

Fiscal Impacts of School Siting

Summit on School Siting

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Schools' Primary Mission

Educate students



How Capital Needs are Funded



Primary Sources

- Voter approved
 - Bonds
 - Capital levies
- State Match
- Redirected operating funds from the classroom

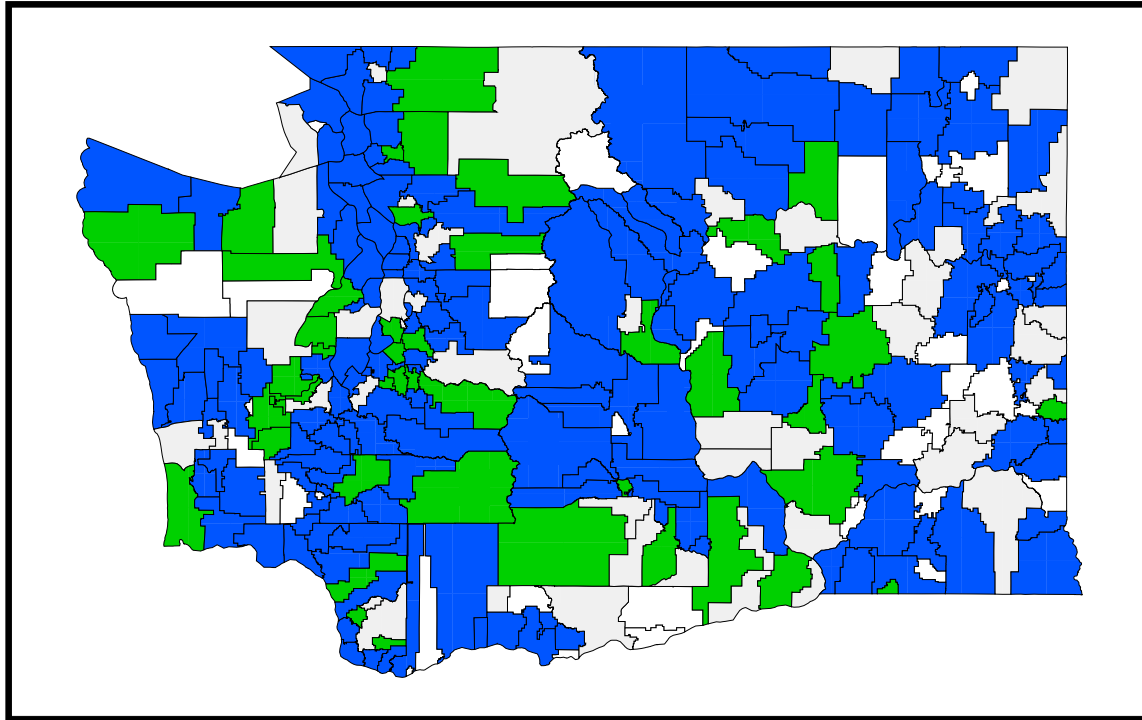


Voter-Approved Measures

- Multi-year planning phase
- Wide constituent base
- For specific projects
- Fixed schedule
- Budgets established early
- No or minimal flexibility to expand scope



School Facilities Funding: State School Districts



296 School Districts
2300 Campus Locations
10,000 Buildings
148,000,000 Square Feet

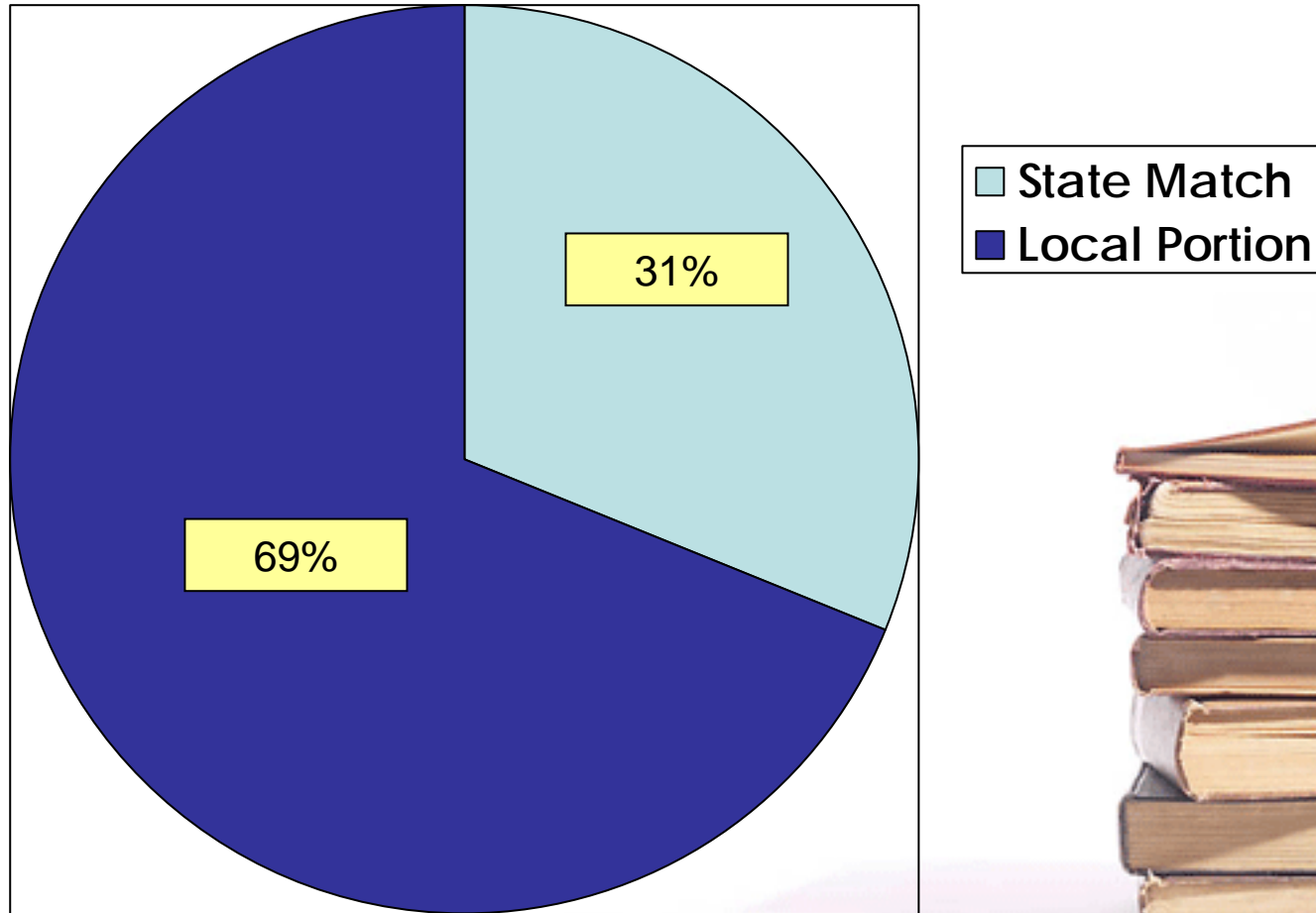
274 Current Projects
\$1.6 Billion Capital/Year
\$680 Million M&O/Year

State Match

- Only available after actual overcrowding exists
- Many costs not matchable
 - Land
 - Off-site costs
 - Change orders
 - Cost above the ACA
- Varies by district
- Pays only a small portion of the actual cost of construction

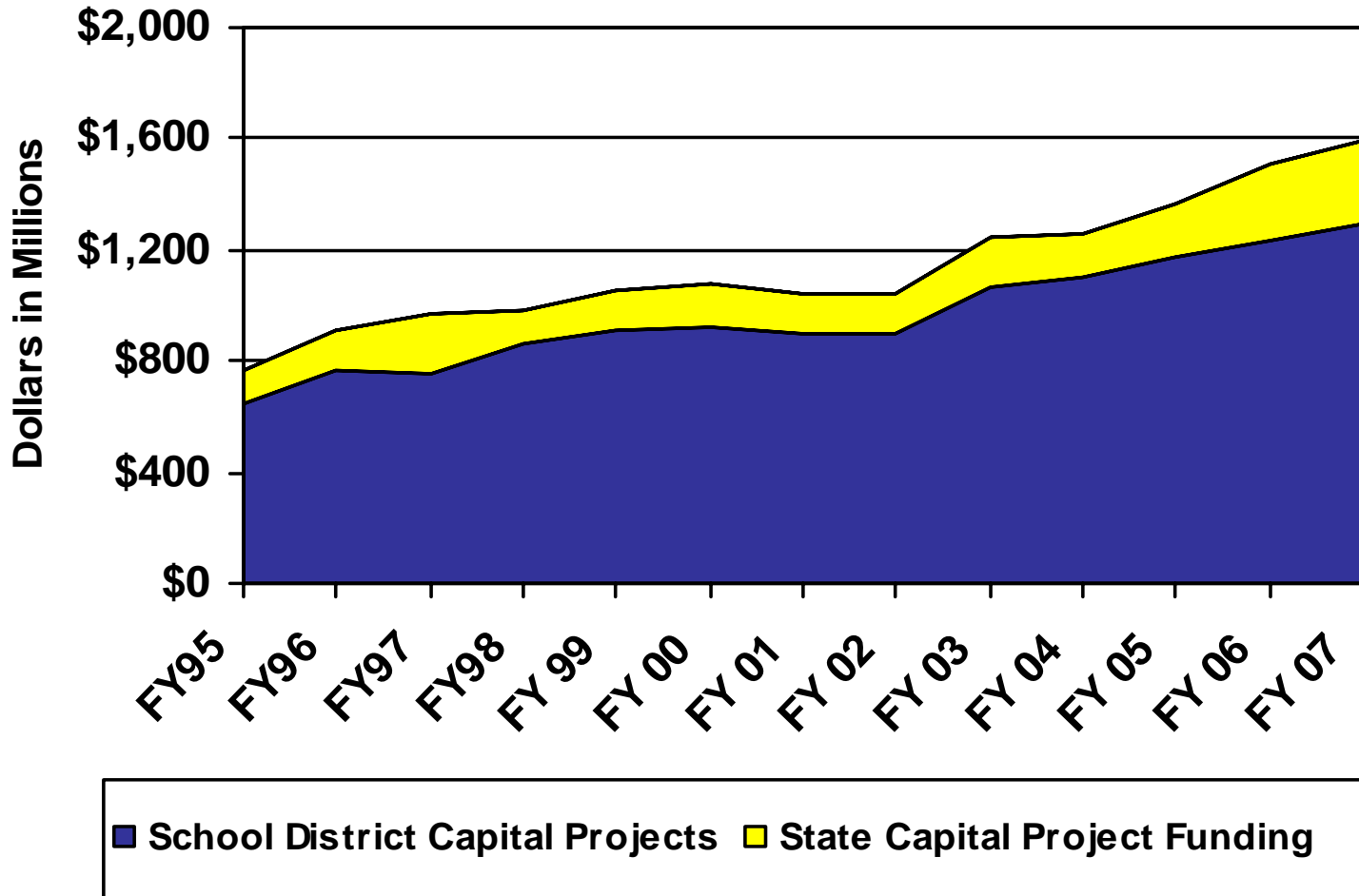


State Match Example



School Facilities Funding: State vs. School Funding

School District Capital Project Expenditures Compared to State Capital Project Funding



Timing Challenges

- Land purchase vs. bond approval
- Overcrowding vs. state match eligibility
- State match eligibility vs. commitment of funds
- Commitment of funds vs. receipt of funds



Securing Resources

- Purchase land before it is needed and when it is available
- Funding not available until bond measure passes



Puyallup Example

- Significant growth
- Overcrowding
- Elementary #22 site rezoned
- Compact housing
- Narrow geographic area targeted
- Very limited options



Puyallup Example

- Alternative Site:
 - Not in targeted geographic area
 - Required District to condemn residential property
- Use existing sites:
 - Double shifting



Impossible Choices

- If additional limitations on school siting are implemented, school districts must make extremely difficult choices.
- It may put in jeopardy our ability to fulfill our promises to our taxpayers.



The Reality

Districts are working hard to procure land for future development.

Adding limitations on siting will have adverse financial and operational impacts...

Redirecting bond resources and/or double shifting compromises our good will with our communities.



Closing Comments

1. The current system does not do an adequate job of providing state funds
2. New limitations or requirements are expensive and should be avoided or fully funded
3. OSPI's Capital Budget request is a good start, but the state needs to do more.

