



Work Release Expansion Project

Pierce County

November 2021



Agenda

Meeting Objectives:

- ✓ Introductions and Review Contacts
- ✓ Site Specific Progress
- ✓ Review & Approve proposed DOC Public Hearing Timeline
- ✓ Review & Approve proposed Communications Plan
- ✓ Discuss Next Steps & Questions
- ✓ Closing

Time	Topic	Lead
4:00 – 4:10	Introductions & Review Contacts	Mike Schindler, <i>Facilitator</i>
4:10 – 4:20	Site Specific Progress	Tony Lindgren, <i>KMB architects Consultant</i>
4:20 – 4:30	DOC Public Hearing Timeline Review & Approval	Tony Lindgren
4:30 – 4:40	Communications Plan	Mark Kucza, <i>DOC Reentry Division Senior Administrator, Project Lead</i>
4:40 – 5:25	Next Steps & Questions	Mike Schindler
5:25 – 5:30	Closing	Mike Schindler

Mike Schindler, *Facilitator*



Introductions & Review Contacts

LAC Member Contact Information

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DOC Mission and Vision

DOC Mission: To Improve Public Safety by Positively Changing Lives

DOC Vision: Working Together for Safe Communities

- Work Release Expansion
 - Work release facilities serve as a bridge between life in prison and life in the community. Incarcerated individuals who complete the work release program are more likely to be successful in maintaining employment, stable housing, and in paying legal financial obligations. Recent research conducted by the Washington State Institute for Public Policy indicates that work release programs have a positive cost/benefit impact; for every dollar spent, \$3.82 is returned to the state.

Fife – 6416 Pacific Highway E

- **City of Fife – Community Development Department**
 - Development Review Committee (DRC) meeting held July 28, 2021
 - Pre-application conference held October 20, 2021
 - Summary received November 2, 2021
- **Fife City Council and State Legislators**
 - Letter received from Pierce County Councilmember Hans Zeiger and State Legislators on October 1, 2021
 - DOC response on October 28, 2021
- **Fife City Council Study Session**
 - Work Release presentation scheduled at Council's request for November 16, 2021
- **DOC Selection Committee to move Fife site from evaluation to consideration**

Site Selection Steps

1. RCW 72.65.220 Facility siting process

- When DOC has selected three or fewer sites for final consideration, DOC shall make public notification and conduct a public hearing in the local communities of the final three or fewer sites.
- Provide for opportunities for written or oral comments and wide dissemination of proposals and alternatives.

2. WAC 137-57-050 Site selection

- After the preliminary public hearing and an initial review, the advisory committee shall submit its recommendations to the Secretary, and the Secretary may give preliminary approval to one of the recommended sites.

Site Selection Steps (continued)

3. RCW 72.65.220 Facility siting process

- An additional public hearing after public notification shall also be conducted in the local community selected as the final proposed site.
- Provide for opportunities for written or oral comments and wide dissemination of proposals and alternatives.

4. WAC 137-57-060 Public notice, hearing requirements

- After the Secretary gives preliminary approval to a site, the Department shall either apply for or assist others in applying for any permits which may be required by local zoning laws with respect to the operation of a work/training release facility.
- After the required zoning permits, if any, have been obtained, and the Secretary has considered the comments expressed by members of the public during any zoning process or during the public hearing conducted by the Department, the Secretary may grant or withhold final approval of the proposed site.

Site Specific DOC Public Hearing timeline

Fife – 6416 Pacific Highway E

November 17	Pierce County LAC meeting Review Communication Plan (identify stakeholders) LAC approves timeline
December 6	Facebook notice of January 5 - DOC First Public Hearing
December 20	Official notice of DOC First Public Hearing sent to stakeholders
January 5, 2022	DOC First Public Hearing (RCW 72.65.220) – Held virtually
January 19	Pierce County LAC meeting LAC confirm/make recommendation to Secretary (WAC 137-57-050) - letter Secretary denies/confirms preliminary approval of sites selected - letter
February 2	Facebook notice of March 2 - DOC Second Public Hearing
February 14	Official notice of DOC Second Public Hearing sent to stakeholders
March 2	DOC Second Public Hearing (RCW 72.65.220) – Held virtually

Approval

Pierce County – Proposed Timeline

- Discussion/comments
- LAC vote to approve and proceed with schedule

LAC Communication Plan

- **Stakeholders list development (RCW 72.65.220)**
 - All newspapers of general circulation in the local area and all local radio stations, television stations, and cable networks;
 - Appropriate school districts, private schools, kindergartens, city and county libraries, and all other local government offices within a one-half mile radius of the proposed site or sites;
 - The local chamber of commerce, local economic development agencies, and any other local organizations that request such notification from the department; and
 - In writing to all residents and/or property owners within a one-half mile radius of the proposed site or sites.
- **Facebook post provides for additional notification**

Approval

Pierce County – Communication Plan

- Discussion/comments
- LAC vote to approve and proceed with plan

Next Steps and Questions

- Open discussion
- Next Steps
 - Informational Session..
 - Where and When?
 - Getting the word out
 - Other?

Closing

- Local Advisory Committee materials
 - On DOC website: <https://doc.wa.gov/about/business/capital-planning/capacity-work-release.htm>
 - Materials available within 2 weeks
- Email questions
 - Pierce County
 - docwexpandpc@doc1.wa.gov
- Next Meeting
 - Wednesday, December 15, 2021
 - Typically occurs recurring 3rd Wednesday of each month

Thank you!