



Puget Sound Regional Council

ACTION ITEM

January 17, 2019

To: Operations Committee

From: Josh Brown, Executive Director

Subject: **Adopt 2019 Title VI Plan**

IN BRIEF

As a recipient of federal funds, the Puget Sound Regional Council is required to have a Title VI Plan. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 ensures that no person in the United States of America shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Operations Committee should recommend that the Executive Board adopt the 2019 Title VI Plan.

DISCUSSION

PSRC's Title VI Plan ensures that all of the agency's activities are conducted in a nondiscriminatory manner. The plan covers five program areas: (1) Communications & Public Involvement, (2) Planning & Programming, (3) Environmental Affairs, (4) Contracts, and (5) Education & Training.

PSRC adopted its first Title VI Plan in 2004 and updates the plan every three years as required by the Federal Transit Administration. This update provides current information on membership, planning processes, translation practices and demographic data. As a result of this most recent update, PSRC expanded the translation of its vital documents to include French, German, and Arabic.

FTA requires that the Title VI Plan be adopted by the Executive Board and signed by PSRC's President and Executive Director.

For additional questions, please contact Michele Leslie at 206-587-4819 or mleslie@psrc.org.

Attachments:

Title VI Plan Draft 2019