

Motion No. M2019-24

Statement of Partnering Intent between Sound Transit and the Puyallup Tribe of Indians for the Tacoma Dome Link Extension

Meeting:	Date:	Type of action:	Staff contact:
System Expansion Committee	03/14/2019	Recommend to Board	Don Billen, PEPD Executive Director
Board	03/28/2019	Final action	Karen Kitsis, PEPD Deputy Executive Director- Office of Capital Projects
			Chelsea Levy, South Corridor Director
			Curvie Hawkins, TDLE Project Director
			Claire Chase, Project Manager

Proposed action

Authorizes the chief executive officer to execute a Statement of Partnering Intent with the Puyallup Tribe of Indians for the Tacoma Dome Link Extension.

Key features summary

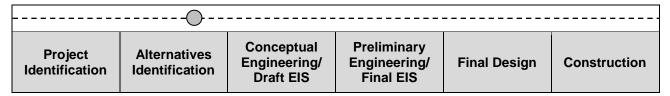
- In addition to traversing the cities of Federal Way, Milton, Fife, and Tacoma, the Tacoma Dome Link Extension (TDLE) project will traverse across the Puyallup Tribe of Indians' reservation and over the Puyallup River.
- This Statement of Partnering Intent acknowledges the Tribe's and Sound Transit's shared interests in the project and establishes a shared understanding of the project objectives, communication, and designated representatives.
- The Puyallup Tribal Council received presentations on the Statement of Partnering Intent and TDLE project on February 19 & 20, 2019. The statement has since been approved and signed by the Puyallup Tribal Chairman.
- Sound Transit anticipates potential future agreements with the Puyallup Tribe of Indians to reimburse the tribe for technical services and permit streamlining activities that would support completion of the Project on schedule and within budget.

Background

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Project status



Projected completion date for Alternatives Identification: Q3 2019

Project scope, schedule and budget summary are located on page 99 of the November 2018 Link Light Rail Progress Report.

Fiscal information

In this Statement of Partnering Intent, no party makes any specific financial commitment, though it references a potential for both parties to enter into future agreements to support completion of the project.

Small Business and Disadvantaged Business Participation

Not Applicable to this action.

Public involvement

Sound Transit will actively seek public feedback at all project stages for the TDLE Project with the goal of fostering public trust through transparent communication, meaningful involvement and being responsive to concerns and issues. Sound Transit is developing a Tribal Coordination Plan to ensure meaningful involvement with the Tribal government, staff, and members.

Time constraints

A one-month delay would not create a significant impact to the project schedule.

Environmental review - KH 3/1/19

Legal review - JW 3/7/19



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Motion

It is hereby moved by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority that the chief executive officer is authorized to execute a Statement of Partnering Intent with the Puyallup Tribe of Indians for the Tacoma Dome Łink Extension.

APPROVED by the Board of the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority at a regular meeting thereof held on March 28, 2019.

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Board Chair

Attest:

Káthryn Flores Board Administrator