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PSRC Resolution A-01-02

A RESOLUTION of the Puget Sound Regional Council Adopting Destination 2030 (the 2001 Metropolitan Transportation Plan)

WHEREAS, the Puget Sound Regional Council is designated by the governor of the State of Washington, under federal and state laws, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO) for the central Puget Sound region encompassing King, Kitsap, Pierce and Snohomish counties; and

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Agreement signed by all Regional Council members establishes the Council as a forum for collaborative work on regional growth management, transportation and other issues requiring regional coordination and cooperation; and

WHEREAS, as the MPO and RTPO for the four-county region, the Regional Council has specific responsibilities under federal and state laws, including the federal Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) and Clean Air Act, and the state Growth Management Act (GMA), as well as responsibilities pursuant to the Interlocal Agreement signed by all members; and

WHEREAS, in 1995 the Regional Council adopted VISION 2020 and the 1995 Metropolitan Transportation Plan to comply with the above referenced responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, in July 1996, the Metropolitan Transportation Plan was amended to address long-term commercial air transportation capacity needs of the central Puget Sound region; and

WHEREAS, federal and state laws require that the Regional Council periodically review and update its Metropolitan Transportation Plan to reflect progress and changes regarding plan implementation directions using the latest forecasts of regional demographic and development patterns; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 23 CFR Sec 450.316, the Regional Council has prepared household, population and employment forecasts and distributions for the central Puget Sound region based on the most recent demographic and economic information available; these forecasts are consistent with the general growth pattern

for the central Puget Sound region and reflect plans, policies and growth targets developed by local jurisdictions and countywide projections of the state Office of Financial Management; member jurisdictions have reviewed the forecasts and distributions for consistency with local plans and/or countywide planning policies; and the Regional Council recognizes the need to continuously refine these regionwide forecasts and distributions for consistency with countywide planning policies and adopted local comprehensive plans; and

WHEREAS, from August 1999 through March 2001, the Regional Council's Growth and Transportation Policy Boards directed development of an updated Metropolitan Transportation Plan in compliance with federal and state laws, and developed a draft "Destination 2030" document to serve as the region's 2001 update of its Metropolitan Transportation Plan, hereinafter referred to as "Destination 2030;" and

WHEREAS, consistent with federal and state mandates, state environmental requirements, and with the Regional Council's Interlocal Agreement, Public Participation Plan, and other operating procedures, the Regional Council has worked with local, state and federal jurisdictions and agencies in a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive planning process; has made draft documents available for public review; has conducted a public hearing, surveys, conferences, workshops, open houses, and other efforts including providing extensive data and information related to the plan update on the Regional Council's Web site, to involve communities, agencies, businesses, interest groups, and individuals in order to facilitate their ability to provide input, discussion and review of Destination 2030 and the Environmental Impact Statement; and has incorporated the work of local governments, and the suggestions of citizens, businesses, and interests throughout the region in these documents; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Council has prepared a draft and final environmental impact statement ("EIS") on Destination 2030 pursuant to the State Environmental Policy Act; in crafting the Destination 2030 alternatives, the Council also engaged in a formal scoping process; the purpose of environmental scoping is to narrow the focus of the EIS to significant environmental issues related to plan implementation options, to eliminate insignificant impacts from detailed study, and to identify alternatives to be analyzed in the EIS; the scoping process concluded with the Transportation and Growth Management Policy Boards review and approval of a report in December 1999 entitled Scope of the Environmental Review for the 2001 Update of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan; subsequent to this document, the Boards also released a draft Environmental Impact Statement for public comment; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Council is to certify that Destination 2030 complies with all the applicable requirements of the Federal Transit Act, Clean Air Act, Civil Rights Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, TEA-21, and all other applicable state and federal laws; and

WHEREAS, Destination 2030 includes guidance for regional plan amendments and major capacity investment decisions that establishes a framework for final regional approval of major regionally significant project or program investments that are proposed to address regional transportation system needs but which have not yet identified specific project or program-level details and/or completed environmental requirements; and

WHEREAS, Destination 2030 is viewed as a starting point for all jurisdictions and subareas of the region to assess the strengths and weaknesses of this composite picture of the region's future, the planning and monitoring process efforts of the Regional Council will support and assist jurisdictions and subarea planning groups to work together to further identify and clarify transportation solutions for identified deficiencies that are not yet addressed in Destination 2030; and

WHEREAS, Destination 2030 is to serve as the required regional transportation plan under state law and as the metropolitan transportation plan under federal law; and

WHEREAS, Destination 2030 supercedes the 1995 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (1995 MTP) and the region's 1988 Interim Regional Airport System Plan (RASP), and fully incorporates and maintains the Regional Council's 1996 amendment action to the 1995 MTP that addressed long-term commercial air transportation capacity needs of the central Puget Sound region by adoption of Regional Council Resolution A-96-02;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Regional Council General Assembly adopts Destination 2030 and its plan Appendices, Attachment A, as the functional transportation element of VISION 2020, to serve as the region's official regional and metropolitan transportation plan, and finds Destination 2030 to be in conformity with the Clean Air Act, TEA-21 requirements and state Regional Transportation Planning Organization requirements;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Regional Council hereby certifies that Destination 2030 complies with all applicable requirements of the Federal Transit Act, Clean Air Act, Civil Rights Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, TEA-21 and other applicable state and federal statutes and regulations;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Regional Council's Executive Director is authorized to transmit Destination 2030 to the Federal Transit Administration and the Federal Highway Administration to make the conformity determination in accordance with the federal Clean Air Act and the Environmental Protection Agency's transportation conformity regulations, and for review based on the planning process requirements of TEA-21 and other federal statutes;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Regional Council's Executive Director is authorized to transmit Destination 2030 to the Governor and the Washington State Department of Transportation in compliance with Regional Transportation Planning Organization requirements;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Regional Council staff is directed to prepare, reproduce and distribute the final Destination 2030 plan document.

ADOPTED by the Assembly this 24th day of May, 2001.

Commissioner Bob Edwards
President, Puget Sound Regional Council

Attest: Mary McCumber, Executive Director

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