

## Cooper Jones Active Transportation Safety Council (ATSC) Meeting

July 17, 2024

10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Hybrid Meeting

### Summary Notes

#### 1. Welcome, Shelly Baldwin and Pat Hughes

- Group Introductions
- Affirm Quorum: A quorum was met.
- Accept Minutes: Minutes from the May 15, 2024, Cooper Jones Active Transportation Safety Council Meeting were approved as presented.

#### 2. Fatality Review, Christina Fremont

*Please refer to presentation slides: ATSC FCR Summary – SR & Speed*

- If anyone in the engineering sector is available to attend fatal case reviews, please contact Christina Fremont at [cfremont@wtsc.wa.gov](mailto:cfremont@wtsc.wa.gov), as that representation is currently missing from the fatal case review study team.
- Moving forward, land use will be included as a category from the Safe System Approach through which cases will be observed.

#### Group Input:

- Suggestion to be mindful of processing these reports before they're finalized.
- Is there a way for ATSC to have a more focused opportunity to discuss the document content with the team?
- It would be good for subject matter experts on the study team to help decide what the group wants to take forward or leave behind from each review.
- The council wants to take a deeper dive into what the team composition will be for fatal case reviews. Ideally, a subject matter expert for each category of the Safe System Approach would be able to attend each meeting as a core team.
- It would be nice for there to be consistency in laws for active transportation users.
- Team gave kudos to Christina for her work on these reviews.
- The team is interested in considering the safer land use lens moving forward.
- Suggestion to keep anecdotal notes separate from fatal case review notes / observations.
- There was a new law passed last year, [HB 1112 \(2024\)](#), not yet in effect related to vulnerable road users and negligent driving. Wondering if the law should be examined, as the council would be capable of addressing it.

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### **3. Study Team Proposal,** Jessie Knudsen and Pat Hughes

*Please refer to document: Study Group Shuffle Proposal*

Based on feedback, it sounds like study teams in their current format aren't working optimally. Working on designing a proposal of how to run study teams in the coming years to not overburden people involved in them. Current year study teams do not need to write a white paper, but just turn in materials instead.

Proposed shuffle: In year one, switch back to monthly ATSC meetings and do away with study groups. ATSC meetings would be two hours. Ideas would happen in meetings and be brought back to the main group. In year two, a new round of topics would be discussed and short-term study groups would be formed. Additional administrative support by WTSC or outside consultation would be available.

Group Input:

- A consideration of this new proposal is that members would have more time to understand, research, and make recommendations on a situation/topic. It is difficult to gain adequate traction with meetings occurring every other month.
- Group members shared they liked the proposed new format.
- Some group members are wondering how to characterize when this council is doing good work?
- Group members wonder about the cadence of fatal case reviews in relation to study team meetings. There are currently 3 fatal case reviews slotted for 2025. The maximum number of cases that can be examined is 10-12.
- Is the council collectively a sounding board place that someone can bring things to and say, "We've done the work. Does it fit your charter? Does it get your seal of approval?"?

A decision will be made at the September meeting as to what study teams and meeting structures will look like.

### **4. Study Team Updates,** Jessie Knudsen and Pat Hughes

Study teams should plan to finalize their work in August and be prepared to provide a summary. Please submit summary recommendations (list, white paper, etc.) via email to [jknudsen@wtsc.wa.gov](mailto:jknudsen@wtsc.wa.gov), [awilliams@wtsc.wa.gov](mailto:awilliams@wtsc.wa.gov), and [patriciahughes@comcast.net](mailto:patriciahughes@comcast.net) by August 21, 2024.

Teams should not start anything new at this time but should instead be prepared to discuss group findings at the September ATSC meeting.

#### **4.A. Human Factors**

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Working on a small proposal. Not sure it'll be fully completed but will use one final meeting to work on it. This group has learned a lot in the process.

#### **4.B. Transit and Crossings**

Wrapping things up and discussing recommendations. Looking specifically at pedestrian crossings in relation to transit stations. This team does not currently have a leader.

### **5. Announcements**

#### **5.A. 2024 Target Zero Plan, Shelly Baldwin**

[WTSC's Target Zero Plan draft is available for public review](#) **until August 14<sup>th</sup>**. There's a great section on active transportation and great explanations on the Safe System Approach, equity, and positive culture. We value your comments. There's a [link to a survey](#) that will allow a streamlined process to submit feedback and comments.

#### **5.B. Statewide Survey Questions, Jessie Knudsen**

Please submit any feedback on Statewide Survey questions 10 and 11 by August 30<sup>th</sup> to Abby Williams at [awilliams@wtsc.wa.gov](mailto:awilliams@wtsc.wa.gov).

#### **5.C. September ATSC Meeting in Tacoma, Pat Hughes**

We are firming up details and finalizing a venue for the September meeting. Details will be shared soon.

### **6. Closing**

See you in September!

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**Present Committee Members:** Shelly Baldwin, Washington Traffic Safety Commission Director; Barb Chamberlain, WSDOT Active Transportation Division; Charlotte Claybrooke, WSDOT Active Transportation Division; Jennifer Dieguez, WA Dept. of Health; Sgt. Teresa Fuller, Spokane Police Department; Tony Gomez, Seattle & King County Public Health; Cara Jockumsen, WA Dept. of Licensing; David Jones; Kitty Klitzke, City of Spokane; Jessie Knudsen, Washington Traffic Safety Commission Program Manager; Venu Nemani, SDOT; Jon Pascal, Kirkland City Council; Dr. Amy Person, Benton-Franklin Health District; Christina Riley, Seattle &

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King County Public Health; Harold Taniguchi, Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs; Carrie Wilhelme, City of Tacoma; Kerri Wilson, Intercity Transit; Sara Wood, Kent Police Department

**WTSC Staff:** Christina Fremont, Fatal Case Review Coordinator; Jessie Knudsen, Program Manager; Dr. Max Roberts, Sr. Research Associate; Abby Williams, Program Specialist

**Facilitator:** Patricia Hughes, Trillium Leadership Consulting

**Registered Guests:** Nick Greene; Sarah Ott, WSDOT; Amy Shaffer, WSDOT