

2019-2020



State Work Release Expansion

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS – MIKE SCHINDLER



Establishing Effective Meeting Protocols

- Welcome
- Who am I
- The role of the facilitator
- Why we asked you to attend / LAC
- Questions – all are fair game / how we ask
- The goal for today -
- Who's in the room?
 - Your name
 - Who you represent
 - Your interest
 - What you hope to contribute/learn

RECAP of WHY – Mike Schindler

DOC Mission: *To Improve Public Safety by Positively Changing Lives*

DOC Vision: *Working Together for safe Communities*

Gain a mutual understanding of:

- The State Work Release Expansion Project and timeline
- Local community concerns about state work release
- Why DOC is looking here?
- State work release operations and requirements
- Mutually agreeable site options

Steve Sinclair - DOC Secretary Video



Steve Sinclair
Secretary



Communication Plan



- Local Advisory Committee materials
- Website overview

- Email questions

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About

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.

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Resources

- [PRESS RELEASE: Department of Corrections to Expand Work Release](#)
- [Statutory Correctional Facility Site List](#)
- [Work Release Expansion - Implementation Plan](#)

Ground Rules - Mike Schindler

- Be respectful of others
- One person speaks at a time (I'm curious to know)
- Stay on topic
- Listen with an open mind
- Respect other opinions
- Think before speaking
- Phones on vibrate or silent
- Other?

Work Release?

What do you think of when we say
"work release"?

State Work Release Overview – Mark Kucza

Prison

**Work
Release**

Community

Work Release Program

From prison to community while:

- Under DOC authority
- In partial confinement

Focus on reentry, transition, and stability by:

- Finding/retaining employment
- Re-connecting with family members
- Becoming productive citizens
- Learning/refining life skills such as:
 - Using public transportation
 - Shopping
 - Managing personal finances

Work Release Placement

- Eligibility is an earned privilege
 - Good behavior and program compliance
- Screening Criteria
 - Defined in law and established in policy*
 - Trained staff identify participants based on identified risk and needs
 - Multiple levels of review required to approve some cases
- Can be ineligible due to:
 - Misconduct
 - Outstanding legal issues
 - Community concerns such as:
 - Victim concerns
 - Prior failure or rules violations at work release
 - Excess or serious pattern of criminal history
 - Heinous or notorious crime(s)

* Screening criteria are listed in policy DOC 300.500

Progression Through Work Release

- Three phase program
- “Step down” approach
- Gradual community access based upon:
 - Following all rules
 - An individualized case plan
 - Compliant time in the facility
 - Meeting individual case plan objectives

In order to reduce risk to the public.

WR participant expectations

Participants must:

- Work, attend school or vocational training or transitional programming
 - Monitored to ensure approved movements prohibit making any unauthorized stops
- Contribute financially
- Remain in the facility unless there is specific, prior written approval
- Undergo frequent UAs for drug/alcohol use
- Continue programming, treatment or therapy to address identified risk/need areas associated with criminal activity
- Cooperate with monitoring and behavioral expectations in the work release facility, work place and other locations in the community

The Role of Data – Theo Lewis

Why is DOC looking for a work release here?



Fact Card

September 30, 2019

Facts about Individuals in Confinement

Number of Prison Facilities.....	12
Number of Work Release Facilities.....	12
Average Population in Confinement.....	19,225
Prison.....	16,663 86.7%
Work release.....	634 3.3%
Out-of-state rented beds.....	0 0.0%
In-state rented prison beds.....	49 0.3%
In-state rented beds.....	1,879 9.8%
Confinement Operational Capacity.....	17,453
Prison facilities.....	16,705
In-state rented prison beds.....	53
Work release facilities.....	695
Percent of Confinement Operational Capacity	
Percent of Prison Capacity.....	99.7%
Percent of Work Release Capacity.....	91.2%
Gender	
Male.....	92.3%
Female.....	7.7%
Race	
White.....	69.8%
Black.....	17.8%
American Indian/Alaska Native.....	5.5%
Asian/Pacific Islander.....	4.1%
Other.....	1.8%
Unknown.....	1.0%
Hispanic Origin.....	13.8%
Average Current Age.....	39.6
Total Confinement Sentence Length Ordered	
Less than two years.....	12.3%
Two to five years.....	24.9%
Five to ten years.....	20.1%
Over ten years.....	24.5%
Life with the possibility of parole or release.....	13.3%
Life without release.....	3.7%

Facts about Individuals in Confinement, cont.

Most Serious Current Offense	
Murder 1 and 2.....	13.4%
Manslaughter.....	2.4%
Sex Crimes.....	21.0%
Robbery.....	8.6%
Assault.....	28.1%
Property Crimes.....	16.7%
Drug Crimes.....	6.3%
Other/Unknown.....	3.7%

Avg. DOC Confinement for Individuals Released in Last Year 23.9 months

Return to Institutions (Three-Year Period)..... 2015 Releases 33.5%

Facts about Individuals Supervised in the Community

Number on Active Supervision..... 21,356

Risk Level Classification (Risk to Reoffend)	
High Violent Property Drug (HVPD).....	3,050 14.3%
High Violent (HV).....	2,856 13.4%
High Property (HP).....	3,274 15.3%
High Drug (HD).....	2,337 10.9%
Moderate Risk to Reoffend (MOD).....	1,160 5.4%
Lower Risk to Reoffend (LOW).....	6,345 29.7%
Other/Unclassified *.....	2,334 10.9%

* Includes those not classified with the current risk tool (WA ONE).

Special Sentence Types	
Drug Offender Sentencing Alternative.....	2,135
Special Sex Offender Sentencing Alternative.....	665
First Time Offender Waiver.....	1,768
Family Offender Sentencing Alternative.....	48

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Murder 1 and 2.....	1.3%
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Sex Crimes.....	16.8%
Robbery.....	3.8%
Assault.....	23.4%
Property Crimes.....	15.0%
Drug Crimes.....	33.0%
Other/Unknown.....	6.0%

Supervision Sentence Category	
Washington Prison.....	42.5%
Washington Jail/Supervision-only.....	45.6%
Out-of-State Jurisdiction.....	11.6%

Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6157 (2007)

- In determining the county of discharge for an offender on community supervision, community custody, or community placement, the offender must be returned to his or her county of origin unless it is determined that returning the offender to that county would be inappropriate.
- County of origin is defined as the county of the offender's first felony conviction in Washington. If the department returns the offender to a location other than the county of origin, the department must notify the Local Law and Justice Council in writing.

Work Release Distribution Data

COUNTY	Fiscal Year 2018				Release				
	Admission	%	Release	%	Calc. Bed Distribution	Actual Beds (782 beds)	Proposed (982 beds)	Difference	Calculated Size/ Demand
ADAMS	34	0.41%	13	0.17%	1		2	2	2
ASOTIN	61	0.74%	34	0.44%	3		4	4	4
BENTON*	276	3.34%	281	3.65%	29	40	36	-4	35
CHELAN	147	1.78%	102	1.32%	10		13	13	13 P
CLALLAM	75	0.91%	72	0.93%	7		9	9	9
CLARK	572	6.93%	469	6.09%	48		60	60	59 S
COLUMBIA	10	0.12%	3	0.04%	0		0	0	0
COWLITZ*	254	3.08%	285	3.70%	29	89	36	-53	36
DOUGLAS	21	0.25%	28	0.36%	3		4	4	4
FERRY	9	0.11%	-	0.00%	0		0	0	0
FRANKLIN	128	1.55%	90	1.17%	9		11	11	11
GARFIELD	4	0.05%	2	0.03%	0		0	0	0
GRANT	114	1.38%	135	1.75%	14		17	17	17
GRAYS HARBOR	170	2.06%	153	1.99%	16		20	20	19 S
ISLAND	40	0.48%	42	0.55%	4		5	5	5
JEFFERSON	20	0.24%	11	0.14%	1		1	1	1
KING*	1,334	16.16%	1,497	19.43%	152	181	191	10	187 P
KITSAP*	416	5.04%	319	4.14%	32	60	41	-19	40
KITTITAS	83	1.01%	34	0.44%	3		4	4	4
KLICKITAT	54	0.65%	30	0.39%	3		4	4	4
LEWIS	209	2.53%	159	2.06%	16		20	20	20
LINCOLN	11	0.13%	6	0.08%	1		1	1	1
MASON	75	0.91%	92	1.19%	9		12	12	12
OKANOGAN	107	1.30%	73	0.95%	7		9	9	9
PACIFIC	50	0.61%	37	0.48%	4		5	5	5
PEND OREILLE	4	0.05%	5	0.06%	1		1	1	1
PIERCE*	1,291	15.64%	1,140	14.80%	116	96	145	49	143 P
SAN JUAN	7	0.08%	8	0.10%	1		1	1	1
SKAGIT	162	1.96%	169	2.19%	17		22	22	21 S
SKAMANIA	12	0.15%	8	0.10%	1		1	1	1
SNOHOMISH	645	7.81%	615	7.98%	62		78	78	77 P
SPOKANE*	677	8.20%	682	8.85%	69	139	87	-52	85
STEVENS	47	0.57%	38	0.49%	4		5	5	5
THURSTON*	398	4.82%	325	4.22%	33	26	41	15	41 S
WAHIAKUM	4	0.05%	1	0.01%	0		0	0	0
WALLA WALLA	48	0.58%	61	0.79%	6		8	8	8
WHATCOM*	263	3.19%	257	3.34%	26	50	33	-17	32
WHITMAN	18	0.22%	3	0.04%	0		0	0	0
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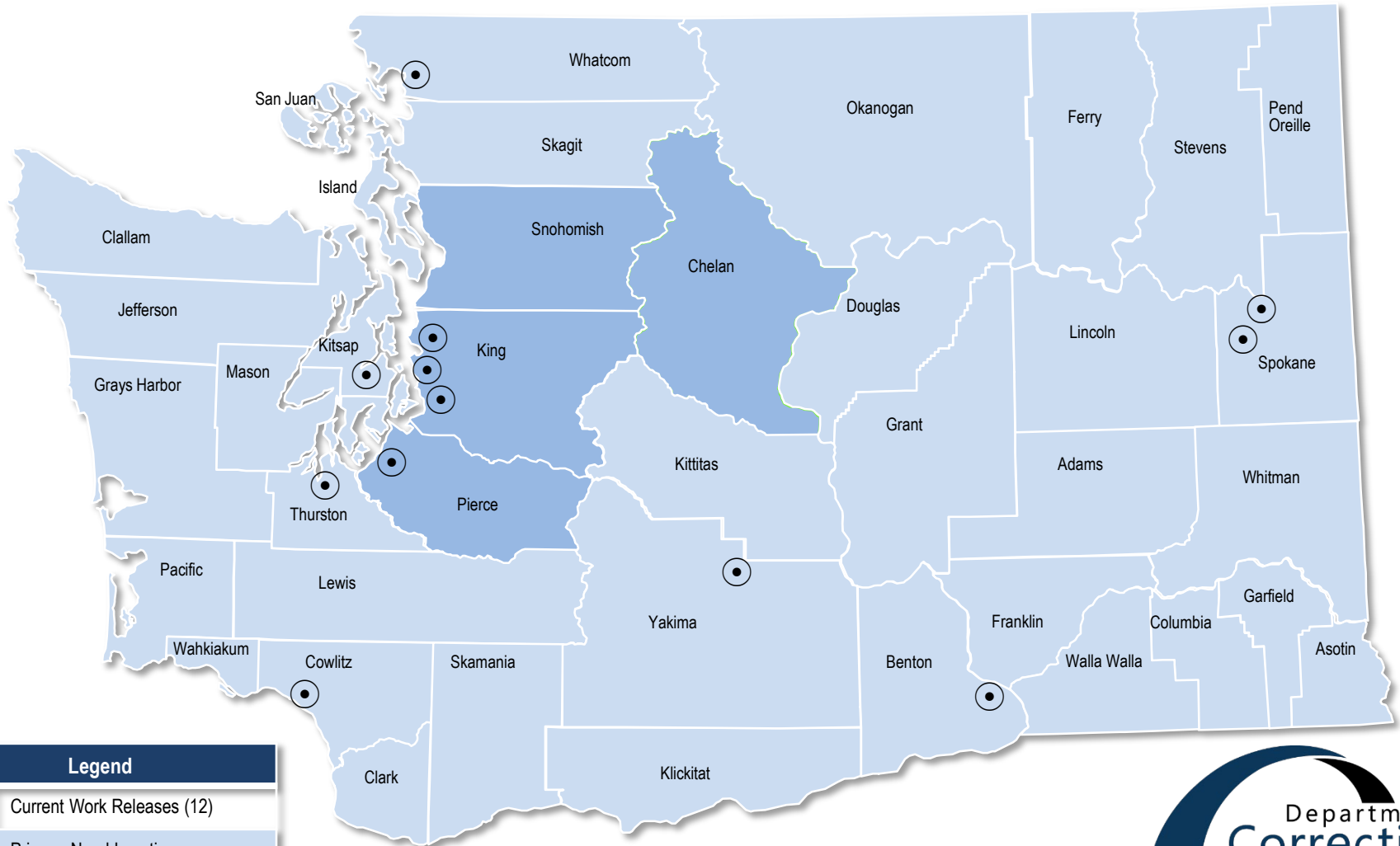
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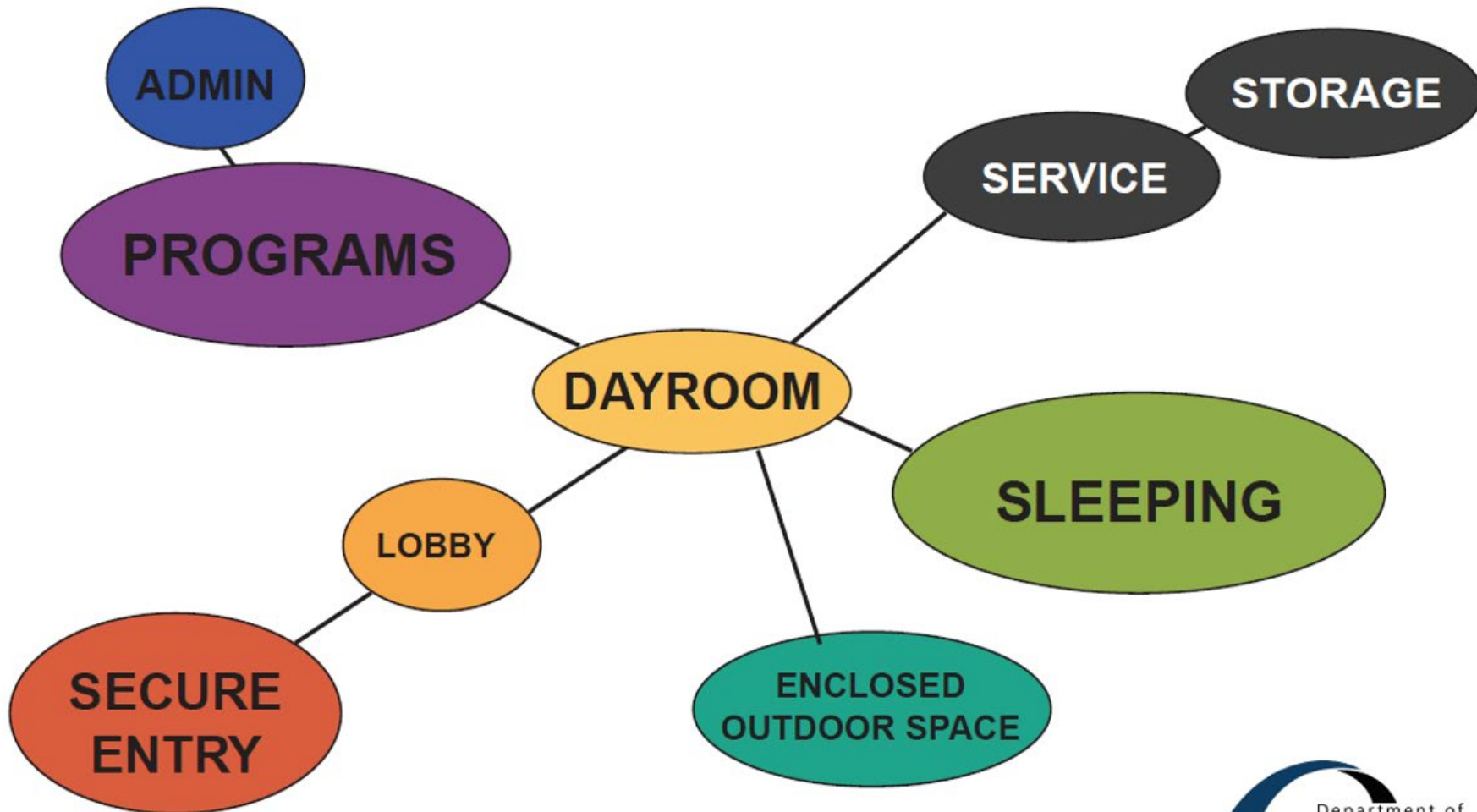
Legend	
	Current Work Releases (12)
	Primary Need Locations

Work Release as a Resource

- Data: These counties have been selected due to their status as unserved or underserved areas based on court sentencing and prison release records and data
- Demand: As of June 2019, there were 1,188 male and 216 female incarcerated individuals who have been screened and approved for the Work/Training Release Program. These individuals are waiting for bed space to become available in their release areas.

Expansion Overview and Timeline

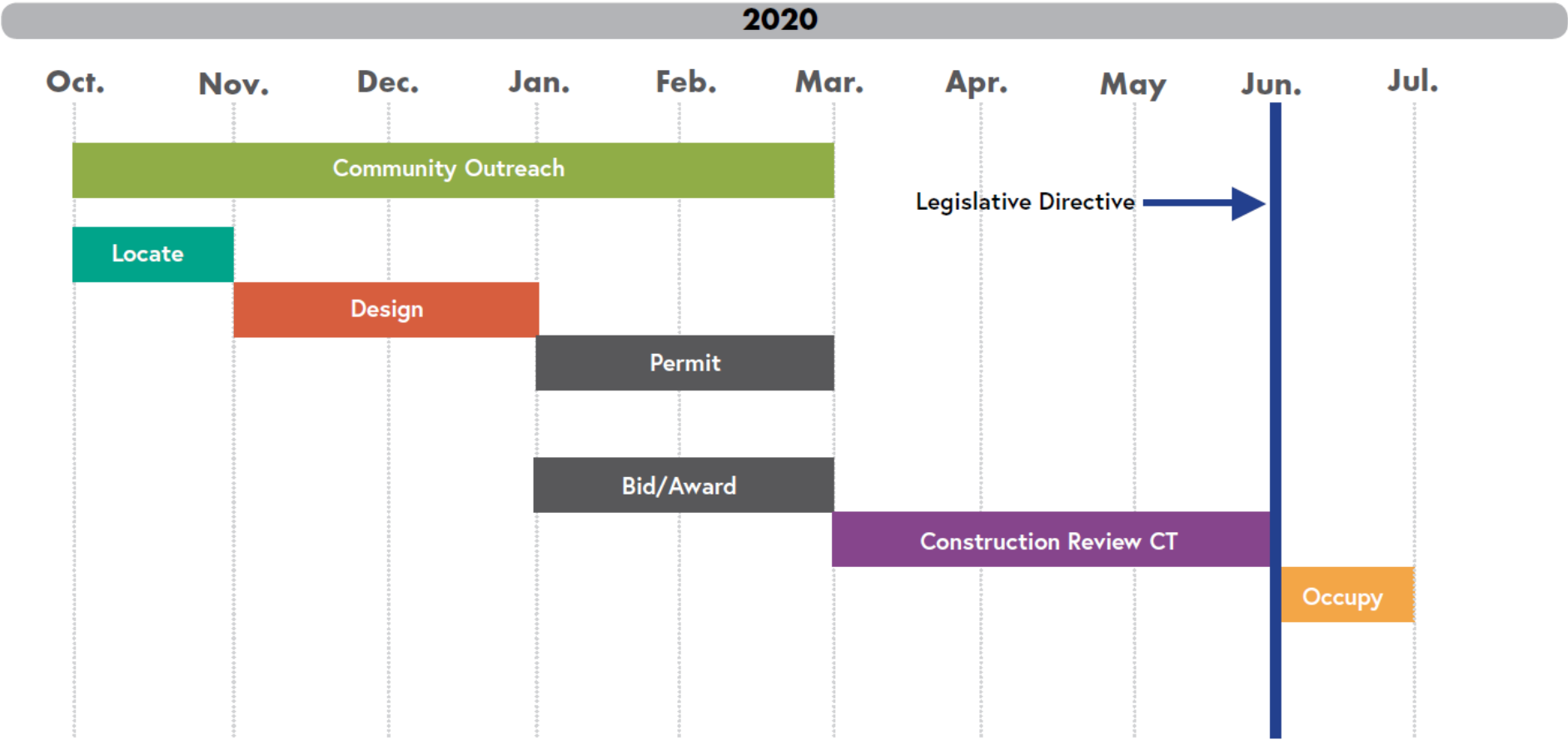
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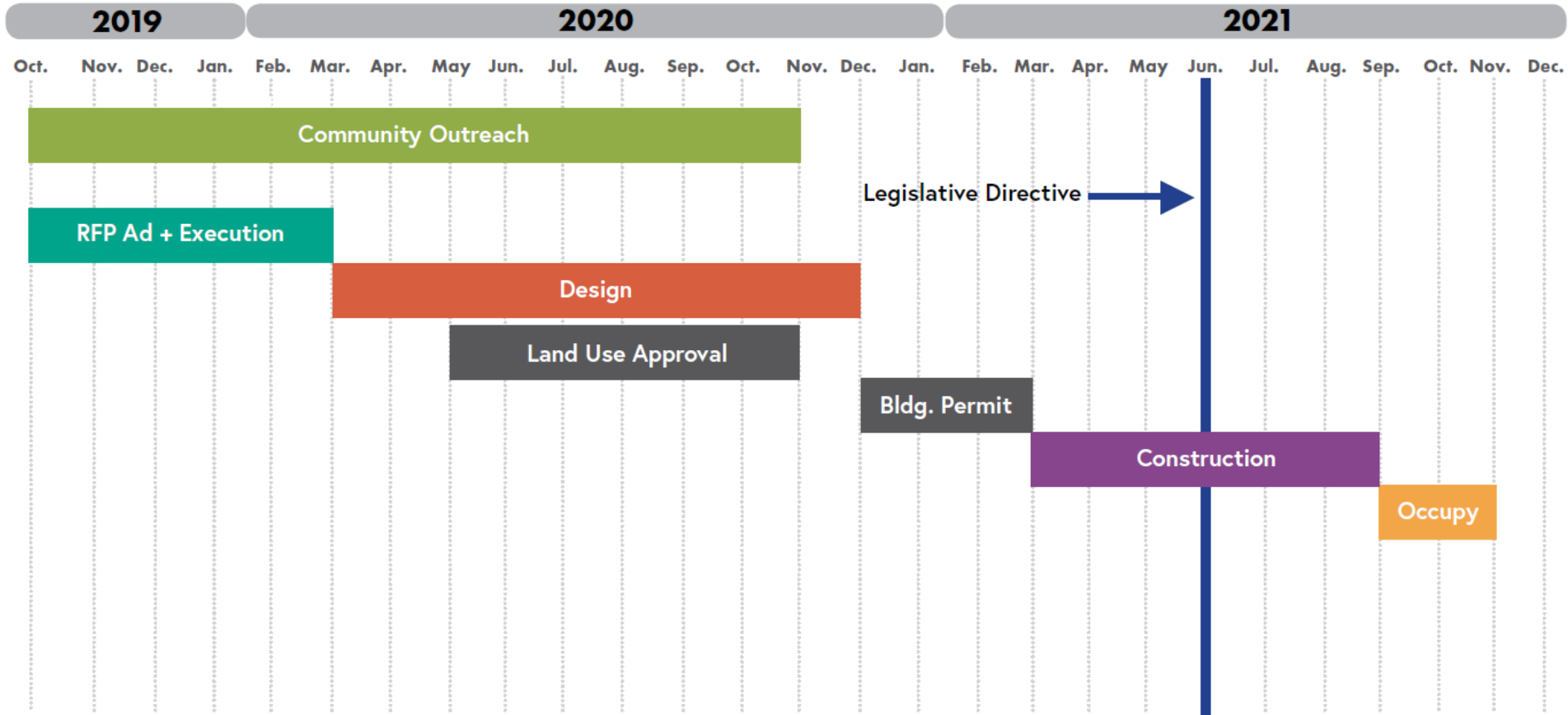
BUILDING COMPONENTS

- Controlled building access
- Normative street presence
- Clean, organized, safe sleeping space
- Supervised lobby and dayroom
- Room for administration and programs
- Robust service space (storage, laundry, etc.)
- Transportation, equipment, and supplies for work

Draft Workplan - Fifty (50) Beds Work Release Expansion Legislative Directive by June 2020 (8 Months)



Draft Workplan - One Hundred Fifty (150) Beds Work Release Expansion Legislative Directive by June 2021 (20 Months)



Ahtanum View Work Release



Bellingham Work Release



Bishop Lewis Work Release



Olympia Work Release



Tri-Cities Work Release



Local Advisory Committee Expectations

- Act in the best interest of public
- Develop an understanding of the community's concerns and sensitivities
- Active engagement and regular attendance throughout siting process
- Accurate understanding of DOC's role, charge, and limitations
- Members agree to review proposed sites
- Reach an effective agreement on recommendations
- Advocacy for DOC program and site within your organization and with other community members
- Support work release program's mission and activities

Questions/Wrap-up Mike Schindler

- Questions?
- Tasks for follow-up
- Next meeting discussion/decision and details
- Closing