Authorizing a change to the Sustainability Cost Estimates maintained in the Financial Plan

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• Request to manage the Sustainability Cost Allocation (SCA) for system expansion by subarea.
  o Establishes an ST3 program with total lifetime funds of $123.52 M (2022$) in the Finance Plan.

• This action makes no change to:
  o Total ST3 expenditures
  o Amount of sustainability funds by subarea
  o Fulfilling ST3 sustainability goals
  o Project schedules
**Background**

**ST3 Plan** Sound Transit will pursue innovative sustainability features as industry best practices and national standards continue to evolve.

Program will implement:

- Green building and infrastructure that meets third-party sustainability standards.
- GHG emissions and air pollution reduction from construction and operations.
- Carbon-neutral energy use.
- A system resilient to climate change and other natural hazards.
- Sustainable technologies and services that reduce long-term operating costs.
Benefits

This new approach will:

• Enable SCA funding to be right sized for each ST3 project.
• Allow the remaining funding to be distributed more efficiently and effectively across all projects within a subarea
• Provide increased savings opportunities for long-term operations and maintenance
Financial Impacts

• Managing SCA projected funds at subarea has no impact to the affordability of the long-range financial plan and is budget neutral.

• Existing project cost estimates will be amended to reflect the removal of the SCA projected funds.

• Ongoing management of SCA projected funds will be reflected in updates to the Long-Range Financial Plan.
Thank you.