



Asset Liability Management Report

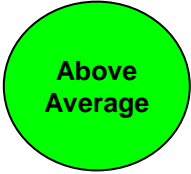
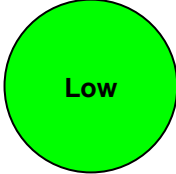
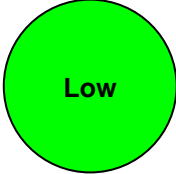
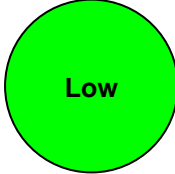
4Q 2019

Performance Indicators and Key Measures

Cash, Investment and Debt Balances – Book Value (\$M)

Restricted Cash and Investments	567.4
Unrestricted Cash and Investments	1,640.1
Total Cash and Investments	2,207.5

Total Outstanding Debt – Par Value 2,328.4

INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE	INTEREST RATE RISK	CREDIT RISK	LIQUIDITY RISK
 Above Average	 Low	 Low	 Low
Prior quarter: Above Average	Prior quarter: Low	Prior quarter: Low	Prior quarter: Low
Interest earnings exceeded budget for 2019. ST Portfolio performance on a risk adjusted basis remains at or above the benchmark for a rolling 1 year period of time.	The current long term rate for tax exempt bonds and blended rate for outstanding debts are below the assumed borrowing rate in the financial plan.	Agency is well diversified against counterparty credit risk. Investment portfolios are within policy parameters.	Agency cash and investment balances are sufficient to meet all known funding and reserve requirements.
Key Measures	Key Measures	Key Measures	Key Measures
Interest income of \$54.2M was \$20.2M above budget of \$34.0M. Note, excludes unrealized gains and losses.	The blended ST interest cost is 3.59%. The current assumed rate in the financial plan is 4% from 2017 to 2021 and 5.3% from 2022 to 2041.	All investment portfolios are in compliance with policy limits. Credit risk exposure is low.	All reserves are fully funded to date.
Book yield for the unrestricted ST investment portfolio is 2.23%, Risk-adjusted ratio for the unrestricted portfolio is 3.44 vs 2.86 for benchmark.	The blended investment yield is 2.20% versus the variable debt rate of 1.65% in 4Q2019.	There were no credit rating actions that negatively impact the investment portfolio during the quarter.	Current liquidity meets policy requirement.

4Q 2019 ALM Overview

Key Items

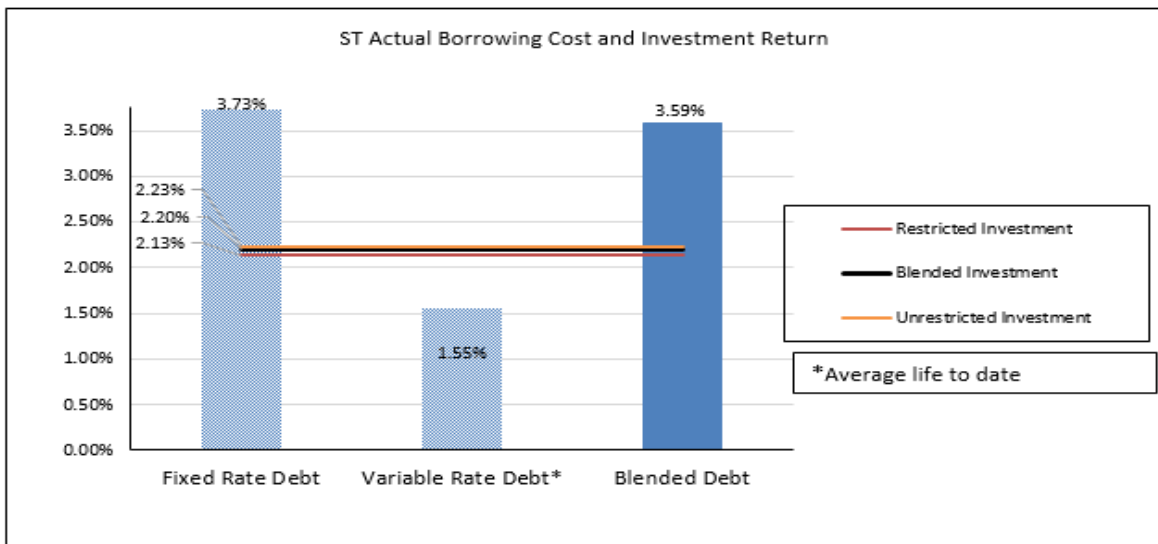
A \$629.5 million Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) loan from the U.S. Department of Transportation was finalized in Q4. The TIFIA loan will support Sound Transit in launching construction of the light rail extension early this year.

The \$629.5 million TIFIA loan represents the fourth and final loan under Sound Transit's \$1.99 billion TIFIA Master Credit Agreement, signed with USDOT's Build America Bureau at the end of 2016. The agreement will save regional taxpayers between \$200 and \$300 million in borrowing costs over the life of our bonds.

Market Environment

- The Fed cut rates by 25 basis points on 10/30/2019 with the fed funds rate now in a range between 1.50%-1.75%. The fed funds rate is expected to move lower during 2020. As of mid-February, the fed funds futures market is pricing in a 90% chance of another 50 basis points of easing by the end of 2020.
- 2-year US Treasury yields declined from 1.62% on 09/30/19 to 1.32% on 1/31/20. In early 2020, the yield curve inverted for the second time in the current cycle with the 3-month Treasury bill yielding approximately 8 basis points more than the 10-year Treasury yield. With the market calling for additional rate cuts from the Fed, we expect the curve to remain flat to inverted.

Actual Borrowing Rate versus Investment Rate



Current Tax Exempt Borrowing Rates

- Current 30 year fixed at 3.30%
- Current variable rate at 1.65%. Q4 SIFMA avg of 1.22% + LOC Cost of 0.35% + Rmktg Fee of 0.08%

Credit Watch

ST is currently in "stand still" on its Lease In/Lease Out agreement with AIG, awaiting further market and regulatory developments. AIG's financial standing has stabilized.

Cash, Investment and Debt Balances

ALM Position (\$M)

Balance and Duration	Value (\$M)	Interest Rate	Duration/Avg. Life (Year)	Benchmark Duration (Year)
Assets (Cash/Investments)				
Restricted	567.4	2.13%	1.80	NA
Unrestricted	1,640.1	2.23%	0.75	0.99
Assets (Cash/Investments) total	2,207.5	2.20%	1.02	
Liabilities (Debt)				
Fixed-Rate	(2,178.4)	3.73%		
Variable-Rate	(150.0)	1.55%		
Liabilities (Debt) total	(2,328.4)	3.59%	14.61	19.09

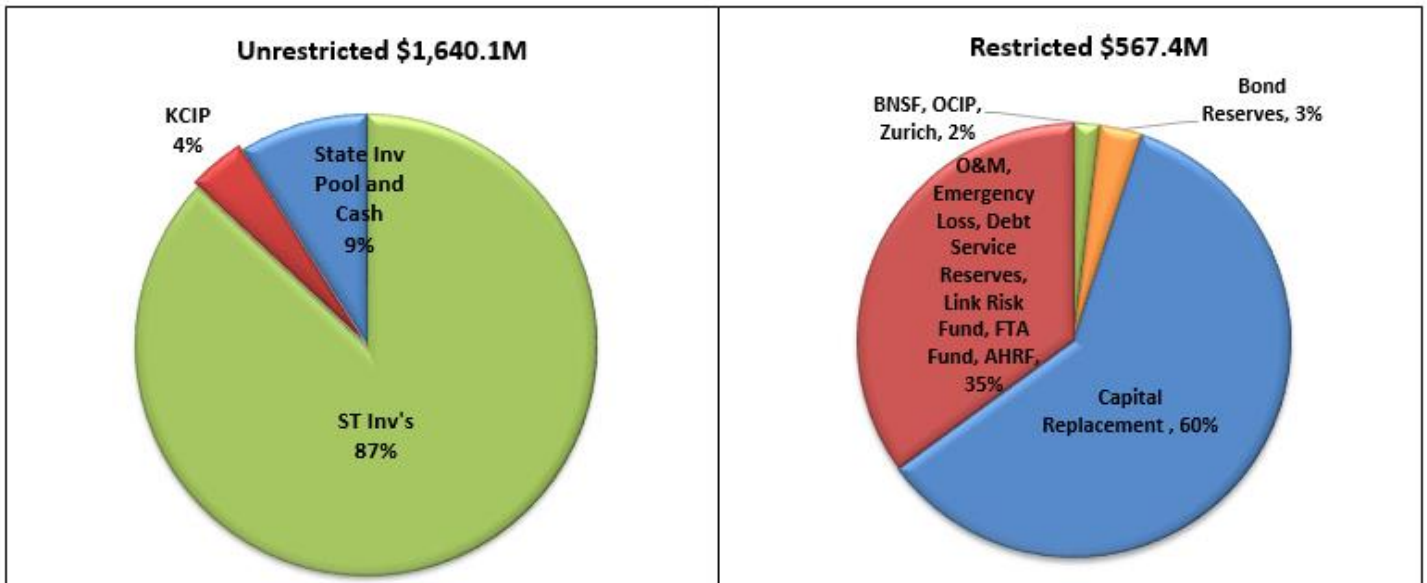
4Q 2019 Investment Overview

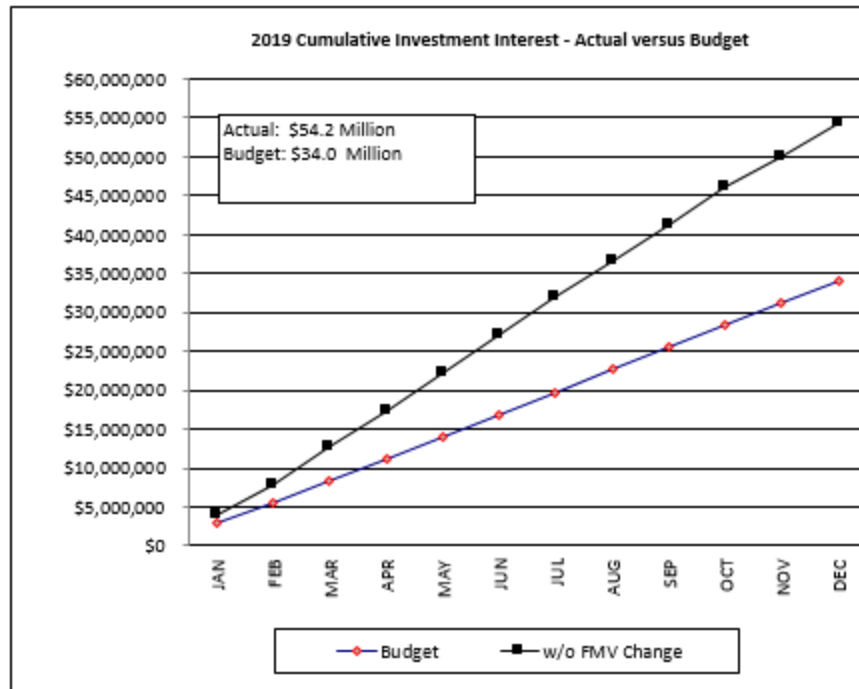
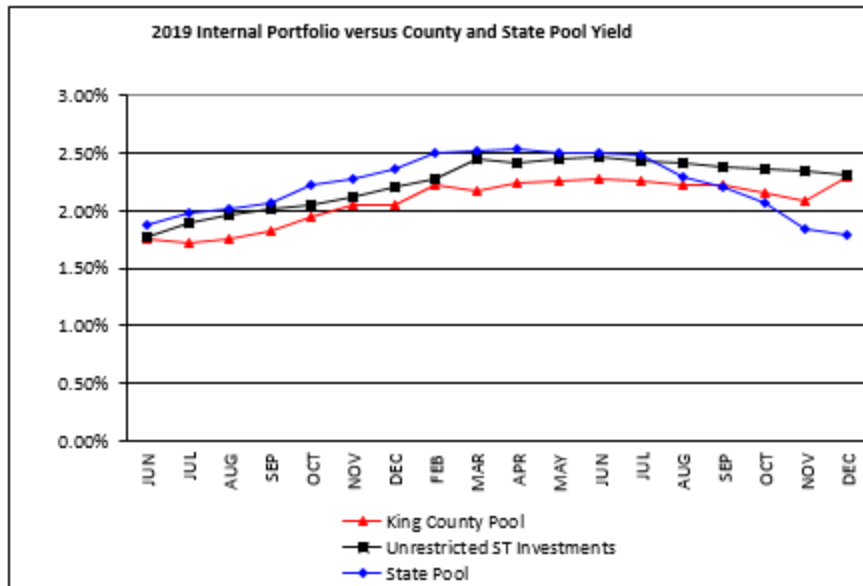
Investment Strategy

With expectations of Fed rates dropping further throughout 2020, durations should stay close their respective benchmarks and slightly underweight in longer maturities. Credit spreads are very tight to treasuries and selections should be over-weighted in the short end of the portfolio and under-weighted in longer maturities. We continue to balance our investments with LGIP and actively seek opportunities to pick up additional spread with muni's, corps & CPs without forgoing overall credit quality of the portfolios.

Cash and Investments (\$M)	Book Value	Average Duration	Benchmark Duration	Risk Adj Ratio (RAR)*	Benchmark RAR	Current Yield	Qtrly Yield Change
Unrestricted							
State Investment Pool	141.8	0.05				1.79%	(0.41)
Operating account/Uncleared checks**	1.9	0.01				1.55%	(0.40)
King County Investment Pool	64.5	0.92				2.30%	0.07
ST Internal Investments	1,431.9	0.82				2.27%	(0.05)
Total Unrestricted	1,640.1	0.75	0.99	3.44	2.86	2.23%	(0.07)
Restricted							
Operating/Contingency (internal)	86.4	0.05				1.77%	(0.42)
Capital Replacement (internal)	339.6	2.82	2.69	1.94	1.68	2.28%	(0.06)
Emergency Loss Reserve (internal)	30.4	0.05				1.77%	(0.42)
Debt Service Accounts	65.7	0.05				1.77%	(0.42)
BNSF Escrow	8.0	0.01				0.05%	0.00
OCIP Collateral	2.4	2.76	3.5			3.68%	0.00
Link Risk Fund	0.5	0.92				2.26%	0.07
Prior Debt Service Reserve	18.0	2.45	3.5			4.04%	(0.10)
Affordable Housing Revolving Fund	4.0	0.05				1.77%	1.77
Zurich Collateral	0.4	0.01				0.20%	0.20
FTA Grant Recovery	11.9	0.05				1.77%	(0.42)
Total Restricted	567.4	1.80	N/A***			2.13%	(0.19)
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	2,207.5	1.02				2.20%	(0.10)
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***Restricted benchmarks are based upon projected cash flow needs. Calculating a "total" benchmark duration for restricted investments is not applicable.							

Investment Performance Portfolio Composition





Asset Allocation Compliance

Asset Class	\$ Par Value	Percentage Allocation	Policy Limit
U.S. Treasuries	1,084,585,000	49.45%	100%
U.S. Government Agencies	624,465,000	28.47%	75%
Certificates of Deposit	0	0.00%	20%
Corporate Notes	30,000,000	1.37%	25%
King County Investment Pool	65,064,854	2.97%	50%
State Investment Pool	341,207,136	15.56%	100%
Commerical Paper	0	0.00%	25%
Taxable Municipal/G.O. Bonds	47,930,000	2.19%	20%
	2,193,251,990	100.00%	

4Q 2019 Debt Overview

Debt Strategy

Sound Transit considers the diversification of its long-term liabilities in the context of its future borrowing needs. With the agency's TIFIA loans, the strategy is to utilize the lowest cost available loans first prior to issuance of other debt.

Debt Summary

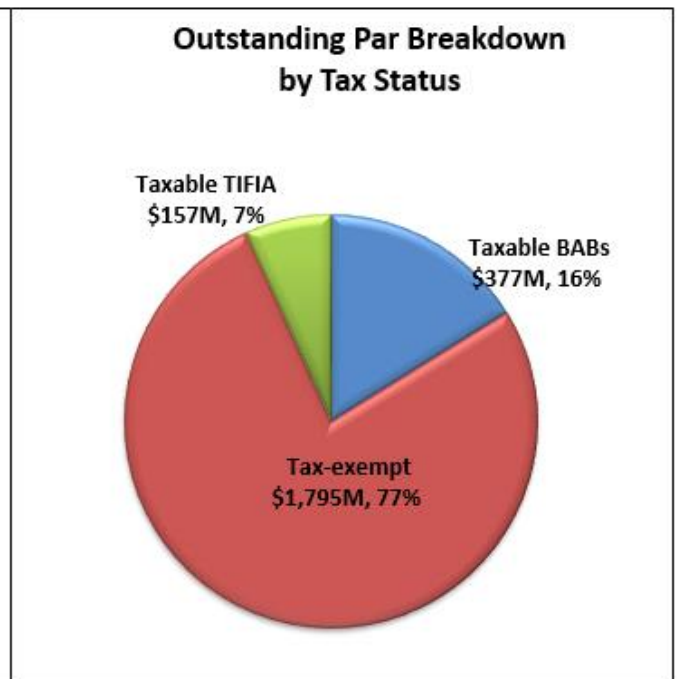
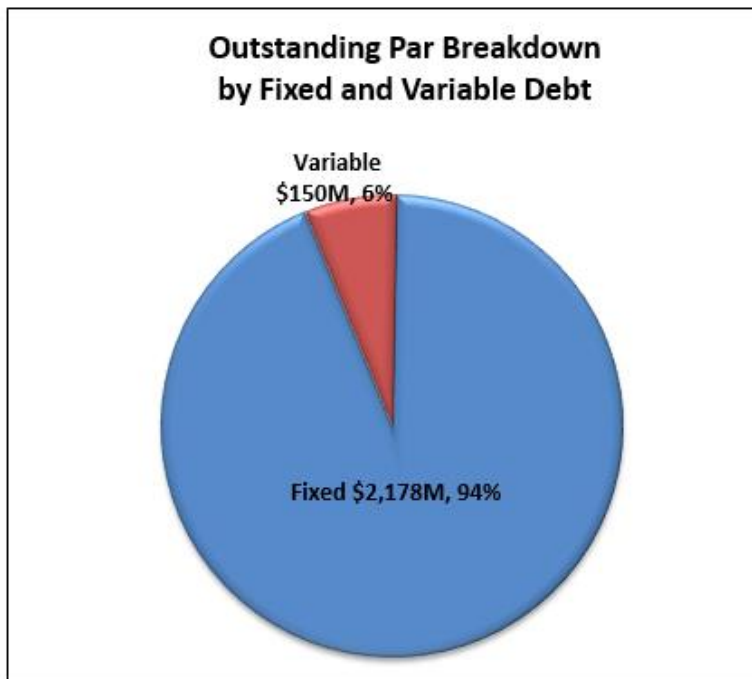
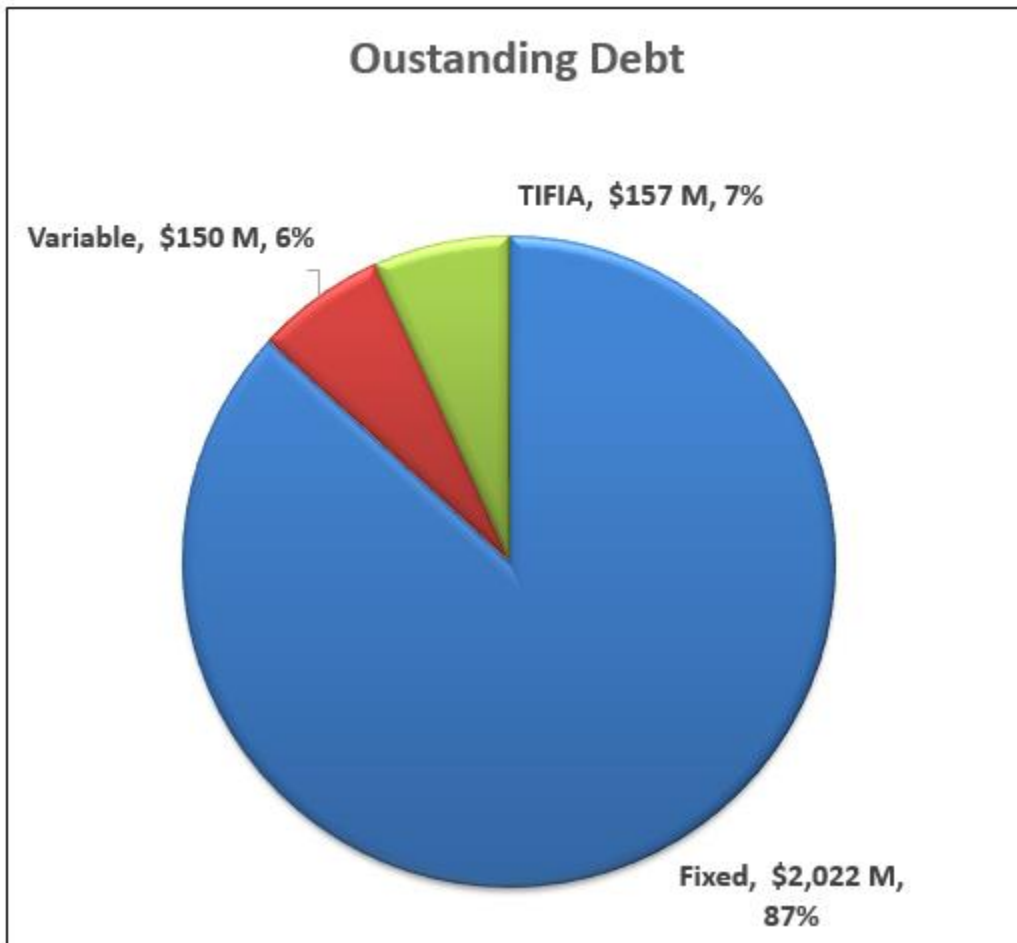
- The last TIFIA MCA loan, Federal Way, was closed in late 2019. No TIFIA draws are forecasted for 2020.
- The 20-year MMD ended the quarter at 1.88%, 5 basis points higher than the September 30th rate. Earlier in the quarter, rates experienced some volatility. With a high of 2.04% beginning of November and a low of 1.70% beginning of October, market rates were moving due to erratic economic news and a rapidly evolving political environment, specifically from US-China trade news, Brexit, and a decrease in the fed funds rate at their meeting in October.
- The average spread between the 20-year AAA MMD and the 20-year A MMD was 37 basis points as of 12/31/19, which is one basis point higher than what was measured on 9/30/19.

Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority Summary of Outstanding Bonds						
Prior Bonds Series	Issue Date	Final Maturity	Issue Size	Amount Outstanding	All-in Interest Cost	Financial Plan Assumption
1999	1/6/1999	2/1/2028	\$350,000,000	\$253,685,000	5.03%	5.00%
2009P-2T (BABs)	9/29/2009	2/1/2028	\$76,845,000	\$76,845,000	3.36%	5.00%
2012P-1	8/22/2012	2/1/2028	\$216,165,000	\$124,265,000	2.62%	5.75%
Total Prior Bonds			\$643,010,000	\$454,795,000	4.09%	
Parity Bonds Series	Issue Date	Final Maturity	Issue Size	Amount Outstanding	All-in Interest Cost	Financial Plan Assumption
2009S-2T (BABs)	9/29/2009	11/1/2039	\$300,000,000	\$300,000,000	3.66%	5.00%
2012S-1	8/22/2012	11/1/2030	\$97,545,000	\$77,080,000	2.73%	5.75%
2015S-1	9/10/2015	11/1/2050	\$792,840,000	\$789,940,000	3.89%	5.75%
2015S-2A*	9/10/2015	11/1/2045	\$75,000,000	\$75,000,000	1.52%	5.75%
2015S-2B*	9/10/2015	11/1/2045	\$75,000,000	\$75,000,000	1.57%	5.75%
2016S-1	12/19/2016	11/1/2046	\$400,000,000	\$400,000,000	3.60%	5.30%
Total Parity Bonds			\$1,740,385,000	\$1,717,020,000	3.52%	
Total Prior & Parity Bonds			\$2,383,395,000	\$2,171,815,000	3.64%	

*2015S-2A and 2015S-2B are variable rate bonds. The all-in Interest cost uses life-to-date average actuals.

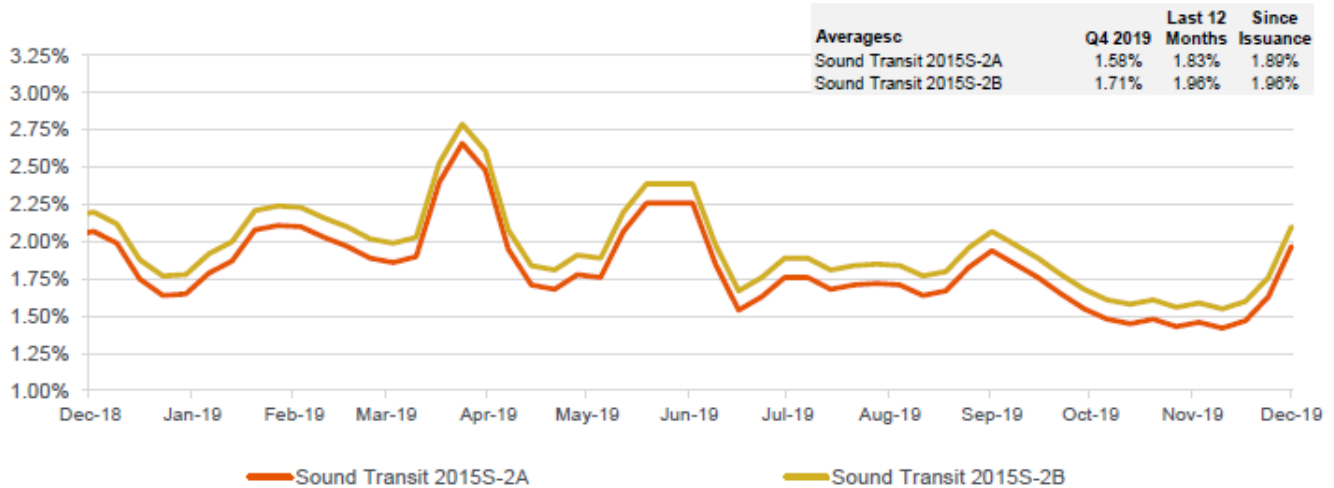
Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority Summary of Outstanding TIFIA Loans						
TIFIA Loan	Execution Date	Final Maturity	Loan Amount	Amount Drawn	Interest Rate	Financial Plan Assumption
East Link	1/16/2015	11/1/2058	\$1,330,000,000	\$50,000,000	2.38%	5.75%
Northgate	12/22/2016	11/1/2056	\$615,267,000	\$81,605,824	3.13%	5.30%
O&M Facility East	6/22/2017	11/1/2055	\$87,663,515	\$25,000,000	2.73%	5.30%
Lynnwood Link	12/19/2018	5/1/2059	\$657,863,164	\$0	3.06%	3.95%
Federal Way	12/19/2019	5/1/2059	\$629,472,431	\$0	2.36%	3.95%
				\$0		
Total TIFIA Loans			\$3,320,266,110	\$156,605,824	2.83%	
Total Outstanding Debt				\$2,328,420,824	3.59%	

Debt Portfolio Composition



Q4 2019 Variable Rate Comparison and Pricing Estimate

Actual - Sound Transit Q4 Series 2015S-2A Borrowing Cost		Actual - Sound Transit Q4 Series 2015S-2B Borrowing Cost		Estimated - Sound Transit VRDB Q4 Borrowing Cost	
Q4 SIFMA Average	1.22%	Q4 SIFMA Average	1.22%	Q4 SIFMA Average	1.22%
Index Spread	0.30%	Index Spread	0.45%	Estimated LOC Cost*	0.35%
Remarketing Cost	0.06%	Remarketing Cost	0.04%	Remarketing Agent Fee	0.08%
Total FRN Cost	1.58%	Total FRN Cost	1.71%	Total VRDB Cost	1.65%



* Assumes 3-year letter of credit

Bond Ratings as of 12/31/2019			
	Prior	Parity	TIFIA
Moody's	Aaa	Aa1	
S&P	AAA	AAA	AA+
Fitch			AA+

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Key for Performance Summary**

	Above Average	Average	Below Average
INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE	Interest earnings forecast to exceed budget. ST Portfolio performance on a risk adjusted basis at or above the benchmark for a rolling 1 year period of time.	Interest earnings forecast to meet budget. ST Portfolio performance on a risk adjusted basis near benchmark for a rolling 1 year period of time.	Interest earnings forecast to be below budget. ST Portfolio performance on a risk adjusted basis below benchmark or a rolling 1 year period of time.

	Low	Medium	High
INTEREST RATE RISK	Change in interest rates will have less than \$5M impact on ST financial plan over 5-year period.	Change in interest rates will have less than \$10M impact on ST financial plan over 5-year period.	Change in interest rates will have less than \$20M impact on ST financial plan over 5-year period.
LIQUIDITY RISK	All reserves and liquidity contingencies in place. Current liquidity contingency greater than policy minimum.	All reserves and liquidity contingencies in place. Current liquidity contingency equal to policy minimum.	Not all reserves and liquidity contingencies in place.
CREDIT RISK	No known credit risks that could materially impact ST balance sheet.	Known credit risks could potentially materially impact ST balance sheet.	Known credit risks are likely to materially impact ST balance sheet.

Glossary of Debt and Investment Terms

Basis Point – The smallest measure used in quoting yields on bonds and notes. One basis point is 0.01% of yield. For example, a bond's yield that changed from 3.50% to 3.00% would be said to have moved 50 basis points.

Benchmark - A bond whose terms are used for comparison with other bonds of similar maturity. The global financial market typically looks to U.S Treasury securities as benchmarks.

BNSF Escrow – Collateral pursuant to the Sound Transit / Amtrak / BNSF lease-sub-lease dated September 2000.

Book Value – The amount at which an asset is carried on the books of the owner. The book value of an asset does not necessarily have a significant relationship to the market value of the security.

Duration - The weighted maturity of a fixed-income investment's cash flows, used in the estimation of the price sensitivity of fixed-income securities for a given change in interest rates.

Federal Funds Rate – The rate of interest at which Federal Funds are traded between banks. Federal Funds are excess reserves held by banks that desire to invest or lend them to banks needing reserves. The particular rate is heavily influenced through the open market operations of the Federal Reserve Board. Also referred to as the “Fed Funds rate.”

General Obligation Bond (GO) - A municipal bond secured by the pledge of the issuer's full faith and credit, and backed by their taxing authority.

Link Risk Fund – Funded by Sound Transit to pay certain claims related to the operation of Central Link.

Liquidity – The ease and speed with which an asset can be converted into cash without a substantial loss in value.

Local Government Investment Pool (LGIP) – The aggregate of all funds from political subdivisions that are placed in the custody of the State Treasurer for investment.

Market Price - For securities traded through an exchange, the last reported price at which a security was sold; for securities traded "over-the-counter," the current price of the security in the market.

Par Value – The nominal or face value of a debt security; that is, the value at maturity.

Performance - An investment's return (usually total return), compared to a benchmark that is comparable to the risk level or investment objectives of the investment.

Risk Adjusted Ratio (RAR): The RAR also referred to as the Sharpe ratio is a measure for calculating risk-adjusted return. The Sharpe ratio is the average return earned in excess of the risk-free rate per unit of volatility (standard deviation) or total risk. The Sharpe ratio helps explain whether a portfolio's excess returns are due to smart investment decisions or the result of too much risk. The greater a portfolio's Sharpe ratio, the better its risk-adjusted performance has been. A negative Sharpe ratio indicates that a risk-less asset would perform better than the security being analyzed.

SIFMA - The Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association Municipal Swap Index is a 7-day high-grade market index comprised of tax-exempt Variable Rate Demand Obligations (VRDOs) with certain characteristics. The Index is calculated and published by Bloomberg.

TIFIA Loan – Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act loan with the United States Department of Transportation, acting by and through the Federal Highway Administrator. TIFIA loans are used to complement other sources of debt, resulting in a lower cost of funding than would be available in the capital markets.

Total Return - Investment performance measure over a stated time period which includes coupon interest, interest on interest, and any realized and unrealized gains or losses.

OCIP Collateral – Pledged collateral for the Owner Controlled Insurance Program for University Link and Northgate Link.