2022 Regional Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) **Application**



1. PROJECT TITLE	Yelm Hwy and Spurgeon Crk Rd SE Intersection Improvements				
If the project is program	med in the State Transporta	ition	Improvement	Program, use the same title.	
2. LEAD AGENCY Provid	e information about the lea	d ap	plicant who is	requesting grant funds.	
Lead Agency	Thurston County				
Contact Person	Matt Unzelman				
Phone Number	(360) 867 2335	Em	nail Address	matt.unzelman@co.thurston.wa.us	
	3. CERTIFICATION ACCEPTANCE (CA) AGENCY SPONSOR Provide information about the applicant's Certification Acceptance agency sponsor (leave blank if the same as #2 or if not applicable).				
Co-Sponsor Agency	Co-Sponsor Agency				
Contact Person					
Phone Number		Em	nail Address		
4. PROJECT PARTNERS /	CO-APPLICANTS For multi-	ager	ncy joint propo	osals. Leave blank if not applicable.	
Name of partner organizations			Name of primary contacts		
Intercity Transit		Eric Phillips			
5 PROJECT OVERVIEW					

Provide a brief description of the proposal. (~150 words)

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6. STB	G PROJECT TYPE (M	Mark all that apply)				
		Ill not be considered in this call for projects. Capital Projects must be I	ocated on			
		inor collectors and local roads are ineligible. Exceptions apply to Trans				
	tive type projects.	0 1 11 7				
a.	Construction, red	construction, rehabilitation, resurfacing, restoration preservation overwents of highways	on, or			
h						
b.	_	el replacement; and inspection and evaluation of bridges				
C.	•	transit projects (vehicles and facilities)				
d.		and electric and alternative fuels vehicle infrastructure				
e.		strian facilities, including shared-use paths	<u> </u>			
f.		idewalks to comply with Americans with Disabilities Act	✓			
g.		nsit safety projects, hazard eliminations, railway/highway grade	,			
	crossings					
h.		ating costs for traffic management systems				
i.	Planning and stu					
j.	Environmental m		✓			
k.		portation Systems (ITS)	✓			
l.	Other Enhanced	treatment for stormwater runoff				
7. SUN	IMARY DETAILS (con	nplete the section that best matches your project type)				
CONSTR	RUCTION PROJECT					
Location	on Description					
Limits						
Projec	t Length					
ALL OTH	HER PROJECT TYPES					
Projec	t Location	Intersection of Yelm Hwy and Spurgeon Crk Rd SE				
Durati	on of Project					
8. TRP	C FUNDING PRIORIT	TIES				
What	Regional Funding P	Priorities does this project advance? (Check all that apply)				
V	T	ration – Projects that support trips made by walking, bicycling, a	and			
	· ' '	ects that support meeting adopted vehicle level of service stand	lards: projects			
✓	Efficiency – Projects that support meeting adopted vehicle level of service standards; projects that support Transportation Demand Management goals and decrease per capita VMT.					
	Maintenance and Preservation – Projects that support a pavement "Best First" approach;					
projects that support transit asset management targets; projects that keep bridges in a sta						
	of good repair; a	nd projects the keep all other transportation system assets in a	state of good			
	repair.					
	Planning – Projects that develop project lists, support regional coordination, or provide data					
	to inform transportation planning.					
	Resiliency – Projects that protect the transportation system from natural and technical					
	hazards and disruptions.					
√		that reduce fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads, or ies, and on transit related facilities.	n bicycle and			
9. PRO	9. PROPOSAL PRIORITY If submitting more than one proposal for STBG funds, rank the priority					
of this	proposal compared t	to others. Use 1 for highest priority, 2 for second, and so on.	1			
10. Co	NTINGENCY ONLY C	neck if this project is only for TRPC's contingency list.				
The cor	The contingency list is used to select projects if additional funding becomes available.					

11. YEAR OF OBLIGATION (Select the preferred year for phase/project obligation)					
Year	Study/Program	PE	ROW	CN	
Before 2025		✓			
2025					
2026					
2027			✓		
Use the space below	to provide any relevant in	formation on obligat	tion timing and prefere	ences.	
Would prefer "Before 2025" for PE obligation but could obligate in 2025 as well.					
TRPC staff will coordin	nate phase/project obliga	tion timing with succ	cessful applicants prior	to issuing award	
12. FUNDS FOR PRO	OJECT COMPLETION				
12a. Has this project previously received federal funding through TRPC or other grant programs? ☐ Yes ☑No					
12b. If yes, please indicate which phases were completed with previous grant awards. ☐ Planning/Study☐ Preliminary Engineering/Design ☐ Right-of-Way					
12c. Will the requested grant funds allow the applicant to successfully complete the project? ☐ Yes ✓ No					
no award? The cont ☑Yes ☐No	12d. Do you want this proposal added to the contingency list should it only receive a partial award or no award? The contingency list is used to identify projects if additional funding becomes available. ☑ Yes ☐ No				
13. PROJECT PHASI					
	REA. What census area i	T			
✓Urban Medium □Urban Small □Rural □Urban Small & Rural Combined					
13b. Transportation Alternatives Option. Select the funding option that best serves your project's					
needs.					
Will accept STBG only					
13c. Enter the amount of funding required for each phase applicable to your proposal. Cost Breakdown by Phases Federal Request State and Local Total Amount					
COST DIEGRUOWII DY PI	PE/Design	\$400,000.00	\$	Total Amount \$400,000.00	
Construction	Right-of-Way	\$400,000.00	\$	\$400,000.00	
CONSTRUCTION	MgHt-OI-Way	-	7	7+00,000.00	
	Construction	\$	\$	\$0.00	
DI ANNING OR	Construction	\$	\$	\$0.00	
PLANNING OR VEHICLES	Construction Planning/Programs Vehicles	\$ \$	\$ \$ \$	\$0.00 \$0.00 \$0.00	

14. MATCHING FUND DETAILS For existing proposals parants, applicants must provide a minimum 13.5% no share cannot exceed 86.5% of total project cost. See	Match Example: Non-federal: \$13,500 Federal Funds: \$86,500 Project Cost: \$100,000 Total					
14a. MATCH SOURCE—List the source, status, and amount of all matching funds.						
Source of Funds	Current Status (secure or unsecure)	Amount				
100% federally funded. Using toll credits for match.		\$				
		\$				
		\$				
14b. MATCH TIMING LIMITATIONS—Do any matching furobligation?		L :				
Yes No If yes, please provide comments belo	W.					
15. CONSTRUCTION AND RIGHT-OF-WAY PROJECT REA						
15a. DESIGN COMPLETENESS (enter completed or target completion dates)						
Preliminary Engineering	1/1/25					
NEPA Approval	12/31/26	.1 . 1				
15b. RIGHT-OF-WAY COMPLETENESS (enter completed or target completion dates). Use the space below						
to provide additional details, if necessary.						
Right-of-Way is not required	3/1/27					
Right-of-Way acquisition	3/1/2/					
Relocation Plan						
Approved Right-of-Way Plan	1/1/27					
Right-of-Way Cost Estimate or True Cost Estimate		1.				
Use the space below to provide any relevant right-c	of-way information (~150 word	ds).				
The preferred alternative (roundabout) was advance impacts. A true cost estimate has been completed for		ermine right of way				

16. PROJECT DESCRIPTION DETAILS

16a. PROJECT NEED—Describe the project need and current conditions or deficiencies to be addressed. How does the project support the Region's Priorities checked on Question 8? (~500 words).

This project addresses efficiency, safety, active transportation and resiliency at the intersection of Yelm Hwy and Spurgeon Crk Rd SE. The intersection currently operates as a "green tee" with stop control for northbound traffic on Spurgeon Creek Rd and free flow for the eastbound and westbound traffic on Yelm Hwy. A westbout acceleration lane is provided for traffic turning left from Spurgeon Creek Rd onto Yelm Hwy. The eastbound approach currently provides a single lane, the westbound approach provides a through-lane and a left-turn lane, and the northbound approach provides left-tun and right-turn lanes. The average daily traffic volume is nearly 12,000 for Yelm Hwy and 4,500 for Spurgeon Crk Rd. The speed limit is 50 mph for Yelm Hwy and 35 mph on Spurgeon Crk Rd.

There are no sidewalks or crosswalks provided at this intersection. Intercity Transit has bus stops on both sides of Yelm Hwy. The lack of crossings, sidewalks and inadequate lighting create accessibility and safety issues for riders and other pedestrians and bicyclists traveling through this intersection.

In the past 5 years there has been 13 total collisions related to the intersection. 60 percent of all crashes involved entering at an angle and largely included vehicles heading northbound on Spurgeon Crk Rd making a left onto Yelm Hwy.

The County has an adopted minimum level of service D at this intersection. The intersection currently operates at a level of service C but has been identified in multiple developer traffic reports as exceeding that level of service in the future based upon forecasted growth and development. A project is needed to improve efficency at this intersection, to continue to meet the requirements of the growth management act and to continue to allow development in the area.

16b. Scope of Work— Succinctly describe the overall scope of the project: 1) Construction projects—include all the types of transportation facilities and infrastructure the project will address and the proposed phase deliverables and the anticipated deliverables when fully completed; 2) For plans or studies, clearly state the study objectives and how they will be achieved; 3) For programs, services, and vehicle acquisition, describe the project deliverables (~300 words).

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Roundabouts have generally been proven to have a lower crash frequency and severity than other types of intersection control. This is due to a combination of factors including the reduction of conflict points in the intersection, the lowering of vehicle speeds, and the merge condition on entry to the intersection. Typical crash types at roundabouts include rear-end and sideswipe crashes. Severity types typically includes property damage only (PDO) and minor injury.

Environmental mitigation will be necessary due to the projects proximity to pocket gopher habitat. The costs for permitting and mitigation are included in this application.

17. OPTIONAL ATTACHMENT	-s			
Note: The total number of atta	chments to support proposal should not exce	ed five pages.		
Please identify any supplem	ental attachments that are included in yo	ur application.		
☑ Vicinity Map				
✓ Photographs				
✓ Illustrations, cross-section	is, or schematics			
☑ Letter of Support				
Other				
18. CERTIFICATION ACCEPTANCE (CA)				
The applicant must have good standing with the WSDOT Certification Acceptance program specified				
in Chapter 13 of the WSDOT Local Agency Guidelines Manual:				
https://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Publications/Manuals/M36-63.htm				
▼ The applicant is a CA agency ☐ The applicant is partnering with a CA agency				
CA Agency	Thurston County			
CA Agency Representative	Scott Lindblom			
CA Representative Title	County Engineer			
✓ I acknowledge this propose	Date: 10/05/2022			

19. PROJECT VERIFICATION AND ENDORSEMENT

This project proposal reflects established local funding priorities consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan. Costs represent accurate planning level estimates needed to accomplish the work described herein. The project described is financially feasible, and local match revenue identified is available and will be committed to the project if TRPC awards the requested STBG funds. If selected, **the project must obligate by the date specified on the award letter.** Failure to do so could result in loss of funding for the project. I realize that the use of federal funds for this project entails administrative and project compliance requirements over which TRPC has no control, and for which the applicant agency or organization will be responsible. This project has the full endorsement of the governing body/leadership of this agency or organization.

LEAD AGENCY AUTHORIZATION	
Name of Lead Agency Representative Authorized to Submit the Application	Matt Unzelman
Title	County Traffic Engineer
✓ I verify and endorse this proposal as stated in the preceding statement.	Date: 10/05/2022
MULTI-AGENCY PROPOSAL PARTNER AUTHORIZATION (multiple, if	applicable)
Name of Partner Representative Authorized to Submit the Application	
Title	
☐ I verify and endorse this proposal as stated in the preceding statement.	Date:
Name of Partner Representative Authorized to Submit the Application	
Title	
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2022 Regional Priorities Project Evaluation Forms



INSTRUCTIONS — Score your proposal for each Regional Priority using the criteria evaluation forms. There are a maximum of 8 points for projects in the Urban Medium area and 6 points for projects located in the Urban Small and Rural areas. Summarize your total score on the last page. TRPC will validate each proposal's score.

PROJECT TITLE Yelm Hwy and Spurgeon Crk Rd SE Intersection Improvements 1. EFFICIENT USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS - TRPC will evaluate the efficient use of federal funds based on the project type and the total dollar cost. Select the points below the column that best describes your project type and funding level. If your project isn't shown, enter your project type using the space for "Other."* Project/funding level is not an Acceptable use of federal funds Reasonable use of federal funds Best use of federal funds efficient use of federal funds Any construction or pavement •Standalone sidewalk •Pavement maintenance (urban streets) •Add funding to a project with existing federal funds (federalized project) any funding level maintenance (all phases) total construction (all phases) total >\$250k •Street/road construction (all phases) total project cost project cost <\$250k project cost >250k •Trail construction (all phases) total >\$250k •Standalone Crosswalk (all project cost >\$250k •Roundabout or signal construction (all phases) total phases) total project cost project cost >\$250k Signal upgrades •Pavement maintenance (rural roads) >\$250k <\$250k

•Transit building facility construction (all phases) total •Fish passage barrier removal (all phases) Electric vehicle charging project cost >\$250k total project cost >\$250k stations •Transit bus stop/other facility construction (all phases) total project cost >\$250k •Stormwater improvements >\$250k Vehicle replacements •Crosswalk (bundled) (all phases) total •Transportation Demand Management programs Planning/feasibility studies project cost >\$250k Other:_ Other: -1 Point 0 Point 1 Point ✓ 2 Points * Other projects not listed in this table will be evaluated at time of review

PROJECT TITLE	Yelm Hwy and Spurgeon Crk Rd SE Intersection Improvements							
	2. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REDUCTION — TRPC will use a qualitative approach for evaluating GHG emissions reductions. Select the points below the column that best describes your project type. If your project isn't shown, enter your project type using the space for "Other."*							
Project will increase emissions	se GHG	Neutral	Project may have GHG reduction benefits	GHG reduction is one of the primary intentions of project				
Street widening with multimodal element	ts	Intersection improvements at non-congested areas** Pavement maintenance Fish passage barrier improvement Studies/plans without land use element Vehicle replacement without emissions reduction	Bus stop improvements serving a corridor with >15-minute headways Intersection improvements in congested areas** Studies/plans with land use element or with the intent to reduce GHG Building facility construction that supports Transit operations and maintenance; traffic management; or other efficient travel New street connections without multimodal facilities Other:	New street connections with multimodal elements Bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure TDM projects (Walk and Roll, CTR) Vehicle replacement or retrofit resulting in lower emissions Electric vehicle charging station Vanpool/carpool investments Bus stop improvements serving a corridor with <=15-minute headways Transit corridor infrastructure and operational improvements High-capacity transportation Other:				
1 Point		☐ 0 Point	☐ 1 Point	✓ 2 Points				
* Other projects not listed in this table will be evaluated at time of review. **Based on jurisdictions' methodology for evaluating Level of Service.								

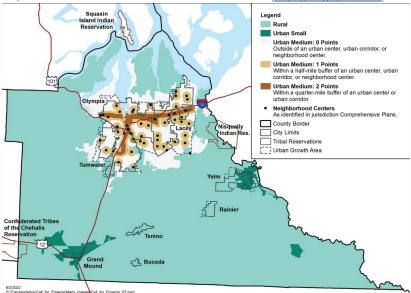
Sustainable Thurston Urban Corridors and Centers Regional Priorities criteria only applies to projects located in the Urban Medium Area.

PRO	JECT TITLE	Yelm Hwy	and Spurgeon Crk Rd SE Interse	ection Improvements			
	3. SUSTAINABLE THURSTON URBAN CORRIDORS AND CENTERS — TRPC will use a two-factor approach, based on: (1) A project's location within a Sustainable Thurston						
	Urban Corridor, Urban Center, or Neighborhood Center; and (2) Project type, as criteria for prioritizing a projects ability to create vibrant urban centers.*						
INST	RUCTIONS: 1. Check	the project	row(s) that best describes the proje	ct type(s); 2. Locate your project using the on	lline Urban Corridors/Centers map		
http	s://arcg.is/WKTm	<u>m</u> to determ	ine if it is within an Urban Corridor, I	Urban Center, or Neighborhood Center for po	pints qualification below. 3. Based on project type and		
loca	tion, select the po	ints column			not shown on the Urban Corridors/Centers Map.		
				n Urban Corridors and Centers Eligible Proje	••		
	Neighborhood c SR507 Main Stre		corridor, or urban center planning	projects that integrate land use and transpor	tation, such as the Martin Way Corridor Study or the		
√				talities on arterials and collectors on urban co	orridors or neighborhood centers. Projects could include		
1			nt, medians, and roundabouts.				
√		_	•	5 5	rs and urban corridors. Projects could include pedestrian		
	,		<u> </u>	connections, bulb outs, and new or replaceme	ent ramps. rs. Projects could include non-motorized bridges and		
	•		, ,		er bicycle infrastructure such as community bicycle repair		
\checkmark					ment programs. Projects may be standalone or a		
	•		mprovement project.	insportation safety education and encourager	ment programs. Projects may be standardic or a		
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V	Transit youth infrastructure improvements for suicting or now youther on when considers that support Due Devid Transit or other modes of high consists.						
	Intelligent Transportation Systems and traffic signal operations that improve the operating efficiency of transit services, projects that improve traffic signal operating						
\checkmark	•		•	idors, and traffic signal efficiency that better	serves ADA accessibility or bicycle and pedestrian		
	intersection crossings where new demand is projected.						
Ш	Maintenance projects that reduce life cycle costs and preserve existing infrastructure on urban corridors and in neighborhood centers						
			Project does not directly	Project supports Sustainable Thurston	B		
	Project does not s Sustainable Thu		support Sustainable Thurston, but improves access to goods	within a half mile of an urban center,	Project supports Sustainable Thurston within a quarter mile of an urban center or urban corridor		
	Sustamable IIIu	istoli	and services	urban corridor, or neighborhood center	Time of all diball center of diball corridor		
The	project proposal is	s not	Project is within an urban	The majority of the project is within a half	The majority of the project is within a quarter mile of an		
	ided as an eligible		corridor, urban center, or	mile of an urban center, urban corridor,	urban center or urban corridor and is an eligible project		
			neighborhood center (orange	or neighborhood center and is an eligible	type marked above.		
outside of an urban center, or yellow area on the map)		or yellow area on the map)	project type marked above.	3,000			
urba	urban corridor, or neighborhood but is not a preferred project			Use Question 3A on the next page to justify urban			
cent	er.		type; or the project is outside	Use Question 3A on the next page to	centers not located on the map.		
			of an urban center or urban	justify urban centers not located on the	-		
			corridor but is an eligible	map.			
	□-1 Point		project type marked above.	✓ 1 Point	☐2 Points		
	∐-1 Point	•	☐0 Point	[▲] T boint	LJ2 POINtS		

3a. SUSTAINABLE THURSTON NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER DESCRIPTION. For a neighborhood center location not shown on the map, use the space below to describe the project's location, land use characteristics, and conditions that contribute to its function as a neighborhood center (300-word limit).

The intersection of Yelm Hwy and Spurgeon Crk is not shown as a neighborhood center on the map but the County feels strongly that this intersection is as much of an urban center or more than other surrounding locations that are classified on the map as neighborhood centers. This location has a popular gas station with mini-mart, Vans drive-thru, is adjacent to neighborhoods, other local businesses and multiple bus stops. This intersection is know to the surrounding community as Kelly's Korner.





Note: projects located in Census Urban Small (dark green) or Rural areas (light green) are excluded from the Sustainable Thurston Urban Centers/Corridors criteria.

PROJECT TITLE	Yelm Hwy and Spurgeon	Crk Rd SE Intersection Improvements	
point priority be awarded t	projects list below reflects to projects that can demonst	als advance transportation equity for people who experience barrie underserved populations' preferred project types from a TRPC Regio rate a direct benefit to one or more underserved populations, eithe r Question 4A for the extra point.	onal Transportation Priorities survey. An extra point will
Dispropor	tionate Burden	Neutral Projects	Priority Projects for Underserved Populations
	sproportionate burden on ation, regardless of project	Efficiency Add turning lanes or center lanes Invest in new transportation technologies (improved traffic signals, real-time travel information) Invest in projects that reduce the need to travel, such as encouraging working from home Maintenance Replace transit vehicles or bus stop shelters Resiliency Improve roads that are detour routes to Interstate 5 (I-5) Improve roads that are more likely to be impacted by hazards such as flooding or landslides Complete missing roads/street connections Help improve water quality and/or fish habitat by fixing places where roads and bridges impact natural areas Active Transportation Add bicycle lanes to existing streets Complete the regional trail network Invest in school/public awareness programs to reduce travel trips and increase safety	Planning and Studies with public involvement Safety • Make intersections safer • Make crossing the street safer • Make bus stops more convenient and safer for bus riders, especially for people with disabilities Maintenance • Increase road maintenance (fix pavement) Active Transportation • Add sidewalks and safe street crossings to existing streets
	1 Point	☐ 0 Point	✓ 1 Point

4A. PROJECTS WITH DEMONSTRATED BENEFIT TO UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS (EXTRA POINT) - Projects that provide a direct benefit to underserved populations may be eligible for an additional point. Use the space below to describe how this proposal advances the transportation needs of people who may experience challenges or barriers because of race/ethnicity, age, physical ability, or income (300-word limit).

Based upon the Transportation for Social Equity data website:

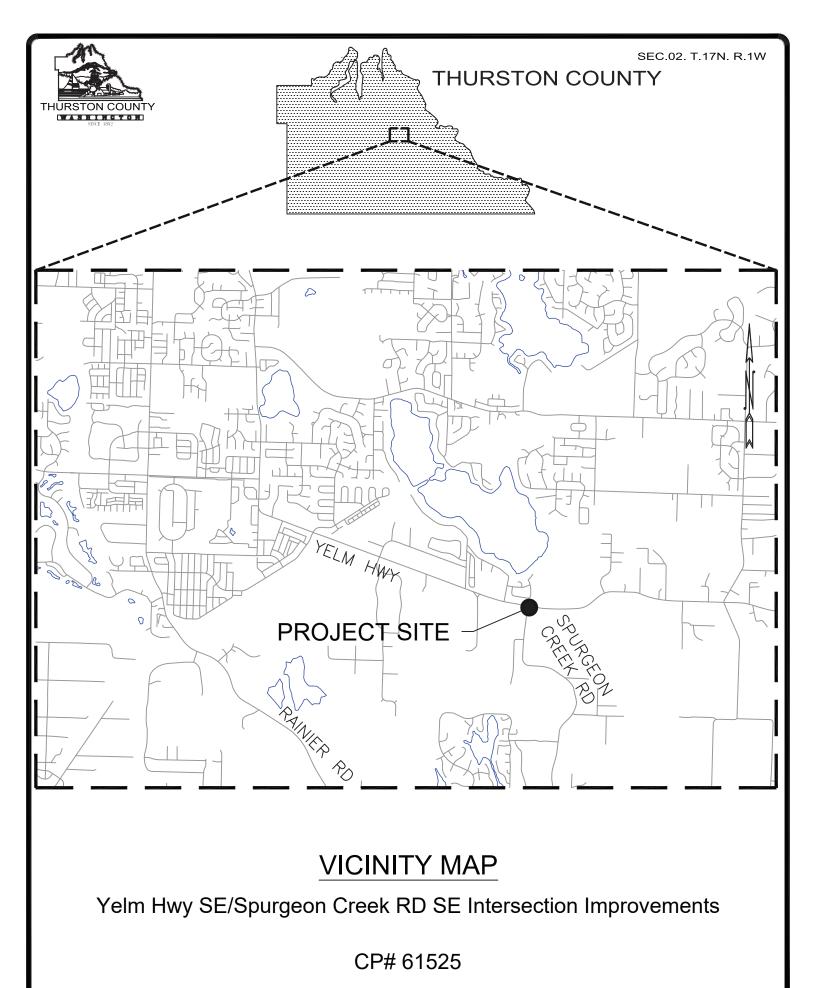
- 1. Low Income 37.79 percentile 2. Minority 53.03 percentile 3. Above 64 Years Old 77.46 percentile
- 4. Linguistic Isolation 43.65 percentile
- 5. With Disability 72.79 percentile
- 6. No Car Ownership 32.90 percentile

With improved bus and ADA sidewalk and crossing facilities underserved populations, specifically minorities, those over the age of 64 and those with disabilities, will be see a direct benefit from this project. The populations specifically called out account for more than 50% of the population in this area.

✓ 1 Extra Point

TOTAL PROJECT SCORE

5. PROPOSAL SCORE – Enter your proposal's score for each Regional Priority below.	
1. EFFICIENT USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS 2 points maximum.	2
2. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REDUCTION 2 points maximum.	2
3. SUSTAINABLE THURSTON URBAN CENTERS AND CORRIDORS (only for projects in the Urban Medium Area). 2 points maximum.	1
4. EQUITY 2 points maximum.	2
Total Score	7



Existing Project Limits Photos



Picture 1 – No Pedestrian or Bicycle Crossing to Bus Stop



Picture 2 – Spurgeon Creek Rd Looking NB



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September 14, 2022

Thurston Regional Planning Council 2411 Chandler Court SW Olympia, WA 98502

Re: TRPC's 2022 Federal Funding Call for Projects

Intercity Transit is pleased to partner with Thurston County for a project to provide improvements at the intersection of Yelm Highway and Spurgeon Creek Rd. The project includes installing a roundabout and other urban facilities, such as sidewalks, crosswalks, and street lighting. Intercity Transit has bus stops on both sides of Yelm Highway near this intersection as part of Transit Route 94 with service from the Olympia Transit Center to the City of Yelm. This intersection currently does not have sidewalks on the south side of Yelm Highway or crosswalks for riders accessing these bus stops, which is challenging because Yelm Highway has a traffic volume of more than 12,000 vehicles per day.

The proposed project will include new bus facilities on both sides of the roundabout with sidewalks, crosswalks, and enhanced street lighting. The crosswalks will include a refuge island at mid-crossing and flashing lights that are activated by push buttons. This will improve safety for pedestrians and bicyclists accessing the bus stops.

Please feel free to contact Matt Unzelman at Matt.Unzelman@co.thurston.wa.us or (360) 867-2335 if you have any questions or need further information. We hope that this application is successful.

Sincerely,

ann Freeman Manzanares

Ann Freeman Manzanares General Manager/ CEO