

# THE FUTURE OF WASHINGTON

INCLUDING OUR AEROSPACE SECTOR AND THE **253,400 JOBS IT SUPPORTS**—HINGES ON A TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM THAT KEEPS PEOPLE AND GOODS MOVING.

Today, our future is at risk as valuable public assets such as highways, bridges and ferries deteriorate due to insufficient investment in their maintenance, operations, and preservation. Projects in important economic corridors remain unfunded, and public transportation agencies face critical funding shortages that impact service to families across Washington. This situation creates serious risks to public safety, business competitiveness and the health of communities around Washington. It is critical to stay committed to this effort and pass a package this year.



Our state is still in the hunt for Boeing's 777X, which would generate 56,000 direct and indirect jobs—the biggest job-creating prize in the country since the 1990s. The 777X represents the next 100 years of aerospace technology, including cutting edge manufacturing skills and expertise, from advanced composite wings to just-in-time logistics. It also represents the next generation of family-wage jobs in a wide middle path of careers—from machinists to engineers and beyond.

We appreciate the good work done by legislators on both sides of the aisle throughout the year, and are very encouraged by the progress toward a final package made in recent weeks. We have the opportunity this year to pass a vital investment package that benefits all of us and strengthens our hand for the 777X.

## SAY YES TO:

- Critical Westside elements of the **SR-520** corridor project
- Improvements to **SR-526 HARDESON ROAD** in Everett
- Puget Sound Gateway projects to connect the Port of Tacoma to **SR-167 AND SR-509 TO I-5**
- Long-planned improvements to **I-405**
- Funding for **PUBLIC TRANSIT AND LOCAL OPTIONS** for major areas that have additional transportation needs
- Extension of the **U.S. 395 NORTH SPOKANE CORRIDOR** to connect with **I-90**
- Completion of improvements to **I-90 OVER SNOQUALMIE PASS**
- And other **CRITICAL TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY** projects

**WE URGE LEGISLATORS TO PASS A COMPREHENSIVE, BALANCED, STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION PACKAGE THIS YEAR: WASHINGTON'S FUTURE DEPENDS ON IT.**

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