

JAG Cities' Jail Planning Efforts

Presentation to the King County Council Committee of the Whole
June 30, 2008

JAG Cities' Situation

- **King County contract ends on December 31, 2012.**
- **Very limited number of city jail beds (less than 200).
Local jail capacity is needed.**
- **Planning, design and construction often takes at least 6 years. Site procurement & approvals could cause further delays.**

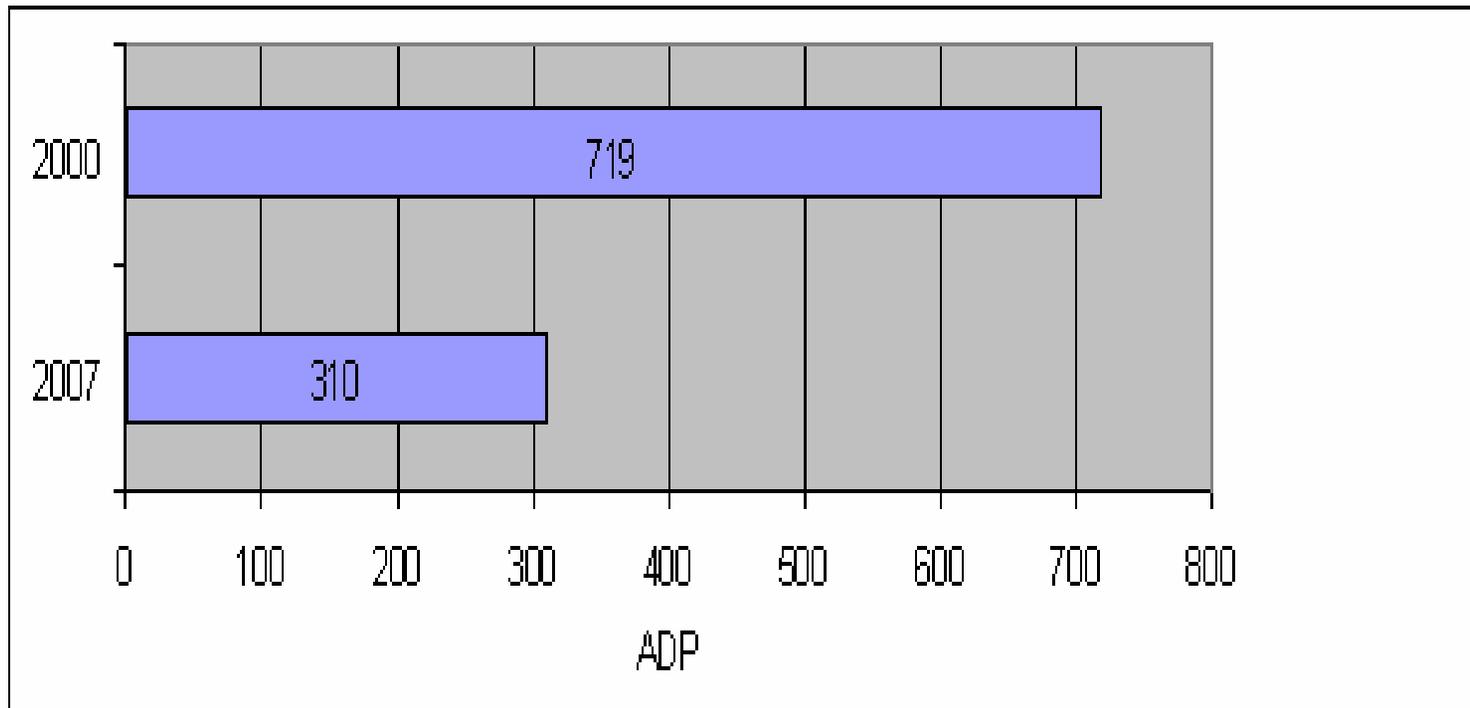
Long-term Jail Space Shortage (2026)

CAPACITY	Regional Beds (including city Jails)	3,216
	RJC Expansion	<u>460</u>
	Total Capacity	3,676

BEDS NEEDED	King County Population Forecast	3,575
	(includes 220 DOC contract inmates)	
	Cities	<u>1,450</u>
	Total Need	5,025

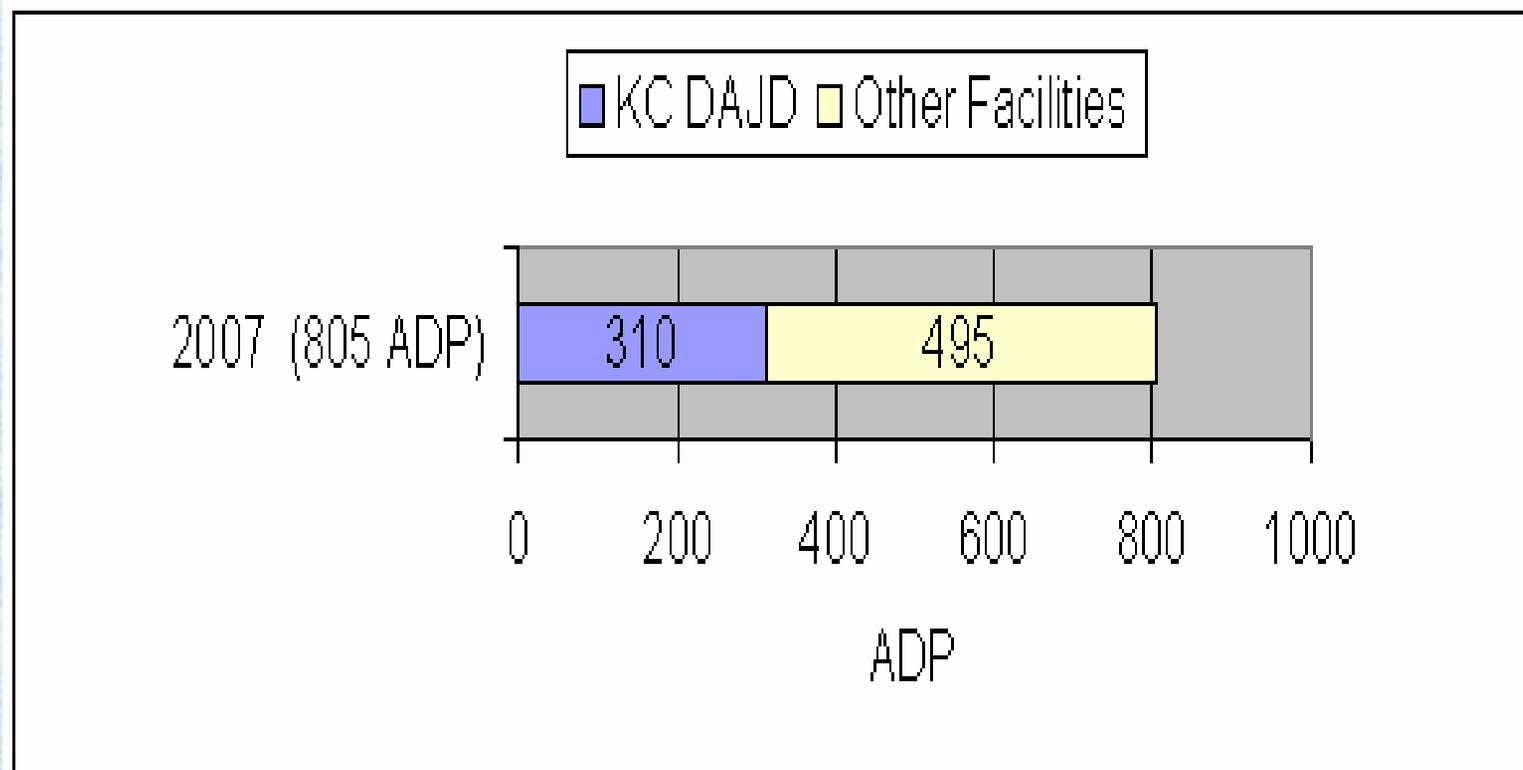
Bed Deficit **1,349**

JAG Cities' KC Jail Use ⁽¹⁾



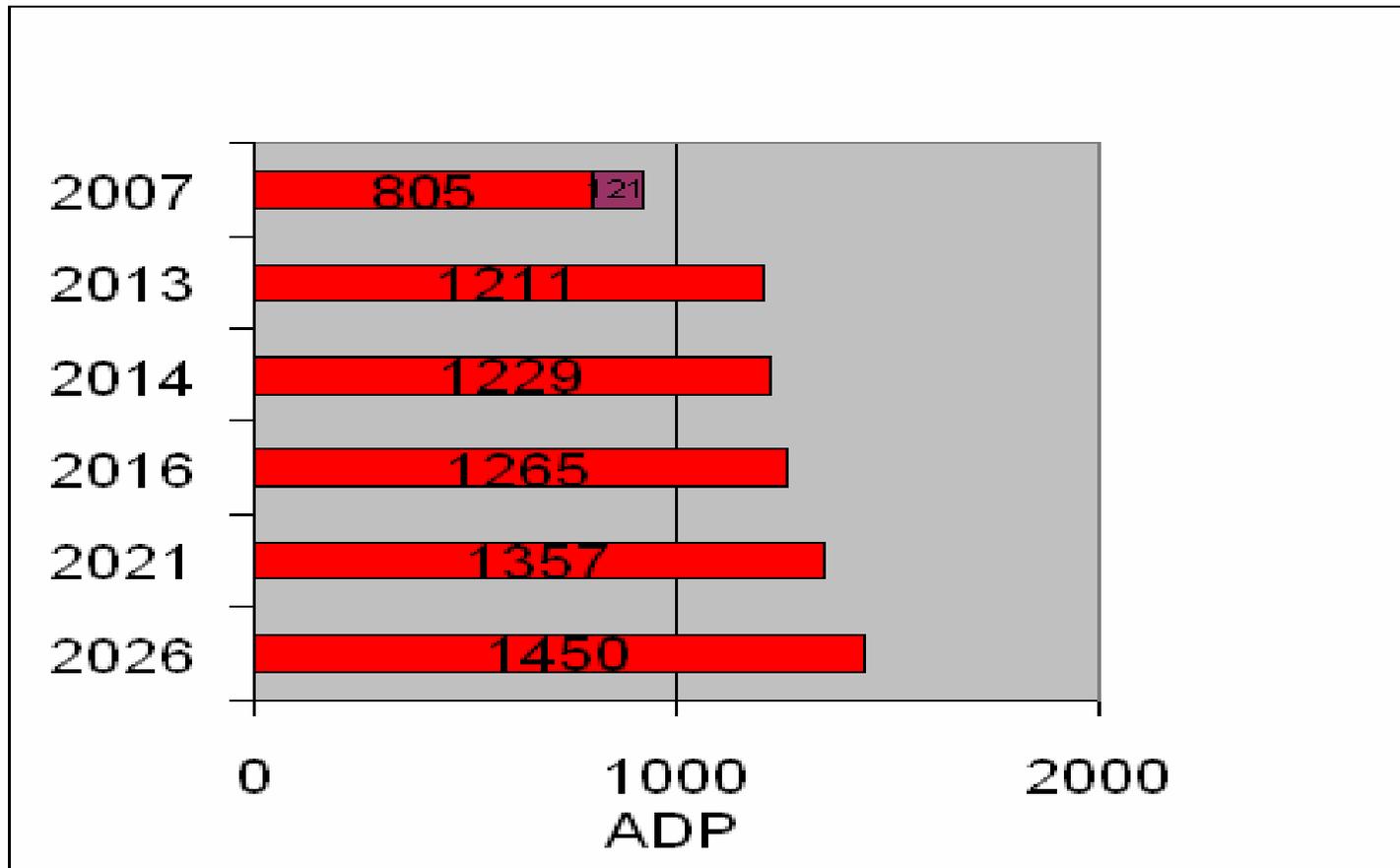
⁽¹⁾Does not include the cities of Enumclaw and Kent

Cities' Total ADP in 2007

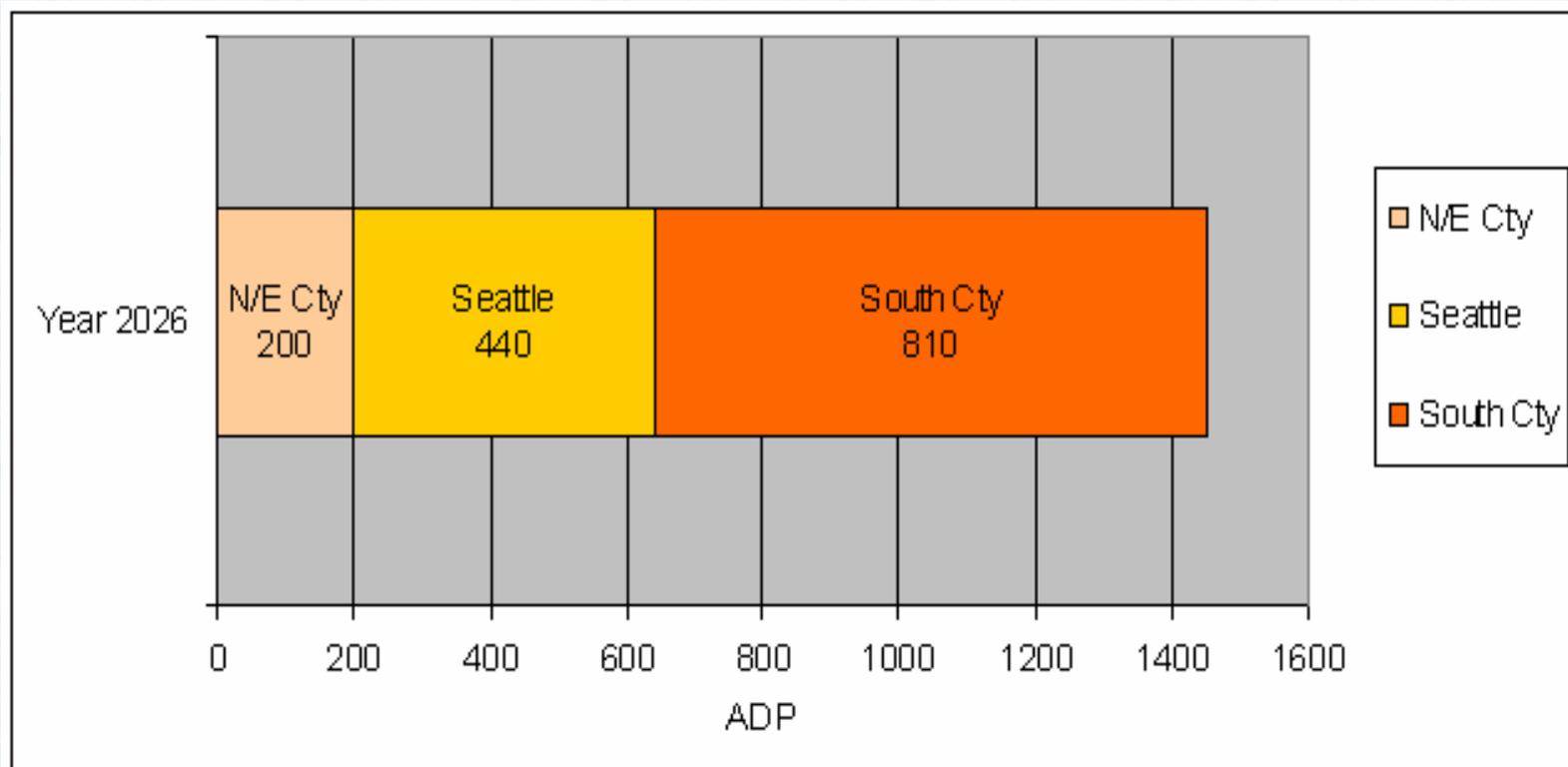


Cities' Forecasted Growth

(2007 Total ADP + Utilization Factor = 926)

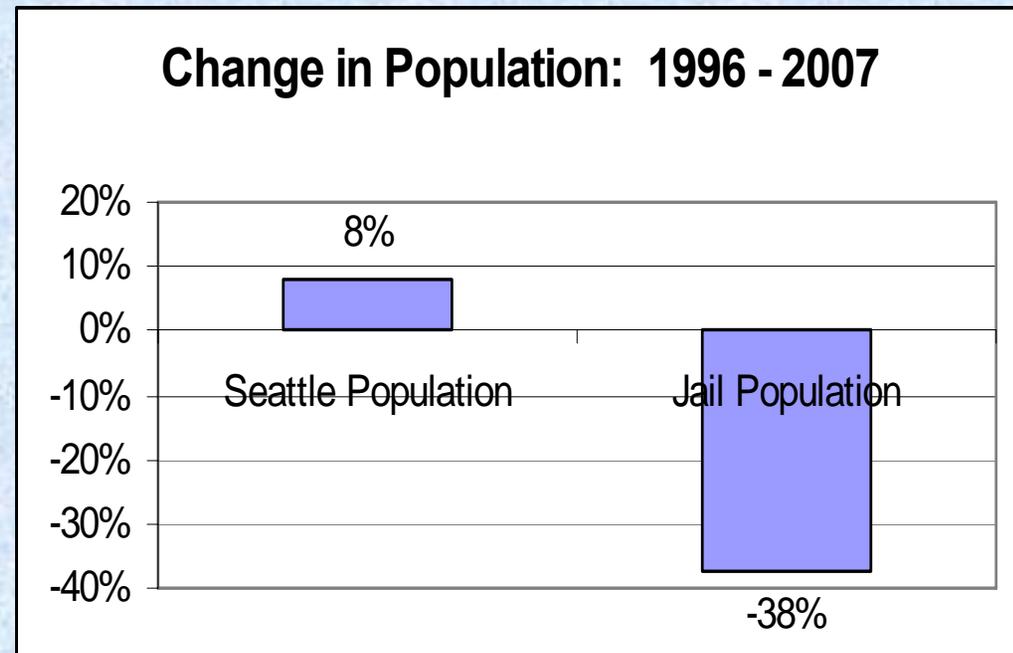


Breakdown of Cities' Need



Seattle's Jail Usage has Dropped

- Seattle's daily jail population has dropped from an average of 456 in 1996 to 285 in 2007.



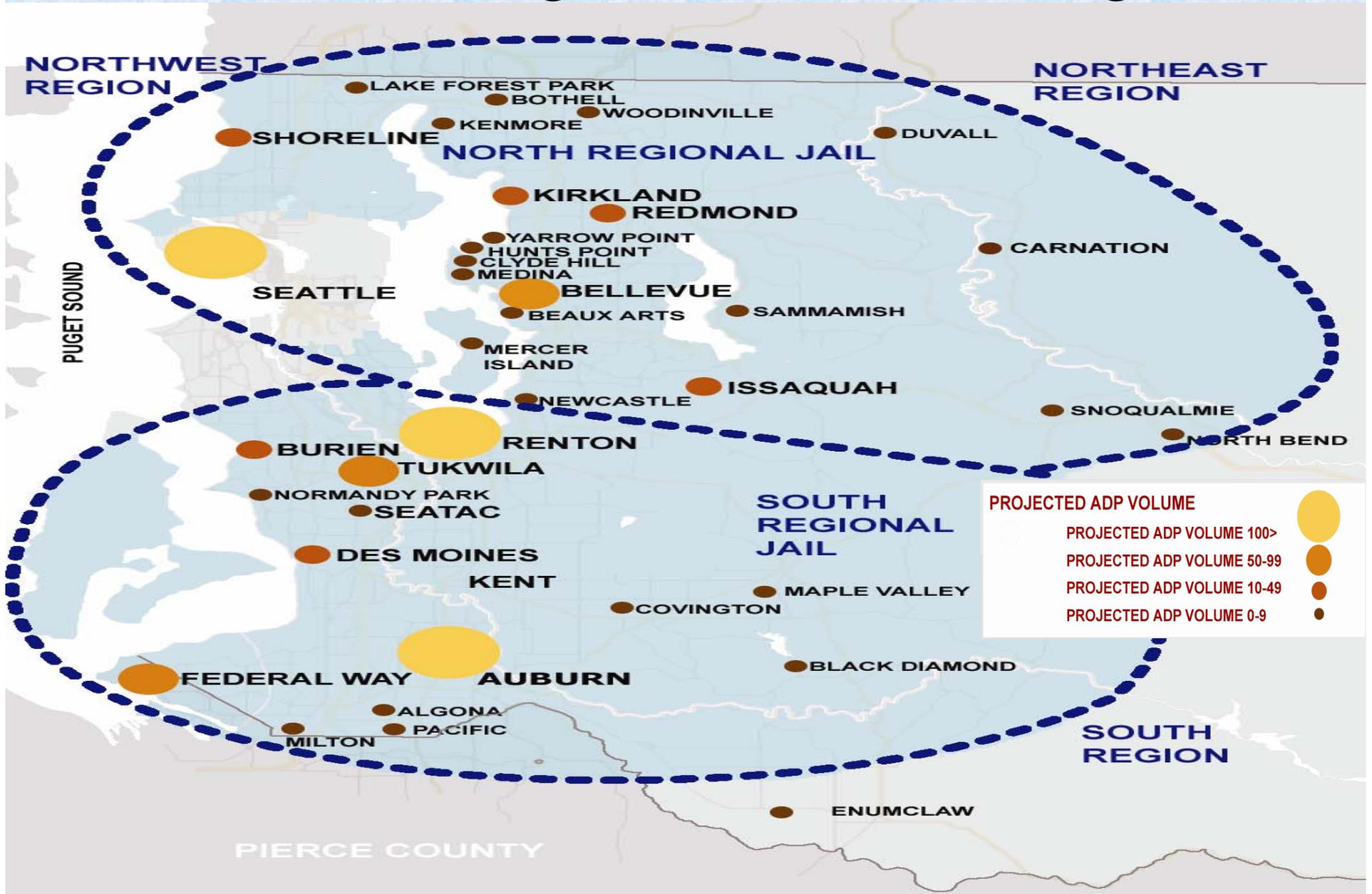
- **EHD:** the Municipal Court has tripled its use
- **Day Reporting:** administered by the Municipal Court
- **Treatment and Housing:** offered by Seattle
- **Community Court:** has reduced jail time for participants

Cities' Use Alternatives (1)

- **Total Detention ADP: 800**
- **Total Alternatives ADP: 336**
 - √ **EHD programs - 259**
 - √ **Day Reporting - 56**
 - √ **Work Release - 21**
- **Mental Health Court (Seattle and Auburn)** - used as a diversion option. This does not directly impact ADP.
- **Community Court (Seattle Municipal Court)** - reduces jail time from an average of 19 days to six days. Participants provide community service in lieu of jail.

1) Based on information from the JAG Jail Feasibility Study by Ricci Greene Associates, December 2006

Cities' Regional Jail Planning



Regional Jail Planning Groups

➤ **South Corrections Entity (SCORE)**

- Includes 5 JAG member cities (Auburn, Des Moines, Federal Way, Tukwila and Renton)

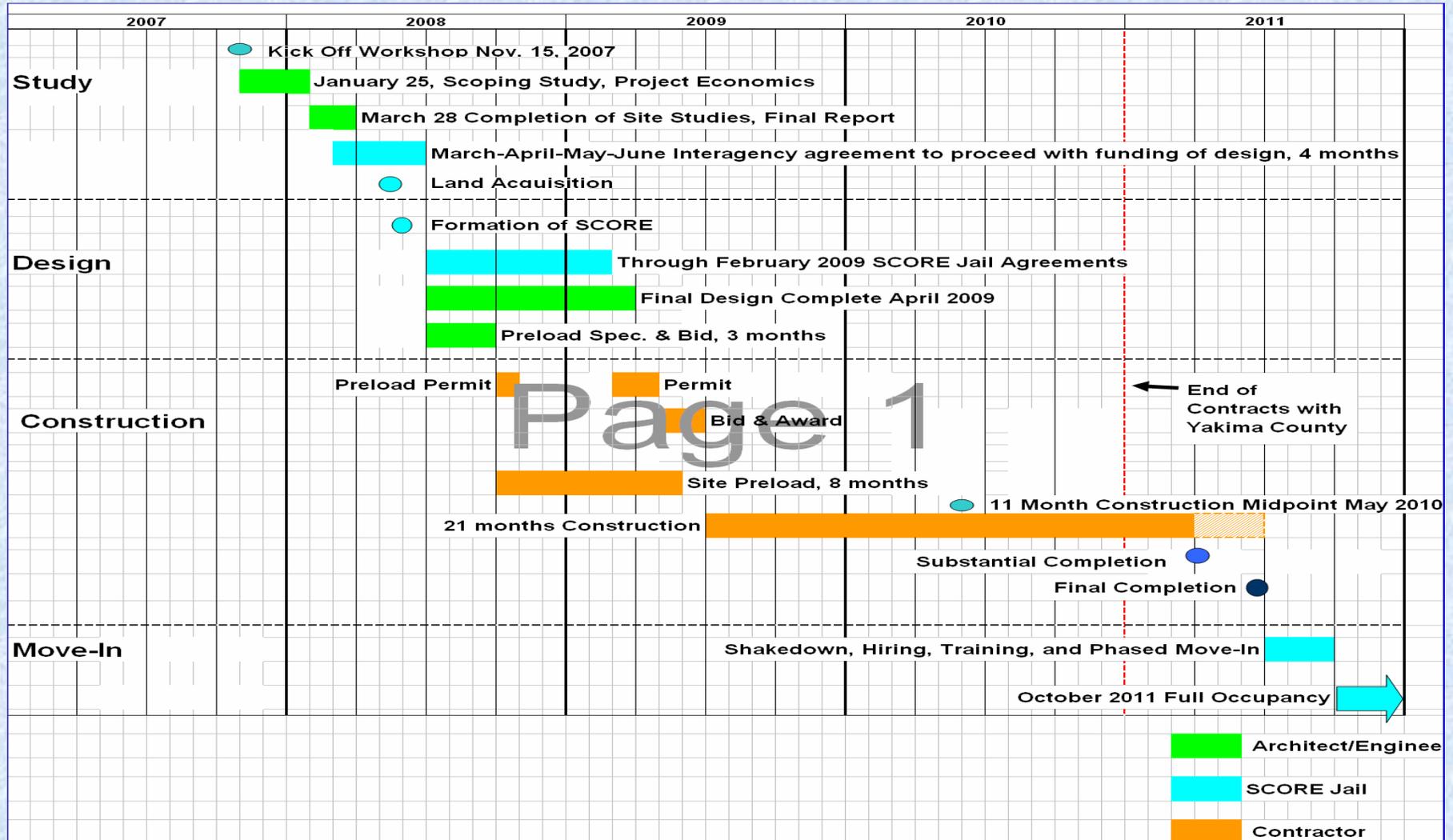
➤ **North/East Cities Committee (NECC)**

- Includes 23 JAG member cities (with larger cities such as Bellevue, Issaquah, Kirkland, Redmond, Seattle and Shoreline)

SCORE Status

- SCORE cities have been working on the project for over 2 years.
- Governance will be based on existing partnerships among the south King County cities.
- Started jail feasibility study in November 2007. Results have included capital and operational cost estimates, staffing plans, and potential sites for the construction of a 668 bed facility.
- Current workplan includes:
 - Finalizing capital and operational budget estimates
 - Executing Interlocal Agreement between owner cities
 - Executing purchase agreement for property and begin SEPA process

SCORE Timeline



NECC Status

- Jail Feasibility Study: Began a two-phase study in April 2008, which is scheduled to be completed by fall of 2008.
 - **Phase 1**: April to July 2008
 - Program for 200 (Eastside Cities), 440 (Seattle Only) and 640 (All North/East Cities) bed facilities, an evaluation of initial representative sites, construction and operating cost estimates for the three potential facility sizes, and a basic definition of per diem charges.
 - Decision for Phase 2: Determine whether to construct one 640 bed jail or two smaller facilities.
 - **Phase 2**: July to October 2008
 - An architectural plan and site development concepts for the defined facility size, as well as further detailed cost estimates.
- Other work during the study: Develop governance structure and financial model, identify sites for review and seek public input, and implement EIS work for the chosen sites.

Seattle Status

- Participating in Jail Feasibility Study with North/East Cities.
- Identified 4 sites for further study (candidates for either a Seattle municipal jail or a combined Seattle and NE Cities jail).
 - Ruled out areas with residential zoning
 - Sites are at least 7 acres in size and have easy access to arterials
- Holding 4 public forums to get community input on the identified sites.
- Holding public meetings in August as part of the Environmental Impact Statements process.
 - For more information, visit our website at www.seattle.gov/municipaljail

Seattle / NECC Timeline

- **January 2008 to second quarter 2009** - Develop site options & identify preferred site
- **June 2008** - Complete Phase 1 of the Seattle, North & Eastside cities feasibility study
- **Third quarter 2008** - Issue draft scoping notice for environmental impact statement; seek public comment
- **October 2008** – Complete Phase 2 of the Feasibility Study
- **January 2009** - Issue draft environmental impact statement; seek public comment on draft environmental impact statement
- **Second quarter 2009** - Incorporate public feedback into final environmental impact statement
- **Second quarter 2009** - Identify preferred site
- **Second quarter 2009 to March 2010** - Architectural & engineering design
- **March 2010 to July 2010** - Bid the construction job
- **July 2010 to July 2012** - Construction
- **July 2012 to December 2012** - Prepare for occupancy
- **January 2013** - Municipal Jail opens

A New Jail Must Be Built

Regardless of whether the cities partner with King County or proceed on their own, a new jail facility will need to be sited and built somewhere in King County.

Building out the RJC only adds 460 beds to the system and does not meet long term regional needs.

Collectively, the cities will need 1,450 beds to meet their long term jail needs.

What The Region Needs

- Long-term King County Contract
- Regional Justice Center Expansion
- Construction of new jail(s)

Further City Representative Comments