Joint Transportation Committee

Feasibility of Private Auto Ferry Service between Washington State and Vancouver Island, B.C.

Study Update

September 17, 2020

Agenda

» Proviso ESHB 2322 §204(6)

» Consultant Team

» Approach

» Schedule

» Project Status

» Next Steps

Proviso ESHB 2322 §204(6)

» Senate Bill

» Feasibility of Private Ferry Service and Related Impacts

Consultant Team

» **KPFF Consulting Engineers**

    Project Managers

» **Progressions**

    Impacts to Washington State Ferries

» **Elliott Bay Design Group**

    Private Ferry Service Options

» **Community Attributes Inc.**
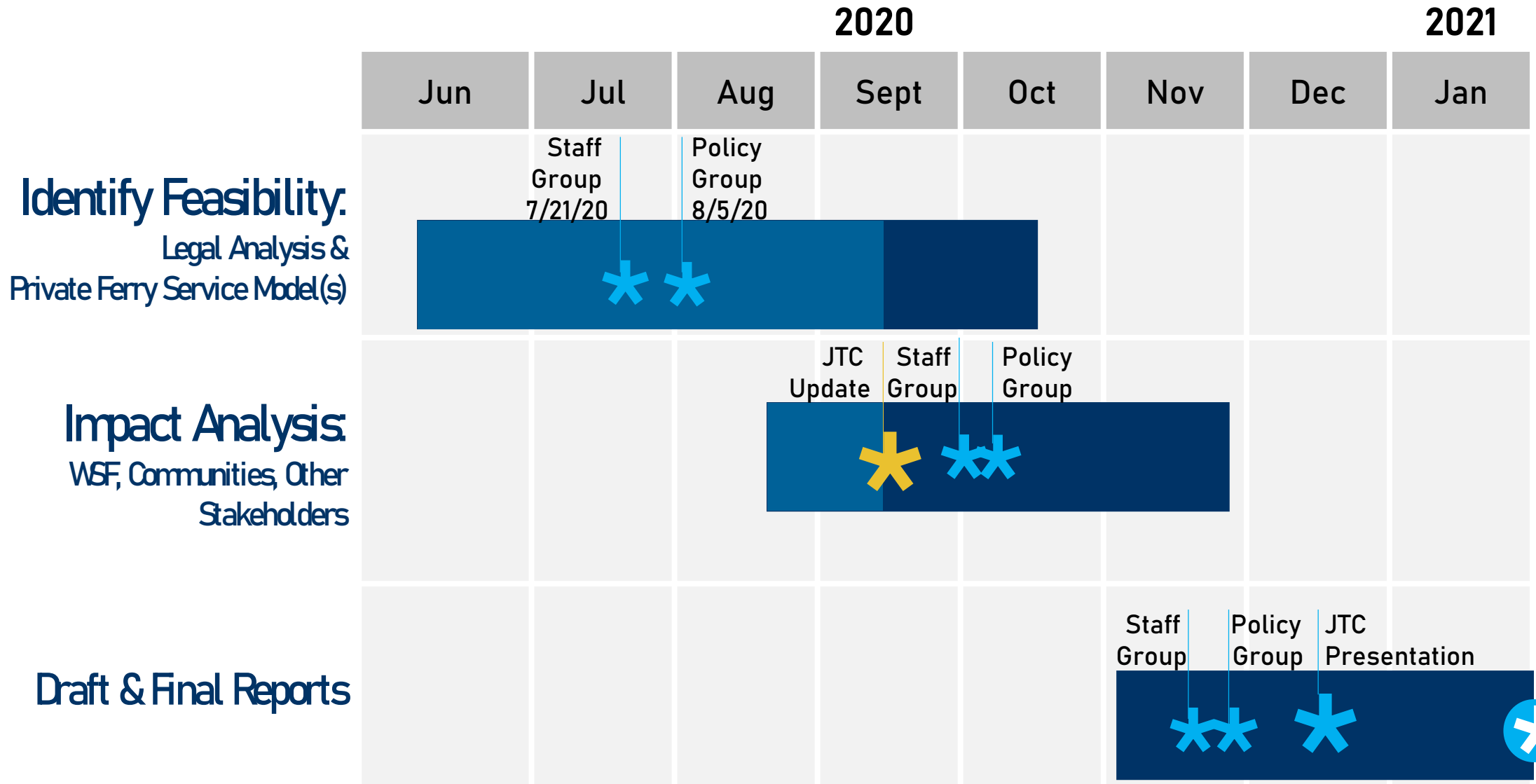
    Economic Impacts

» **Collier Walsh Nakazawa**

    Legal counsel

Approach

» **Identify Feasible Private Ferry Service Model(s)**

- Sufficient rate of return for investment
- Complies with federal regulatory restrictions
- Complies with State statues/regulations or amendments

» **Conduct Impact Analysis on Feasible Ferry Service Model(s)**

- WSF ridership, revenue and expenditure impacts
- Service levels to the San Juan Islands
- Economic impacts to Anacortes and San Juan Islands
- Fares

Schedule

2020   **2021**

	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan

Identify Feasibility:
Legal Analysis & Private Ferry Service Model(s)

Staff Group 7/21/20

Policy Group 8/5/20

Impact Analysis:
WSF, Communities, Other Stakeholders

JTC Update

Staff Group

Policy Group

Draft & Final Reports

Staff Group

Policy Group

JTC Presentation

Report Due: 2/1/21

Project Status

- » **Kick-off with Staff Workgroup and the Policy Panel**
  - Policy Issues Chapter
- » **Gathered information from private operators**
  - Clipper, Hornblower, Black Ball Ferry, BC Ferries, Bay Ferries
- » **Developed draft feasible ferry service models**
- » **Received data from WSF**

Next Steps

October Outreach

1. Staff Workgroup
2. Policy Panel

Identify Feasibility

» Finalize feasible ferry service models

» Complete legal analysis

» Present to Staff Workgroup/Policy Panel

Impact Analysis

» Assess impacts to WSF

» Continue analyzing data for assumptions

» Conduct impact analysis

» Present update to Staff Workgroup/Policy Panel

Questions?