

SR 99/Lynnwood and Unincorporated Snohomish County Pre-Design Study

Executive Advisory Group Meeting Minutes

Meeting title: Executive Advisory Group (EAG) Meeting #1

Date: November 22, 2024

Time: 11:30-12:30 a.m.

Location: MS Teams

Purpose: Discuss process overview, methods and assumptions, existing conditions, purpose and need, outreach and engagement strategies.

EAG Attendees:

Name	Organization	Name	Organization
Richard White	Boeing	Rebecca Miner	Edmonds School District
Susan Paine	City of Edmonds	Mike Schmieder	City of Everett
Jenna Nand	City of Edmonds	Kelly McGourty	PSRC
Jennifer Gregerson	City of Everett	Deborah Bell	Snohomish County Council
Ben Zarlingo	City of Everett	Doug McCormick	Snohomish County Council
Julieta Altamirano Crosby	City of Lynnwood	Eric Widstrand	Sound Transit
Nick Coelho	City of Lynnwood	Chris Caiola	Washington State Patrol
David Marshall	City of Lynnwood	Robin Mayhew	WSDOT
Melissa Cauley	Community Transit	Carl See	Washington State Transportation Commission
Ric Ilgenfritz	Community Transit	Matthew Pahs	FHWA

Study Team Attendees:

Name	Organization	Name	Organization
April Delchamps	WSDOT	Jeanne Acutanza	WSP
Nick Menzel	WSDOT	Dillon Zang	WSP
Joshua Shippy	WSDOT	Chris Ell	WSP
Zachary Howard	WSDOT	Henry Yates	Yates Consulting
Amber Stanley	WSDOT	Josh Hartley	Fehr and Peers

Welcome and Safety Moment:

April Delchamps, WSDOT, welcomed everyone and introduced Robin Mayhew, WSDOT. Robin provided background on the study and expressed WSDOT's excitement in working with their partners on improving this corridor. April shared a safety moment as well as a land acknowledgement. April facilitated introductions via Teams and reviewed the agenda.

Study Overview

April provided background information on the project, including earlier study efforts that began in 2022 and brought the group up to date on the current study status and scope. April walked through the purpose of the three EAG Meetings, schedule for completing the study, EAG-invited participants, Study Team responsibilities, and EAG roles and responsibilities.

Discussion on the Process and Engagement:

- Jenna Nand asked about creating an improvement district for SR99 across jurisdictions.

Engagement Strategies

Amber Stanley, WSDOT, reviewed the community profile for the study area and briefly summarized the previous engagement that was done in 2022, highlighting the feelings of unsafety by survey participants. Henry Yates, Study Team, discussed the current engagement the study team is doing and shared a list of who they are engaging with. The engagement plan consisting of an Equity Working Group (EWG), smaller group meeting and ongoing communication was explained.

Discussion on the Process and Engagement:

- Susan Paine requested Edmonds Food Bank should be included in community engagement. Casey Davis is their Executive Director
- Susan requested ARC of Snohomish County should be added to get voices from the Disability Community
- Julieta Altatmirano Crosby suggested Refugee & Immigrant Services Northwest should be added. Van Kuno is the Executive Director.

Existing Conditions

Josh Shippy, WSDOT, started the discussion on roadway safety by going over the safe system approach adapted by WSDOT and the methods and assumptions for the safety analysis for the corridor, highlighting the focus on killed and serious injury (KSI) crashes. The safety analysis was broken into Unincorporated Snohomish County and City of Lynnwood and the following data was shared: total number of severe crashes, roadway safety trends, high KSI locations, KSI collision types and KSI contributing factors. Josh also discussed the existing conditions for freight and vehicular mobility. Zach Howard, WSDOT, reviewed the land use, major institutions and

environmental context of the study area. Zach dove deeper into what the complete streets requirements are and how they would be applied to this study. The analysis of the levels of traffic stress for the existing pedestrian and bicycle facilities was reviewed. Nick Menzel, WSDOT, explained the roadway and intersection schematics that the study team has put together to analyze segments of the study area. Chris Simmons, Community Transit, wrapped up the existing conditions discussion by going over the transit routes and stops in the study area as well as the boarding and alighting data.

Discussion of the Existing Conditions:

- Matthew Pahs asked if the SS4 program has been used for identifying and addressing safety in the study area.
 - Susan replied that Edmonds has a SS4A grant for a study in 2025
 - SS4A will be used to guide this study

Purpose and Need

April talked through the purpose of the study, the preliminary needs, and the preliminary goals. The preliminary needs and goals are based on the existing conditions analysis and the initial community engagement.

Discussion on the Purpose and Need:

- N/A

Next Steps

April went over action items and scheduling for the next meeting.

Discussion on the Next Steps:

- Ben Zarlingo asked about what kinds of things might be considered and if the TWG can give examples of what has been done elsewhere.
 - The group discussed Shorelines improvements to SR 99 and the ongoing work in Seattle and Edmonds
 - The study will look at short term and long term solutions
 - Ben followed up that the corridor is a challenge with the magnitude of issues present.