

I-976 Funding Impacts: Whatcom/Skagit/Island

Initiative 976 repeals critical transportation funding, eliminating our ability to fix dangerous highways, retrofit bridges and overpasses, fund transit, build voter-approved projects, improve freight corridors, and invest in the Washington State Patrol.

Washington State Funding at Risk

-\$4 Billion



Highway Safety Improvements



Washington State Patrol



Ferry Improvements



Freight Mobility
Projects



Amtrak Cascades Service

Regional Projects at Risk

I-976 would cut \$1.3 billion in ferry vessel improvements between now and 2031, putting at risk \$188 million for a new state ferry, \$19 million for the Lopez ferry terminal, \$21 million for the Orcas ferry terminal, \$10 million for the Friday Harbor terminal, and \$20 million for the Keystone terminal.



Ferry Service and Upgrades



County Connector Transit Between Whatcom, Skagit, and Island Counties



Lummi Transit Operations



Park and Ride Expansion



Vanpool Services



Transit for People with Disabilities and Senior Citizens

Local Funding at Risk

62 cities would lose an average of \$60 million per year for local transportation projects over the next 10 years.



Transportation Benefit Districts in Whatcom, Skagit, and Island Counties

Local funding for street and traffic maintenance such as pavement repairs, crack sealing, lane striping, street lighting, signals, and pedestrian improvements such as crosswalks, ADA ramp work, and sidewalk repairs.