## Regional Transportation Planning and Advocacy Progress Update – August 2013

City staff provide active and effective advocacy to advance Redmond's regional transportation interests, including the community's need for convenient and accessible solutions for traveling within Redmond and between Redmond and other destinations. Planning staff together with staff in Public Works and the Executive's office assist the Mayor and City Council in forming alliances with other Eastside communities to ensure the promotion of common transportation interests. The table below describes activities since the last progress update, as well as specific progress made within each category.

Type of Action	Progress
Sound Transit 2 (ST2) Plan	1. The ST Plan:
	<ul> <li>East Link Light Rail Project – construction and operation of an approximately 14-mile light-rail line with two new stations in Redmond-Overlake.</li> </ul>
	b. East Link Project is in final design. Segment D along SR 520 to the Overlake Transit Center Station is planned to be constructed through a design-build process. Passenger service between Redmond Overlake and Seattle begins in 2023.
	2. Additional ST2 related City staff work has included:
	<ul> <li>a. Overlake Village Station area planning and pedestrian bridge.</li> </ul>
	b. Working with Microsoft and ST on the Overlake Transit Center Station and pedestrian bridge.
	c. Working on a Development Agreement between the City and Sound Transit.
	d. Support to Redmond's Mayor and staff regarding Sound Transit Board and committee meetings.

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Eastside Transportation Partnership (ETP)	Staff is supporting the Council at monthly ETP meetings. Key regional transportation issues discussed and advanced at ETP include:
	1. ETP's 2013 legislative agenda;
	2. ETP Annual Report
	3. Study regional tolling implementation.
	4. Briefings on state legislative session issues for 2013 and beyond, transportation funding, including T 2040 update, ST3 Update, KC roads, KC Metro.
King County Regional Transit Committee (RTC) Staff Workgroup, King County Regional Transit Task Force (RTTF)	City staff attends periodic meetings representing city interests related to transit service operations in Redmond, the Eastside, and systemwide. The key issues considered include Metro Transit's implementation of the Strategic Plan for Public Transportation, 2011-2012.
Puget Sound Regional Council Regional Project Evaluation Committee (RPEC) (new)	City staff represents SCA and City interests regarding project selection for federal transportation funds distributed to the region. One to two meetings per month.
SR 520 Corridor Program	Construction of the SR 520 Bridge portion of the corridor is underway; however, work continues on the bridge approach funding in Seattle. Construction work on the Eastside approach has begun, including new interchanges and in-line freeway bus stations.
	Tolling of the SR 520 Bridge continues. Staff will participate in the I-90 Tolling Studies.
	City staff are continuing to work to support specific improvements within the SR 520 Corridor, including:
	1. An Overlake Access Ramp project (a new slip ramp at 148 <sup>th</sup> Avenue NE from SR 520 to 152nd Avenue NE) and
	2. Implementation of the SR 520 Multimodal Corridor Study between I-405 and Avondale Road.