Transportation Options: SWG Meeting

Wednesday September 11, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Meeting Location

This meeting will be held in-person with a hybrid option. The in-person location is:

Aspect Consulting, 710 2nd Avenue, #550, Seattle, WA 98104, Main Conference Room.

The following information describes different transportation options for attending this meeting.

Transportation Options

Driving and Parking

Parking is very limited in downtown Seattle. We recommend other transportation options, which are described below.

If you need to drive to the event, please be aware that you will need to either pay for street or garage parking. These options typically range from \$4-25 per hour. View <u>driving directions and</u> <u>parking</u> for more information.

If you are driving, make sure to give yourself extra time in case of traffic. Peak traffic times around Seattle are 7am – 9am and 3pm – 5:30pm.

Carpooling

The SWG meeting coordinators are organizing carpooling for interested attendees. Please email <u>madison.bristol@ecy.wa.gov</u> if you would like to carpool with other attendees.

Park and Ride

There are several park and ride options around downtown Seattle. These park and rides connect to several public transit options, like the Link Light Rail. View this <u>park and ride map</u> to find the best option for you.

Link Light Rail

There are <u>several Link stations</u> running north, south, and east of downtown Seattle. The Link is unaffected by traffic and has trains arriving and departing every 10 minutes. You can take the link to the <u>Pioneer Square Station</u> on 3rd Ave and James St. From there, you can <u>walk 5 minutes</u> (0.2 miles) to Aspect Consulting's office. The office is downhill of the station but will require you to walk uphill to get back to the station after the meeting.

Sounder Train

The Sounder Train has two routes: the <u>N Line</u>, which runs north from Everett to Seattle, and the <u>S Line</u>, which runs south from Lakewood/Tacoma to Seattle. There are several stations in between these routes. If you ride the full route, it will take you about 1 hour and 15 minutes. The Seattle station is King Street Station, which is a mostly flat <u>8 minute walk</u> (0.4 miles) to the meeting space. Trains can experience delays, so make sure to give yourself extra time.

Ferries

There are <u>several ferry options</u> that connect to downtown Seattle, West Seattle, Edmonds (30 minutes from Seattle driving), and Mukilteo (1 hour from Seattle driving). Ferries that arrive at these locations depart from Bremerton, Bainbridge Island, Vashon Island, Southworth, Kingston, and Clinton. Ferries take between 45 minutes to 1 hour to cross the Salish Sea.

Buses

There are dozens of bus routes that will arrive very close to the meeting location. Buses can be affected by traffic, but often use HOV lanes to avoid traffic. Use Google Maps to plan your commute using the bus system. If a transfer is required along your route, give yourself extra time in case the transfer is not on schedule.

Amtrak Trains

<u>Amtrak Trains</u> could be a good option for you if you are commuting from a location outside of King, Pierce, Snohomish, Kitsap, or Island County. Set your destination to King Street Station in downtown Seattle. King Street Station is a mostly flat <u>8 minute walk</u> (0.4 miles) to the meeting space.

Amtrak trains often experience delays between 30 minutes to 3 hours. Therefore, it is recommended that you travel by Amtrak the day before the meeting, stay overnight in downtown Seattle, and attend the meeting the next morning. Giving yourself plenty of travel time can make using Amtrak a low-stress experience.

Questions?

Feel free to contact us at <u>madison.bristol@ecy.wa.gov</u> if you need extra assistance with planning your commute. We look forward to seeing you in Seattle!