

Transit-Oriented Development Implementation Awards

Commerce awarded \$2.4 million in Transit-Oriented Development Implementation (TODI) grants to 11 communities to review zoning in areas served by current or forthcoming high frequency bus service and light rail transit. Planning for higher levels of development in these areas leverages significant investment in public transportation. The grant also allows communities to study the environmental impacts of planned development in advance to streamline permit processing times. The transit-oriented development that results will be an efficient way to absorb the state’s expanding population and build high-quality neighborhoods, while minimizing traffic and costly sprawling development. Grants of up to \$250,000 were available. Each city received the maximum, with the exception of Fife (\$95,000) and Bothell (\$80,000). Commerce reserved 3% of the \$2.5 million program funds for staff costs to administer the grants.

TODI Grant Awardees		
Auburn: Update downtown plan and develop an EIS	Lynnwood: Support planning in the regional growth center, leveraging the Everett Link Extension transit service	Seattle: Planning around the 130 th and 145 th station areas to facilitate transit-oriented development
Bothell: Update downtown plan to leverage new BRT services	Olympia: Prepare a sub-area plan and EIS to facilitate transit-oriented development within the Capital Mall Triangle area served by BRT	Spokane: Planning to leverage the City Line BRT with transit-oriented development around Gonzaga University
Burien: Planned Action for Ambaum Boulevard Corridor and Boulevard Park subareas, served by BRT	Renton: Develop a Planned Action EIS for the new Rainier Avenue S and S Grady Way transit center	Tacoma: Pacific Avenue / SR 7 corridor subarea plan and EIS in preparation for the new Stream BRT service
Fife: City Center Planned Action to leverage new light rail station	Redmond: EIS and Planned Action Ordinance for Overlake Area (two light rail stations) and evaluating Planned Actions for Downtown and Marymoor stations	

EIS – Environmental Impact Statement under the State Environmental Policy Act

BRT – Bus rapid transit is prioritized bus service at frequent intervals

Planned Action – a land use plan and environmental analysis sufficient that development can proceed with minimal individualized environmental assessment

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