



**JEFFERSON TRANSIT  
AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING  
Tuesday, May 18, 2021, 1:30 p.m.**

**REMOTE SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA**

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JTA will make every effort to accommodate live public comments during the Public Comment portions of the meeting.

**I. New Business**

- a. Local 20/20 TLAB Presentation
- b. Fehr & Peers Presentation

**Public Comment**

**Adjournment**

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## Local 20/20 TLAB

### References and Resources:

1. [Jefferson County Recent Greenhouse Gas Inventory](#)
2. National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine 2011. Innovative Rural Transit Services. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press.  
<https://doi.org/10.17226/14605>

# **Jefferson Transit Authority Long-Range Plan**

**Board Meeting**

**May 18, 2021**





# Agenda

1. Recap of online open house
2. Service standards for JTA

# Online Open House Recap

Ranking of metrics (most to least important)

**1. Access to opportunities**

(how many jobs and services can be reached via transit?)

**2. Proximity to service**

(how many people are within walking distance of transit?)

**3. Ridership metric**

(how many additional riders per additional hour of service)

**4. Rider experience**

(walk time, wait time, and transit travel times reduced)

# Online Open House Recap

Ranking of targeted service concepts (most to least favored)

1. Kingston Ferry connection
2. Later evening service
3. Sunday service
4. Split the Tri-Area route

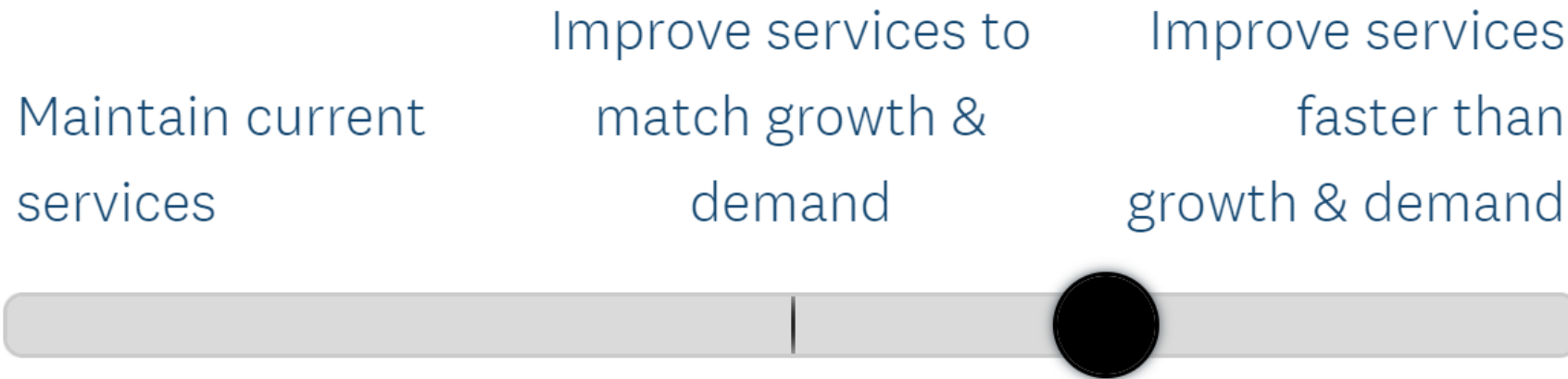
# Online Open House Recap

How should JTA prioritize future service? (most to least important)

1. Later evening service
2. Expand transit to areas without current service
3. New service to the Kingston Ferry
4. Sunday service
5. More frequent service in the Tri-Area
6. More frequent service in downtown Port Townsend

# Online Open House Recap

Using the slider below, please indicate what level of transit service **growth** and **revenue collection** you'd support over the next twenty years to improve JTA service:



Average score:  
7 out of 10

7

[Clear](#)



# Service Standards for JTA

**Service standards** will help JTA staff develop and prioritize new service, as revenue and other constraints allow.

They can serve as both goals and guidelines.

# Service Standards for JTA

**Population Density** varies across the county. More dense areas support more transit service.

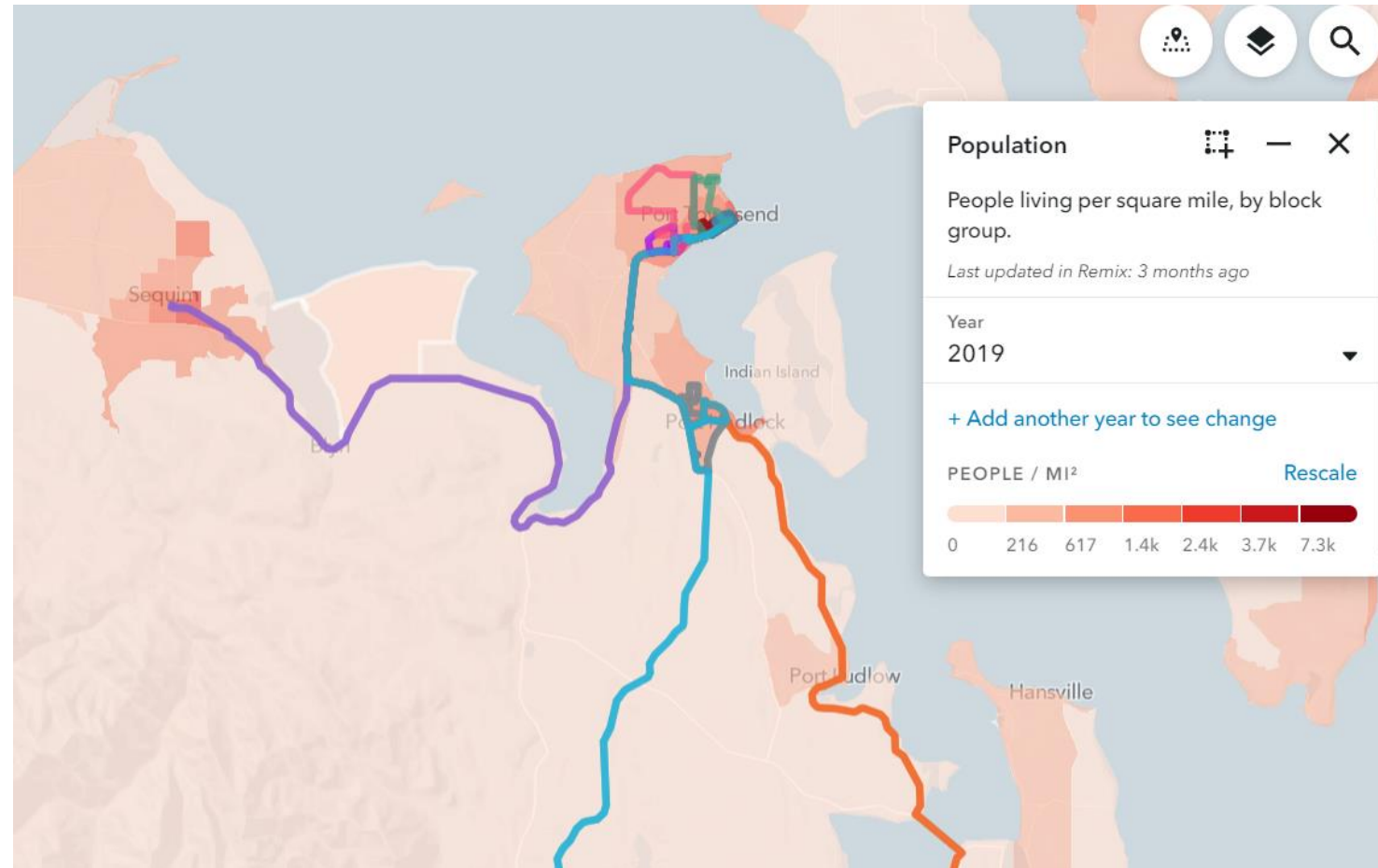
Port Townsend: 1,165 people/square mile

Port Hadlock/Irondale: 520 people/square mile

Rest of Eastern Jefferson County: 50 people/square mile  
(Uninhabited areas removed from calculation)

Density → frequency level standard

Does a denser area within a low-density area receive service?



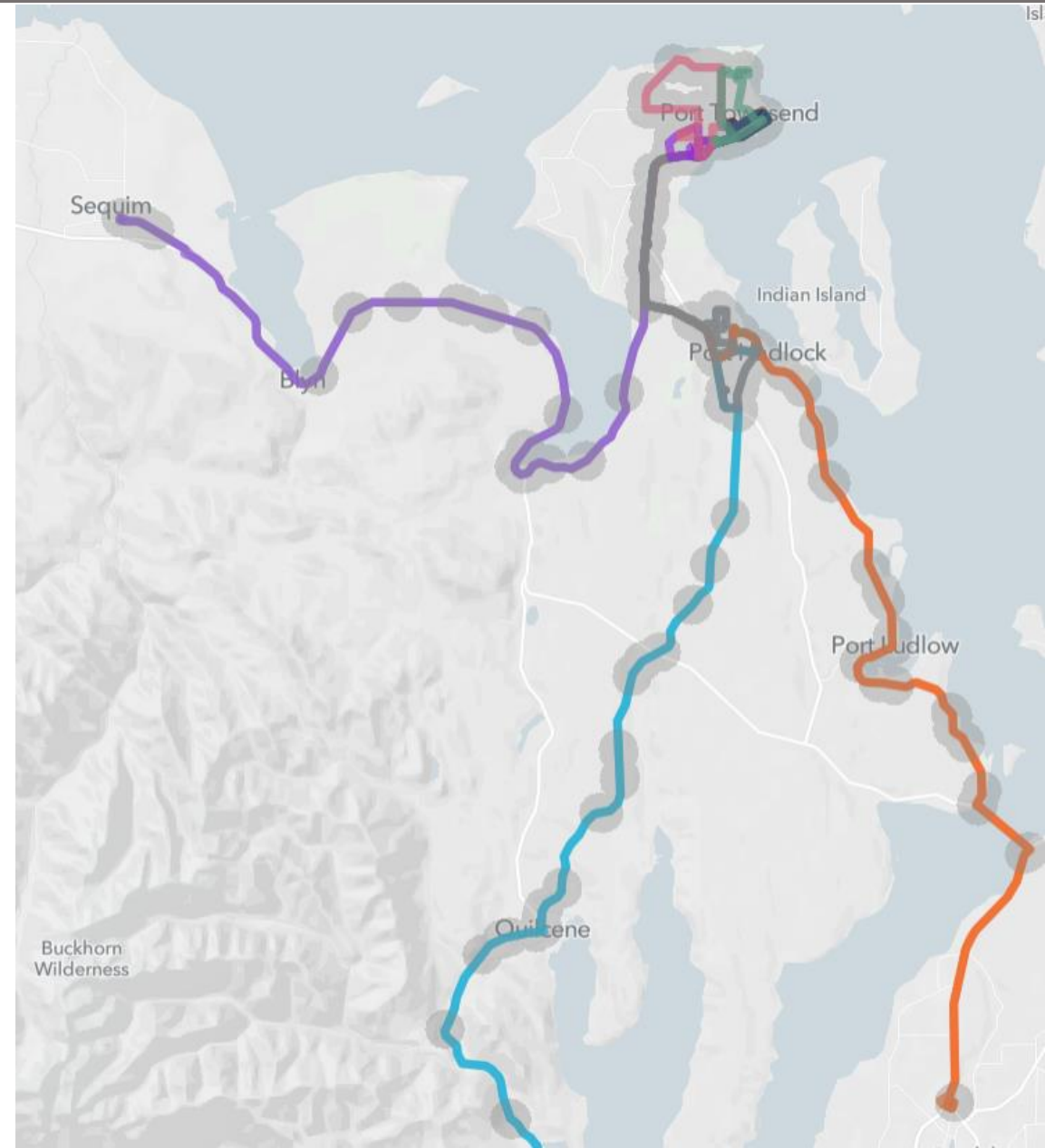
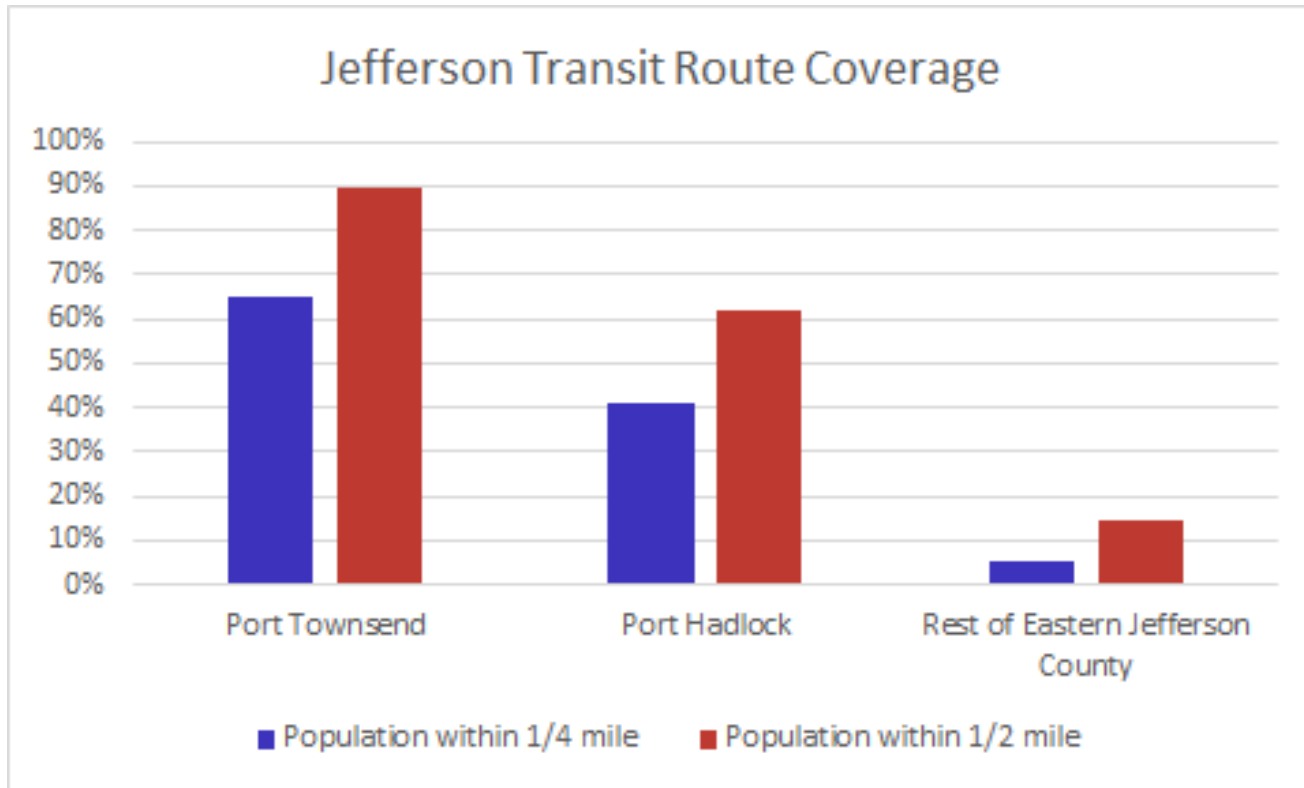
# Service Standards for JTA

Frequency	Port Townsend	Port Hadlock	Rest of Eastern Jefferson County
30 min	Route 4 Upper Sims		
30 min-1hr	Route 2 Fort Worden Route 3 Castle Hill/Cook Ave Route 11A Port Townsend Shuttle Loop A Route 11B Port Townsend Shuttle Loop B		
90 min	Route 6B Tri-Area Loop B Route 7 Poulsbo/Port Ludlow	Route 6B Tri-Area Loop B Route 7 Poulsbo/Port Ludlow	Route 7 Poulsbo/Port Ludlow
2 hr	Route 1 Quilcene/Brinnon Route 6A Tri-Area Loop A	Route 1 Quilcene/Brinnon Route 6A Tri-Area Loop A	Route 1 Quilcene/Brinnon
3 hr	Route 8 Sequim		Route 8 Sequim

As density increases, routes become more frequent as resources allow

# Service Standards for JTA

**Coverage** tells us how much of the population in an area is within  $\frac{1}{4}$  or  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile of existing transit, hard to set a goal because of rural nature of Jefferson County



# Service Standards for JTA

- Regional Connections
  - As the hub of the Olympic Peninsula, Jefferson Transit will continue to cooperate with our neighboring transit agencies and coordinate connecting services.
- Goals
  - Timing of connections- strive to align with neighboring agencies to reduce wait times within route constraints
  - Tighten up connections where transfer location amenities are lower

# Service Standards for JTA

- Connections to other modes
  - Jefferson Transit will prioritize connections to other forms of transit, multi-modal connections such as active transportation (trail connections, bike/walk paths such as the Olympic Discovery Trail, connections to walkable downtown Port Townsend, etc.) and ferry service in order to enable car free connections to recreation and tourism.
- Tourism related goals
  - Jefferson Transit will work within the rules regarding charter service to provide access to tourism destinations within the JTA service area. This could include such locations as cider farms, agritourism, and farm tours, as well as local festivals and events.



# Service Standards for JTA

- Major trip generators
  - Jefferson Transit will work to increase service frequency and service span to major trip generators, such as the following:
    - Hospital
    - Port Townsend Library
    - County Library
    - Grocery stores such as Safeway/QFC
    - Goodwill
    - DSHS office
    - Water Street retail and restaurants
    - HJ Carroll Park
    - Service and housing providers like Bayside Housing
    - Community Center
    - YMCA

# Service Standards for JTA

- Greenhouse Gas Emissions (GHG)
  - JTA will continue to explore alternative fuel source vehicles to improve on the greenhouse gas emissions of the current biodiesel bus fleet, improve multi-modal connections to reduce individual vehicle trips, and increase availability of electric vehicle charging at JTA park and ride lots.
  - Support community organizations that are working to reduce transportation GHG emissions in Jefferson County.

# Service Standards for JTA

## Discussion:

- Do these standards resonate with you?
- What is potentially missing?
- How does the CAC prioritize each of these items?
  - Density aligning with frequency
  - Greenhouse Gas Emissions (GHG)
  - Major trip generators
  - Tourism
  - Connections to other modes