

# Thurston Regional Planning Council

## *Overview of Regional Challenges, Opportunities, and Needs*

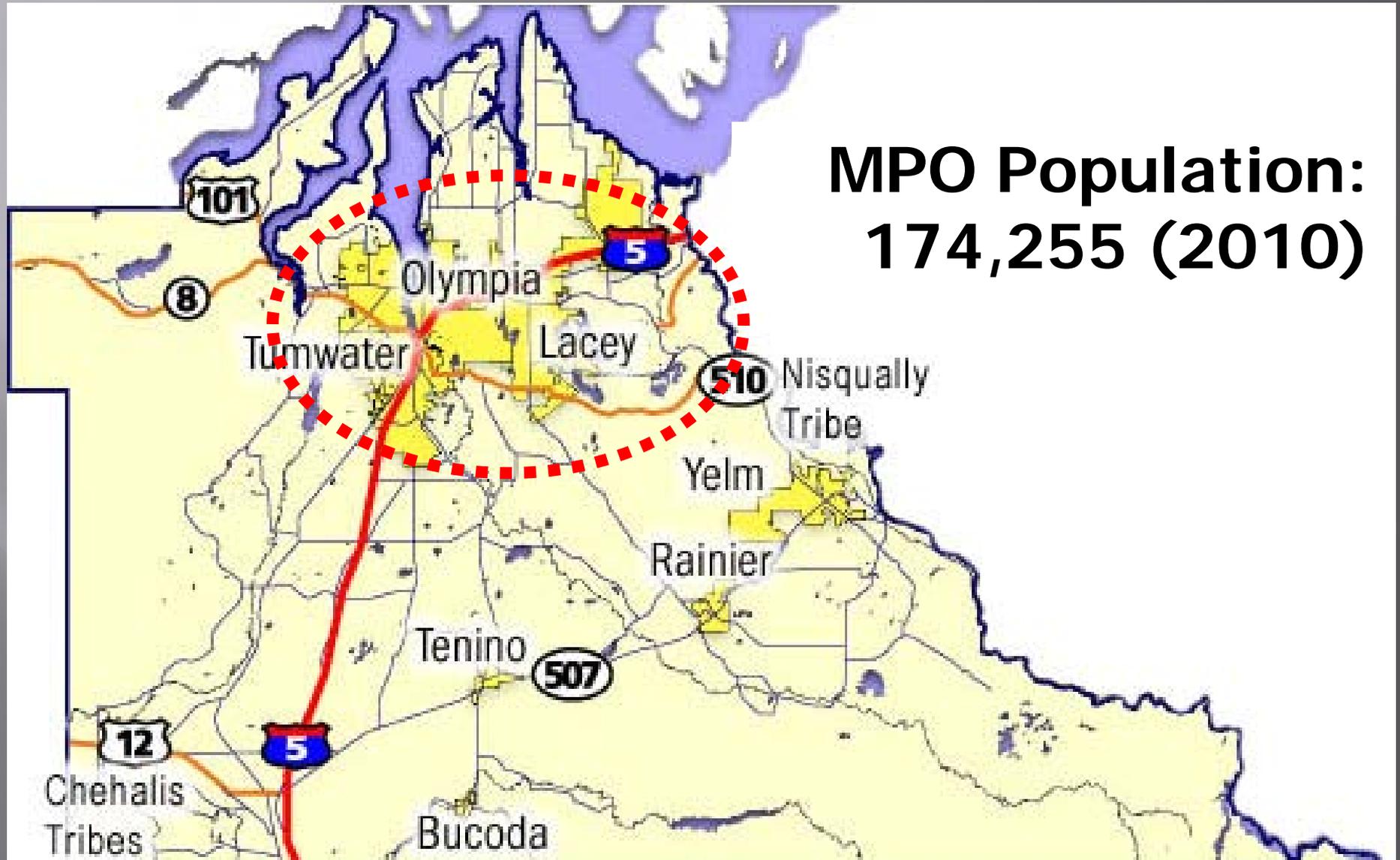
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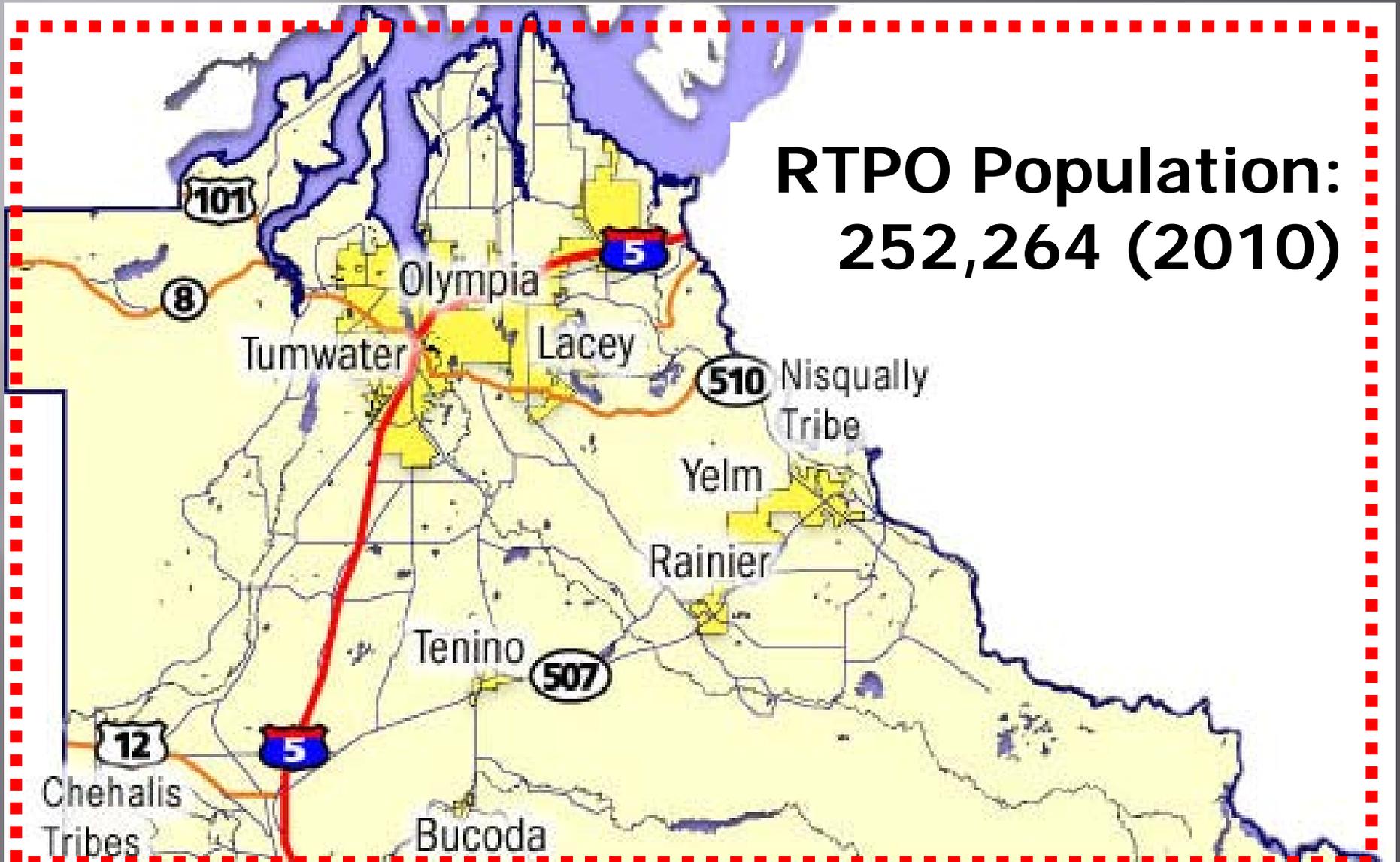
# The Thurston Region



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# Regional Partnership Since 1967



*Mission: Provide visionary leadership on regional plans, policies, and issues.*

Bucoda, Lacey, Olympia, Rainier, Tenino, Tumwater, Yelm, Thurston County, Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation, Nisqually Indian Tribe, Intercity Transit, LOTT Clean Water Alliance, Thurston PUD, North Thurston Public Schools, Olympia School District, CAPCOM, Thurston County EDC, Lacey Fire District #3, Timberland Regional Library, The Evergreen State College, Puget Sound Regional Council

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## CORE PHILOSOPHY

Accommodate all modes of travel safely and efficiently.

Safety.

Efficiency.

Innovation.

Partnerships.



**Washington State  
Transportation Commission**

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**Regional Transportation  
Priority Projects**

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# SAFETY

## Safe Routes to School





## EFFICIENCY

'Smart Corridors' Signal Upgrade and Transit Signal Priority Program



INNOVATION  
Rural / Tribal Transportation Program

# PARTNERSHIPS

## Joint Base Lewis McChord Growth Coordination Planning



## THE MISSION

*Foster effective communication, understanding, and mutual support by establishing a primary point of coordination for resolution of those issues which transcend the specific interest of the military and civilian communities of the JBLM region.*



## CHALLENGES Managing Demand



ROUTE 44	
16	
Westfield Blvd	
to Park	
STOP	
Weekday	
6:45	7:24
7:15	7:54
7:45	8:24
8:15	8:54
8:45	9:24
9:15	9:54
9:45	10:24
10:15	10:54
10:45	11:24
11:15	11:54
11:45	12:24
12:15	12:54
12:45	1:24
1:15	1:54
1:45	2:24
Saturday	
7:00	7:39
7:30	8:09
8:00	8:39
8:30	9:09
9:00	9:39
9:30	10:09
10:00	10:39
10:30	11:09
11:00	11:39
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CHALLENGES  
Humanizing the Suburban Arterial



CHALLENGES  
Mitigating Impacts

# CHALLENGES

## Finite Resources





CHALLENGES  
Environmental Threats



OPPORTUNITIES  
Active Transportation



OPPORTUNITIES  
Retrofit Existing Infrastructure



OPPORTUNITIES  
Make New Connections

# OPPORTUNITIES

## Infill and Redevelopment



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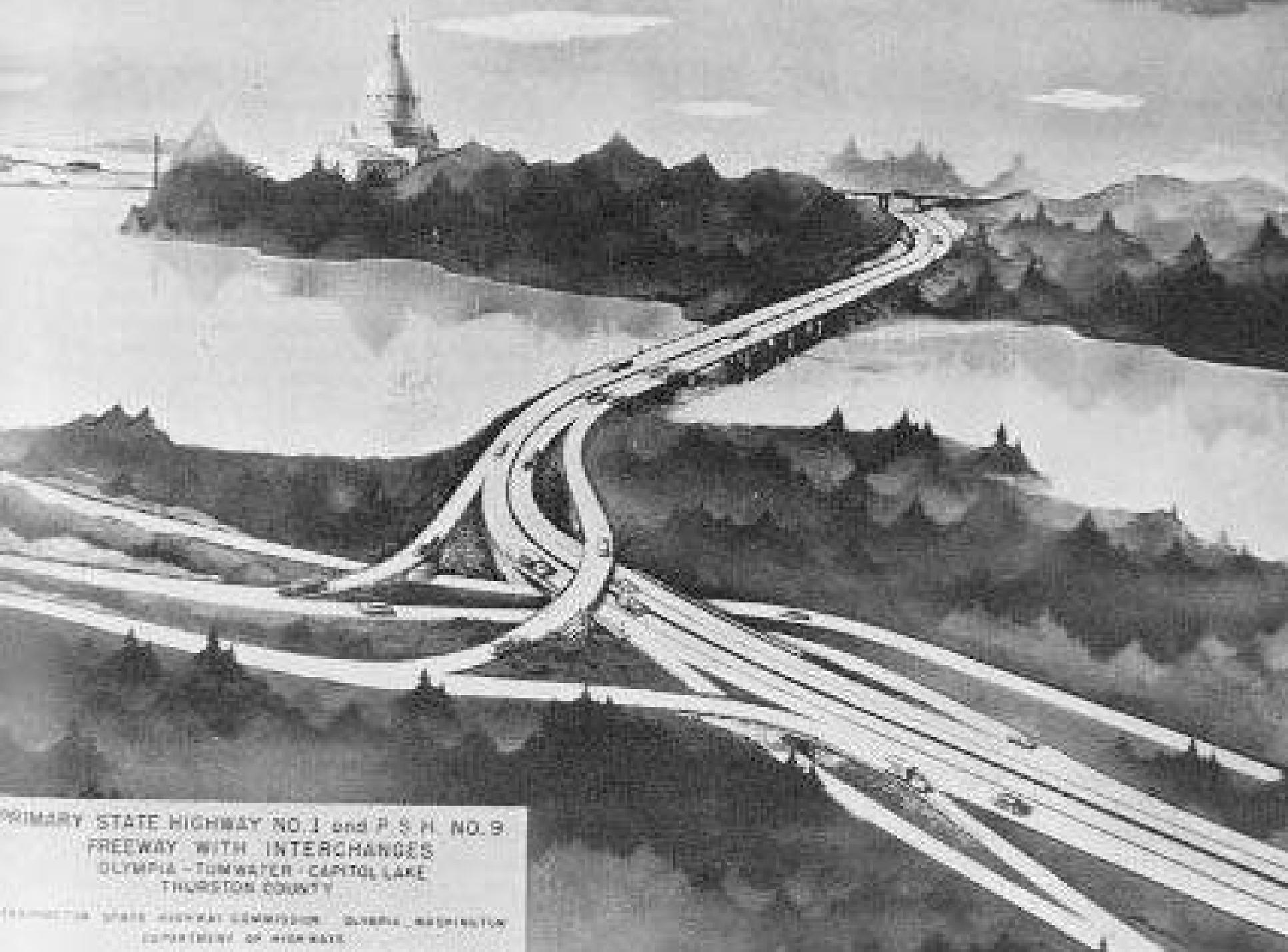


# OPPORTUNITIES

## Engage Our Community

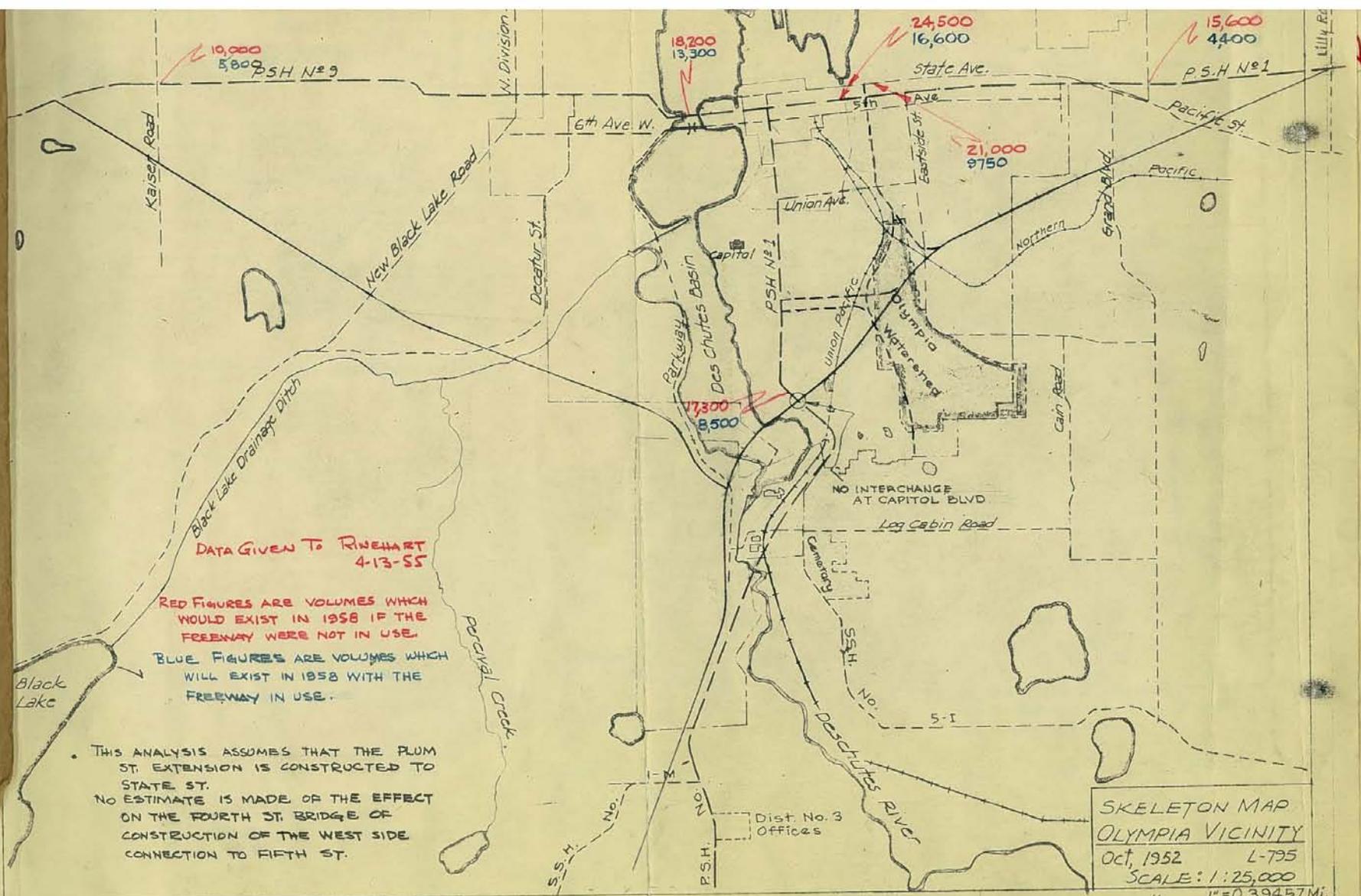


OPPORTUNITIES  
Plan for the Next Generation



PRIMARY STATE HIGHWAY NO. 1 and P. S. H. NO. 9  
FREEWAY WITH INTERCHANGES  
OLYMPIA - TONWATER - CAPITOL LAKE  
THURSTON COUNTY

PREPARED BY STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION - OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS



DATA GIVEN TO RINEHART  
4-13-55

RED FIGURES ARE VOLUMES WHICH  
WOULD EXIST IN 1958 IF THE  
FREEWAY WERE NOT IN USE.

BLUE FIGURES ARE VOLUMES WHICH  
WILL EXIST IN 1958 WITH THE  
FREEWAY IN USE.

- THIS ANALYSIS ASSUMES THAT THE PLUM ST. EXTENSION IS CONSTRUCTED TO STATE ST.
- NO ESTIMATE IS MADE OF THE EFFECT ON THE FOURTH ST. BRIDGE OF CONSTRUCTION OF THE WEST SIDE CONNECTION TO FIFTH ST.

SKELETON MAP  
OLYMPIA VICINITY  
Oct, 1952 L-795  
SCALE: 1" = 0.39457 MI.



Interstate 5 Travel  
Pattern Survey

We Need Your Help!





## PRIORITY

### Develop I-5 Mobility Strategy

#### Strategy Must Address

- Role of high capacity transport
- Freight mobility
- Ways to maximize efficiency
- Economic opportunities
- Appropriate pricing
- Inter-regional connections
- Coordination with JBLM
- Environmental limitations
- Community livability



*Objects in the mirror are closer than they appear*