

Washington State Autonomous Vehicle Work Group Subcommittee Recommendation Form

Subcommittee	Health & Equity Subcommittee – Proposal for Public Engagement on AV Testing and Implementation
Date of Meeting	For presentation to the AV Work Group Executive Committee, November 12, 2020

1) RECOMMENDATION

What are the equity needs and expectations related to Autonomous Vehicles?

Conduct a structured public engagement process including education, scenario building, and soliciting feedback to better understand the health, access, and equity needs among traditionally marginalized communities in relation to autonomous vehicles.

2) RECOMMENDATION DESCRIPTION, CHALLENGES, AND MITIGATION

This project would assist policy makers and industry in Washington in ensuring that mobility and access needs of traditionally marginalized communities are met as autonomous vehicle services are tested and deployed across the state. This project would ensure inclusion of people representing disinvested areas and people of color in the state's policy development process for autonomous vehicles. Without a formal and robust public engagement process, AV technology may have unequitable consequences related to benefits, risks, and access to goods and services. This project would report findings and recommendations for equity needs and expectations to WSTC.

Additional Notes:

Partner with community-based organizations for formal outreach to engage the public, as well as stakeholder groups with limited access to the State AV committee, on needs and expectations related to the testing and implementation of AV technology. This project would engage these stakeholder groups by describing scenarios of possible AV use and holding discussions about mobility and access needs as well as striving to build longer term involvement from under-represented populations. Outreach findings would be reported to WSTC.



3) REQUIREMENTS IDENTIFIED		
"X" or blank	Type of Change Required	Brief Description of Change Needed
X	Cost impact mitigation	\$30,000
	Legislative change	
	Regulatory change	
	Other	

4) IDENTIFIED IMPLICATIONS AND IMPACTS		
"X" OR BLANK	Impact Area	Description of Implication / Impact
X	Infrastructure	This project would assist policy makers and industry in Washington in ensuring that mobility and access needs of traditionally marginalized communities are met as autonomous vehicle services are tested and deployed across the state.
	Safety	
	Insurance	
X	Health and livability	This project would ensure inclusion of people representing disinvested areas and people of color in the state's policy development process for autonomous vehicles. Without a formal and robust public engagement process, AV technology may have unequitable consequences.
	Environmental	
	Economic	
	Workforce	
X	Equitable Access	This project would ensure inclusion of people representing disinvested areas and people of color in the state's policy development process for autonomous vehicles. Without a formal and robust public engagement process, AV technology may have unequitable consequences.
	Other	



5) VOTES

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