

**SEATTLE FREIGHT MOBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATIONS STATUS
UPDATE AS OF APRIL, 2006**

Meeting Date	Subject	Recommendations	Status	Lead Contact	Telephone #	Email
2005 1/18/05	W Marginal Way Trail Project	The study should consider future traffic demand, including the Port's container volume increases and the affect of the planned SR 509 expansion project south of SeaTac. The project team should meet with BNSF. Have a traffic consultant prepare an independent engineering report analyzing the issues identified in the current team outreach effort on project issues and potential solutions. The consultant should be familiar with the project area and truck operational needs. The Committee requested an update at their March meeting.	These considerations will be addressed in a study. Meeting with BNSF is scheduled for 10/10 or 10/11/05. Outreach issues will be included in study. The Port contracted with Heffron Trans. Inc. to perform traffic study.	Ron Scharf, SDOT	684-5192	Ron.Scharf@Seattle.gov
	Intersection Operations	NUCOR Steel requested SDOT's assistance with a truck turning problem at the intersection of Andover and Delridge.	Traffic operations have been reviewed. SDOT has developed a work scope, general capital project cost estimate, and future scope and schedule for improving the intersection. Project is unfunded at this time.	Ron Borowski, SDOT	684 8370	Ron.borowski@seattle.gov
2/15/05	Interstate 5 Pavement Reconstruction Project	None		Carol Hunter, WSDOT		
	Lake City Multi-Modal Project	None	LCW was paved and reopened full-width to traffic in December 2005. Substantial completion anticipated by end of February 2006. (Update 2/21/06)	Ron Scharf, SDOT	684-5192	Ron.Scharf@Seattle.gov
3/15/05	Alaskan Way Viaduct	The participants recommended that several ideas be considered in the refinement of the plan.	Plan is in progress.	WSDOT: Tom Madden	Steve Pearce	steve.pearce@seattle.gov

	Emergency Closure Traffic Plan			SDOT: Bob Chandler/ Steve Pearce	684-8371	
	W Marginal Way Trail	1. It was recommended that the team meet with BNSF about the plan, potential rail crossing impacts and the appropriate approach for the trail's design and operations.	Team met with BNSF. See above.	Ron Scharf, SDOT	684-5192	Ron.Scharf@Seattle.gov
		2. The Committee recommended that there be further consideration of the vehicle and bicycle incidents that have occurred on the Burke Gilman Trail to determine the applicability to the W Marginal Way Trail project.	See below.			
		3. It was recommended that the team thoroughly consider future traffic and truck demand and related capacity need to carry that demand, particularly since the Port of Seattle is experiencing rapid increases in container shipping.	The Port has commissioned Heffron Associates to study the traffic operations implications. Results will be presented.			
4/19/05	W Marginal Way Trail Project	The Port and SDOT should add an additional work scope task to the Port's trail consultant work plan to evaluate the potential bicycle/vehicle safety and liability issues associated with the proposed bicycle trail. The consultant should evaluate potential safety and liability issues where the trail crosses driveways that provide access to the respective businesses. The evaluation should consider all motor vehicle trips generated by the businesses adjacent to the trail, including both the vehicles generated by the respective businesses and other vehicles accessing the business sites.	Seattle Law Dept staff presented information on traffic liability at the July 19 th meeting. Project team is exploring an alternative alignment on west side which may not require a lane reduction on W Marginal Way. (Update on 2/21/06)	Ron Scharf, SDOT	684-5192	Ron.Scharf@Seattle.gov
	Mercer Corridor Project	SDOT should perform a field test of truck turn radii (two configurations) compared to the design templates. Staff would set up cones in a parking lot and the Committee would provide a truck for the test.	SDOT and the Mercer Project consultant conducted the demonstration in response to the Committee's recommendations on November 17 th . A report is forthcoming.	Eric Tweit, SDOT	684-8834	Eric.Tweit@seattle.gov
5/17/05	W Marginal	Present a status report at the June meeting.	Seattle Law Dept staff presented	Ron Scharf,	684-5192	Ron.Scharf@Seattle.gov

	Way Trail Project		information on traffic liability at the July 19 th meeting.	SDOT		
6/21/05	Fremont Bridge Construction	None		Lorelei Mesic , SDOT	684-5178	Lorelei.mesic@seattle.gov
	Alaskan Way Viaduct	None		Steve Pearce, SDOT	684 8371	steve.paerce@seattle.gov
7/19/05	W Marginal Way Trail Project	None	Seattle Law Dept staff presented information on traffic liability at the July 19 th meeting.	Ron Scharf, SDOT	684-5192	Ron.Scharf@Seattle.gov
8/16/05	Mercer Corridor	None		Eric Tweit, SDOT	684-8834	Eric.Tweit@seattle.gov
	Alaskan Way Viaduct	None		Steve Pearce, SDOT	684 8371	steve.pearce@seattle.gov
	Heating Oil Transport	None		Ron Borowski, SDOT	684 8370	Ron.borowski@seattle.gov
9/20/05	Downtown Bus Tunnel Closure	None		Jon Layzer, SDOT	684-8084	LayzerJC@seattle.gov
	SR 520 Project	None		David Allen, SDOT	733-9302	Allenda@seattle.gov
10/18/05	Downtown Bus Tunnel Loading Zones	None: Changes appear to be working.				
	Northgate Transportation Plan	None		Tony Mazzella, SDOT	684-0811	tony.mazzella@seattle.gov
	Right of Way Improvement Manual	Design decisions should strongly consider larger trucks on arterials and Overlegal truck dimensions, especially on designated Major Truck Streets and Port of Seattle connector routes.	The Manual has been updated, and is available on the SDOT website.	Barbara Gray, SDOT	615-0872	GrayBK@seattle.gov
11/15/05	Meeting Canceled		Meeting was replaced with the day long Truckers Rodeo conducted on	Ron Borowski, SDOT	684 8370	Ron.borowski@seattle.gov

			November 17 th . Results are forthcoming.			
12/20/05	Meeting Canceled		Canceled due to holidays.	Ron Borowski, SDOT	684 8370	Ron.borowski@seattle.gov

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2006 RECOMMENDATIONS STATUS
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Meeting Date	Subject	Recommendations	Status	Lead Contact	Telephone #	Email
2006 1/17/06	S. Downtown Railroad Corridor Study	None		Ann Sutphin, SDOT	684 8374	Ann.sutphin@seattle.gov
	SR 519 Ph 2 Alternatives Feasibility Assessment	WSDOT should work towards an implementation plan that does not result in a traffic condition or Level of Service (LOS) that is LOS E or F (red was the color used to indicate that LOS in the presentation).	WSDOT is refining the draft Assessment in coordination with project stakeholders.	John White, WSDOT	206-267 6388	WhiteJH@wsdot.wa.gov
	Liveable S. Downtown Plan	None	The Plan was presented to the public at an Open House on March 15 th , 2006.	Susan McLain, Dept. of Planning and Development (DPD)	684-0432	susan.mclain@seattle.gov
2/21/06	Spokane St Viaduct Project: Current Design and Status	1. Identify what the proposed grades are for the two new ramps and review with the Committee.	Analysis is underway.	Stuart Goldsmith, SDOT	615-0860	stuart.goldsmith@seattle.gov
		2. Determine if the proposed new 4 th Ave S off-ramp will increase traffic north of Spokane St, in particular at the SR 519 intersection at 4 th Ave S and Atlantic St. Determine how it will impact the level of service at this intersection.	Analysis is underway.			
		3. Check if the proposed 7 foot shoulder on the Viaduct structure could be too narrow for disabled trucks.	Analysis is underway.			

	Fremont Bridge Truck Restrictions	1. SDOT should consider allowing overlegal load carriers to operate one-way across the Fremont Bridge under permit and with police supervision during off-peak hours where feasible.	Analysis is underway.	Lorelei Mesic, SDOT	684-5178	Lorelei.mesic@seattle.gov
		2. SDOT should extend the peak hours definition on the Fremont Bridge to reduce marine traffic induced delays on the road traffic crossing on the bridge, particularly since the lanes will be reduced during construction.	Analysis is underway.			
		3. The Committee provided several suggestions on additional traffic signs locations to be used during the truck detours, to be incorporated into the detour plan.	Signing plan being modified in preparation for May 2006 restrictions			
	Alaskan Way Viaduct Business Survey	Topic was tabled	Survey is in process.	Dawn Schellenberg	684-5189	dawn.schellenberg@seattle.gov
3/21/06	SR 519 Ph 2 and Holgate St Traffic Closure	The Committee opposes closing Holgate St to cross traffic at all times.	Amtrak has requested full time roadway closure to support their maintenance base functions between Occidental Ave S and 4 th Ave S.	Ann Sutphin, SDOT	684-8374	Ann.sutphin@seattle.gov
4/18/06	Mercer Corridor	None	Preliminary design will start in May 2006. Truck accommodations are being refined.	Eric Tweit, SDOT	684-8834	Eric.Tweit@seattle.gov
	Transportation Priorities and City Funding	None	The city is considering potential funding measures to improve safety and maintenance.	Dog Wentworth, SDOT	684-0814	Doug.wentworth@seattle.gov
	Fremont Bridge Truck Routing	None	The Bridge will closed to trucks and buses in late May. Alternative truck route plans have been developed.	Lorelei Mesic, SDOT	684-5178	Lorelei.mesic@seattle.gov

For further information about the Freight Mobility Advisory Committee, contact Ron Borowski, Seattle Freight Mobility Program, at 206-684-8370 or ron.borowski@seattle.gov

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