2016 Regional Surface Transportation Program (STP) Grant Application

PROJECT TITLE: Yelm Avenue / 1st Street (SR 507)

GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION
Agency or Organization: City of Yelm
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Type of Transportation Partner (Check one)
- Traditional Transportation Partner
- Non-Traditional Transportation Partner

Type of Regional Funding Priority (Check all that apply)
- Safety
- Preservation
- Efficiency

Threshold Criteria
- Project elements meet all regional eligibility requirements
- Project elements and administration meet all federal eligibility requirements
- Applicant can demonstrate ability to obligate funding as proposed

STATUS OF EXISTING FEDERAL PROJECTS

Does the applicant have any other regional STP projects underway? (yes or no)

Does the applicant have any other state selected federal projects underway? (yes or no)

If yes to either, attach separate documentation describing status of each project including project name, funding source, year of award, progress to date, future obligation commitments and strategy for meeting those obligation commitments in addition to those associated with new project funding.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Brief abstract (~150 words) of proposal identifying problem or need, how the proposal will address it, and anticipated benefits. This is a high level summary suitable for reports and on-line descriptions. Detailed project information is provided on page 3.

Yelm's historic Central Business District is centrally located and has had multiple improvements in the past years from individual project improvements. The corridor study would provide information for future vehicular and pedestrian safety enhancements along with determining better methods to accommodate intercity transit, parking and pedestrian movements from the existing shopping, parks and public facilities.

PROJECT LOCATION AND DETAILS

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### PROJECT PHASING AND COSTS

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**Vehicle Acquisition Projects**

Programs, Studies, or Services | $ 88501

*Construction proposals that include two or more project phases spanning more than one year must include a separate application for each phase.

### YEAR OF OBLIGATION

**FFY 2017 – 2019 Project Obligation**

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Select the preferred federal fiscal year the project will obligate

Select an alternate federal fiscal year the project could obligate

*Applicants are expected to obligate their project on time, as stated on this application and indicated on the award letter, if the project proposal is selected.

### STP FUNDING REQUEST AND MATCHING REVENUES

**Federal Funding Request and Match (non-federal share)**

From Project Applicant* | Local funding or other sources | $ 11948 |
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STP Grant Request | $ 76553

Total Project/Phase Revenue | $ 88501

*Applicants must provide a minimum of 13.5% non-federal share to federal share.

**Example**

Total Project Cost is $100,000
Minimum non-federal share: $13,500
Federal STP Funds: $86,500

### SUPPORT FOR THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN, SUSTAINABLE THURSTON OR OTHER REGIONAL INITIATIVES

Identify ways in which the proposed project supports the goals and policies of the Regional Transportation Plan, implementation of Sustainable Thurston transportation initiatives, or other regional initiatives. Examples of other initiatives include, but are not limited to, Urban Corridor Communities and associated District Plans, Healthy Kids Safe Streets Action Plan, South Thurston Economic Development Initiative, Walk and Roll, Commute Trip Reduction, I-5 Action Plan, Bountiful Byways, Smart Corridors.

The corridor study would focus on coordinating vehicular, bicycle, public transportation and pedestrian access in the downtown area of the City of Yelm while enhancing safety and efficiency for all facets of transportation. The Central Business District, private businesses and city parks within the vicinity would benefit by determining critical transportation modes in a heavily used corridor which also serves as a hub of activity in the City of Yelm.

### CERTIFICATION ACCEPTANCE

CA Agency and Representative | Brian Moorehead (WSDOT Olympic Region)

CA Signature and Date | 10-12-16

### 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 above is available and will be committed to the project if it receives the requested STP grant. If selected, the project will obligate funding by the date indicated on the award letter; failure to do so may result in loss of funding for the project and funds will not be restored. I realize that the use of federal funds for this project entails administrative and project compliance requirements over which TPRC has no control, and for which this agency or organization will be responsible. This project has the full endorsement of the governing body/leadership of this agency or organization.

Chad Bedlington, Public Works Director

Name and Title of Designated Representative

Signature of Designated Representative | Date

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Yelm Avenue / 1st Street (SR 507) Corridor Study

**Project Title:**

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION & SIGNIFICANCE (2 PAGES MAX, 10 POINT FONT MINIMUM)**

Using the space provided on pages 3 and 4 below, please address the following in your narrative: Describe the proposed project and why it is a regional funding priority, paying particular attention to benefits the proposal will deliver. Consider all modes of travel in your description. Identify any collaboration or partnership with other entities with a vested interest in this project. Note whether this project leverages previous work, such as an implementation phase of a previous study or design phase, or whether it lays the groundwork for subsequent implementation phases. Describe any efforts that will help ensure this project can meet its obligation commitments. Indicate how this proposal supports the goals and policies of the Regional Transportation Plan, the transportation initiatives in Sustainable Thurston, or other adopted community plans and goals.

Yelm's historic Central Business District is bisected by Yelm Avenue and bounded by 1st Street, together which comprise State Route 507.

The City of Yelm and Washington State Department of Transportation have had multiple improvements constructed within this corridor over the years to improve safety, vehicle capacity, and pedestrian access. These improvements have been designed and constructed as individual projects without benefit of a corridor plan to provide a template for the downtown core.

The City of Yelm's Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program includes projects along the Yelm Avenue / 1st Ave (SR 507) corridor and within the corridor study vicinity. A sidewalk project along 1st Street S is scheduled to start construction early 2017. To date this project is currently in the design phase and WSDOT review has been scheduled.

The corridor study would focus on coordinating the many modes of travel in the downtown, which already includes sidewalks and bike lanes and is part of Intercity Transit's Route 94. The study would result in a plan to coordinate these modes as well as identify opportunities to integrate the various transportation modes in a heavily used corridor which also serves as a hub of activity in Yelm.

Areas of focus of the study would be:

- Safe and convenient pedestrian crossings of Yelm Avenue and 1st Street, focusing on those shopping in the downtown core and recreating at Yelm City Park, the Yelm Community Center, and the Yelm Skate Park.
- Better methods to accommodate Intercity Transit stops in the downtown core.
- Parking on the side streets to ease parking congestion on Yelm Avenue.

This project has a particular emphasis on pedestrian and multimodal transportation systems through the corridor study. The project is in line with supporting goals 1a, 1b, 1d, 1e, 1k, 1n, 2a, 2c, 2d, 3a, 3d, 4a, 4c, 4h, 5d, 6a, 6b, 6f, 6h, 7c, 7d, 7e, 8a, 8a, 8d, 9a, 9e, 9g, 9h, 10a, 10b, 10e, 10f, 10h, 11a, 11f, 12a, 12d, 12e, 12g, 16a, 16b, 16c, 16d, 16f, 17a, 17b, 17d, 17e, 18c, 18e, 18f, 18g, 19a, 19c, 19d, 20a, 20b, 20c, 20f, 20g, and 20h of the 2040 Regional Transportation Plan that specifically apply to this project.