



**Government Relation (SD-10) Update
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Overview

- Review of SD-10, Government Relations
- Government to Government Relations Post Height of the Pandemic
- Government to Government Relations with Native American Tribes
- Engagement and Collaboration with the City of Tacoma of Tacoma General Government (GG)
- Government to Government Relations with Franchise Partners
- Upcoming Government Relations Priorities with Government Partners
- Questions and Feedback from PUB



SD-10, Government Relations

Purpose:

Tacoma Public Utilities (TPU) is committed to building and strengthening respectful and mutually-productive relationships with tribal, federal, state, and other local units of government in order for public policy to benefit TPU customers and to foster the outcomes set out in TPU's Strategic Directives.



Gov. to Gov. Relations Post Height of the Pandemic

- Many government employees working from home/office
- Hybrid meeting
- Large decrease to franchise partner budgets
- Consistent communication regarding customer assistance programs
- Updates on TPU programs, operations, and safety protocols
- The Generation/Natural Resources teams continue to communicate with the elected and government officials in the areas around the hydro projects.
- Tacoma Water teams continue to communicate with elected and government officials in the Green River Watershed



Gov. to Gov. Relations with Native American Tribes

Puyallup Tribe

- Grant funding opportunities
- Economic development opportunities
- Tacoma Rail Oil Spill Contingency Plan, Strategic Plan
- Tacoma Rail's battery-electric locomotive
- Business support and outreach (Account Executives)

Skokomish, Nisqually, Muckleshoot, Cowlitz, Yakama, Quinault, Squaxin, & Confederate Tribes of the Chehalis

- The Generation/Natural Resources teams continue to foster positive relationships with their Tribal partners around the hydro projects
- Tacoma Water teams continue to foster positive relationships with Tribal partners near the Green River Watershed



Engagement and Collaboration - the City of Tacoma (GG)

Highlights

- Regular coordination between TPU and GG staff
- Budget and Rates Outreach
- Climate Action Plan & decarbonization efforts
- Town Hall meetings
- Rail's strategic plan
- Equity, Anti-racism, and Transformation
 - Equity Committee
 - Racial Equity Action Plans (REAP)
- Internships program
- Electric vehicle charging stations
- Project tours
- Cushman Substation
- Lower Snake River Dams
- Howard Hanson Dam funding



Gov. to Gov. Relations with Franchise Partners

- Budget and rates
- Assistance programs
- Conservation programs
- Advance Metering program
- Franchise agreements
- Outage updates
- General updates



Upcoming Gov. to Gov. Relations Priorities

- Budget and Rates continued outreach
 - Customer assistance programs
 - BCAP Plus
 - Automatic payment plans
- Advanced Metering program updates
- Conservation programs and efforts
- Franchise agreements
- Climate Action Plan implementation



Questions and Feedback

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Thank you

What feedback or questions do you have for us?

