NEIGHBORHOOD LEVY PROJECT



Neighborhood Safety, Connectivity and Congestion Levy

Transportation Commission Update

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Neighborhood Congestion Reduction Program

- (Per Ordinance 6304) Projects to address and ease congestion for motor vehicles within, near and/or connecting neighborhoods to services to improve access and mobility.
- Small to medium sized near-term projects
- Program covers:
 - Traffic studies
 - Outreach
 - Preliminary and final design
 - Construction



Program Review with Transportation Commission

- ✓ October 26th: Review scoring criteria
- November 9th: Finalize scoring system
- January 2018: Present project list and recommended allocation of budget for 2018
- Spring/Summer 2018: Develop allocation of budget for 2019/2020 biennium

Scoring Criteria - Tier I & Tier II

- Tier I –condense project list to identify those which will receive further traffic analysis
- Tier II after the completion of traffic studies, Tier II will further inform which projects advance on to design and eventual construction

Project List

The origin of projects

- Citizen Comments collected during July 2016 levy outreach
- Comprehensive Transportation Project List (including the TFP)
- Locations noted in the 2017 Concurrency Report that exceed the maximum Intersection LOS for the Mobility Management Areas (MMA)
- Staff recommendations from past citizen inquiries

Scoring Criteria - Tier I

See Attachment B.

STEP ONE: EVALUATION PRIOR TO TRAFFIC STUDY

Initial list ranks candidates for need, irrespective of cost.

	(0) Pass/Fail - does addressing congestion require redevelopment or a future outside-led project?
Pass	Candidates whose congestion mitigation can be implemented without significant outside involvement
Fail	Mitigating congestion would require redevelopment or a future outside-led project

80%	(1) Existing Vehicle LOS - for intersections, LOS will be used; for corridors, MMLOS travel times will be used.
	See attached DRAFT 2017 Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP) Intersection Table (only 'need') and MMLOS Corridor Table (only 'need')
80	Intersections: LOS E,F; Corridors: above the recommended corridor LOS
40	Intersections: LOS D; Corridors: at the recommended corridor LOS
0	Intersections: LOS A, B, C; Corridors: below the recommended corridor LOS

20%	(2) Safety - does the candidate location exhibit an existing safety need?	
20	The location exhibits a quantifiable potential for safety improvement based on existing conditions	
0	The location does not exhibit a potential for safety improvement based on existing conditions	

LOS for Intersections

NEEDS

LOS	A, B, C	D	E, F
Current v/c	< 0.80	btw 0.80 & 0.90	>= 0.90
MMA Awstd	Better than 15% of	Btw 15% & 5% of Within 5%, at or exceed	
	Both favorable conditions apply	Either/or conditions apply	Both unfavorable conditions apply
	Low	Medium	High
	0	40	80

Source: 2017 Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP) - Modified

Vehicle LOS

Safety

SE 8th St/Lake Hills Connector



2017 V/C Ratio: 0.91

MMA Area: Richards Valley (v/c: 0.85)

7% above MMA Area-wide Standard

E, F
>= 0.90
Within 5%, at or exceeds
Both unfavorable conditions apply
High
80



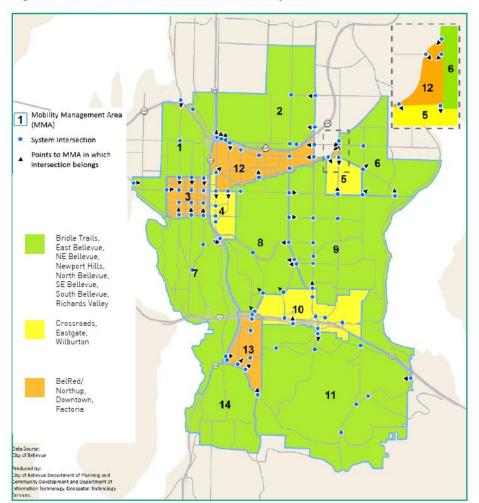
Table 3. Vehicle Corridor Level-of-Service

LOS	Typical Urban Travel Time/Travel Speed on Corridors Based on 40% of the Posted Speed Limit					
	Less than 90% of Typical Urban Travel Time Faster than 1.1 times the Typical Urban Travel Speed					
	90-110% of Typical Urban Travel Time Between 1.1 and .9 times the Typical Urban Travel Speed					
	110-155% of Typical Urban Travel Time Between .9 and .75 times the Typical Urban Travel Speed					
	155-200% of Typical Urban Travel Time Between .75 and .5 times the Typical Urban Travel Speed					
	More than 200% of Typical Urban Travel Time Slower than .5 times the Typical Urban Travel Speed					

Source: MMLOS Metrics, Standards & Guidelines (2017)



Figure 2. Recommended Corridor LOS Guidelines by MMA

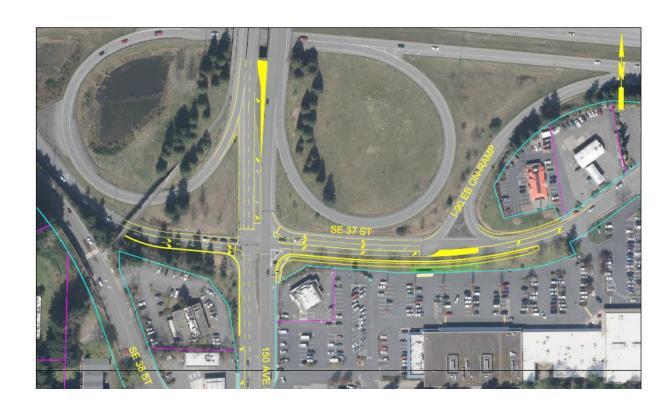


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90-110% of Typical Urban Travel Time Between 1.1 and .9 times the Typical Urban Travel Speed
110-155% of Typical Urban Travel Time Between .9 and .75 times the Typical Urban Travel Speed
155-200% of Typical Urban Travel Time Between .75 and .5 times the Typical Urban Travel Speed

LOS for Corridors

Low	Medium	High The corridor LOS is currently below the recommended	
The corridor LOS is above the recommended	The corridor LOS is within the recommended		
0	40	80	



- Current Vehicle Travel Speed:5.5 mph
- Recommended Corridor Travel
 Speed: 10.5 mph to 12.6mph

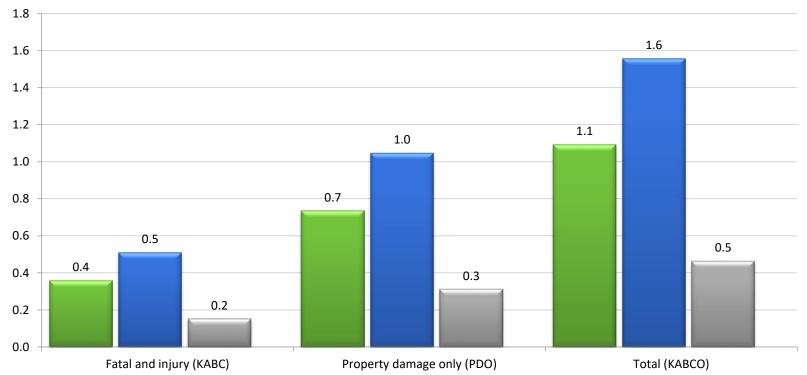
High

The corridor LOS is currently **below** the recommended

80

• Does the location currently exhibit a potential for safety benefit?

Summary of Anticipated Safety Performance of the Project (average crashes/yr)



Scoring Criteria – Tier II See Attachment B.

STEP TWO: EVALUATION PRIOR TO FINAL DESIGN

Tier 2 list ranks candidates to select those which will move on to final design

70%	posed Vehicle LOS - for intersections, LOS will be used; for corridors, MMLOS travel times will be used.			
70 pts. Max	See attached DRAFT 2017 Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP) Intersection Table and MMLOS table.			

30%	2) Advantage Points - projects that would receive additional points for the following.
	Potential for grant funding - project location is classified as an arterial on WSDOT's Arterial Classifcation Map
	Ease of implementation - no significant ROW, environmental or cost implication
5 points	Multimodal LOS for pedestrians - project improves pedestrian MMLOS
pts max)	Multimodal LOS for bicycles - project improves bicycle MMLOS
	Transit Impact - if the project benefits a frequent transit route (5 pts), if a non-frequent transit route (2 pts)
	Safety - project reduces the number of expected crashes



LOS for Intersections

			NEEDS		
		LOS	A, B, C	D	E, F
		Current V/C	< 0.80	btw 0.80 & 0.90	>= 0.90
	Intersection	MMA AW Std	Better than 15% of	Btw 15% & 5% of	Within 5%, at or exceeds
	Improvement		Both favorable conditions apply	Either/or conditions apply	Both unfavorable conditions apply
-	Reduces v/c by		Low	Medium	High
	No V/C change	Low	0 Maintains LOS A, B, C	10 Maintains LOS D	15 Benefit does not adequately address the need
BENEFITS Magnitude of Improvement	btw 0 & 0.10	Medium	10 Possible Letter change e.g. C to B	25 Possible Letter change D to C	50 Possible Letter change e.g. E to D
	>0.10	High	15 Good proj but little need e.g. C to B	50 LOS D to C	70 Excellent project e.g. E to D

Source: 2017 Transportation Facilities Plan (TFP) - Modified

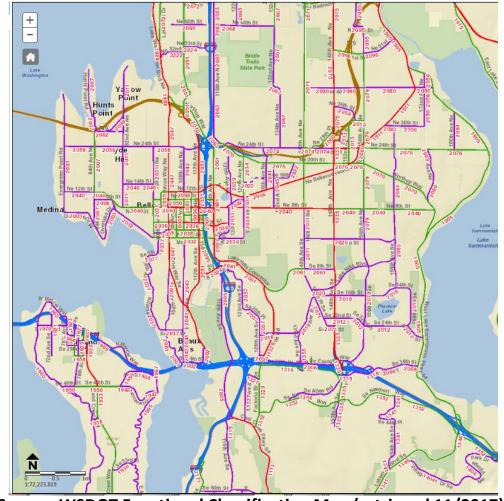
LOS for Corridors

NEEDS

BENEFITS Change in Typical Urban Travel Time Ratio		Low	Medium	High
		The corridor LOS is above the recommended	The corridor LOS is within the recommended	The corridor LOS is currently below the recommended
No change	Low	0	10	15
Btw 0.10- 0.20	Medium	10	25	50
>0.20	High	15	50	70

- Grant Opportunity (5 pts)
- Ease of Implementation (5 pts)

WSDOT Functional Classification Map



Source: WSDOT Functional Classification Map (retrieved 11/2017)

• MMLOS for Pedestrians (5 pts)

Table 4. Pedestrian Level-of-Service Summary

Pedestrian LOS	Metric	Implementation	How to Apply
Sidewalk & Landscape Buffer	Combined Width for sidewalk and landscape buffer	Frontage Improvements Capital Investment Program	Standard per Land Use Code and Transportation Design Manual
Intersection	Design	Frontage Improvements	Guideline
Treatment	Components	Capital Investment Program	
Mid-Block	Spacing of	Frontage Improvements	Guideline
Crossings	Crossings	Capital Investment Program	

Source: MMLOS Metrics, Standards & Guidelines (2017)

MMLOS for Bicyclists (5 pts)

Table 9. Bellevue Level of Traffic Stress (LTS) Categories



Table 10. Bicycle Level-of-Service/ Level-of Traffic Stress

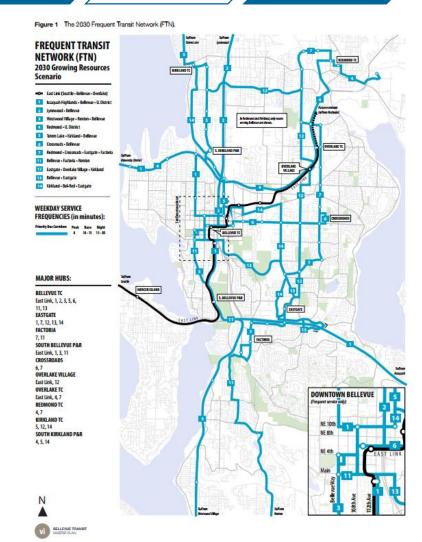
Roadway	Bicycle Facility Components:
Characteristics	Guideline to Achieve Intended Level of Service/Level of Traffic Stress

Speed Limit	Arterial Traffic	No	Sharrow Lane	Striped Bike	Buffered Bike Lane	Protected Bike Lane	Physically Separated
(MPH)	Volume	Marking	Marking	Lane	(Horizontal)	(Vertical)	Bikeway
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	3-7k	3	2	2	2	1	1
	>/=7k	3	3	2	2	1	1
30	<15k	3	3	2	2	1	1
	15-25k	4	4	3	3	3	1
	>/=25k	4	4	3	3	3	1
35	<25k	4	4	3	3	3	1
	>/=25k	4	4	4	3	3	1
>35	Any	4	4	4	4	3	1

Source: MMLOS Metrics, Standards & Guidelines (2017)

Tier I Vehicle LOS

- Transit (5/2 pts)
 - 5pts: the project benefits transit on a Frequent Transit Network (FTN) route
 - 2pts: the project benefits transit on a non-frequent transit network route
- Safety (5 pts)



Extra

Points

Source: 2014 Bellevue Transit Master Plan

Questions

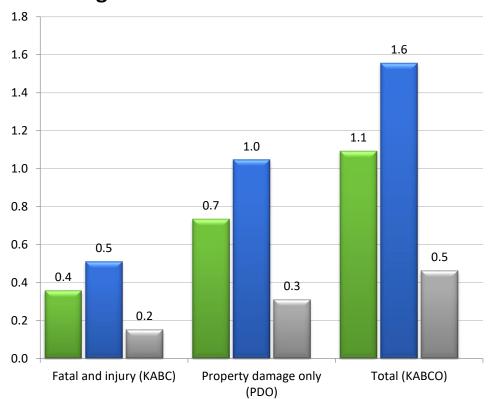
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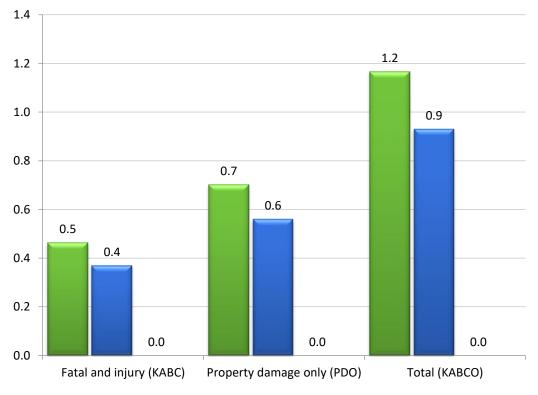
Tier I Vehicle LOS

• Safety (5 pts)

Existing Conditions



Proposed Conditions



Extra

Points