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TIB September Meeting Cancelled

The September 23-24 meeting scheduled in Walla Walla has been cancelled. The next TIB meeting will be November 18-19 in Everett.

For more information on upcoming board meetings, visit our Board Meetings page at www.tib.wa.gov/board/Board.cfm.

TIB Hires Interim Executive Director

Steve Gorcester resigns effective June 16, 2010

Steve Gorcester announced his resignation on June 16, and had his final day at TIB on July 15. He has decided to pursue opportunities available in the private sector. His knowledge, expertise, and creative initiatives to make TIB programs more efficient and cost effective will be sorely missed.

Tom Ballard, retired Pierce County engineer and former TIB member, was hired as the Interim Executive Director starting August 2. TIB is fortunate to have Tom available for this interim position, as he is very familiar with the TIB programs and has the background and expertise needed to lead an agency involved in complex transportation improvement projects. Tom can be reached at tomb@tib.wa.gov or (360) 586-1139.

Board members are starting the process to hire a permanent Executive Director. Information regarding this position and the application process will be available on the TIB website by early September.

2010 Grant Applications Due August 31st

TIB offers smaller program due to economic downturn

Board members approved a preliminary call for projects totaling \$51 million. Last year, the TIB cancelled all grant programs due to the economic downturn and drop in revenue. This year, TIB grants will be offered in all programs except the Urban Corridor Program due to low revenue projections. TIB had to reduce the number of grants awarded, but is pleased that a call is going out. Grant applications are available now and are due by August 31, 2010. Grants will be awarded in November.

Program	Funding
Urban Arterial Program	\$38 million
Small City Arterial Program	\$10 million
Sidewalk Program	\$2 million
Small City Preservation Program	\$1.3 million
Total	\$51.3 million

Grant Applications are available at: <http://www.tib.wa.gov/grants/forms/Forms.cfm>.

Board Member Update

Two board positions are now vacant

June 30, 2010 term-limited members include:

- Tacoma Public Works Director Dick McKinley, representing a city engineer or public works director from a city with a population of 20,000 or more
- Grant County Community Development Manager Dave Nelson, representing a county planning director or planning manager

The respective associations have been notified for nominations. Appointments are expected sometime during the summer.

Sustainability Criteria

Changes affect way funding applications are scored

RCW 70.235 requires that all state agencies must consider whether an agency receiving funds has adopted policies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions when distributing capital funds through a competitive program. TIB criteria in the urban programs already include measures for sustainable design and will add three points to the criteria to agencies that have adopted a greenhouse gas emissions policy.

Urban Arterial and Urban Corridor Programs

Sustainability Measures	Points (15 Max)
Adopted Agency Sustainability Policy (new criteria for 70.235)	3
Modal Measures	
Sidewalk width greater than TIB Minimum &/or Planter Strip (3 feet or greater)	3
Completes gap in HOV system	3
Adds HOV Lane each direction	2
Adds Queue Jump or Transit Only Lane	1
Improve non-motorized access to Park & Ride or Transit Center	1
Completes gap in Bicycle Route	3
Extends Bicycle Route	2
Construct 10-foot separated path or two 5-foot striped lanes	2
Install more than one bike parking facility along the project (multiple bike racks)	1
Sidewalk width greater than TIB Minimum &/or Planter Strip (3 feet min)	0-3
Energy Measures	
Replace or Install new LED street lights throughout the project	0-3
Replace or Install new LED Traffic Signal throughout the project	0-2
Install Solar Power Panels or on-site power generation technology to support facilities in the road right of way	1
Emerging Technologies	0-3
Environmental Measures	
Eliminate water detention through Low Impact Development (LID) / Natural Drainage Practices (NDP) (e.g. ecology embankment, permeable pavement) on-site to address 100% of all project impervious surfaces	3
Reduce water detention through Low Impact Development (LID) / Natural Drainage Practices (NDP) (e.g. ecology embankment, permeable pavement) on-site to address 25% to 75% of all project impervious surfaces	0-3
Vegetated areas left undisturbed, or compost-amend soil with native plantings	1
Hardscaping or climate appropriate plantings	1

Sustainability Measures	Points (15 Max)
Emerging Technologies	0-3
Recycling Measures	
On-site reuse of pavement	3
On-site reuse of subsurface material	3
On-site reuse of organic material	1
On-site reuse of other materials	0-3
Use of recycled pavement (hauled in)	2
Use of recycled subsurface materials	1
Use of recycled organic materials (hauled in)	1
Use of other recycled products	0-2

A summary of all of the criteria categories for the urban programs is listed below.

Urban Arterial Program

Criteria	Maximum Points
Safety	45
Mobility	20
Pavement Condition	15
Sustainability	15
Local Support	5
Total	100

Urban Corridor Program

Criteria	Maximum Points
Local Support	30
Mobility	30
Growth and Development	15
Sustainability	15
Safety	10
Total	100



The Small City Arterial and Sidewalk Programs did not include sustainability criteria. At their March meeting, the Board approved the following addition to the Small City criteria.

Small City Arterial Program

Sustainability Measures	Points (10 Max)
Sidewalk width greater than TIB Minimum &/or Planter Strip (3 feet or greater)	0-3
Network Development	0-3
Hardscaping or climate appropriate plantings	1
LED Street Lights	0-3
Recycled material usage	1
Other measures	0-3

Sidewalk Program

Sustainability Measures	Points (10 Max)
Sidewalk width greater than TIB Minimum &/or Planter Strip (3 feet or greater)	0-3
Network Development	0-3
Hardscaping or climate appropriate plantings	1
LED Street Lights	0-3
Recycled material usage	1
Other measures	0-3

A summary of all of the criteria categories for the small city programs is listed below.

Small City Arterial Program

Criteria	Previous Maximum	Current Maximum
Safety	40	40
Pavement Condition	30	30
Local Support	30	20
Sustainability	0	10
Total	100	100

Small City Match WAC Revisions
 New WACs for small city programs adopted

At the March 2009 board meeting, the board temporarily suspended small city match until rules for matching funds were developed. The small city federal matching funds are critical to the success of many of TIB’s customers and should be consistent with Small City Arterial Program and Small City Preservation Program criteria.

Revisions to WAC 479-10 and 479-12 were drafted and reviewed at the January and March 2010 board meetings. A public hearing on was held at the June 25, 2010 board meeting in Vancouver, and the revised WACs adopted and are effective July 30, 2010.

TIB Required to Take Temporary Layoff Days

TIB offices will be closed for business due to furloughs

Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill (ESSB) 6503, signed into law on April 27, directs state agencies to reduce employee compensation costs through mandatory and voluntary furloughs, leave without pay, reduced work hours, layoffs, and other methods. The required temporary layoffs or “furloughs” begin July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

TIB was closed on July 12 when staff took their first temporary layoff day. TIB will be closed on two additional days – September 7 and December 27.

New TIB Engineer Regions

Staffing changes prompt redistribution of TIB regions

TIB has gone from five project engineers to four. Because of this change, the regions each engineer is responsible for has changed. To see if your TIB Project Engineer has changed, [click here](#).

TIB FEATURED PROJECT

CITY OF WENATCHEE

RIVERSIDE DRIVE

900 FT SOUTH OF FIFTH ST TO NINTH ST

The project constructs a new roadway (Riverside Drive) along the city's waterfront and improves existing streets to aid redevelopment of the area.

The Riverside Drive roadway section provides two travel lanes with parking on both sides in areas, sidewalk on both sides, landscaping and a separated bicycle path. Improvements on Worthen, Fifth, Ninth, Piere Streets and Walla Walla Avenue address safety, mobility and congestion issues.

TIB contributed \$4,882,039 in funding toward the \$7,810,301 total cost of the project.

[More Information](#)



City of Wenatchee's Riverside Drive

OTHER RECENTLY COMPLETED TIB PROJECTS

Marysville – State Street	Spokane – Market Street
Clark County – NE 88th Street	Thurston County – Yelm Highway Groundbreaking
Pierce County – 94th Avenue	Ocean Shores – Point Brown Avenue
Shoreline – Aurora Corridor Groundbreaking	Kennewick – Fourth Avenue
Lynnwood – Olympic View Drive	Battle Ground – North Parkway Avenue
Bothell – SR 522 Groundbreaking	Black Diamond – Railroad Avenue
Union Gap – Valley Mall Boulevard Groundbreaking	



Groundbreaking ceremony for the Southcenter Parkway Extension project.

TIB FEATURED PROJECT

CITY OF TUKWILA

SOUTHCENTER PARKWAY EXTENSION

S 180TH ST TO S 200TH ST

The Southcenter Parkway Extension project widens and realigns the roadway to provide four travel lanes, bike lanes, landscaped median with turn pockets, curb, gutter and sidewalks.

Other improvements include storm drainage and water quality improvements, illumination, new traffic signals, landscaping and underground utilities.

TIB contributed \$2,000,000 in funding toward the \$13,633,000 total cost of the project.

[More Information](#)