

Message to the Legislature

Thank you for passing Moving Washington, a much needed transportation bill, vital for Washington's economy. Please consider transportation funding for local jurisdictions, particularly as gas tax revenue reductions continue. Projections for gas tax revenue show a 45% decrease over the next ten years.

upport the effort being undertaken by the Washington Transportation Commission to research a pilot road usage charge program that will test different technologies and ways to implement this new, flexible revenue source. Road Usage Charges have the potential to replace the gas tax and will generate revenues based on where roads are used, and deliver these revenues to local jurisdictions to maintain and preserve existing roadway and bridge infrastructure.

onsider efforts by local jurisdictions to fund additional transportation improvements. Local jurisdictions may need new financing tools to generate funding that will replace and repair aging roads and bridges. These funding mechanisms can satisfy local needs while, longer term options such as road usage charges are being studied.

The South (King) County Area Transportation Board (SCATBd) is a collaboration of local elected officials and stakeholders committed to improving the regional transportation systems that support the state economy. SCATBd represents an area that encompasses: 15 cities in South King and North Pierce Counties, the Ports of Seattle & Tacoma, three transit agencies, 721,300 people, over 329,000 jobs in Legislative Districts: 5,11,27,30,31,33,34,37, 43 & 47.

SCATBd holds regular meetings on the third Tuesday of the month at 9:00 a.m., SeaTac City Hall.

South County Area Transportation Board Participants:

- King County Maple Valley Muckleshoot Indian Tribe Normandy Park Pacific Renton SeaTac Tukwila
 - - Washington State Department of Transportation

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