Federal Loans

Hilltop Link Extension, NE 130th St Infill Station, Sounder Access Improvements

Board of Directors
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Why we are here

Today’s Actions

R2023-09: Authorize TIFIA loan agreement for the Hilltop Tacoma Link Extension project

R2023-10: Authorize TIFIA loan agreement for the NE 130th Street Infill Station project

R2023-11: Authorize RRIF loan agreement for the Sounder Garage and Access Improvements projects
  • Auburn, Puyallup and Sumner

R2023-12: Amends Resolution No. R2021-03 and Resolution No. R2021-04 to conform their provisions with R2023-09 and R2023-10
Background

Financing through USDOT’s Build America Bureau

• Provides Federal credit assistance to eligible surface transportation projects in the form of direct Federal loans

• Offers flexible drawdown and repayment terms and potentially lower interest rate compared to traditional tax-exempt bonds
## Current Sound Transit Federal Loans

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<td><strong>Total TIFIA Loans</strong></td>
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All current loans have 1.91% interest rate.
Differences in the types of loans

**TIFIA**
- Loans 33% of total cost
- Can fund many different modes: Light Rail, Bus, etc.

**RRIF**
- Loan 49% of total cost
- Can fund heavy rail projects

*Loan terms are essentially the same*
Current Requests

$327M in new loans for

• Hilltop Tacoma Link Extension
• NE 130th Street Infill Station
• Sounder Access Garage and Access Improvements
  • Puyallup
  • Auburn
  • Sumner

Estimated debt service benefit through 2046 of at least $81M
Next Steps/ Timeline

*Loans scheduled to close in early May*

*Will review future projects for loans*
Thank you.

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