Washington State Transportation Commission

Overall Statewide Survey Results
Washington State Residents 18 or older
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September 16 – October 24, 2011
EMC #11-4483

This is a survey about transportation issues in your local area and across the State. It is your chance to let state transportation policymakers know what is most important to you.

1. To ensure that we get a mix of views within each household, it is important that this survey be filled out by the adult (age 18 or older) in your household who had the most recent birthday.

2. This entire survey is confidential and anonymous.

3. Completing this survey based on your own thoughts and opinions is important.

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**DEFINITION:** When we say “Washington State’s transportation system” we mean the roads, highways, bridges, public transit, rail, ferries, airports, sidewalks, and bike lanes that connect the state to move people & goods.

1. How urgent do you feel it is to make sure Washington’s transportation system works effectively today and into the future?

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2. Using an A, B, C, D or F grading scale, how would you rate Washington’s transportation system overall?

- A: Excellent 2%
- B: Above Average 22% =>24%
- C: Average 45%
- D: Below Average 23% =>30%
- F: Failing 7%
- Not sure 2%
3. **(ASK IF Q2 IS NOT “A: EXCELLENT”)** In your mind, what changes would need to be made to our state’s transportation system to improve the grade you gave? (1st response shown)

- Maintain roads / faster road repairs / less disruptive repairs: 13%
- More or improved high speed rail / commuter train: 11%
- More or improved public transit (non-specific): 11%
- Add lanes / extend highways and roads: 8%
- Better traffic flow: 7%
- Decrease waste / better use of funds: 5%
- More buses / improved bus routes: 3%
- More / better bridges: 3%
- Expand to Eastern Washington / rural areas: 2%
- More bike paths / improved or separated bike paths: 2%
- Unified statewide strategy / long term planning: 2%
- Intercity transit: 2%
- More accessible public transit (P&Rs, cheaper): 1%
- More funding: 1%
- Cheaper ferries / more ferries / upgrade ferries: 1%
- Other (<1% mention): 10%
- Don't know/not sure: 1%
- Nothing/ No changes: 1%
- No answer: 16%

**SCALE:**  
A: Excellent  
B: Above Average  
C: Average  
D: Below Average  
F: Failing

What grade would you give the state for...

**(ALL ITEMS ARE PRESENTED AT ONCE IN RANDOM ORDER)**

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<td>5. making sure your area of the state gets a fair share of transportation funding?</td>
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**DEFINITION:** When we say the transportation system in “your local area” we mean any roads, highways, bridges, public transit, rail, ferries, airports, sidewalks, or bike lanes that connect your city or town and the areas immediately surrounding it to move people & goods.

7. How would you rate the transportation system in your local area - that is in your city or town and the areas immediately surrounding it?

   A: Excellent 4%
   B: Above Average 23%
   C: Average 42%
   D: Below Average 22%
   F: Failing 8%
   Not sure 1%

8. What do you think is the most urgent transportation priority facing your local area? (1st response shown)

   Maintain roads / faster road repairs / less disruptive repairs 15%
   Better traffic flow 10%
   Add or widen lanes / expand highways & roads 9%
   More buses / improved bus routes 8%
   More or improved public transportation (non-specific) 6%
   More or improved rail / commuter train / rapid transit 5%
   Intercity public transit / statewide transit service / expand to rural areas 3%
   More / better bridges 3%
   Use of funds / decrease waste / funding to Eastern WA 3%
   More accessible public transit (P&Rs, transfers) 2%
   More bike paths / improved or segregated bike paths 2%
   North-south freeway / 395 (Replace or complete) 2%
   Alaska Way Viaduct / tunnel project (replace, complete) 2%
   Cheaper ferries / more ferries / upgrade ferries 2%
   I-5 2%
   Highway safety / public transit security 1%
   Synchronized or better timed traffic lights 1%
   More sidewalks / improved sidewalks 1%
   Fix or complete Columbia Crossing Bridge (I-5 into Portland) 1%
   Other (<1% mention) 11%
   Don't know/not sure 1%
   None / nothing 2%
   No answer 8%
**DEFINITION:** When we say the transportation system “in your region” we mean any roads, highways, bridges, public transit, rail, ferries, airports, sidewalks, or bike lanes that connect your county and nearby counties to move people & goods.

9. How would you rate the transportation system in your region – that is in your county and nearby counties?

   - A: Excellent 2%
   - B: Above Average 20%  ➔ 23%
   - C: Average 50%
   - D: Below Average 20%  ➔ 25%
   - F: Failing 5%
   - Not sure 2%

10. Outside of your local area, what do you think is the most urgent transportation priority facing your region?

   - Maintain roads / faster road repairs / less disruptive repairs 11%
   - Better traffic flow 11%
   - More or improved public transportation (non-specific) 10%
   - Add or widen lanes / expand highways & roads 7%
   - More or improved rail / commuter train / rapid transit 5%
   - Intercity public transit / statewide transit service / expand to rural areas 4%
   - Use of funds / decrease waste / funding to Eastern WA 3%
   - More accessible public transit (P&Rs, transfers) 2%
   - More buses / improved bus routes 2%
   - More / better bridges 2%
   - Alaska Way Viaduct / tunnel project (replace, complete) 1%
   - Cheaper ferries / more ferries / upgrade ferries 1%
   - 520 replacement 1%
   - Other (<1% Mention) 17%
   - Don’t know/not sure 5%
   - None / nothing 2%
   - No answer 15%
11. Thinking about the rest of the state, what do you think is the most urgent transportation priority outside of your region?

- Maintain roads / faster road repairs / less disruptive repairs: 14%
- Better traffic flow: 8%
- More or improved public transportation (non-specific): 7%
- Add or widen lanes / expand highways & roads: 5%
- More or improved rail / commuter train / rapid transit: 5%
- Use of funds / decrease waste / funding to Eastern WA: 4%
- Intercity public transit / statewide transit service / expand to rural areas: 2%
- I-5: 2%
- I-90 & the pass: 2%
- More / better bridges: 1%
- Highway safety / public transit security: 1%
- Alaska Way Viaduct / tunnel project (replace, complete): 1%
- Other (<1% Mention): 14%
- Don’t know/not sure: 13%
- None / nothing: 2%
- No answer: 18%
12. There are a number of objectives our transportation system is designed to meet. If you had 100 points to divide between the five objectives below, how many points would you assign to each objective?

For example, if you assign 25 points to “improving safety” that means you think “improving safety” should get 25% of the focus. The total for the 5 objectives should add up to 100 points.

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<td>Improving safety</td>
<td>making our roads, bridges, transit systems, airports, ferries, sidewalks and bike paths safer through things like improved design and increased enforcement</td>
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<td>23 pts.</td>
<td>Increasing capacity</td>
<td>improving the movement of goods and people through things like widening existing roads, and building new roads to accommodate our growing population and to connect more remote communities</td>
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<td>26 pts.</td>
<td>Maintaining the system</td>
<td>preserving and extending the life of our current transportation system through ongoing maintenance of our roads, bridges, transit systems, ferries, sidewalks and bike paths</td>
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<td>14 pts.</td>
<td>Protecting the environment</td>
<td>promoting transportation investments that help reduce air and water pollution, conserve energy and minimize impacts on the environment</td>
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<td>21 pts.</td>
<td>Expanding travel options</td>
<td>giving people more options for getting around through things like expanded public transit, more passenger rail, carpooling and bike and pedestrian improvements</td>
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out of 100 Total

DEFINITION: When we say “our transportation system” we mean the roads, highways, bridges, public transit, rail, ferries, airports, sidewalks, and bike lanes that connect the state to move people & goods.

13. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: The State has enough revenue to keep our transportation system safe, effective and properly maintained.

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Please indicate how important each of the following transportation components is to you. How important is this to you?

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<td>14. Maintaining and repairing existing roads &amp; highways</td>
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<td>15. Widening and building more roads &amp; highways</td>
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<td>16. Making sure rural roads and mountain passes remain open year round</td>
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<td>17. Expanding public transit services like buses, vanpools, and dial-a-ride</td>
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<td>18. Adding or increasing intercity passenger rail service</td>
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<td>23. Improving roads and infrastructure at shipping ports to move freight and goods</td>
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<td>24. Increasing law enforcement and public safety efforts on our state highways</td>
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25. In general, would you support or oppose raising some transportation taxes and fees to increase funding for those transportation elements you feel are important?

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26. Regardless of whether you favor or oppose increasing some transportation taxes and fees, what do you think would be the top two benefits of increased funding for Washington’s transportation system?

- Better hwys & road maintenance / better roads/ winter preparedness: 19%
- Improved, maintained, or expanded transit infrastructure (non-specific): 9%
- Reduced traffic / reduced congestion / better traffic flow: 7%
- Increased safety / pedestrian safety (sidewalks) / fewer accidents: 6%
- Added lanes & capacity / expanded or extend highways & roads: 5%
- More jobs and economic stimulation: 5%
- Better project funding or efficiency / avoid tolling: 3%
- Expanded light rail / commuter rail / freight rail: 2%
- Expanded mass transit / rural transit / increased transit capacity: 2%
- Sustainability / less environmental impact: 1%
- No benefit / nothing / waste / negative effects: 11%
- Oppose tax & fee increases/ Non-responsive: 2%
- Other (<1% mention): 10%
- Don't know/not sure: 3%
- No answer: 16%

27. Over the next 20 years, our state will need to fund more than $64 billion in state transportation needs. This amount does not include the long-term unfunded transportation needs of cities, counties and local transit agencies. Current transportation revenues are already dedicated to paying for existing projects so future transportation maintenance and improvements will require additional revenue. Knowing this, would you support or oppose increasing some transportation taxes and fees to fund unmet transportation needs?

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Below are some ways we could fund our unmet transportation needs. For each one, please indicate whether or not you think that method is a good way to fund increased investment in our transportation system.

**Is this a good way to fund increased transportation investment?**

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<td>29. an annual license fee based on the value of the vehicle</td>
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<td>30. a statewide property tax</td>
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<td>31. electronically collected tolls</td>
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<td>32. a vehicle emissions fee - vehicles that pollute more would pay a higher fee</td>
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<td>33. a fee based on the fuel efficiency of a vehicle - less fuel efficient vehicles would pay a higher fee</td>
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<td>34. a fee based on the number of miles driven - people who use the system more would pay a higher fee</td>
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<td>35. adding the sales tax to gas purchases</td>
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<td>20%</td>
<td>21%</td>
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<td>36. a licensing fee on vehicles that are 100% electric and do not pay any gas tax</td>
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37. Transportation fees like vehicle licenses, permits and other fees are fixed amounts and do not change with inflation. This means that even as transportation costs increase, these fees stay flat creating funding challenges for key transportation programs like law enforcement, traffic safety and aviation.

In general, would you support or oppose having these transportation fees rise with rate of inflation, so that they provide a more stable funding source?

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38. A combination of inflation, changing driving habits and increased fuel economy of vehicles means the state gas tax brings in less money each year. This creates a growing transportation funding shortfall.

In general, would you support or oppose having the gas tax rise with the rate of inflation so that it provides a more stable funding source?

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There are a number of benefits that come from increased long term investments in our transportation system. For each of the following, please indicate how important that benefit is to you in terms of justifying additional taxes to fund new investments in our transportation system.

**How important is this benefit to you? (STATEMENTS ARE PRESENTED TWO PER PAGE IN RANDOM ORDER)**

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<td>39. <strong>Creating jobs.</strong></td>
<td>Transportation investment will boost local and regional economies and create jobs both directly in the construction industry and indirectly with the many businesses and service industries that rely on the transportation system to move their goods and products and deliver services.</td>
<td>6%</td>
<td>8%</td>
<td>21%</td>
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<td>40. <strong>Reducing Congestion.</strong></td>
<td>Investing in our transportation system will reduce congestion and allow us to spend less time sitting in traffic, benefiting people and businesses in our state.</td>
<td>4%</td>
<td>6%</td>
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<td>41. <strong>Boosting Trade.</strong></td>
<td>Our state depends heavily on trade, from East to West, from agriculture to high tech. Washington’s exports were more than $50 billion in 2009. Investing in our transportation system will ensure that trade-dependent industries and jobs will stay in Washington.</td>
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<td>42. <strong>Year Round Roads.</strong></td>
<td>Transportation investments will help improve the ability of rural and urban residents to get where they need to go at all times of the year.</td>
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<td>43. <strong>Expanding Transit.</strong></td>
<td>Investing in public transit and passenger rail will give people more options to get around, help take cars off the road and reduce congestion for everyone.</td>
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<td>44. <strong>Preserving Infrastructure.</strong></td>
<td>The longer we wait, the more we will end up paying because things that could have been repaired will have to be replaced. Investing now means we can extend the life of our roads, bridges, transit, and ferries and keep them safe.</td>
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45. What transportation changes or improvements would impact your life in a positive way?

- More or improved public transportation (non-specific): 11%
- Better traffic flow: 10%
- Maintain roads / faster road repairs / less disruptive repairs: 9%
- More or improved rail / commuter train / rapid transit: 8%
- Add or widen lanes / expand highways & roads: 5%
- Use of funds / decrease waste / funding to Eastern WA: 4%
- More buses / improved bus routes: 3%
- Intercity public transit / statewide transit service / expand to rural areas: 3%
- More bike paths / improved or segregated bike paths: 3%
- Lower taxes / do not raise taxes / fewer taxes: 1%
- Highway safety / public transit security: 1%
- Cheaper ferries / more ferries / upgrade ferries: 1%
- More / better bridges: 1%
- Other (<1% Mention): 16%
- Don’t know/not sure: 2%
- None / nothing: 2%
- No answer: 19%

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46. This survey has highlighted a number of different benefits of increased transportation funding. Given all of this, would you support or oppose increasing some transportation taxes and fees to meet our transportation system’s needs?

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**DEFINITION:** These next questions are about **tolling**, that is, charging drivers a fee on some major highways and bridges in heavily congested areas. Tolls are collected electronically so that drivers do not have to stop at toll booths.

47. In general, do you support or oppose tolling as a way to help pay for major state transportation projects?

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48. One argument for using tolls to help pay for major state projects is that those who use and benefit the most from a project pay a bigger share of the cost. That means that less money is required from the rest of the state.

Knowing this, in general do you support or oppose tolling to help pay for major state transportation projects?

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49. Tolls that change based on traffic volumes or time of day and day of week are known as variable tolls. Variable tolls help reduce congestion by encouraging people to shift optional trips to less busy times of the day, thus reducing congestion during the busiest times of the day. The idea is similar to the way movie theaters charge less for matinees to get people to come to the theater at less busy times.

In general, do you support or oppose the concept of variable tolling on major state roads in heavily congested areas?

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50. Express Toll Lanes, also referred to as High Occupancy Toll (HOT) lanes, allow people traveling alone to pay a toll to use the High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes. The toll amount changes based on traffic flow so that the HOV lane doesn’t slow down.

In general, do you support or oppose Express Toll Lanes on major state roads in heavily congested areas?

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51. Which of the following statements is closest to your opinion:

[ROTATE STATEMENTS]

Toll money should **only** be spent on the specific road or bridge where the toll is collected and not on any other transportation investments. 37%

Toll money should be available to fund transportation improvements within a travel corridor – that is, on the roads and bridges that connect to where the toll is collected. 51%

Not sure 12%

52. Moving on to other issues. The state primarily provides funding for state highways, bridges, and the ferry system, as well as providing funding to cities and counties for transportation needs. Local jurisdictions and the federal government provide most of the funding for transit.

Do you support or oppose providing more state funding for public transit and passenger rail?

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53. State gas tax revenues also help fund the Washington State Ferry system. Do you support or oppose using state transportation funds to help maintain and operate the Washington State Ferry system?

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54. Washington State ferries carry 23 million passengers a year and are part of the state highway system just like bridges or highways. Ferry users pay about 70% of the ferry’s operational costs and state tax revenues provide the other 30%. The state also fully funds the capital needs of the ferry system, such as buying new boats and making ferry terminal improvements.

Knowing this, do you support or oppose using state funds to help maintain and operate the Washington State Ferry system?

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**Demographics:** These last few questions are for statistical purposes only and help us make sure we capture the opinions of a wide cross-section of Washington State residents. This entire survey is confidential. Your answers to these demographic questions help us make sure these results reflect the views off all residents.

55. Do you have a cell phone or not?
   - Yes 94%
   - No 6%

56. *(ASK IF Q55 IS YES)* How much do you rely on your cell phone. Would you say you rely on your cell phone...
   - All the time – I/we do not have a landline for voice calls 29%
   - A great deal – its your primary phone 27%
   - Some – you use it occasionally 37%
   - Very little – you mostly have it for emergencies <1%

57. *(ASK IF Q56 IS LESS THAN ALL THE TIME)* Do you have a landline that you use for voice calls?
   - Yes 64%
   - No 36%
58. Please think about all the trips you make from home during a typical week such as going to work, running errands, or going to appointments. Approximately what percentage of those trips per week are done by:

[Mean % shown]
- Driving alone in your vehicle: 59%
- Carpooling or driving with someone else: 25%
- Riding public transit: 8%
- Riding a motorcycle: 1%
- Riding a bicycle or walking instead of driving or taking transit: 6%
- Travelling some other way: 2%

59. How many miles would you say you drive in an average year?
- <7K miles: 27%
- 7K-<11K: 29%
- 11K+: 32%
- Not sure: 12%

60. What is your gender?
- Male: 50%
- Female: 50%

61. What year were you born? (For example: 1962) (IF BLANK) Are you:
- 18-34: 30%
- 35-54: 35%
- 55+: 31%
- Refused: 5%

The purpose of these next two questions is to allow us to compare to U.S. Census data so we can make sure this survey reflects our state’s population accurately. Again, this entire survey is confidential.

62. Are you from a Hispanic, Latino or Spanish-speaking background?
- Yes, Hispanic/Latino/Spanish speaking: 11%
- No: 80%
- Refused: 10%

63. What race would you classify yourself as:
- Black/African-American: 2%
- White/Caucasian: 69%
- American Indian/Alaska Native: 2%
- Asian/Asian-American: 7%
- Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander: <1%
- Two or more races: 6%
- Some Other Race: 3%
- Refused: 11%
64. Are you registered to vote?
   Yes 93%
   No/Not sure 7%

65. Would you describe the area you live in as:
   Urban/City 32%
   Suburban 32%
   Rural/Town 34%
   Not sure 1%

66. In terms of your job status, are you employed, unemployed but looking for work, retired, a homemaker or a student?
   Employed – full time 55%
   Employed – part time 9%
   Unemployed 5%
   Retired 16%
   Student 4%
   Homemaker 6%
   Other 3%
   Refused 3%

67. Again, to help us compare to Census data, please indicate which of the following is the best estimate of your 2010 household income before taxes?
   Less than $20,000 7%
   $20,000 to $34,999 9%
   $35,000 to $44,999 8%
   $45,000 to $59,999 12%
   $60,000 to $84,999 16%
   $85,000 to $99,999 9%
   $100,000 to $119,999 8%
   $120,000 or more 14%
   Refused 17%
68. Your participation in this survey is greatly appreciated by the WSTC, transportation policy makers and elected officials! You can make sure your voice is heard on other critical issues by participating in future research conducted by the state. Would you be interested in participating so that your voice can be heard?

○ Yes (IF SELECTED, NEW SCREEN WITH MESSAGE SAYING “Thank you, the survey is now complete! Your participation is greatly appreciated and will help the state work towards addressing long-term transportation needs in a way that reflects the priorities of residents across the state. You will now be taken to website that explains how to sign up for future research projects for the state. If you are not redirected, please click here: vows.micropanel.com”)

      Yes  70%

○ No (IF SELECTED, NEW SCREEN WITH MESSAGE SAYING “Thank you, the survey is now complete! Your participation is greatly appreciated and will help the state work towards addressing long-term transportation needs in a way that reflects the priorities of residents across the state. For additional information about the Washington State Transportation Commission, please visit www.wstc.wa.gov. You may now close this window. ”)

      No  30%

RTPO

Puget Sound Regional Council  51%
Spokane  7%
SW Washington RT Council  7%
Peninsula RTPO  6%
Benton-Franklin-Walla Walla  5%
SW Washington RTPO  4%
Thurston  4%
Yakima Valley Conf of Gov  4%
Skagit / Island/ San Juan  3%
Whatcom  3%
QuadCo  2%
North Central RTPO  2%
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NE Washington  1%