System-Wide Tolling Policies
Exemptions & Fees

*TNB Considerations & Rate-Setting Status*

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TNB Transit / Rideshare Policy Considerations

• TNB Citizens Advisory Committee opposes additional exemptions on TNB.

• Pierce Transit seeks the exemption to:
  – Support vanpool usage in the SR 16 corridor by reducing riders’ costs.
  – Relieve overall transit system costs.

• This is supported by Pierce County legislator(s)

• While there is little congestion on the bridge itself, allowing transit free passage may have a positive effect on reducing congestion on the SR 16 corridor.
TNB Revenue / Loan Considerations

• TNB transit and rideshare exemptions would reduce annual toll revenue by about $200,000 per year (CY 2017 estimate).
  – Equates to approximately $0.0125 per transaction.
  – Equivalent to about 0.2% – 0.3% of total annual toll revenues.

• Passage of SHB 2990 provides TNB up to $85 million in loans
  – $85 million provided over 11 years – many factors may change (+/-) how much is needed to keep rates at intended levels.
  – Expectation that rates increase only once (by $0.25 in FY 2022) before tolling concludes (est.: FY 2032).
  – The proposed exemptions bring the total estimated value of needed loans to about $84.9 million – so still under the maximum loan amount.
Current Decision Timeline

• **January 2018:** Full Commission reviews Tolling Subcommittee recommendations and approves start of rule-making process.

  *January - April 2018:* CR-101 filed; Commission seeks additional analysis and input for proposed rule.

➤ **April 2018:** Draft proposed rule presented to Commission

• **May 2018:** Commission approves proposed rule for public input (CR-102).

  *May – July 2018:* Commission seeks public input on proposed rule, including required CAC review.

• **July 2018:** Public hearing and adoption of final rule (CR-103)

• **Implementation Date(s):** TBD