



TRANSPORTATION

Continuing the commitment to traffic relief

Continue funding of all 132 projects authorized by the Legislature in the 2015 Connecting Washington package.

Project added to increase capacity on state Route 167 from Puyallup to the SR 18 interchange. (\$20.0 million)

Projects advanced:

- » SR 20/Sharpes Corner vicinity intersection
- » SR 28/SR 285 North Wenatchee area improvements
- » Interstate 5/rebuild Chamber Way interchange improvements
- » SR 28/East Wenatchee corridor improvements
- » SR 510/Yelm Loop phase 2
- » U.S. 12/Wildcat Bridge replacement

Managing wait times at driver's license offices

Reduce wait times due to the impending implementation of REAL ID requirements by expanding capacity at Department of Licensing offices to speed processing of enhanced driver's licenses and enhanced identicards. Funding will

hire more staff, extend office hours and deploy new technology to help keep wait times short despite rising demand. (\$43.0 million 2017–19)

Electric vehicle infrastructure

Install additional publicly accessible electric vehicle charging stations in Washington. Funding comes from a portion of the recent Volkswagen national settlement. (\$5.6 million 2017–19)

Autonomous vehicles

Improve lane striping and signage to better accommodate and support the use of autonomous vehicles on state roads. (\$5.0 million 2017–19)

Additional state trooper cadet class

Fill vacancies in the Washington State Patrol by adding a cadet class. This will allow WSP to fully staff its trooper force to respond to collisions quickly and help decrease traffic congestion. (\$4.4 million 2017–19)

High-speed rail study

Continue studying ultra-high speed rail transportation by undertaking a consultant business case analysis to build on results of the feasibility study already done. Ultra-high speed rail transportation (defined as 250 mph or more) will

serve as an additional option for citizens traveling between Vancouver, B.C., and Portland. (\$3.6 million 2017–19)

Ferry system staffing

Hire and train additional staff to make sure qualified employees are always available to ensure safe and comfortable passage on Washington State Ferries. (\$2.0 million 2017–19)

Convert ferries to hybrid electrics

Fund research to explore the conversion of Washington state ferries from diesel to hybrid electric. (\$600,000 2017–19)

Preventing disruption in service

Maintain the 144-car MV Hyak to prevent service disruption and capacity reductions while two of the Olympic Class vessels are out of service for planned warranty repairs. (\$2.0 million 2017–19)