

#### **JLARC Follow-Up Audits**

Two examples of how JLARC approaches the follow-up audit



# Joint Legislative Audit & Review Committee (JLARC)

Washington State Legislature's performance auditors since 1973

Bipartisan committee of 8 Senators and 8 Representatives

Nonpartisan staff conduct studies using professional audit standards

Studies are assigned by the Legislature or the Committee itself





### How JLARC follows up

Monitoring actions on recommendations

Statutory direction and budget provisos

Committee work plan

# Two follow-up audits

# Puget Sound Partnership

- Large scope
- Directed by statute

# Washington State Department of Transportation

- Focused scope
- Committee-sponsored



# Puget Sound Partnership audit: 2016

State agency in charge of organizing the recovery effort of Puget Sound



#### 2016 JLARC published 4th report about the Partnership



2007

Partnership created



2009 2011

Briefing

report

1<sup>st</sup> audit in statute



2013

Briefing report





2016

2<sup>nd</sup> audit in statute



## 2016 included follow-up plus new audit

2011 legislative auditor recommendations

• 3 recommendations to improve agency compliance, transparency, and communication

2016: Fresh scope

- Re-assess the implementation of 2011 recommendations
- Assess the agency anew



# Bridge Preservation Cost Estimating

Evaluating agency improvement efforts



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### **2015 JLARC Staff Findings**



#### **Pavement**

Followed best practices for estimating preservation needs



#### **Bridges**

Accurate data, but limited capacity to develop reliable estimates of preservation needs

### **2015 Legislative Auditor Recommendations**

WSDOT should improve long-term estimates of bridge preservation needs

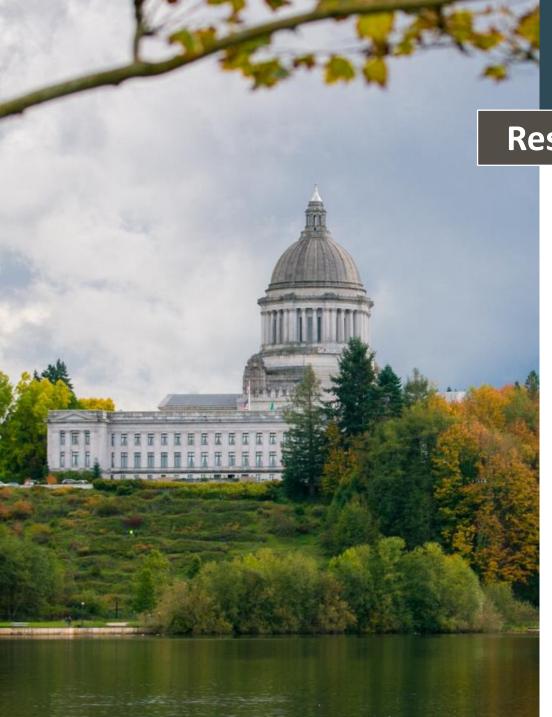
WSDOT and OFM should develop a process to improve stakeholders' confidence in its estimates



# Follow-Up Process

Review previous work products and recommendation monitoring **Conduct** audit If making recommendations, anticipate the follow-up process when writing them





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