



**Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council (RTC)** assumed responsibility for functions of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (**MPO**) and Regional Transportation Planning Organization (**RTPO**) on July 1, 1992. The Regional Transportation Council carries out the federal and state regional transportation planning process that is required for the receipt of transportation funds to the region.

**Mission of RTC:**

To encourage and promote the development of a balanced, efficient and affordable regional transportation system to meet the mobility and accessibility needs of people and goods, within and through this region, and minimize transportation-related air pollution.

**RTC Board of Directors:**

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| Clark County   | 3 Commissioners                 |
| Klickitat County   | 1 Elected Official              |
| Skamania County  | 1 Elected Official              |
| City of Vancouver  | 2 Representatives               |
| Camas/Washougal  | 1 Elected Official              |
| Battle Ground/Ridgefield/La Center/Yacolt                | 1 Elected Official              |
| Ports of Vancouver/Ridgefield/Camas-Washougal            | 1 Port Commissioner             |
| Clark County Public Transportation Benefit Area (C-TRAN) | Executive Director              |
| Washington State Department of Transportation            | Southwest Region, Administrator |
| Oregon Department of Transportation                      | Regional Administrator          |
| Metro  | 1 Council Member                |
| <br><i>Ex-officio Members:</i>                           |                                 |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> Legislative District                    | 3 Legislative Members           |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> Legislative District                    | 3 Legislative Members           |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> Legislative District                    | 3 Legislative Members           |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> Legislative District                    | 3 Legislative Members           |
| 49 <sup>th</sup> Legislative District                    | 3 Legislative members           |

**What is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)?**

The federal government requires that an MPO be designated for each urbanized area of more than 50,000 population by agreement among the Governor of the State and the units of general purpose local governments. The purpose of the MPO is to carry out a federally-prescribed metropolitan transportation planning process that is required as a condition for receipt of federal transportation funds to the region. The metropolitan transportation planning process includes developing transportation plans, programs and prioritization of federal projects which will provide for the development of transportation facilities as part of a multi-modal transportation system in urbanized areas. RTC serves as MPO for the Clark County portion of the Portland-Vancouver metropolitan area.

**What is the Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO)?**

The Washington State Growth Management Act of 1990 established RTPO's to facilitate coordination and cooperation in development of a planning program for regional transportation systems and facilities. RTPO's extend regional transportation planning to areas not covered by MPO's. RTC serves as RTPO for Clark, Skamania and Klickitat Counties.

For more information, visit RTC's website at <http://www.rtc.wa.gov>

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**SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL  
2014 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Three Clark County Commissioners:

**Steve Stuart (Vice Chair)**  
**Tom Mielke**  
**David Madore**

Two representatives from the City of Vancouver:

**Jack Burkman**, City Council Member **(Chair)**  
**Larry Smith**, City Council Member

One elected official from the City of Camas or the City of Washougal representing Camas and Washougal:

**Melissa Smith**, Camas City Council Member

One elected official from the City of Battle Ground, the City of Ridgefield, the City of La Center, or the Town of Yacolt representing these four cities:

**Bill Ganley**, Battle Ground City Council Member

One elected official from Skamania County, the City of Stevenson, the City of North Bonneville, or the Port of Skamania County:

**Doug McKenzie**, Skamania County Commissioner

One elected official from Klickitat County, the City of White Salmon, the City of Bingen, the City of Goldendale, or the Port of Klickitat:

**David Poucher**, City of White Salmon Mayor

The Executive Director/CEO of C-TRAN:

**Jeff Hamm**

The Southwest Regional Administrator of the WSDOT:

**Don Wagner**

One Port Commissioner from the Port of Vancouver, Port of Ridgefield, or the Port of Camas/Washougal representing these three ports:

**Nancy Baker**, Port of Vancouver

The Portland Region One Manager of the ODOT:

**Jason Tell**

One Councilor from Metro of Portland:

**Shirley Craddick**

*Pursuant to RTC's Bylaws, state legislators whose districts are wholly or partly within RTC's boundaries are ex-officio (non-voting) members. State legislative districts that qualify under these criteria include:*

14<sup>th</sup> Legislative District  
17<sup>th</sup> Legislative District  
18<sup>th</sup> Legislative District  
20<sup>th</sup> Legislative District  
49<sup>th</sup> Legislative District