

Rider News

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Public Comment Invited on Transit Development Plan



We invite public comment on the annual update of our **2015 Summary and 2016-2021 Transit Development Plan (TDP)**.

The comment period ends with a public hearing on **Wednesday, August 3, 5:30 p.m.** at our business office, 526 Pattison Street, Olympia. If you need special accommodations to participate in the hearing, call us at 360-705-5860 three days prior to the meeting. Please consider riding the bus, cycling, or walking to attend the hearing. Routes 62A, 62B, 66, and Dial-A-Lift (for certified riders) serve nearby stops.

What is the TDP?

The plan describes 2015 operational highlights and outlines how we anticipate using our current financial resources over the next six years. Unlike our annual Strategic Plan, which outlines future growth and service possibilities *not restricted by funding*, the TDP forecasts transit operations *within existing financial resources*. The TDP assumes service levels will remain steady over the next few years since projected sales tax revenue, our primary source of operating income, is just beginning to recover from the recession. Spikes in fuel cost, funding for bus replacements, and necessary facility improvements, however, could still impact our long-term financial outlook and current service levels.

This year's TDP describes: (1) 2015 agency accomplishments; (2) operating changes anticipated between 2016-2021; and (3) operating and capital financial elements projected for 2017-2021.

Where Can I Get Materials?

A PDF version of the draft TDP is available at **intercitytransit.com** under 'headlines.' You can get a copy of the draft TDP at Customer Service at the Olympia Transit Center, our business office (526 Pattison St SE, Olympia), or review a copy at local Timberland libraries. You can also request a copy by emailing **customerservice@intercitytransit.com** or calling **360-786-8585**.

Other Ways to Comment

If you cannot attend the public hearing, you can also provide comment by:

- Mail: P.O. Box 659, Olympia, WA 98507
- Email: **tellus@intercitytransit.com**
- Phone: **360-705-5852**

All comments must be received by 4 p.m. August 3, 2016, to be considered.

Coming Soon! Tumwater Square Bus Stop Improvements

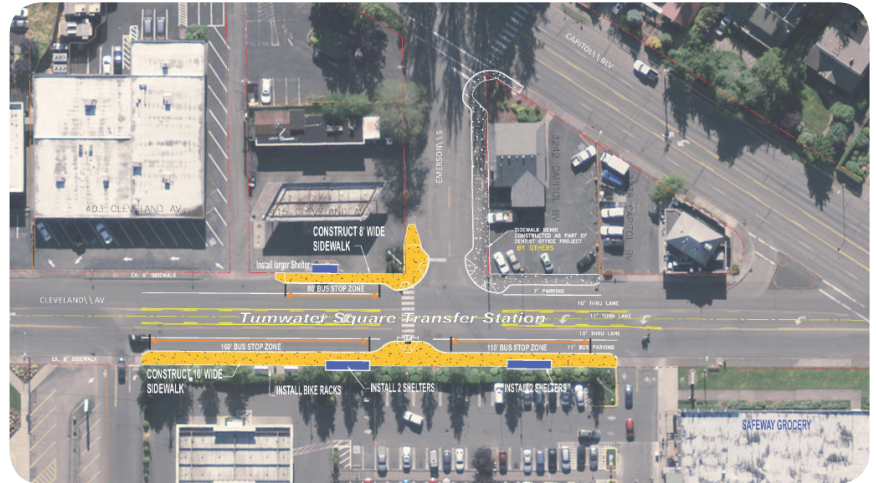
We are working with the City of Tumwater to improve the Tumwater Square Transfer Station located on Cleveland Avenue between Custer Way SE and Capital Boulevard.

The improvements will increase the on-street bus zone lengths on both sides of Cleveland Avenue (150 feet on the north side and 25 feet on the south side) to accommodate more buses. Additional improvements will be made to make this area safer for pedestrians and bicyclists.

They include:

- Wider sidewalks for better pedestrian circulation.
- Crosswalks with bulbouts.
- Bus stop shelter and facility enhancements.
- Installation of bicycle racks at the transfer station.

This project is funded with a federal Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) grant awarded to us by the Thurston Regional Planning Council in 2015. The site improvements are scheduled to be complete by the spring of 2017.



Proposed bus, pedestrian, and bicycle improvements at the Tumwater Square Transfer Station.

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Here's how it works. If you recruit a new rider, you get a **\$50 gift card** for each rider that joins an Intercity Transit vanpool. Every new rider also receives a **\$50 gift card** for joining.

If you help us start a new vanpool, you get a **\$50 gift card** for every rider you recruit to the new van. Each rider in a new vanpool gets **their first month free** or a **\$100 gift card**.

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