



## Updating the Transportation Element Guidebook

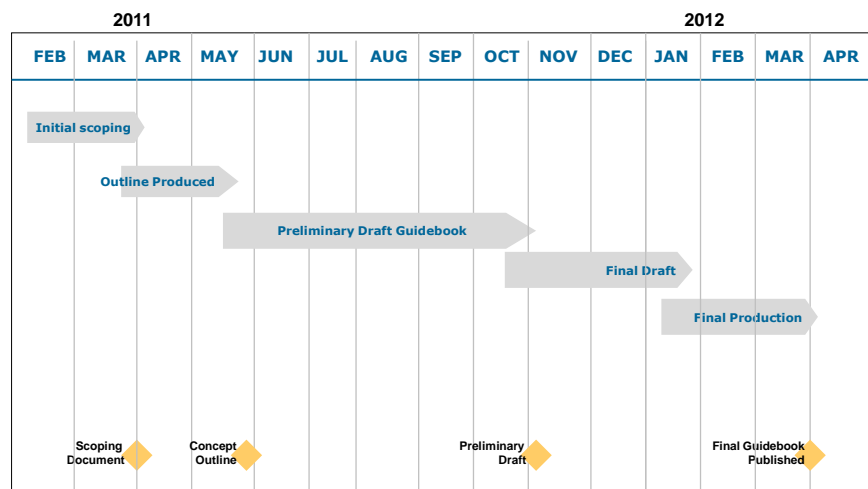
Over the next twelve months, Commerce will be updating our Transportation Element Guidebook. This is the first complete overhaul of our transportation planning guidebook since 1993. The new guidebook is funded in part from statewide Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant funds and in part by a grant from the Department of Energy, as a way of implementing the [new state energy strategy](#). The new guidebook will cover all of the amendments to the transportation planning statutes since 1993. It will integrate our [1993 guidebook](#), our [guidebook on state transportation facilities](#) and our guidebook on [pedestrian and nonmotorized transportation](#)

Another goal of the project is to create a product that is more accessible, concise, easier to use, and easier to update. We expect the document to be published on the web for ease in updating, and to provide easy access to downloadable files and other links.

### Project Schedule

Right now, we are looking for input from guidebook users, including local government practitioners, planning commission members and elected officials, interested citizens and state and federal agency staff. Commerce is conducting initial outreach and scoping through April 2011 to ensure the final guidance meets the needs of Washington communities. We plan to release a scope of work that to guide the development of the final product. As we are developing guidebook chapters, we will post drafts on the project web site for review and comment. We plan on having the full draft finished this fall and the final document ready in April of 2012.

## Transportation Guidebook Update Timeline



## ***How to provide input or monitor the process***

We will be seeking input on an on-going basis. To receive regular updates on progress, sign of for our list serve. More information is available on our project web site. [www.commerce.wa.gov/growth](http://www.commerce.wa.gov/growth)

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If you have any initial thoughts or questions, you can send them to:

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