

By Senators Hawkins and Wagoner

Proposing a comprehensive study of the state route number 2 corridor to improve safety and mobility, including outreach to adjacent communities.

1 AN ACT Relating to a comprehensive study of the state route
2 number 2 corridor to improve safety and mobility, including outreach
3 to adjacent communities; and creating new sections.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature recognizes the increasing
6 traffic volumes on the state route number 2 corridor, between one
7 mile west of state route number 522 and Wenatchee. The legislature
8 also recognizes the need to study the impact of traffic on safety and
9 mobility in the corridor and plan for future investments to improve
10 safety and mobility.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) The department of transportation shall
12 study traffic flow, safety, and mobility along the state route number
13 2 corridor between Monroe and Wenatchee and propose investments,
14 which may include improvement projects, preservation, and
15 maintenance. The department of transportation shall conduct public
16 outreach and engagement with communities along the corridor,
17 including public meetings. At a minimum, the communities of
18 Wenatchee, Cashmere, Leavenworth, Skykomish, Index, Gold Bar, Sultan,
19 and Monroe must be notified and invited to participate.

1 (2) In conducting this study, the department of transportation
2 shall use studies, designs, plans, and other documents that are
3 presented to them by stakeholders along the corridor including, but
4 not limited to, proposed solutions that have been identified by the
5 city of Sultan to address mobility and safety and improvements as
6 well as those proposed solutions identified in the Chelan-Douglas
7 transportation council's upper Wenatchee Valley transportation
8 corridor study.

9 (3) The department of transportation shall submit a preliminary
10 report to the office of financial management and the transportation
11 committees of the legislature by December 1, 2022. The report must
12 include a list of recommended improvements along the corridor.
13 Identified improvements shall address mobility, safety, and other
14 concerns with the corridor, as identified through the public outreach
15 and engagement conducted in subsection (1) of this section. Each
16 recommended improvement shall include an estimated total cost of all
17 phases, as well as cost estimates for each phase of each identified
18 improvement.

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