

WSDOT Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Disparity Study

INFORMATIONAL SESSIONS

What is a Disparity Study?

A disparity study uses statistical analysis to examine whether certain populations are under-represented as contractors and subcontractors working on Washington State Department of Transportation contracts.

What will I learn?

- The study process used to determine available firms and contract participation.
- The study recommended policy and program changes to enhance DBE participation in WSDOT contracts.
- The study findings:
 - DBE participation in FHWAassisted contracts was 102.2 percent of the availability of DBE firms to perform work for WSDOT. This is an increase from 92.5 percent in the 2017 Disparity Study.
 - OBE participation in statefunded contracts was 85.8 percent of the availability of DBE firms to perform work for WSDOT. This was an increase from 33.5 percent in the 2017 Disparity Study.

Why is WSDOT holding these meetings?

As a valued partner in this study, it is important that you are fully informed and learn how WSDOT and the diverse business community will continue to advance equity in government contracting.

When are the meetings?

VIRTUAL MEETING 10 to 12 am Tuesday, June 18

SEATTLE — IN-PERSON 10 am to 12 pm Thursday, June 20 Tabor Hub 7100 Fort Dent Way #100 Tukwila, WA 98188

VIRTUAL MEETING 2 pm to 4 pm Thursday June 27

How do I participate?

To receive the meeting invitation, send your name and the meeting you plan to attend to DisparityStudy@ wsdot.wa.gov

For more information on the informational sessions, please contact:

Michael Carpenter, Disparity Study Project Manager Office of Equity and Civil Rights Washington State Department of Transportation 360.705.6864 P.O. Box 47314 Olympia, WA 9850 DisparityStudy@wsdot.wa.gov

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Information: This material can be made available in an alternate format by emailing the Office of Equity and Civil Rights (OECR) at wsdotada@wsdot.wa.gov or by calling toll free, 855-362-4ADA(4232). Persons who are deaf or hard of hearing may make a request by calling the Washington State Relay at 711.