
9. Port Authority, 1.3 million
10. Casco Bay Island, 1.1 million
21. MTA Metro Ferry, 188,800
24. Rhode Island DOT, 42,800

SF BAY AREA
5. SF Bay Ferry, 2.6 million
6. Golden Gate Ferry, 2.5 million

MIDWEST
18. Chicago Water Taxi, 400,900
23. Davenport, IA, 43,600
25. Oklahoma City, OK, 13,400

SOUTHEAST/MID-ATLANTIC
11. New Orleans RTA, 1.1 million
12. Plaquemines Parish, La., 856,600
13. Savannah, Ga., 665,200
16. Jacksonville, Fla., 442,000
20. Virginia Beach, Va., 296,000
22. Fort Lauderdale, Fla., 60,800

Source: 2019 Public Transportation Fact Book, American Public Transportation Association
Fast Ferries

- Six owned vessels, three of which are under construction.
- One leased vessel on Kingston route would be replaced by bow-loader.

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*Anticipated launch of vessels for fast-ferry service, by route*

- With three vessels, Kitsap Transit plans to test a two-boat service on Bremerton route in 2019.
- Second bow-loader will become primary vessel on Kingston route, with Finest as backup.

Kitsap Transit: Connecting Communities
Seattle Docks

- Seattle needs more capacity for passenger-only ferries
- Multiple routes need same dock around same time:
  - West Seattle water taxi
  - Vashon water taxi
  - Bremerton fast ferry
  - Kingston fast ferry
  - Southworth fast ferry
- Tacoma exploring a fast ferry
- Puget Sound Regional Council study of regional POF dock
Fleet Improvements

Routed Buses: 76

- Smaller
- 40-foot
- 35-foot
- 29-foot

ACCESS Buses: 121

- 15' to 17'
- 18' to 20'
- 22' to 24'
- 26' to 27'
Transit Centers

North Viking Transit Center, Poulsbo (opened December 2016)

Wheaton Way Transit Center (slated for fall 2019)
Silverdale Transit Center

- Close to regional medical center (CHI Franciscan)
- Slated for construction in summer 2021

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Annapolis Foot Ferry Dock – Final Design

Overview:
The Annapolis Ferry Dock Upgrade Project is located in Sinclair Inlet in Port Orchard, Washington. The proposed upgrades to the Annapolis Passenger Ferry Dock would allow for the dock to accommodate larger vessels by extending the dock into deeper water and include upgrades to meet American Disability Act (ADA) accessibility standards.

Timeline:
Spring 2019: Complete Final Design
Summer/Fall 2019: Construction

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Long-Term Planning Studies

Park & Rides in Kitsap County

Bus Base Siting

Electric Bus Charging Infrastructure

KT-owned
Locally-owned
State-owned
Potential site
Customer Experience

WHERE is my ride?

- Real-time location and estimated arrival time of KT buses, ferries
- Desktop & mobile app
- iPhones, Android
- Launched in 2018
- Full coverage in 2019
Partnerships
Questions?

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