

System Access Fund Update

Citizen Oversight Panel






5/19/21

Why we are here

- System Access Fund overview
- Recap 2019 Call of Projects process
- Update on award administration

System Access Fund

What is it?

- The major piece of the \$100M ST3 System Access Program that is divided equally between the five sub-areas (\$20M per subarea)
- Intended to fund projects such as:
 -  *safe sidewalks*
 -  *protected bike lanes*
 -  *shared use paths*
 -  *improved bus-rail integration*
 -  *new pick-up and drop-off areas*



Approach for Fund administration

- Conduct a call for projects in 2019
 - » *Call opened Feb 19 and closed Apr 12*
- Make between \$0-\$10M per subarea available
 - » *Program funds between 2019-2025*
- Received 53 applications from 33 jurisdictions requesting more than \$86M

Evaluation criteria

Policy factors

- *Customer experience*
- *Equity*
- *Connectivity*
- *Safety & human health*

Technical factors

- *Funding plan*
- *Delivery plan*

How were projects chosen?

- Initial Sound Transit evaluation
 - » *A high, medium, or low rating for each criteria*
 - » *An overall rating of highly recommended, recommended, or not recommended for each project*
- Public comment period for rider and resident input (open July 26-August 23, 2019)
- Board action to award funds

Public comment period summary

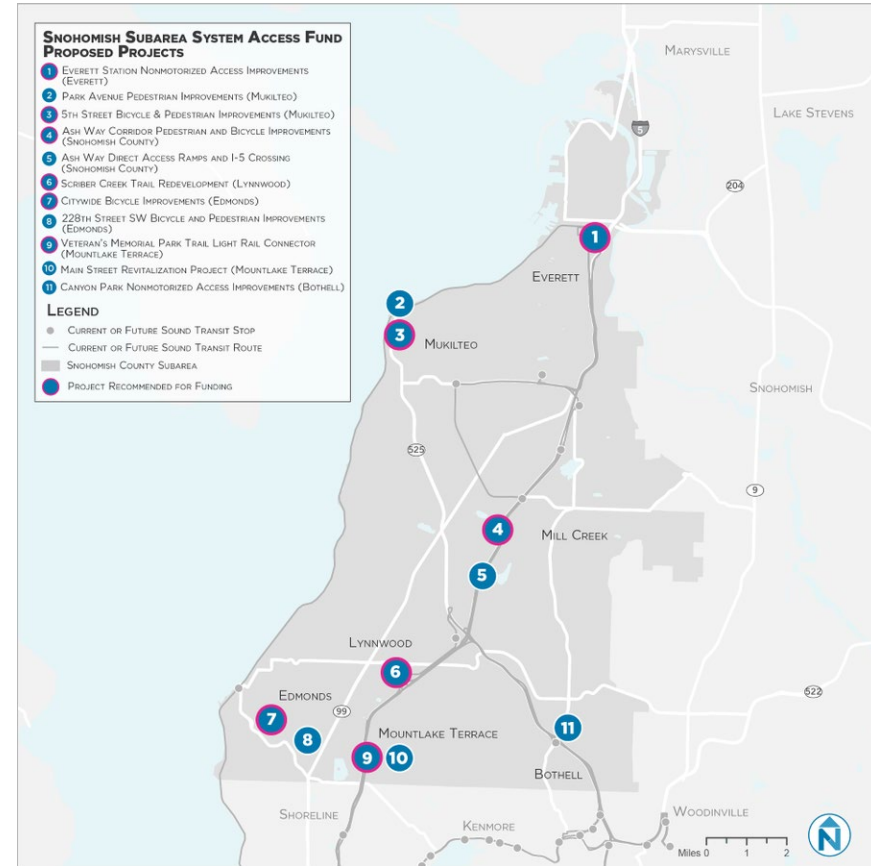
Input received

- Online open house available between July 26-August 23
 - » *2,659 project-specific survey responses*
 - » *519 evaluation criteria survey responses*
 - » *409 open-ended comments*
- Two comment letters
- 56 letters of support

Snohomish

- *Edmonds: \$1.85M*
- *Everett: \$1.9M*
- *Lynnwood: \$2.5M*
- *Mountlake Terrace: \$500K*
- *Mukilteo: \$764K*
- *Snohomish County: \$1M*

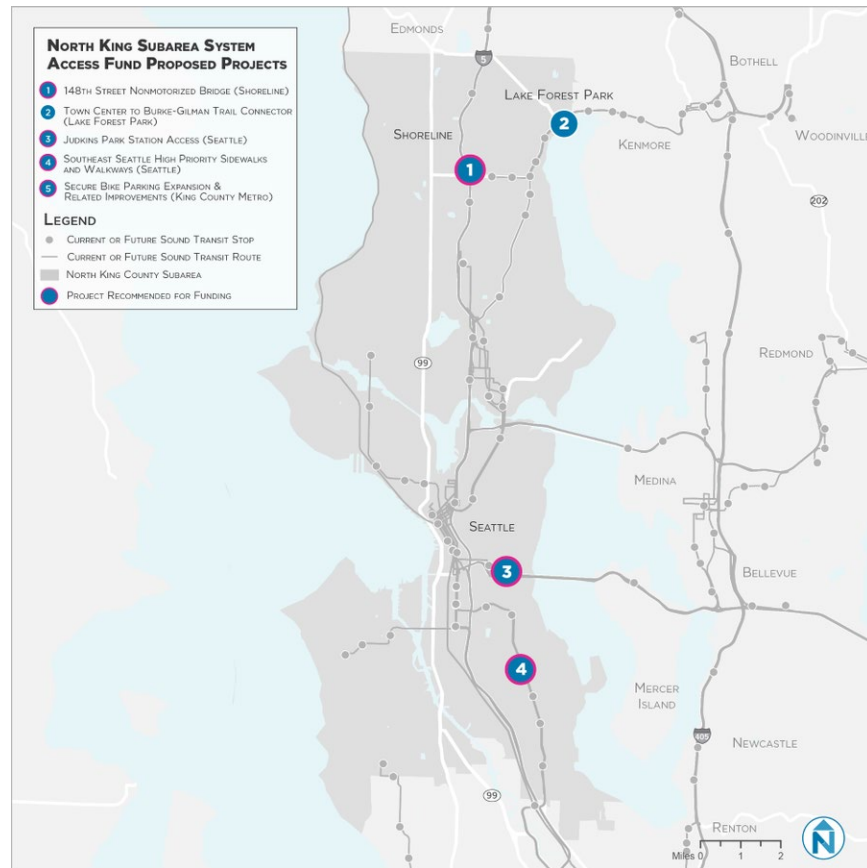
Total: \$8,514,000



North King

- *Seattle: \$3.3M*
- *Shoreline: \$3.7M*
- *King County Metro: \$100K*

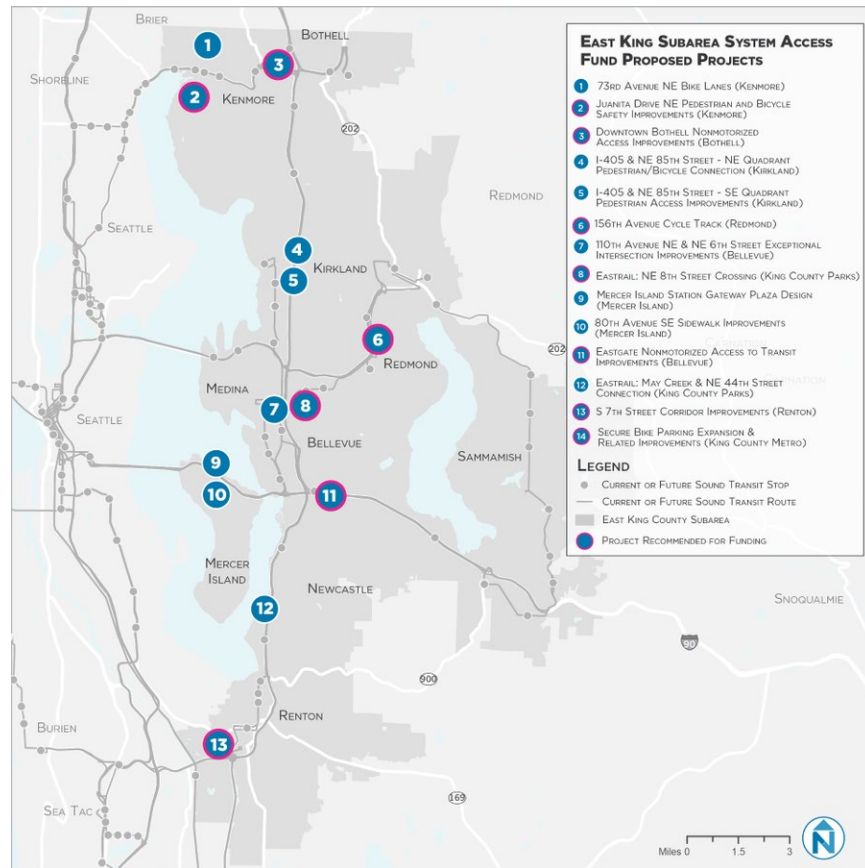
Total: \$7,100,000



East King

- *Bellevue: \$1M*
- *Bothell: \$825K*
- *Kenmore: \$1.5M*
- *King County Parks: \$3M*
- *King County Metro: \$250K*
- *Redmond: \$1.165M*
- *Renton: \$1M*

Total: \$8,740,242



South King

- *Auburn: \$1.625M*
- *Des Moines: \$1.985M*
- *Federal Way: \$730K*
- *Kent: \$274K*
- *King County Metro: \$50K*
- *City of SeaTac: \$500K*
- *City of Tukwila: \$2.431M*

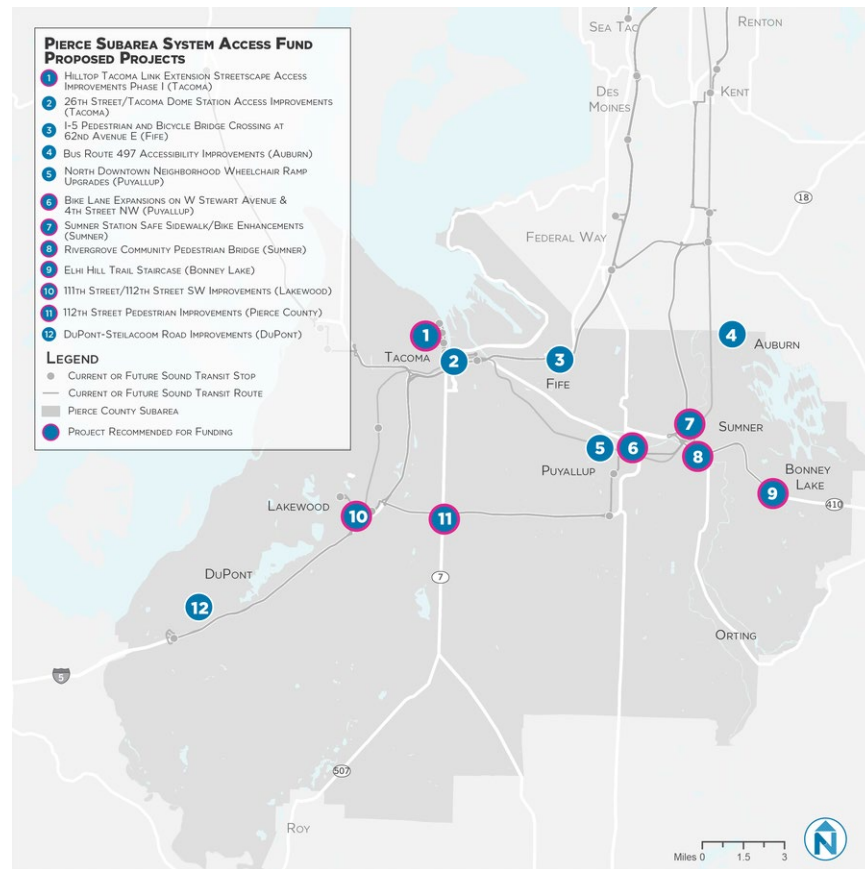
Total: \$7,594,683



Pierce

- *Bonney Lake: \$662K*
- *Lakewood: \$1.04M*
- *Pierce County: \$2M*
- *Puyallup: \$156K*
- *Sumner: \$1.327M*
- *Tacoma: \$3.5M*

Total: \$8,684,931



Overall summary

- 27 jurisdictions received an award
- 30 applications were fully or partially funded
 - » 26 will support construction of physical improvements
 - » 4 are for design only
- \$40.6M in total across the Sound Transit District

Activities since Board action

Administering awarded funds

- Late 2019: developed funding agreement templates by award type (i.e. design-only, construction-only, design & construction)
- Throughout 2020 and 2021: agreement development and execution with jurisdictions ready to implement
- COVID-19 impacts have been relatively minor thus far
- Funds awarded in 2019 will not be impacted by Realignment

Agreement progress

Agreements executed or in-progress

- 19 funding agreements executed, committing \$25.7M
 - *Snohomish: 3 funding agreements committing \$3.6M*
 - *North King: 3 funding agreements committing \$7M*
 - *East King: 4 funding agreements committing \$4.3M*
 - *South King: 3 funding agreements committing \$2.3K*
 - *Pierce: 6 funding agreements committing \$8.5M*
- 5 funding agreements underway, totaling \$8.5M

Activities going forward

Continued 2019 award administration

- Continuing to execute agreements as jurisdictions are ready to implement
- All agreements expected to be in place by late 2022
- Monitor implementation
- Close out agreements as projects complete
- First projects likely to be complete by summer 2021

Next steps

System Access Fund

- Continue administration of 2019 System Access Fund awards
- No current plans for additional calls for projects
- Will reassess pending Board's Realignment process

Thank you.



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