



Spokane Regional Transportation Council

April Board Meeting



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Test driving an EV Truck at Kenworth
Sales & Service



SRTC Rebrand Launch



Ben Kloskey at APA Conference 2025



Horizon 2050 Workshop at Airway Heights Rec Center



SRTC at El Mercado



Last Horizon 2050 Workshop on April 17

APRIL 19 9AM TO 4PM **SPOKANE COUNTY FAIR AND EXPO CENTER**

SPOKANE BIKE SWAP AND EXPO
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SELL IT! SHOP IT! DONATE IT!

LOOKING FOR A SPECIFIC KIND?
NEED TO BUY A BIKE?
LOOKING FOR YOUR NEXT RIDE?

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ONE TOO MANY BIKES?
NEED BIKE ACCESSORIES?

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\$7 IN-PERSON

KIDS 12 AND UNDER FREE!!
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BIKES MAKE PEOPLE SMILE!

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Horizon 2050 Workshop

Ask questions.
Share your needs.
Shape our transportation system's future.



THURSDAY 17 APRIL

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM
SPOKANE CENTRAL LIBRARY
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 Spokane Regional Transportation Council

Spokane Bike Swap & Expo on April

HORIZON 2050 SURVEY



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ONLY 8 QUESTIONS:

[WWW.SURVEYMONKEY.COM/R/9BPXY79](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9BPXY79)

Share information about
your regional
transportation needs and
about how you would like
to see transportation
dollars invested.



Scan for the Survey!



Spokane Regional Health District: Walk Audit Pilot Program Overview

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Program Overview

**Walk Audit
Summary Overview**

**Partnership
Opportunity**

Agenda



Program Overview



THE REQUEST



**INVOLVING
COMMUNITY**



**PILOTING
WORK**



**CONDUCTING
AUDITS**



**SHARING AUDIT
SUMMARIES**

The Bigger Picture



Completed Walk Audits

Walk Audit #	Date Completed	Auditors	Neighborhood or Jurisdiction
1	7/16/24	Public	Bemiss
2	8/6/24	Public	Riverside
3	12/12/24	Staff	Spokane Valley
4	12/12/24	Staff	Hillyard
5	12/12/24	Staff	Minnehaha

Walk Audit Summary Overview



Walk Audit Route #1 Summary

Northeast Community Center Bemiss Neighborhood Loop



Conducting Walk Audits

A walk audit is a simple exercise that identifies and records sidewalk conditions, barriers and assets to walking, and the perceptions of people walking. It is used to improve walking conditions on a pre-planned route. Additionally, walk audits can help to understand the environment from an all-ability inclusive perspective. Walk audits can be used to build awareness of the importance of walkable design, identify specific pedestrian safety issues, advance policy and community development goals, inform planning decisions, and improve health and quality of life for residents.

To suggest a walk audit route in the Spokane region, please email Samantha Hennessy at shennessy@srhd.org.

Walk Audit Details

Date and time: July 16, 2024, 8-9 a.m.

Route: Northeast Community Center Bemiss Neighborhood Loop

Hosts: staff from Spokane Regional Health District

Weather: sunny, temperatures ranging from 73-80 F

Nearby Destinations

Nearby destinations include Hays Park, Shaw Middle School, and Spokane Public Library – Hillyard.

Walk Audit Summary Overview Cont.

Observations

- The sidewalk on North Cook Street near the Heritage Heights Apartments was in great condition and had a barrier between pedestrians and drivers. Much of the route did not have a separation or buffer.
- At the North Cook Street and East Empire Avenue intersection, there are button-activated flashing signs.
- Most of the route had curb cut ramps where the sidewalk was interrupted by a street. The direction of the curb-cut ramps is frequently unsafe along North Crestline Street as it directs pedestrians into traffic or the bicycle lane.
- Much of the route has poor sidewalk conditions, including raised sections from tree roots and cracks. This makes sidewalks difficult for pedestrians to navigate.
- Many obstacles blocked the route, including utility poles, overgrown landscaping, and a Lime Scooter. Like sidewalk conditions, obstacles make sidewalks difficult to navigate.
- Bike lanes, when present, were filled with debris which creates an unsafe riding space.
- There was one Spokane Transit Authority bus stop on North Crestline Street between East Empire Avenue and Providence Avenue close to the alley.
 - The transit stop does not protect waiting passengers.
 - The auditors would not feel safe waiting in this location.



1. North Cook Street near the Heritage Heights Apartments with barrier for pedestrians
2. Crosswalk on East Empire Avenue with button activated flashing light and small post
3. Curb cutout on North Crestline Street heading into the bike lane and traffic
4. Sidewalk section on East Providence Avenue with crumbling material
5. Raised sidewalk sections of up to 2 inches on East Providence Avenue due to tree root
6. Landscaping obstacle on North Crestline that was 20 feet long down the sidewalk
7. Debris in bike lane (garbage and rocks up to 2 inches in diameter)
8. Close up of bike lane debris
9. Bus stop on North Crestline

*The pictures provided in this section were taken after the walk audit.

Walk Audit Summary Overview Cont.

Recommendations

The following recommendations are suggestions to improve pedestrian access in the Bemiss neighborhood.

Recommendations were identified through auditor forms and notes, auditor discussion, and the AARP Build a Better Neighborhood tool.

Top Auditor Recommendations

- Repair sidewalks
- Improve landscape maintenance

Other Recommendations

- Add pedestrian-friendly lighting to pedestrian walkways
- Add safety barriers between the sidewalk and street
- Add outdoor seating for public use at the bus stop
- Create a four-way stop at the East Empire Avenue and North Cook Street intersection

Walk Audit Participants

Special thanks to the volunteer auditors:

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Dennis Swennumson

Jennifer Simons

Justin Hansen

Laura Johnson

Michael Cathcart

Savanna Carr



Are there any efforts that we should be aware of where we can collaborate?

How can we partner in this work?

Partnership
Opportunity





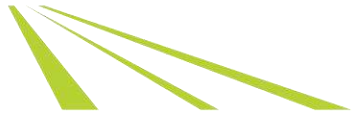
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Thank you



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Spokane Metropolitan Transportation Plan

Needs Assessment – Regional Project Matrix

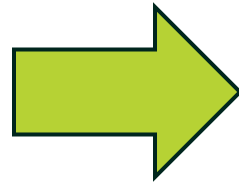
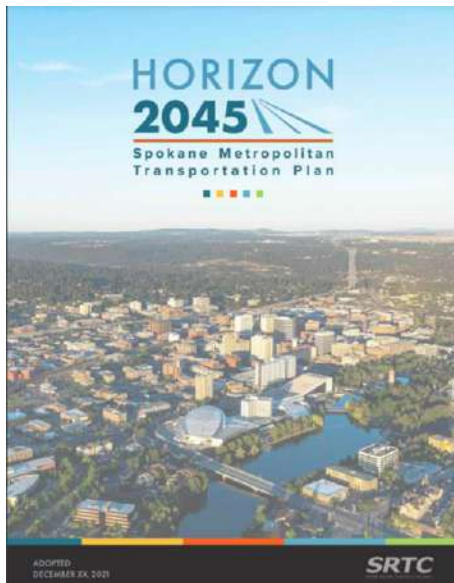
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Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update

Blueprint of projects, programs, strategies for the regional transportation system. All modes.



Needs Assessment for Horizon 2050

- Objective:
 - Develop a master list of projects and programs that are regional in scope
 - Assess through the lens of SRTC's Guiding Principles
- Inform project list and program areas in Horizon 2050, maintenance/preservation needs, overall costs & timelines

Needs Assessment

- Draft Project Matrix complete
- Sourced from:
 - Agency studies and plans
 - Local Capital and/or Transportation Improvement Programs
 - Unified List
 - Horizon 2045
 - Focused interviews with Agencies and Tribes

Board Input

Questions on the Matrix?

Next Steps

- Final refinements to Project Matrix
- Filter projects:
 - Consistency with Guiding Principles / plans

Horizon 2050 Categories of Need

- Operations & Maintenance
- Preservation
- Regionally Significant Projects
- Programmatic Buckets

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Regionally Significant

- Named projects for integration in Horizon 2050 & travel demand model
 - Regional facility
 - Change in capacity
 - Impacts freeway or freeway interchange
 - Fixed transit service
- Expect funds to be available

Programmatic Buckets

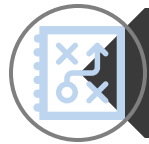
Other essential projects organized in programs



Active Transportation



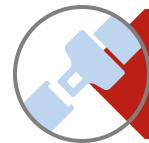
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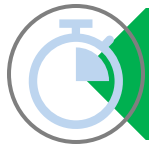
Planning



Road Capital



Safety & Security



TDM



Transit



TSMO

Project Decisions

- Financial forecast – estimated costs & revenues
 - Working toward a financially constrained plan
- Project Matrix is large – not all projects will move forward
- Committees & Board discussions over next 2 months

Timeline

	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Public Outreach												
Project Matrix												
Draft H2050												
Adopt H2050												

Public Outreach

- Equity Working Group – Jan. 31
- Lunar New Year Celebration – Feb. 1
- EWU / Cheney – Feb. 24
- Catalyst Building – Feb. 25
- Liberty Park Library – March 4
- Airway Heights Community Center – March 6
- El Mercado – March 29
- Spokane Valley Library – April 1
- Spokane Central Library – April 17
- Bike Swap – April 19
- Liberty Lake Farmers Market – May 17

Comments / Questions

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Thank You

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SFY 2026-2027 UPWP - Draft

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Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)

Unified Planning Work Program

State Fiscal Years 2026-2027
07.01.2025 – 06.30.2027



Task 1: Program Administration and Coordination

Task Overview

Program Administration is a core MPO and RTPO function. The purpose of this task is to administer the overall metropolitan transportation planning process in an open and collaborative environment. Program administration activities are undertaken to ensure MPO compliance with applicable provisions of Titles 23, 40, and 49 of the US Code and the Code of Federal Regulations that call for a continuing, comprehensive, and cooperative metropolitan transportation planning process. Program administration activities also ensure RTPO compliance with RCW 47.80 and Chapter 468-86 WAC. Among other activities, this task includes contract development and oversight, the development, tracking and reporting of the Unified Planning Work Program and the professional development and management of personnel.

Task 1 Major Milestones and Products

- Complete annual onsite review and UPWP progress update with WSDOT Tribal and Regional Integrated Planning, FHWA and FTA. (April 2026 and 2027)
- Develop an annual budget and associated work plan, and successfully complete annual audits. (October 2025 and 2026)
- Engage in Strategic Planning and team development activities. (June 2026)
- Review the 2026-2027 UPWP for potential modifications and develop the Annual UPWP Performance and Expenditure Report as required by federal regulations. (September 2025 and 2026)
- Prepare the SFY 2028-2029 UPWP. Review and update the associated funding agreement as necessary. (June 2027)
- Conduct outreach with state and federal legislators regarding the Unified List of Regional Transportation Priorities. (state: September 2025 and 2026; federal: April 2025 and 2026)

Sub-Task 1.1: Program Management and Support

This subtask includes the activities necessary to effectively manage the metropolitan transportation planning process as required by federal and state regulations.

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Task 1 Responsibilities

SRTC staff serves as lead in coordination with members, STA and WSDOT.

Table 1: Summary of Task 1 Revenues and Expenditures

Revenue		Expenditures	
CPG (FHWA/FTA)	\$ 411,162	Salaries & Benefits	\$ 576,727
FHWA — STBG-Metro Planning	\$ 368,000	Overhead	\$ 222,738
RTPO	\$ 30,000	Direct Costs	\$ 30,000
Local	\$ 92,508	Consultants	\$ 30,000
TOTAL	\$ 901,668	TOTAL	\$ 901,465
Budget Comparison		FTE Staffing Comparison	
SFY 2026-2027	\$ 901,668	SFY 2026-2027	1.33
SFY 2024-2026	\$ 832,228	SFY 2024-2026	1.53
SFY 2022-2023	\$ 842,540	SFY 2022-2023	1.85

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UPWP Budget

Table A-4: Expenditure Forecast by Sub-Task

Task	Personnel & Indirect Expenses	Education, Training, & Travel	Equipment & Software	Consultants & Data Collection	TOTAL
1. Program Administration & Coordination					801,465
Administration Sub-Tasks 1.1-1.4 & 1.6	993,479			50,000	1,043,479
Training 1.5	107,980	70,000			177,980
2. Public/Stakeholder Participation & Education					580,987
Public Coordination & Outreach 2.1	271,215		2,500		273,715
Stakeholder Coordination 2.2	150,501	10,000			160,501
Title VI 2.3	46,955				46,955
Website and Social Media 2.4	91,820			8,000	99,820
3. Data Management & Systems Analysis					755,295
Data & Software Management 3.1	121,535		9,000	3,000	133,535
GIS & Spatial Analysis 3.2	241,354	3,000	44,000		288,354
Data Visualization & Cartography 3.3	67,730		3,000		70,730
Socioeconomic Data Collection & Forecasting 3.4	91,374				91,374
Systems Analysis & Data Application 3.5	113,664		8,800		122,464
4. Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)					606,752
Long Range Transportation Planning 4.1	474,560				474,560
Agency Support & Coordination 4.2	63,004				63,004
Active & Public Transportation 4.3	69,192				69,192
5. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)					455,890
TIP Development & Maintenance 5.1	208,177		34,900	100,000	343,077
Coordination and Project Tracking 5.2	149,218				149,218
6. Congestion Management Process (CMP)					225,164
CMP Activities 6.1	13,890			150,000	163,890
Spokane Reg. Trans. Mgt. Center Support 6.2	54,764				54,764
7. Planning Consultation & Studies					2,418,628
General Planning Support & Coordination 7.1	232,871		1,200,000	1,412,871	1,845,742
Regional Transportation Priorities 7.2	98,120				98,120
Safety Education Campaigns 7.3	33,510				33,510
Interstate-90 Study 7.4	39,071			250,000	289,071
Transportation Funding Study 7.5	33,625			136,000	169,625
8. RTPO Planning Functions					306,075
General RTPO Activities 8.1	75,697				75,697
Countywide planning policies certification process 8.2	130,376				130,376
TOTAL	3,702,444	81,000	101,800	2,274,000	6,161,244

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Task Budget

SFY 2026-2027 Unified Planning Work Program

Category	Key Activities
Program Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Annual Budget Development/ Audit• Strategic Planning / Staff Development• SFY 2028-2029 UPWP Development• Board & Committee Meetings/Support
Public Participation/Outreach	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Update the Public Participation Plan• Support MTP Outreach• Initiate regular communication• Initiate Lunch & Learns• Host Annual Summit
Data Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Support TPM Target Setting (PM-1,2 & 3)• Update the High-Injury Network (safety data)• Data program process development• Update travel demand model

SFY 2026-2027 Unified Planning Work Program

Category	Key Activities
Metropolitan & Long-Range Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complete Horizon 2050 (long-range plan)• Human Services Transportation Plan Update• Integrate Resiliency Metrics into project scoring• Conduct a truck parking assessment & study• Update the Safe & Complete Streets Policy• Coordinate with WSDOT & STA planning activities
Transportation Improvement Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Annually Develop 4-year TIP & Guidebook• Complete annual reports (TAP, CMAQ, obligation)• Develop Economic Assessments of Projects
Congestion Management Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Support the SRTMC• Develop a CMP performance measure report• Update the Regional ITS Architecture

SFY 2026-2027 Unified Planning Work Program

Category	Key Activities
Planning Coordination & Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complete a funding alternatives study• Implement a safety education campaign• Develop a scope of services for I-90 supportive planning• Update the Unified List of Regional Priorities
Regional Transportation Planning Organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complete a Regional Transportation Plan• Support comprehensive plan updates & certification review• Facilitate the Regional Alternative Transportation Fuels Coalition

Next Steps

- Public Review Period is set to begin.
- April/May - Present Draft SFY 2026-2027 UPWP
- May/June - Adopt SFY 2026-2027 UPWP