West Seattle Link Extension

Programmatic Agreement Among the Federal Transit Administration, the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation and the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority Implementing Section 106 the National Historic Preservation Act for the West Seattle Link Extension Project, Seattle, King County, Washington

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Attached please find the first Quarterly Report (2025Q2) for the *Programmatic Agreement Among the Federal Transit Administration, the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation and the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority Implementing Section 106 the National Historic Preservation Act for the West Seattle Link Extension Project, Seattle, King County, Washington* (Programmatic Agreement).

This is the first Quarterly Report for the Programmatic Agreement. The Quarterly Report provides Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP), Consulting Tribes, Consulting Parties, and the public with the implementation status of measures developed to resolve adverse effects in the outlined in the Programmatic Agreement.

This Quarterly Report was prepared per Stipulation XXVII.A of the Programmatic Agreement, which states,

"Every three (3) months following the execution of this Agreement and until it expires or is terminated, Sound Transit shall provide FTA [Federal Transit Administration], DAHP, Consulting Tribes, and other Consulting Parties a summary report detailing work undertaken pursuant to its terms. Subject to the confidentiality requirements in 54 USC [U.S. Code] § [Section] 307103 and 36 CFR [Code of Federal Regulations] § 800.11(c), each report shall include an itemized listing of all measures required to implement the terms of this Agreement. Each report shall also include a timetable of activities proposed for implementation within the following reporting period and, as applicable, notices of the initiation of construction for individual construction bid packages."

The Programmatic Agreement was executed on February 11, 2025, and thus each Quarterly Report will go out to signatories and concurring parties roughly every three months following that date.

As the project progresses, each Quarterly Report will include a summary of updates on the implementation status of mitigation measures outlined in the Programmatic Agreement in this cover letter, as well as a detailed accounting of the status of the Programmatic Agreement



commitments and opportunities for engagement in the attached Section 106 Programmatic Agreement Commitment Tracking Matrix.

General Updates

Sound Transit is developing a schedule for deliverables included in the Section 106 Programmatic Agreement commitments. This schedule is anticipated to be shared in mid-2025 with DAHP, Consulting Tribes, and Consulting Parties for awareness and workload planning.

Programmatic Agreement Commitment Updates

Below Sound Transit provides updates on Stipulations of the Programmatic Agreement that are currently in progress. Each of these commitments will require coordination with DAHP, Consulting Tribes, and Consulting Parties.

Stipulation XVI: Identification and Evaluation of Archaeological Properties

Drafts of both the Archaeological Treatment Plan and Archaeological Monitoring Plan are in review cycles with DAHP and Consulting Tribes.

Stipulation XIX: Historic Context Study of the Industrial Development of West Seattle and the Duwamish Waterway vicinity.

Sound Transit is developing an outline that includes a brief abstract, high level content, and proposed geographic and temporal boundaries for this study. This will be shared with DAHP, Consulting Tribes, and Consulting Parties for review and comment.

Stipulation XXI: Mitigation for Adverse Effects to Cettolin House, 4022 32nd Avenue Southwest (WISAARD ID 721984).

Sound Transit is developing an outline for the historic context described in Stipulation XXI.A that includes a brief abstract, high level content, and proposed geographic and temporal boundaries for this study. This will be shared with DAHP, Consulting Tribes, and Consulting Parties for review and comment.

Stipulation XXVI: Cultural Resources Orientation

Sound Transit is developing a cultural resources orientation to ensure that all constructionrelated commitments as identified in the Programmatic Agreement are properly tracked and executed.





Design and Construction Progress Updates

As of late April 2025, there has been no substantial progress on construction of the project. Currently Sound Transit is in the process of procuring an Early Design Services (EDS) contract, which will progress design on the project from what is included in the project Final Environmental Impact Statement.

Sound Transit will continue to implement Section 106 mitigation commitments concurrent with the expected impacts of construction to historic properties as described in the Programmatic Agreement.

The next Quarterly Report will be available in August 2025.

These quarterly reports will also be publicly available on Sound Transit's website for the project here: <u>Environmental documents | Sound Transit</u>

If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact Alex Stevenson at *alex.stevenson@soundtransit.org*.

