

**JOINT LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE ON THE ECONOMIC RESILIENCE OF
MARITIME AND MANUFACTURING IN WASHINGTON WORK PLAN**

Objective:

To foster economic resilience and development in Washington by supporting the maritime and other manufacturing sectors. The Task Force will complete its work using E2SHB 2580 and the Task Force Operating Procedures as a framework.

Deadlines:

- Work Plan (to Governor and Appropriate Committees) Deadline: December 1, 2014
- Final Findings Deadline: November 1, 2015

I. POTENTIAL LEGISLATION FOR THE 2015 LEGISLATIVE SESSION:

Legislation	Task Force Member/Sponsor
“Marine Tourism” bill Extends the availability of use permits for vessels sales and use tax to nonresident business entities.	Peter Schrappen
"Marine Jobs" bill Caps the selling price of privately owned watercraft subject to sales & use tax at \$300,000.	Senator Fraser
Critical Infrastructure Resilience Research	Representative Tarleton

II. WORK AREAS:

The Task Force will have four work areas; regulation, transportation & critical infrastructure, financing, and education & workforce training. For each of the four work areas required by legislation, the Task Force members will select one or two areas as priority areas of interest. Each work area group will check-in and submit final findings/recommendations to the Task Force co-chairs by the designated dates.

Each work area group will benefit from and will support information sharing among the Task Force members, Advisory Committee members, legislative committees (as appropriate), and other state and local stakeholders engaged with the Task Force. As required by legislation, the work area groups will consult the following groups: the Department of Commerce, the Department of Transportation, the Office of Regulatory Assistance, the Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board, Associate Development Organizations, and local governments/elected officials as appropriate.

Work Areas (required in legislation)	Task Force Members Assigned	1st Check-in May 30, 2015 (submit work area plan)	2nd Check-in July 1, 2015 (submit preliminary recomm./ findings)	Final Recommend./ Findings Draft Deadline October 1, 2015	Final Report Deadline Nov. 1, 2015
Regulation: Promote regulatory consistency and certainty in the areas of urban planning, land use permitting, and business development in a, "manner that encourages the maritime and manufacturing industries in Urban areas”	Rep. Smith Sen. Angel Rep. Tarleton Steve Sewell Sen. Rivers Sen. Rolfes				
Transportation & Critical Infrastructure: Identify and assess the critical public infrastructure that supports and sustains the maritime and manufacturing sectors/ Explore public-private sector collaborations that draw on Washington State University research centers and institutes with expertise on maritime interoperability and critical infrastructure	Rep. Fey Rep. Clibborn Sen. Liias Rep. MacEwen				
Financing: Encourage cooperation between the public and private sectors to foster economic growth	Rep. Tarleton Rep. Smith Rep. Young				
Education & Workforce Training: Identify and assess the educational resources and support services available to local governments with respect to supporting and sustaining the development of the maritime and manufacturing sectors	Rep. Tarleton Rep. MacEwen Steve Sewell Sen. Kohl- Welles				

III. TASK FORCE MEETINGS:

The Task Force met three times during the 2014 interim. During the task force meetings, the Task Force has identified the maritime and manufacturing sectors of economic significance to the state, the barriers to maintaining and expanding the maritime and manufacturing sectors, and aspects of state and local policy that have an impact on fostering resilience and growth in the maritime and manufacturing sectors, such as storm water policy and other food/fish-related issues. The Task Force will work through the work groups to maximize the opportunities for employment in the maritime industry and other manufacturing sectors in Washington.

IV. SITE VISITS/TASK FORCE MEETINGS:

The Task Force will plan to host at least two off-site meetings to address the work areas. Two meetings will coincide with the 1st and 2nd check-in dates listed for the work area groups and will be required. Two additional meetings/site visits will be optional.

Task Force members may propose off-site meeting locations to Task Force co-chairs for consideration. Task Force members and Advisory Committee members will recommend local officials, organizations, and other individuals to meet with and tour sites to visit.

Advisory Committee members are invited to the 2015 meetings and tours.

Meeting Date	Location	Advisory Committee Member Contact
<ul style="list-style-type: none">May 2015 (required) <u>Possible site visits to:</u> Dakota Creek, Maritime Center for Excellence, and Anacortes Ferry Terminal	Skagit Area	Senator Rolfes and Representative Smith
<ul style="list-style-type: none">July 2015 (required) <u>Possible site visits to:</u> Sea Food Processor, Ballard Maritime Academy, Ballard High School, and Ballard Industrial Center	Ballard Area	Representative Tarleton and Senator Kohl-Welles
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Tour Date TBD (optional-organized by a local partner) <u>Possible tour:</u> Puget Sound Naval Shipyard (including discussion of apprenticeship program with Olympic College)	Bremerton Area	Senator Angel, Representative Young, Senator Rolfes, Larry Stokes, Ginger Eagle, and John Lockwood
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Tour Date TBD (optional-organized by a local partner) <u>Possible tour:</u> (Vancouver or Tacoma)	Vancouver or Tacoma Area	Senator Rivers, Ginger Eagle, and John Lockwood, and Peter Schrappen

V. ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Task Force will seek work area input from the Advisory Committee members. Advisory Committee members may submit their recommendations to the Task Force Co-Chairs by **November 14, 2014**. Inputs will be provided via email to the Task Force Co-Chairs and support staff. Advisory Committee members may choose to coordinate their inputs in advance with those Task Force members who have identified certain work areas as their primary area(s) of interest.

VI. TASK FORCE COMMUNICATIONS:

Information about the Joint Legislative Task Force on the Economic Resilience of Maritime and Manufacturing, including meetings, agendas, documents, and work of the Task Force can be found at the following legislative website:

<http://www.leg.wa.gov/JointCommittees/ERMM/Pages/default.aspx>

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VII. TASK FORCE WORK SCHEDULE

The Task Force is required to submit a short-term and long-term plan to support and sustain maritime and other manufacturing in Washington. The Task Force may also provide specific legislative approaches, including changes to state law and non-legislative approaches, including action plans for state agencies and local governments. The following work schedule outlines the Task Force’s plan to accomplish short and long term plans.

<u>Timeframe</u>	<u>Tasks</u>
<u>2014:</u>	
July 2014	Task Force organizational meeting, elect Co-Chairs
September 2014	Task Force meeting, Advisory Committee established, draft work plan developed
November 2014	Task Force meeting, finalize work plan to be submitted by <u>December 1, 2014</u>
<u>2015:</u>	
May 2015	Site visit/Task Force meeting/ 1 st check-in for Work Groups
July 2015	Site visit/Task Force meeting/2 nd check-in for Work Groups
Date TBD	Optional site visit
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October 2015	Draft Recommendations/Findings due for final report
November 2015	Final report due