

# PUGET SOUND REGIONAL COUNCIL PRIORITY PROJECT LIST

## *NARRATIVE PROJECT INFORMATION - October 2011*

**Project Sponsor:** *City of Maple Valley*

**Project Name:** *SR 169 Widening Projects*

**Project Location:** SR 169 from SE 231<sup>st</sup> Street to SE 208<sup>th</sup> Street

**What type of project is it:** Support Centers \_\_\_ Corridors Serving Centers X

**Plan Consistency:**

- Transportation 2040 project number: 3644
- Is the project consistent with the Transportation 2040: Yes X No \_\_\_

**Project Description - No more than two full page -** (see evaluation criteria for information to include):

- Briefly describe the project:

The project is for the design, environmental, right of way and construction of improvements identified in the WSDOT SR 169 Route Development Plan and Maple Valley Comprehensive Plan. The project calls for the widening of SR 169 from two to four travel lanes that will be developed in multiple phases.

Other project elements include a center turn lane, 8-foot wide sidewalk adjacent to the commercial area, a 5-foot landscape buffer between the curb and sidewalk adjacent to the commercial center, a 5-foot bicycle lane, transit stop improvements, new signals and modification, street lights, upgraded stormwater facilities, channelization and utility conversion.

- What is the intended outcome & benefit:

SR 169 is a critical highway for the region and for each local community along the corridor. It is the primary route for cities such as Maple Valley and Black Diamond. Improvements are needed within the City of Maple Valley to increase

capacity, improve safety, enhance peak hour traffic operations, and to upgrade the facilities to urban design standards. The future analysis indicates that SR 169 should be widened to four or five lane cross-sections to accommodate the anticipated land use growth in the City, including the Maple Valley's north and south activity centers, and the surrounding communities. The widening will be accomplished in phases with a total of fourteen separate projects.

The projects will improve traffic operations and at key intersections along the SR 169 corridor, resulting in less congestion, improved access and circulation within and between Maple Valleys north and south activity centers. In addition, the improvements will enhance the movement of freight on this T2 freight corridor.

### **Project Status & Timeline**

#### **Where is the project at in development?**

The projects are currently in the planning phase.

#### **What is the timeline for this project from start to completion?**

The timeline for the projects varies between 2017 and 2021.

### **Additional Comments**

Project implements the recommendations contained in the WSDOT SR169 Route Development Plan.