



TACOMA || TIDEFLATS

SUBAREA PLAN

Tideflats Advisory Group

August 1, 2024 | Virtual



Agenda

A. Steering Committee Progress

- *Recent Discussions*
- *Upcoming Agenda*
- *Schedule for Recommendation*

B. Draft EIS Public Comments and next steps

C. Discussion Items

1. Transportation



Steering Committee Status

Recent Meetings:

- June/July:
 - Economic Development
 - Land Use Concepts
- Recordings are available at www.cityoftacoma.org/tideflatsplan

Next Meeting: August 8 @ Fabulich or via Teams

- Core Area Definition
- Transportation Introduction

September 12: Transportation – Focus on Project Lists, Priority Networks, and Funding

October/November: Draft Plan Review and Recommendation

DEIS Public Comment

- DEIS Issued on April 9, 2024
- Public Comments accepted through May 23rd
 - 45-day public comment period per Work Plan
 - Public Comment Meeting
 - Public Agency Informational Meeting
 - TAG Meeting
 - Comp Plan Update Workshops
- Notifications
 - 400 Interested Parties
 - Tideflats Advisory Group
 - Tribal Governments
 - JBLM
 - State and Regional Agencies
 - Adjacent jurisdictions
 - 8000 direct mailings
 - Public Notice Signs
 - Media Advertisements



**We are here*

EIS Comment Themes

- Preservation of Industrial Lands
- Investments in “Green” Economy
- Habitat and water restoration
- Environmental health issues including air and climate change/sea level rise
- Sustainable balance needed between industry and environmental quality
- Support for Puyallup Tribe vision
- Concern with industrial impacts on vulnerable populations
- More job creation
- Request for more Project-Level detailed information
- Questions about the timing of Subarea Plan release
- Zoning Code Changes/Buffer areas/overall concern with land use and shoreline code
- Protecting stakeholder interests
- Protecting industry interests
- Economic Development
- Transportation improvements and pending future projects

Plan and EIS Next Steps



Discussion Item

- Transportation

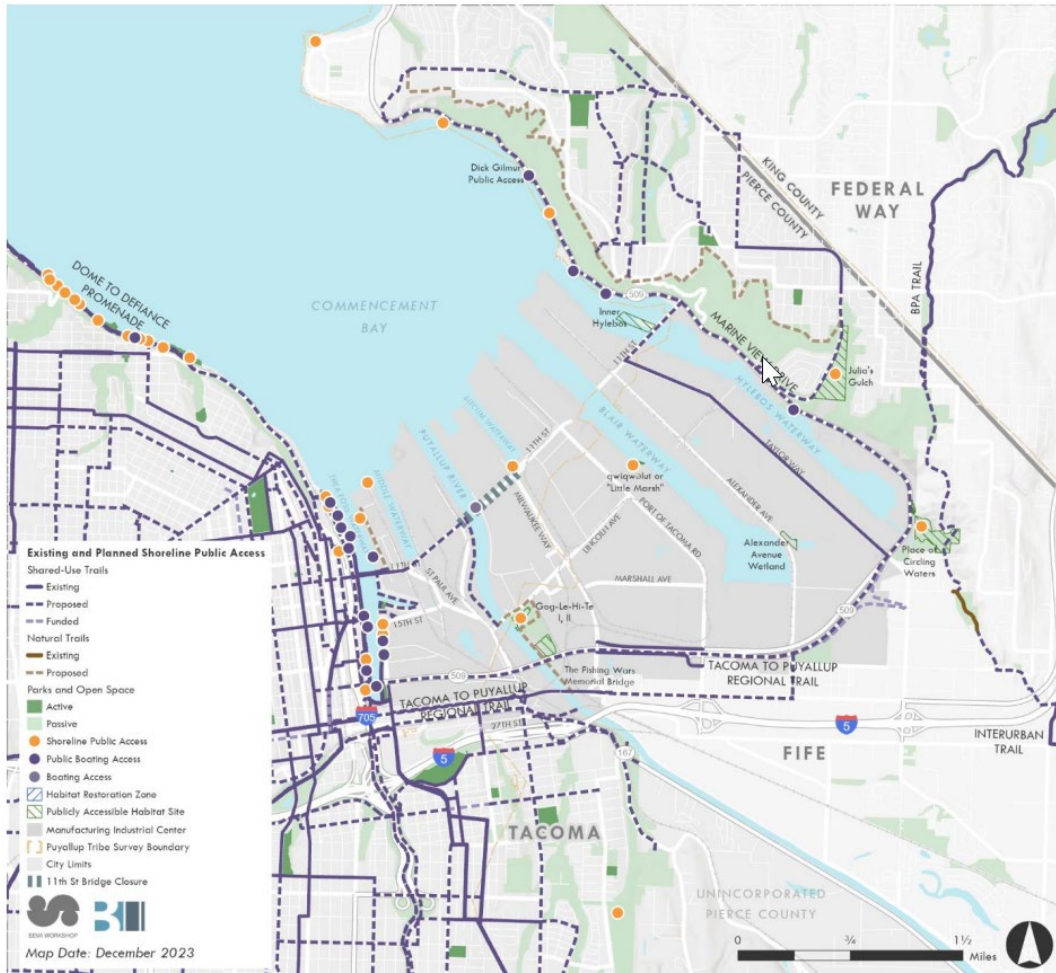


Planning Requirements

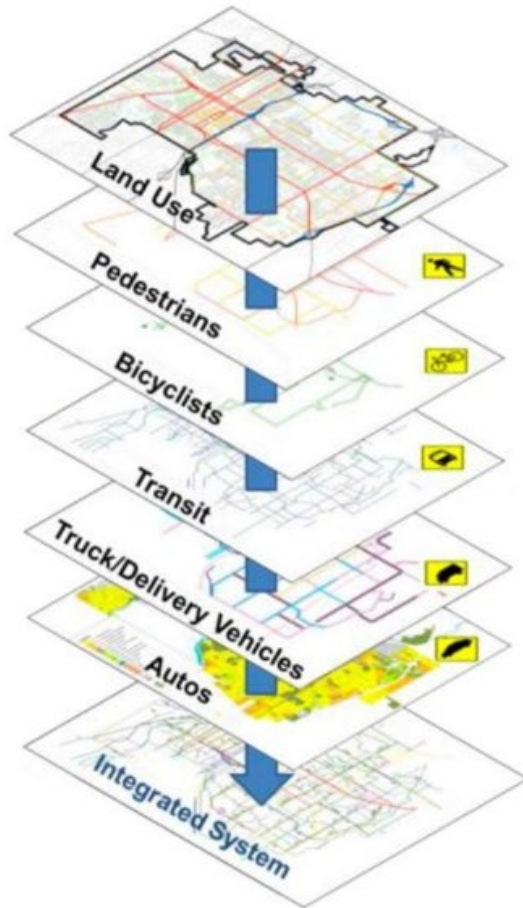
- **Growth Management Act:**
 - Provide reasonably efficient access to the core area through freight corridors
- **Vision 2050:**
 - Support an integrated multimodal transportation network, including freight, transit, pedestrian, and bicycle facilities and linkages to adjacent neighborhoods and districts.
 - Prioritize transportation projects that provide access to freight intermodal facilities to optimize freight movement locally, regionally, and nationally.
 - Identify mode split goals to achieve a more sustainable mix of auto, transit, and non-motorized trips.
- **Shoreline Management Act:**
 - Preserve and expand public access to shorelines and waters of the state, enhance recreational opportunities

Prior Discussion – Public Access Planning

- Identify existing and planned public access sites and recreation opportunities
 - Boating access
 - Natural Trails
 - Shared-use Trails
 - Access to natural areas and restoration sites
 - Educational and programmatic improvements

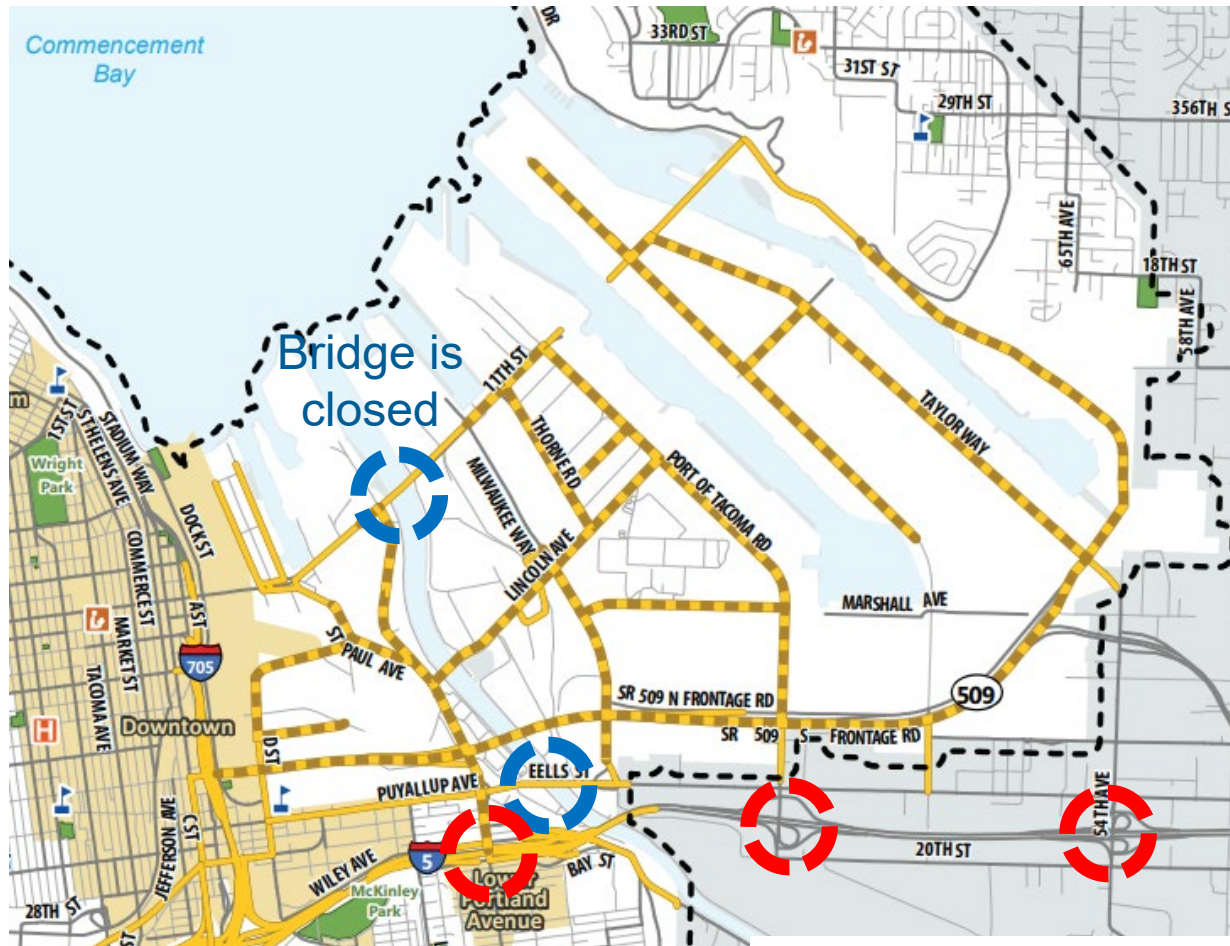









Transportation Master Plan (TMP) – Overview



- Comprehensive and Subarea plans consider all users of the transportation system.
- Land use and transportation are supposed to be in sync pursuant to the Growth Management Act.
- The maps in this presentation are from the 2015 version of the Tacoma Transportation Master Plan and will be updated soon.

TMP – Freight Priority



-  Primary Street
-  Heavy Haul Network
-  City of Tacoma
-  School
-  Hospital
-  Library
-  Mixed Use Center

Discussion Questions:

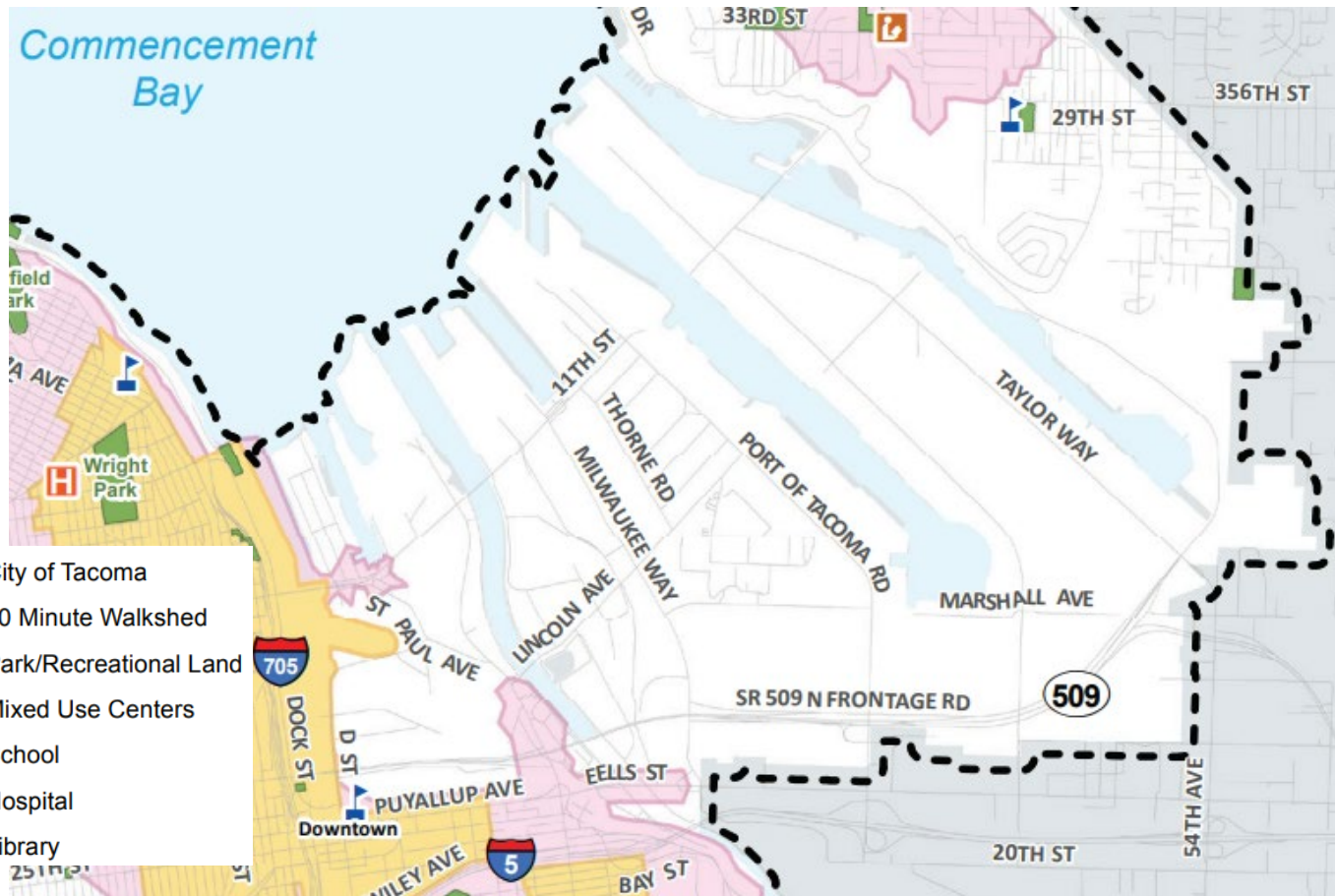
- Are there existing deficiencies in freight priority network?
- Do you foresee changes in your business model that would affect how products move through the Port?
- How has water access affected market opportunities and business model?
- Are there opportunities to take greater advantage of rail access?

Future 167 connection to I-5



Existing I-5 Connections

TMP – Pedestrian Priority



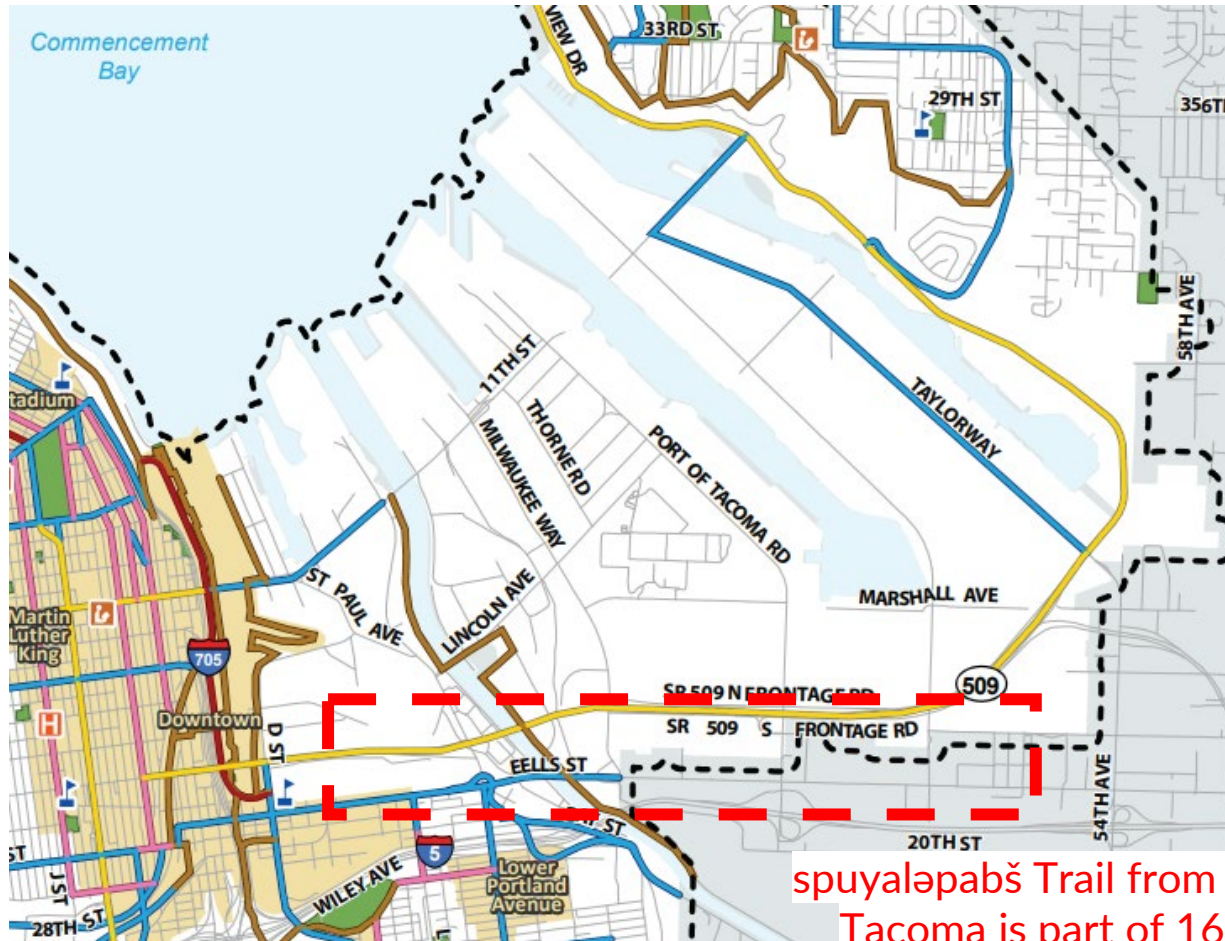
- City of Tacoma
- 20 Minute Walkshed
- Park/Recreational Land
- Mixed Use Centers
- School
- Hospital
- Library

Discussion Questions:

- Pedestrian prioritization is a basic component of right of way design. Given that, are there specific conflicts or design considerations that should be taken into account?



TMP – Bicycle Priority



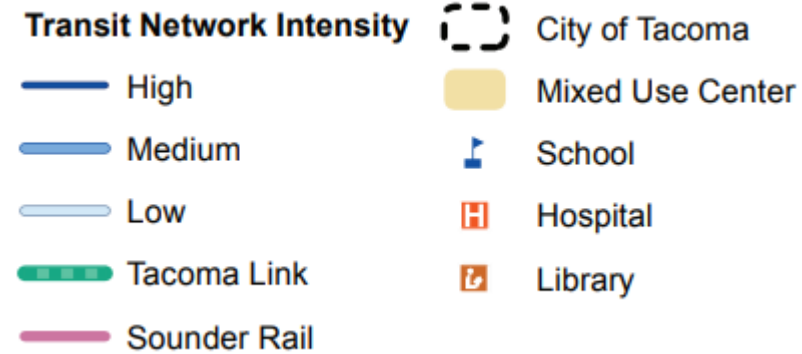
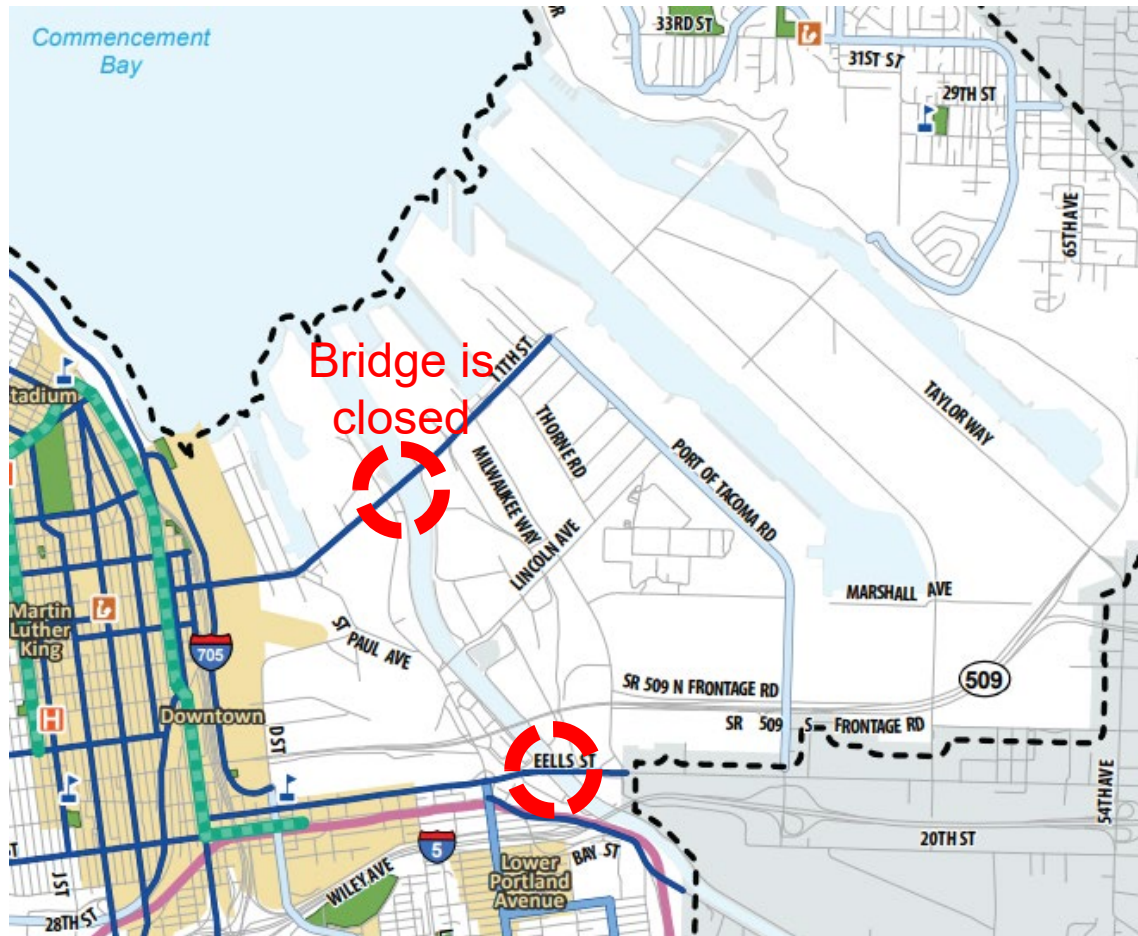
spuyaləpabš Trail from Puyallup to Tacoma is part of 167 project

Facility Type	
	Bicycle Boulevard
	Bicycle Lane
	Protected Bicycle Facility
	Shared Lane Marking
	Shared Use Path
	City of Tacoma
	Mixed Use Center
	School
	Hospital
	Library

Discussion Questions:

- What modifications would you make to the bicycle priority network map?
- What facility types are most appropriate?
- What barriers prevent cycling from being a preferred commute option?

TMP – Transit Priority



Discussion Questions:

- How do you view the value and benefits of transit service to and within the Tideflats?
- Have transportation choices affected employee recruitment and retention?
- What key destinations or users could be served?
- Opportunities to better connect to regional transit?