



# JOINT TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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## Agenda

### Aviation SAR Study Group

Tuesday, July 31, 2012

9:00 am – 1:00 pm

John L. O'Brien Building, House Hearing Room A

Olympia, WA 98504

1. **Opening Remarks**—Gene Baxstrom 9:00-9:10
2. **Introductions by Study Group members**—All 9:10-9:30
  - a. Description of agency role in WA Search and Rescue
  - b. introduce support people
3. **Study process** (cream & lilac handouts) 9:30-9:45
  - a. Background and Legislative history—Jerry Long and Hayley Gamble
  - b. Study process and schedule—Gene Baxstrom
    - i. Study issues, include study proviso questions
    - ii. Final report objectives: findings, alternatives (pros/cons)
4. **Current Washington approach for aviation SAR** (PPT) 9:45-10:15
  - a. Tom Peterson, WSDOT
  - b. Chris Long, Washington Military Department
  - c. Dan Conley, USAF Rescue Coordination Center
  - d. Comments by others directly involved (CAP, WASAR, WSP)
5. **Discussion of Washington Process**—All 10:15-11:15
  - a. What works well
  - b. What are areas that could be improved
  - c. To what extent does duplication of services and training exist?  
Is that a good or bad thing?

**BREAK—15 minutes-- snacks**

**11:15-11:30**

6. **Aviation SAR in other states** (green handout) 11:30-11:50
  - a. Survey of other states—Hayley Gamble and Laura Zanzig
  - b. Comments by other group members
  
7. **Discussion by All** 11:50 – 12:25

What changes in the current Washington approach, or alternative approaches to organize WA Search and Rescue, should we evaluate this summer? (Changes and alternative structures will be evaluated prior to next meeting.)

  - a. Evaluation will include the following:
    - i. Effectiveness, cost, funding, and other implications
    - ii. Description of advantages and disadvantages of current and alternative structures
  - b. Evaluation will also consider the questions posed in proviso directing the study
    - i. Is there duplication of training? If so, where, and is that a problem?
    - ii. What is the best use of state and federal dollars?
    - iii. What alternative source of funding should be considered?
  
8. **Next steps** 12:25-12:40
  - a. Schedule for study—Gene Baxstrom
  - b. Next meeting
  
9. **Closing comments**—All 12:40-12:55