

Minutes: SST Mitigation Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Purpose The annual meeting of the SST Mitigation Advisory Committee was held to discuss adjustments to the mitigation calculation as a result of issues brought forth by jurisdictions. The Department of Revenue and the Committee have to annually decide whether any adjustments need to be included in the mitigation calculation.

Date, Time and Place Date: Tuesday, July 15, 2014
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Place: Teleconference

Participants Paula Barry, City of Kent
Robert Goehring, City of Kent
Lyman Howard, City of Sammamish
Mary Lamb, Everett Transit
Doug Levy, Lobbyist for Cities of Kent, Fife, Issaquah
Gary Prince, King County Metro
Jim Schmidt, OFM

DOR Staff: Keri Boyer, Don Gutmann, Tim Jennrich, Beth Leech, Valerie Torres

Topics Discussed The table below identifies the topics discussed in the meeting and the person who led each discussion.

Topic	Discussion Leader
Introductions and Purpose of the Annual Meeting	Don Gutmann
Adjustments to the Mitigation Data and Completion of 2014 Annual Review Process	Valerie Torres
Discuss LRF, LIFT and HBZ Inclusion	Valerie Torres
Discuss 2015 Annual Review	Valerie Torres
Next Annual Meeting	Valerie Torres

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Adjustments to the Mitigation Data

Valerie reported that DOR received no adjustments from any jurisdiction. In August, DOR will send out a message letting all local jurisdictions know there is no change and that will complete the 2014 annual review process. By the end of August we will also send out the annual loss data through secure message.

Discuss LRF, LIFT and HBZ Inclusion

Valerie explained the computation of the voluntary compliance revenues for the mitigation process excluded the Local Infrastructure Financing (LIFT) and Local Revitalization Financing (LRF) state shared taxes. Including Hospital Benefit Zone (HBZ) state shared tax will have no impact on SST Mitigation payments. Including the LIFT and LRF state shared taxes will reduce SST Mitigation payments by approximately \$2,650 per year. This change currently impacts eight jurisdictions. Affected jurisdictions will receive a secure message by the end of August. These amounts will be included going forward – past payments will not be changed.

Discuss 2015 Annual Review

The 2015 review schedule for 2016 payments was reviewed. There were no concerns raised.

In August 2014, the data for review by local jurisdictions will be sent out. Local jurisdictions have until the end of April 2015 to review and send the Department any questions about businesses.

Next Annual Meeting

Don Gutmann stated the next annual meeting will be held by conference call in July of 2015.

Questions

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Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes submitted by Keri Boyer.
