



Peninsula RTPO 2026 Consolidated Grants Project

Project Name: **39491 - Makah Public Transit Deviated Fixed Route Operating**

Organization Name: Makah Tribal Council

Contact Name: Jeff Bartlett

Project Description

Sustain the deviated fixed-route and curb-to-curb paratransit services for the general public, disabled, low income, youth, elders and persons with special needs from various community subdivisions throughout the Makah Reservation. By definition, the Makah Reservation is a vulnerable population and overburdened community.

Project Funding Summary

Total Project Cost **\$ 754,202**

Grant Request **\$ 678,782**

Match Amount **\$ 75,420**

WSDOT has different match requirements for different kinds of projects.

Type of Project

- ☒ Operating
- ☐ Vehicles/Equipment
- ☐ Small Construction
- ☐ Mobility Management
- ☐ Planning

Type of Service

- ☒ Sustain / Replace
- ☐ New / Expand
- ☐ Not Applicable

Duration

- ☐ 2 years
- ☒ 4 years

SUPPORT FOR PRTPPO HUMAN SERVICES TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Applicable HSTP Coordination Strategies this project will support.

Operations

- ☒ Sustain current transportation service operations
- ☐ Expand service hours, frequency, days, and coverage
- ☐ Increase opportunities for efficient single seat trips
- ☒ Introduce on demand first/last mile services
- ☒ Improve access to behavioral health and substance use centers
- ☐ Improve transport access for patients being discharged

Mobility Management

- ☒ Increase awareness and visibility of available mobility services
- ☐ Expand travel training programs
- ☐ Promote coordinated online and print mobility resources
- ☐ Improve access to transit information & trip reservation tools
- ☒ Strengthen coordination of paratransit transfers between systems
- ☐ Ensure WA 211 provider data is current across all Peninsula counties
- ☒ Increase engagement between providers & regional care hubs

Vehicles / Equipment

- ☒ Maintain & replace vehicles to meet SGR standards
- ☐ Expand vehicle fleet to support service needs
- ☐ Integrate onboard safety, performance, & fleet management technology
- ☐ Modernize communications equipment
- ☐ Deploy advanced technologies and app based tools
- ☐ Deploy suitable zero emissions vehicles
- ☐ Install onboard Wi Fi to support long distance travel

Small Construction

- ☒ Install curbside amenities to improve comfort & security
- ☒ Improve ADA compliant access to stops
- ☐ Develop park and ride sites and regional mobility hubs

Planning

- ☐ Improve mobility assisted evacuation planning, coord
- ☒ Advance rural mobility innovations
- ☐ Enable vehicle sharing, Maintenance-as-a-Service, other
- ☐ Enhance multi provider scheduling, reservation, and dispatch coordination
- ☐ Expand school-transit partnerships to support youth transit use

Project Need

The project need is to sustain the only public transportation to the community on the Makah Reservation for our elderly, youth, handicapped and low-income populations. There are no other forms of transportation other than private vehicles for general transportation on the Makah Reservation. The Transit schedule and route targets the needs of the community to access such essential services such as Health Clinic, Senior Meal Program, Social Services, employment and governmental offices. In addition the schedule and route is designed for community to connect with the Clallam Transit service so they may access off-reservation needs.

Special Needs Transportation

By having reliable buses with wheel chair accessories, we are able to meet the needs of the elderly and handicapped population so they may access services at the various subdivisions in the community. Tribal government services are not all available in one location and the primary health clinic is approximately 2.5 miles away from the Wellness Center which provides mental health, chemical dependency counseling, acupuncture and massage therapy. The low-income and/or individuals with drug addictions often must see the medical provider and then go to the Wellness Center for addiction services and the Transit is key in ensuring people can easily travel between destinations. To determine the efficiency of the program and routes, routine requests for comments will be sought from the passengers. In addition, through management team meetings, coordination of services is discussed with the local Health Clinic and Seniors Program.

Benefits to Vulnerable Populations in Overburdened Communities

The service that this project supports is directly owned and operated by The Makah Tribal Government within "Indian Country" on the Makah Reservation. Being a tribal community, we are an overburdened community by the definitions listed in this section of the application.

Coordination Efforts

The Makah Tribe coordinates closely with local and regional partners to ensure transportation planning addresses community needs and aligns with regional priorities. The Tribe serves on the PRTPO Executive Board and TAC and participates in the development and implementation of the 2026 Peninsula Regional HSTP. This project advances multiple strategies in Chpts 4 & 5 of the 2026 HSTP as identified and included in the application. Transportation needs were identified through coordination among the Tribe's Transit Program, Tribal leadership, riders, the community, and regional planning partners. Rider feedback, operational experience, service data, and regional planning discussions identified the need to maintain reliable transit services to the Makah Tribal community as there are no other options in this remote area. The Makah Tribe coordinates with Clallam Transit for out-of-town destinations on 4 connections, Tribal departments, healthcare providers, educational institutions, veterans' services, and social service organizations.

Multimodal Partnerships

Makah Transit has bike racks on all buses, supporting and enhancing bicycle and pedestrian transportation throughout our service area.

Measurement of Project Success

The efficiency and effectiveness will be measured by regular management meetings, i.e., Health Clinic, Seniors Program, Behavioral Health programs to ensure we are meeting the transportation needs. The Makah Tribal Council conducts regular business meetings every two weeks and the tribal members are allowed to express any concerns during the first 1/2 hour of the meeting. In addition, General Council meetings are held on a quarterly basis where tribal members are allowed to express any concerns, suggestions or appreciation.

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Application Details

Funding Opportunity:	38336-2027-2029 Consolidated Grant Program - Operating
Funding Opportunity Due Date:	Sep 9, 2026 3:01 PM
Program Area:	Consolidated Grant Program
Status:	Submitted
Stage:	Final Application
Initial Submit Date:	Aug 27, 2026 1:31 PM
Initially Submitted By:	Jeff Bartlett
Last Submit Date:	Sep 8, 2026 8:42 AM
Last Submitted By:	Jeff Bartlett

Contact Information

Primary Contact Information

Active User*:	Yes
Type:	External User
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Comments:	

Organization Information

Status*:	Approved
Legal Name*:	Makah Tribal Council
DBA Name*:	Makah Tribal Council
Organization Type*:	Tribe
Organization Website:	http://www.makah.com (Please enter http://... for this field)
Vendor ID:	FED0315-2A G
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Fiscal Year End

December

Last day of*:**Indirect Cost Rate:**

39.84%

IDR Expiration Date:

12/31/2024

Organization Contact Information

Organization Contact Information**Organization Director*:**

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Summary of Project Information

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Refer to the glossary in the [Public Transportation Grant Guidebook](#) for service-type definitions.

Service Type*:

Fixed-route, Route-deviated
Select all that apply

Need for Service*:

Sustain existing service
Expansion can't be combined with sustaining existing service within the same application for the first biennium.
NOTE: Sustain existing service is the only project type eligible for a 4-year term.

Checking "Yes" for federal funds means that your organization is willing and able to comply with the associated federal requirements, such as federal drug and alcohol testing procedures, Title VI activities, and federal small business enterprise (FSBE) requirements. For examples of federal requirements from last biennium, refer to the [Public Transportation Grant Guidebook](#).

Willing to Accept FTA funds for the biennium*:

Yes

If project is a purchase-of-service type, the eligible funding source and match rate may be affected.

Is this a purchase-of-service project?:

If your organization has proof of 501(c) nonprofit status, the project may be eligible for state paratransit special needs competitive funds.

Does your organization have 501(c) nonprofit status?:

Choose the congressional district(s), legislative district(s), and county(ies) this project will serve (include the entire project area).

[Congressional & Legislative District map](#)

Congressional District(s) Select as many as apply *:	6
Legislative District(s) Select as many as apply *:	24
County(ies) Select as many as apply *:	Clallam

Scope of Work

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Select the [Regional Transportation Planning Organization \(RTPO\)](#) / [Metropolitan Planning Organization \(MPO\)](#) that will be ranking this project from the drop-down menu.

RTPO/MPO*: Peninsula RTPO

Project Summary (Scope)

Provide a brief, high-level description of what your project proposes to do (address what the project is, whom it serves, and where the service occurs).

This summary will be used in your grant agreement and may also be used to describe your project to the Legislature.

Proposed summary/scope of work*:

Sustain the deviated fixed-route and curb-to-curb paratransit services for the general public, disabled, low income, youth, elders and persons with special needs from various community subdivisions throughout the Makah Reservation. By definition, the Makah Reservation is a vulnerable population and overburdened community.

Project Description

Provide a detailed description of the tasks, activities, and deliverables your project will complete. Your narrative should reflect the full life of the project and demonstrate how the proposed activities align with the grant program's goals.

Description of project*:

Provide deviated fixed-route and curb-to-curb paratransit services for the general public, youth, disabled, low income, elders and persons with special needs from various community subdivisions throughout the Makah Reservation that allows community members access to medical services, shopping and tribal government offices. This service also provides access to out of town destinations with it's connection to Clallam Transit 4 times daily.

Project Need

Why is this project needed, and how does this proposal address the need? How would the community be affected if the grant is not awarded?

Include a description of the transportation problem that aligns with the need identified in the Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan (CPT-HSTP). Explain how the problem was identified and describe how the proposed project will address it.

Need*:

The project need is to sustain the only public transportation to the community on the Makah Reservation for our elderly, youth, handicapped and low-income populations. There are no other forms of transportation other than private vehicles for general transportation on the Makah Reservation.

The Transit schedule and route targets the needs of the community to access such essential services such as Health Clinic, Senior Meal Program, Social Services, employment and governmental offices. In addition the schedule and route is designed for community to connect with the Clallam Transit service so they may access off-reservation needs.

Area Served

Is this project primarily serving a rural area?*

Yes

Any service that supports public transportation in rural areas with populations less than 50,000.

Special Needs Transportation

To be eligible for special needs transportation funding, applicants must address how their project advances the efficiency in, accessibility to, or coordination of transportation services provided to persons with special transportation needs, as defined in [RCW 81.66.010\(3\)](#).

Does this project advance efficiencies in, accessibility to, or coordination of special needs transportation?*

Yes

Describe how your project advances these areas, and the approach you are using to achieve these improvements. Additionally, identify the special needs population(s) to be served by this project.

Special Needs Transportation:

By having reliable buses with wheel chair accessories, we are able to meet the needs of the elderly and handicapped population so they may access services at the various subdivisions in the community. Tribal government services are not all available in one location and the primary health clinic is approximately 2.5 miles away from the Wellness Center which provides mental health, chemical dependency counseling, acupuncture and massage therapy. The low-income and/or individuals with drug addictions often must see the medical provider and then go to the Wellness Center for addiction services and the Transit is key in ensuring people can easily travel between destinations. To determine the efficiency of the program and routes, routine requests for comments will be sought from the passengers. In addition, through management team meetings, coordination of services is discussed with the local Health Clinic and Seniors Program.

Project Staff

Provide the names of the key staff who will be working on this project, along with their years of experience and relevant qualifications. Include their experience managing similar projects, with specific attention to responsibilities for grant financial management, budget oversight, documentation, and compliance.

Project Staff*:

Mr. David Lucas, Public Works Manager the supervisor over Makah Public Transit for 26 years.

Mr. Jeff Bartlett the Program Supervisor over Makah Public Transit for over 21 years.

Ms. Ellen Gonzales Bus Driver has been taking care of the status reports for 4 years.

Ms. Monica McGee has over 26 years working for the Tribe.

Relationship to Other Projects

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Is this project dependent on any other projects submitted by your organization?*

Yes

List all dependent project applications by title and funding opportunity, including this project.

Describe how the projects are related and explain any dependencies between them. If applicable, identify the funding priority among the projects.

Dependent Project(s)*:

We are applying for 2 light duty cutaways to replace our existing cutaways that are past their useful life benchmarks. If the capital project is not funded, we would be operating our vehicles out of the state of good repair and risk more frequent break downs and more service outages.

Priority would be to fund our operating program to sustain our critical service for the Makah reservation prior to funding the replacement cutaways.

Did you, or will you, apply for this project in another grant program this biennium?*

Yes

Choose the grant program(s)*:

Tribal Transit Mobility

Select *Other* to indicate any local, state, or federal funding requests, not through WSDOT Public Transportation Division

If *Other* is chosen above, enter the name(s) of the applicable grant program(s).

Other grant program(s):

Have you applied for the same project in a prior biennium and did not receive funding?*

No

Are you applying for other projects within this funding opportunity?*

No

Planning and Coordination

Coordinated Public Transit - Human Services Transportation Plan

Coordinated Public Transit - Human Services Transportation Plan	Page number(s) or TBD	How is the need in the CPT-HSTP met by this project?
Peninsula RTPO	TBD	Makah Public Transit provides the only public transportation service for the residents of Neah Bay. There are no other forms of transportation available other than personally owned vehicles. Neah Bay is a high poverty population area and private transportation is not always an option due to cost constraints. The reservation is a vulnerable population in an overburdened community by definition.
Peninsula RTPO	TBD	Strategy 1-a. Sustain operations of existing transportation services and service levels supporting rural mobility in the Peninsula region, including public, tribal, non-profit, and private carrier services. Makah Transit provides the only public transportation service on the Makah Reservation. Continued funding is essential to maintaining this vital service and ensuring our community has access to reliable transportation.
Peninsula RTPO	TBD	Strategy 1-e. Improve transportation access to behavioral health clinics and substance use disorder treatment centers. Makah Transit is an essential resource for community members, providing transportation to the Wellness Center, medical clinic, and Tribal Center offices, including counseling and court services. Without Makah Transit, many residents would have no reliable way to access these critical health, social, and governmental services.
Peninsula RTPO	TBD	Strategy 2-a. Increase awareness and visibility of available transportation services, with information specifically aimed at seniors, people with disabilities, and those with low income, and including engagement of human services providers and community care hubs. Transit schedules are distributed throughout the community & posted at health clinic, Washburn's General Store, and main tribal admin bldg. Schedules have the bus cell phone number so that our riders can contact them directly.
Peninsula RTPO	TBD	Strategy 2-d. Improve the ability of people to access transit information and make trip reservations for paratransit and door-to-door services. Makah Transit offers flexible service, including customer-requested route deviations and a daily 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. block for special pickups and paratransit services, ensuring access for seniors, people with disabilities, and others with specialized transportation needs. Customers can call the bus directly to request/schedule these services.
Peninsula RTPO	4-2	People living an independent lifestyle lose the ability to drive and that loss of independence is especially hard for rural residents and Tribal elders living on the Makah reservation. Makah Transit ensures critical access to essential services for seniors and elders and the quality of life that comes from getting where they want to go.
Peninsula RTPO	4-2	Available transportation services don't meet everyone's needs. Makah Transit operates deviated fixed route service including curb to curb paratransit service. This meets the unique needs for individuals who may not live close enough to a bus stop or struggle to safely traverse roadways.
Peninsula RTPO	4-3	Long distance travel can be hard. Many Neah Bay residents access services in Port Angeles, over 60 miles away. Makah Transit not only ensures residents can access crucial local services like the Health Clinic, but it also connects with Clallam Transit so community members can meet their longer distance, off reservation needs.

Cross-region Project

Does this project have a service area that crosses RTPO/MPO planning boundaries?*: No

Project Coordination

Describe coordination efforts. Include details such as:

- How is the project reflected in regional plans?
- Which prioritized strategies are being addressed?
- Who was involved in defining the transportation problem?
- Other alternatives considered for addressing the problem.
- Demonstrations of local/regional coordination in implementing the proposed project.

Coordination Efforts*:

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Transportation needs were identified through coordination among the Tribe's Transit Program, Tribal leadership, riders, the community, and regional planning partners. Rider feedback, operational experience, service data, and regional planning discussions identified the need to maintain

reliable transit services to the Makah Tribal community as there are no other options in this remote area. The Makah Tribe coordinates with Clallam Transit for out-of-town destinations on 4 connections, Tribal departments, healthcare providers, educational institutions, veterans' services, and social service organizations.

By selecting yes, you acknowledge that you Yes
coordinated or will coordinate this project
with the planning organization(s) within the
region(s) this project serves*:

How does your project connect to, coordinate with, leverage, or enhance other modes of transportation in your service area (e.g., aviation, intercity bus or rail, park-and-rides, bicycle/pedestrian)?

In your response, include how the multimodal partnerships for this project will improve or enhance access to social services.

What efficiencies will be gained within the service area as a result of this project?

Multimodal Partnerships*:

Makah Transit has bike racks on all buses, supporting and enhancing bicycle and pedestrian transportation throughout our service area.

Budget

Duration of Project

Duration of Project*: Four Years

Expenses

Expenses	If Other, List the Expense	** July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2027 (Current Estimate)	July 1, 2027 - June 30, 2029 (Projected)	Variance Between Biennia	** July 1, 2029 - June 30, 2031 (Projected)	Variance Between Biennia
Labor & Benefits		\$228,645.00	\$238,791.00	4.44%	\$245,984.00	3.01%
Maintenance Parts & Supplies		\$40,000.00	\$45,000.00	12.50%	\$50,000.00	11.11%
Fuel & Lubricants		\$70,571.00	\$75,999.00	7.69%	\$81,428.00	7.14%
Insurance		\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	0.00%	\$3,000.00	0.00%
Project Supplies		\$4,000.00	\$5,000.00	25.00%	\$6,000.00	20.00%
		\$346,216.00	\$367,790.00		\$386,412.00	

Sources of Revenue/Match

Revenue/Match Source	If Other, List the Source	** July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2027 (Current Estimate)	July 1, 2027 - June 30, 2029 (Projected)	** July 1, 2029 - June 30, 2031 (Projected)
Local: Reserves		\$34,622.00	\$36,779.00	\$38,641.00

Fares and Donations

Row	July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2027 (Current Estimate)	July 1, 2027 - June 30, 2029 (Projected)	July 1, 2029 - June 30, 2031 (Projected)
Fares and rides donations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Variances

Variance between 2025-2027 and 2027-2029: 6.23%

Variance between 2027-2029 and 2029-2031: 5.06%

Variances:

Variance between 2025-2027 and 2027-2029

This variance factors a 3% wage increase for transit operators as well as a \$0.50 cent cost per gallon of fuel. We have also added funds to cover some of the maintenance/supplies costs.

Variance between 2027-2029 and 2029-2031

This variance factors an additional 3% wage increase for transit operators as well as an additional \$0.50 cent cost per gallon of fuel. We have also

added funds to cover some of the maintenance/supplies costs.

Other Sources and In-Kind Match

Other Sources*:

N/A

Are you using in-kind match?* No

Other Support

Other Support:

Budget Development Methodology

Budget development methodology*:

This budget was based on current costs plus the addition of wage increases for transit operators, rising fuel costs, increasing maintenance costs, and inflation on general items such as cleaning supplies, office supplies, etc....

Summary

July 1, 2027 - June 30, 2029

Total Expenses:	\$367,790.00
Match Total:	\$36,779.00
Requested Amount:	\$331,011.00 This is the amount of grant funds your organization is requesting from July 1, 2027 - June 30, 2029
Percentage of Match:	10.00%

July 1, 2029 - June 30, 2031

Total Expenses:	\$386,412.00
Match Total:	\$38,641.00
Requested Amount:	\$347,771.00 This is the amount of grant funds your organization is requesting from July 1, 2029 - June 30, 2031
Percentage of Match:	10.00%

Indirect Costs

Indirect Costs

Are you charging indirect costs to this grant/project?* Yes

Select the method your organization uses to apply indirect costs to this project.

Method*: Negotiated indirect cost rate

If you selected a negotiated indirect cost rate, what is your current rate and expiration date?

Rate: 39.84 %

Expiration Date: 12/31/2024

If the rate will expire before the grant agreement begins, what rate will you apply until a new rate is approved?

Rate: 39.84 %

Service Level

Project Service Level Information

Project Specific Information	July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2027 (Current Estimate)	July 1, 2027 - June 30, 2029 (Projected)	Percent of Change	July 1, 2029 - June 30, 2031 (Projected)	Percent of Change
Passenger Vehicle Hours	5031	5100	1.37%	5100	0.00%
Passenger Vehicle Miles	75732	76000	0.35%	76000	0.00%
Passenger trips should be entered as whole numbers only.					
Passenger Trips	7891	7944	0.67%	7944	0.00%
Volunteer Hours	0	0	0.00%	0	0.00%

Project Service Level Description

Describe the methodology used to develop these estimates, including any assumptions used in their development. Identify data sources and monitoring processes.

How were service-level estimates developed?*

Service levels are based on averages from prior years and currant schedule mileage and hour levels. For demand-response or deviated fixed-route projects, summarize the intended outputs of this project in both qualitative (narrative) and quantitative (statistical) formats. Some projects may not align with traditional performance measures (e.g., revenue vehicle hours/miles, passenger trips). In such cases, quantifiable objectives can be reported instead, such as: the number of trainings conducted, outreach events completed, passengers served, or other measurable outcomes generated by this project. Be sure to include a quantitative output, as this will serve as the baseline measurement for your next biennium application. Qualitative measures are optional.

Intended Outputs:

How will your organization measure whether the project is successful? Describe the steps you will take to improve performance if your project does not meet the identified performance targets.

Project Success Measurement*:

The efficiency and effectiveness will be measured by regular management meetings, i.e., Health Clinic, Seniors Program, Behavioral Health programs to ensure we meeting the transportation needs. The Makah Tribal Council conducts regular business meetings every two weeks and the tribal members are allowed to express any concerns during the first 1/2 hour of the meeting. In addition, General Council meetings are held on a quarterly basis where tribal members are allowed to express any concerns, suggestions or appreciation.

Milestones

Readiness to Proceed

Will your project be ready to proceed at the start of the biennium?*: Yes

Milestones

Activities	Date (mm/yy)
Project Start	07/27
Project Complete	06/31

Supplemental Information

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The Makah Reservation is a very remote community, and Makah Transit is the only public transportation provider serving the area. Without continued funding, public transit service would not be available to community members who rely on it, including youth, people with disabilities, seniors, and the general public.

Makah Transit provides an essential lifeline for the community by connecting residents to employment, education, medical appointments, essential services, shopping, and other necessary destinations. For many residents, there are no alternative transportation options. Continued funding is therefore critical to maintaining access and ensuring that all members of the Makah community can remain connected to the services and opportunities they need.

Vulnerable Populations in Overburdened Communities & Tribes

Vulnerable Populations in Overburdened Communities

Identify the type of direct and meaningful benefits your project provides to vulnerable populations using the descriptions above, if applicable. Explain how your project delivers these benefits and the impact it will have on the populations served.

Vulnerable Populations in Overburdened Communities*:

The service that this project supports is directly owned and operated by The Makah Tribal Government within "Indian Country" on the Makah Reservation. Being a tribal community, we are an overburdened community by the definitions listed in this section of the application. If these populations were engaged by you or your representatives in developing or maintaining the project, describe the outreach efforts and results. Include details such as methods used to engage the community, feedback received, and how the input influenced the project's design or implementation.

Inclusive outreach in planning:

Tribal Support

Is this project directly operated by a tribe?: Yes

Environmental Justice

Environmental Justice Assessment (EJA)

You must conduct an Environmental Justice Assessment (EJA) if you apply for \$15 million or more in grant funds.

Are you requesting \$15 million or more in WSDOT funds for your proposed project?: No

Attachments

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Named Attachment	Required	Description	File Name	Type	Size	Upload Date
Required for all projects						
Population density map	✓	Population Density Map	Population Density Map 2026.pdf	pdf	2 MB	09/02/2026 10:00 AM
Service area map	✓	Bus Route Map and Schedule	Bus Route Map and Schedule 2026.pdf	pdf	3 MB	09/02/2026 10:00 AM
Required for new nonprofit applicants only						
501(c) IRS Letter of Determination						
WA Utilities & Transportation Commission (UTC) Certification (required for new nonprofit applicants that are direct service providers)						
Conditionally required						
Indirect costs documentation - de minimis rate self-certification; negotiated indirect cost rate letter from cognizant agency; or a cost allocation plan		Most Recent Indirect Cost Rate	2025 Indirect Cost Rate NICRA-Makah Tribe.pdf	pdf	191 KB	09/02/2026 10:00 AM
In-kind match valuation proposal (required for operating & mobility management projects that are proposing to use in-kind as matching funds)						
Procurement policy (required for new applicants or existing grantees without a current policy on file with WSDOT if this project includes the procurement of services or capital assets)						
Correspondence from a tribe in support of your project (if project is serving and supported by tribe(s). Not required if the applicant is a tribe.)						
Optional attachments						

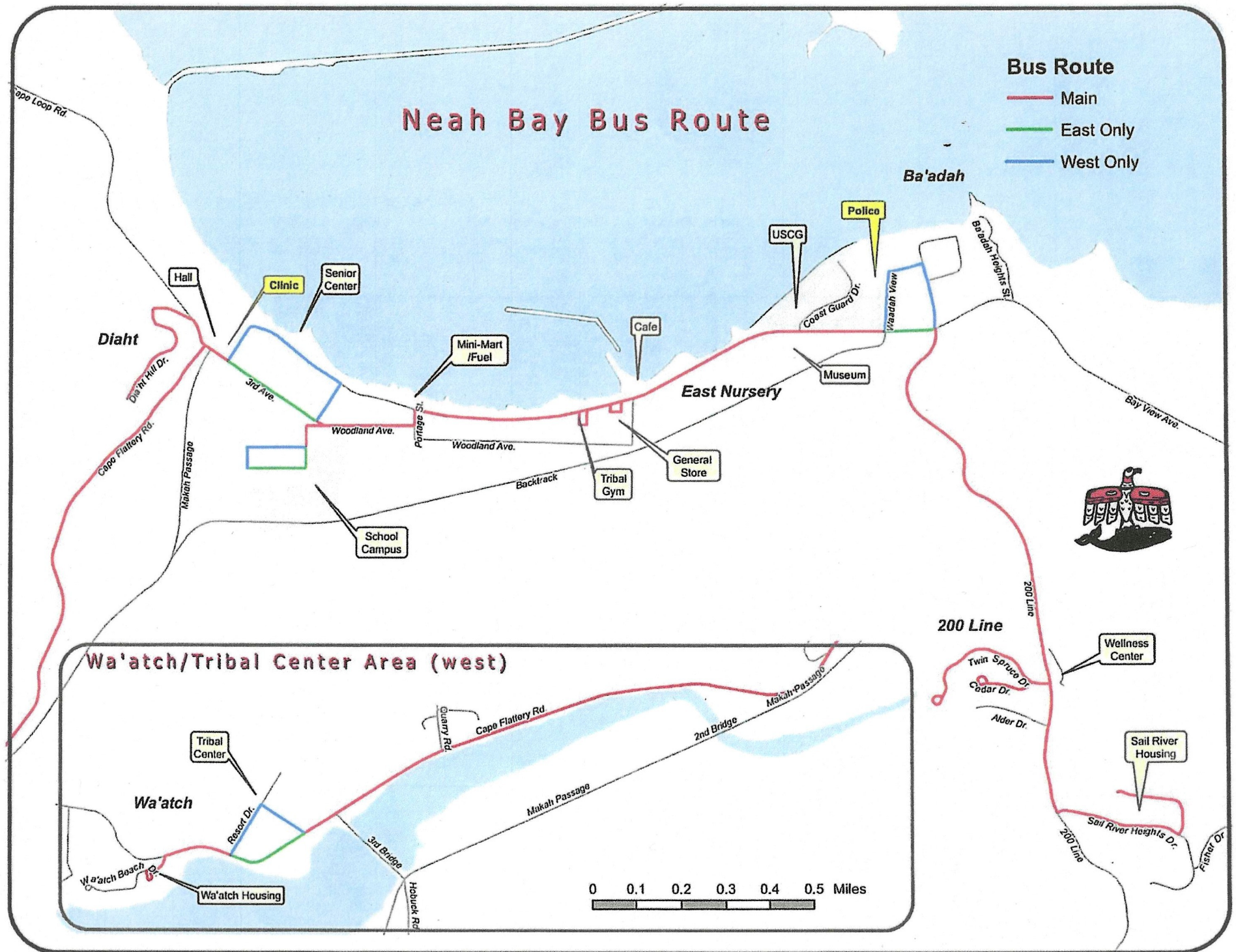
Letters committing matching funds	MTC Matching Funds Letter	MTC Matching Funds letter For WSDOT Grant Application 06-25-2026.pdf	pdf	42 KB	09/02/2026 10:00 AM
Letter of concurrence (for projects that operate in multiple planning regions)					
Letters of support (combine into one file attachment)	Letters of Support	All 8 Letters of Support for the Transit.pdf	pdf	6 MB	09/02/2026 10:00 AM
Supplemental information					
Optional construction attachments					
NEPA/SEPA assessment, if available					
Supplemental construction project information (building or site designs, site plans, location exhibits, etc.), if available					

Certification

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I certify, to the best of my knowledge, that the information in this application is true and accurate and that this organization has the necessary fiscal, data collection, and managerial capabilities to implement and manage the project associated with this application:

Certification*:	Yes
Application Authority*:	Jeff Bartlett First Name Last Name
Title*:	Transit/Maintenance Supervisor
Date*:	08/27/2026



MAKAH PUBLIC TRANSIT FARES

BASE FARES:

MAKAH PUBLIC TRANSIT IS A
FARE FREE SERVICE

CONTACT INFORMATION

P.O. Box 115
Neah Bay, WA 98357
Phone: (360) 645-3111
Cell Phone: (360) 640-0443
Email: transit@makah.com

Lost and Found:

If you have lost or found an article, please stop by the Public Works Office in Building #150 at the Tribal Center Monday through Thursday between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm.

Pets:

All pets must be caged except guide dogs for the blind.

Additional Information:

*Passengers may not smoke or consume food or beverages on the bus.

*Buses do not operate on Saturday, Sunday or Tribal/Federal Holidays.

*Buses do not operate from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm when there is a funeral within the community.

*Call 645-3111, 640-0443 for more information on bus service days, schedules, or to schedule special pickup for the elderly and disabled.

*Special pickup hours are 10:00 am to 11:40 am.

*Customer Complaints/Comments should be directed to the Public Works Manager at 360-645-3116



MAKAH PUBLIC TRANSIT SCHEDULE



**All Services Are
Open To The Public**

**Telephone:
(360) 645-3111
(360)640-0443**

MAKAH PUBLIC TRANSIT

PLEASE NOTE: ALL TIMES ARE DEPARTURE TIMES

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N/A = Not a scheduled stop

* = MTC EMPLOYEE PARK & RIDE

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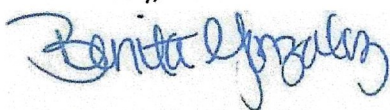
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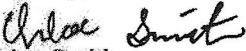
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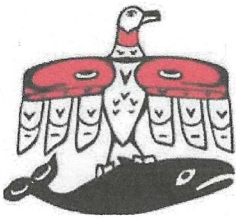
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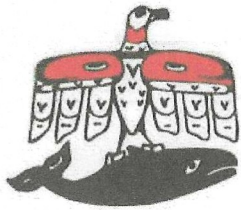
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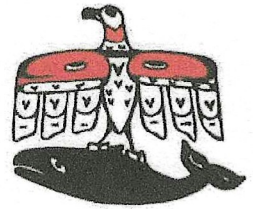
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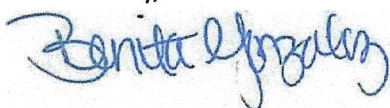
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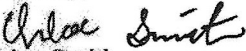
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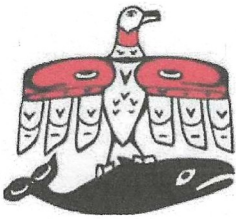
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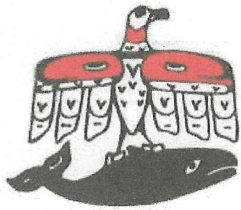
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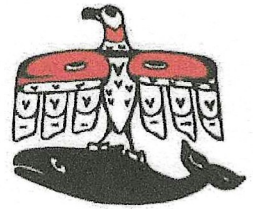
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Indian Organization
Indirect Cost Negotiation Agreement

EIN: 91-0492517

Date: 05/27/2026

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Makah Tribal Council
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Report Number: 2025-0888

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Last Negotiation Agreement
dated: 06/07/2024

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Start Date	End Date	Rate Type	Rate Details				
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- E. **Rate Extension:** Only final and predetermined rates may be eligible for consideration of rate extensions. Requests for rate extensions of a current rate will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. If an extension is granted, the non-Federal entity may not request a rate review until the extension period ends. In the last year of a rate extension period, the non-Federal entity must submit a new rate proposal for the next fiscal period.
- F. **Agency Notification:** Copies of this document may be provided to other federal offices as a means of notifying them of the agreement contained herein.
- G. **Record Keeping:** Organizations must maintain accounting records that demonstrate that each type of cost has been treated consistently either as a direct cost or an indirect cost. Records pertaining to the costs of program administration, such as salaries, travel, and related costs, should be kept on an annual basis.
- H. **Reimbursement Ceilings:** Grantee/contractor program agreements providing for ceilings on indirect cost rates or reimbursement amounts are subject to the ceilings stipulated in the contract or grant agreements. If the ceiling rate is higher than the negotiated rate in Section I of this agreement, the negotiated rate will be used to determine the maximum allowable indirect cost.
- I. **Use of Other Rates:** If any federal programs are reimbursing indirect costs to this grantee/contractor by a measure other than the approved rate(s) in this agreement, the grantee/contractor should credit such costs to the

Section II: General (continued)

affected programs, and the approved rate(s) should be used to identify the maximum amount of indirect cost allocable to these programs.

J. Other:

1. The purpose of an indirect cost rate is to facilitate the allocation and billing of indirect costs. Approval of the indirect cost rate does not mean that an organization can recover more than the actual costs of a particular program or activity.
2. Programs received or initiated by the organization subsequent to the negotiation of this agreement are subject to the approved indirect cost rate(s) if the programs receive administrative support from the indirect cost pool. It should be noted that this could result in an adjustment to a future rate.
3. Each Indian tribal government desiring reimbursement of indirect costs must submit its indirect cost proposal to our office within six (6) months after the close of the Tribe's fiscal year, unless an exception is approved.

Section III: Acceptance

Listed below are the signatures of acceptance for this agreement:

By the Indian Organization

By the Cognizant Federal Government Agency

Makah Tribal Council

US Department of the Interior

DocuSigned by:
Timothy Greene
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DocuSigned by:
Craig Wills
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Signature

Signature

Timothy J. Greene Sr.

Craig Wills

Name:

Name:

Division Chief
Indirect Cost & Contract Audit Division
Interior Business Center

Chairman

Title:

Title:

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Date

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Negotiated by: Kasi Upchurch
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MAKAH TRIBAL COUNCIL

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

June 25, 2026

To Whom it May Concern:

The Makah Tribal Council has reviewed and approved the Makah Transit grant application to WSDOT for continued Operating Assistance. The Makah Tribal Council officially commits to match a minimum of 10% of the grant total. For this application, we commit to \$75,420 for a four-year period of July 2027 to June 2031.

The Makah Tribe has historically not only matched the grant amount but often exceeds it due to the importance of public transportation need on the Makah Reservation. If the Makah Tribe is successful in receiving the grant funding, the Makah Tribal Council is committed to providing a tribal resolution indicating the official match.

Sincerely,

Timothy J. Greene
Chairman
Makah Tribal Council

Overview of ZIP Code 98357, Washington (ZIP Code)

[Cities](#)[Block Groups](#)**County:**[Clallam \(/county/Washington/Clallam-County/Overview\)](/county/Washington/Clallam-County/Overview)**Metro Area:**[Port Angeles Area \(/metro-area/Washington/Port-Angeles/Overview\)](/metro-area/Washington/Port-Angeles/Overview)**Unincorporated Places:**[Neah Bay \(/place/Washington/Neah-Bay/Overview\)](/place/Washington/Neah-Bay/Overview)

Map of Population by Block Group in ZIP Code 98357

Population Density

Population

Population Density Population by Block Group

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Population per square mile of land (excluding water areas):

0/mi²

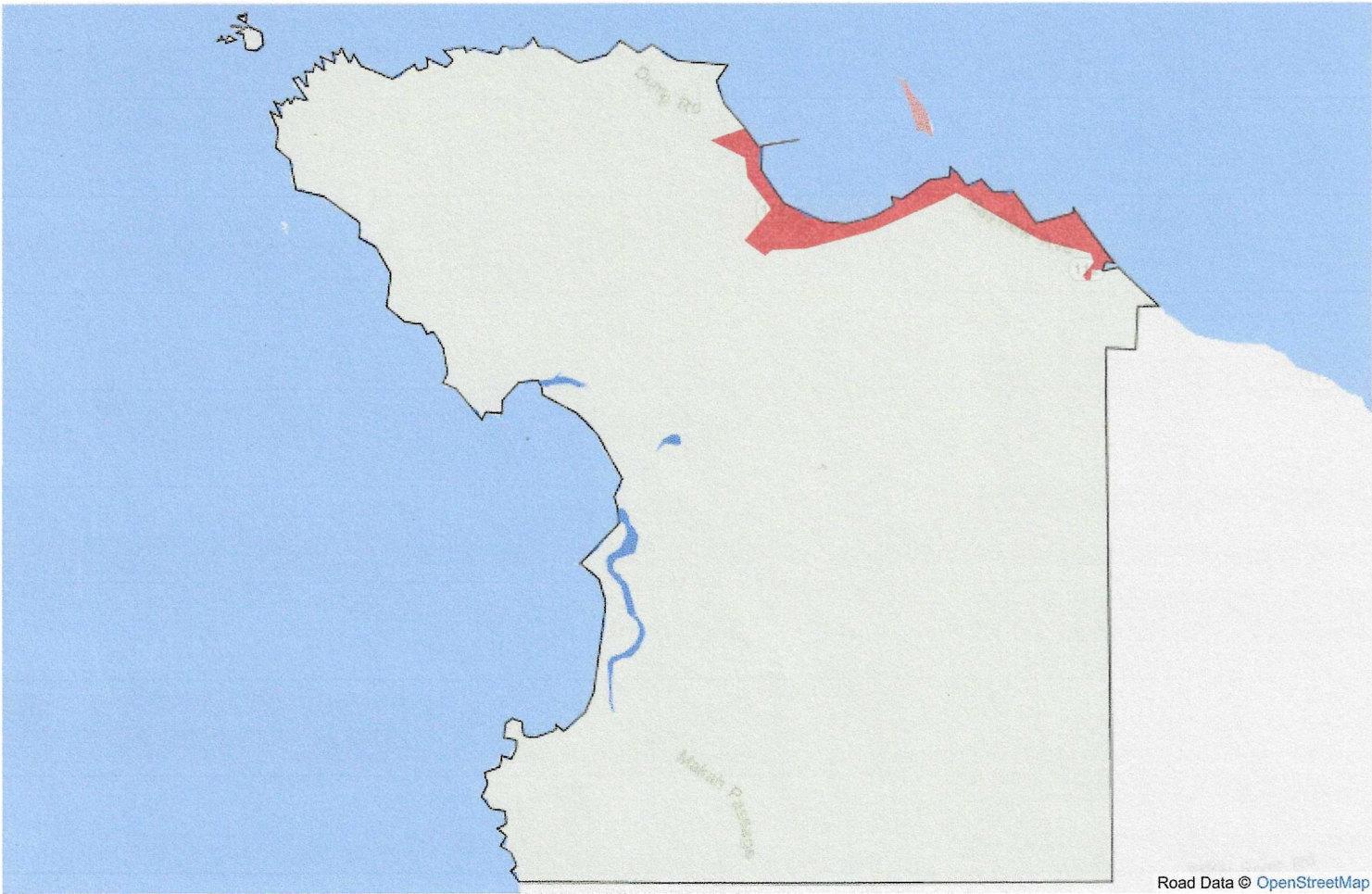
190/mi²

370/mi²

560/mi²

750/mi²

940/mi²



Map of Population by Block in ZIP Code 98357