

Final Criteria List

July 18, 2012

During the July 18, 2012 meeting, the stakeholder advisory group decided to use the following criteria to analyze the route alternatives as they made their preferred route recommendation.

- *Least proximity to community land use areas* – The location of the transmission line in relation to schools, parks, homes, etc.
- *Least impact to mature vegetation* – The amount of mature vegetation that must be removed or trimmed for construction and operation of the transmission line.
- *Least proximity to critical and designated areas* – The location of the transmission line in relation to critical areas such as wetland, streams, steep slopes, designated view corridors, Native Growth Protection Areas and Transfer of Development Rights, etc.
- *Public support* - Public support for the transmission line route balanced against established Comprehensive and Functional Plans adopted by both cities.
- *Opportunity areas* - The location of the transmission line in relation to the Kirkland railroad corridor, arterial streets (by classification or traffic counts), and existing utility lines/corridors.
- *Least proximity to commercial uses* – The location of the transmission line in relation to places of employment, businesses, stores, etc.