The Sea-Tac Stakeholder Advisory Round Table (StART) kick-off meeting took place Feb. 28, 2018. This voluntary, non-governing regional roundtable, convened by the Aviation Managing Director, Lance Lyttle, is a venue for the Port of Seattle to engage with the communities of SeaTac, Burien, Des Moines, Normandy Park, Tukwila and Federal Way. Representatives from Delta Air Lines, Alaska Airlines and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) also participate.

The current members are:

**Burien**: John Parnass, Terry Plumb, Brian Wilson  
**Federal Way**: John Resing, Chris Hall, Yarden Weidenfeld  
**Des Moines**: Sheila Brush, Ken Rogers, Michael Matthias  
**Normandy Park**: Eric Zimmerman, Earnest Thompson, Mark Hoppen  
**SeaTac**: Tejvir Basra, Rober Akhtar, Joe Scorcio  
**Tukwila**: Trina Cook, Thomas Lee, Brandon Miles  
**Alaska Airlines**: Megan Ouellette  
**Delta Air Lines**: Tony Gonchar  
**Port Of Seattle**: Lance Lyttle, Mike Ehl

This first meeting began with a welcome by Lyttle, who praised the unique opportunity that the round table presents. For the first time, he said, a group representing the community, cities, airlines, the FAA and the Port will regularly sit down together to build collaborative relationships and enhance cooperation. The meetings are expected to enhance transparency and support two-way dialog, as well as allow constructive verbal and written public feedback to help inform airport-related decision-making.

The focus of the first meeting was an overview of the Port as an organization, how the airport is governed and how it operates. The presentation mapped out current and future airport projects, highlighting upcoming opportunities and presenting potential challenges. To review the airport presentation, click here.

The StART facilitator, an outside consultant, shared a preliminary list of potential issues that could be considered at future meetings. These included initial thoughts that stakeholders expressed during individual interviews with the facilitator prior to the kick-off meeting. During the meeting, stakeholders suggested additional topics to consider, and discussed topics that could be explored at their second meeting.

There was consensus on the need for greater understanding of roles and responsibilities, decision-making authority, and which decisions about airport air and ground operations the representatives can influence.

Next, the facilitator will consolidate the comments from the first meeting into a list of topics for stakeholders to consider.
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The next meeting is set for 6 p.m., April 25, at the Conference Center at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport. The public is invited to attend.

StART meeting materials may be found on the Port of Seattle website.