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THRESHOLDS FOR SUSTAINABILITY IN NORTHWEST NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICTS

Eastern Washington University

Project Location: Spokane, WA

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This project identifies critical factors affecting neighborhood business district sustainability. Factors include surrounding residential density, retail/service mix, total square footage, sales per square foot, organizational structure, and travel index. These factors are assessed in selected neighborhood business districts across the Northwest to determine thresholds for sustainability.

RESILIENCE STRATEGIES FOR STATE DOTs: INSIGHT FROM WSDOT

University of Washington

Project Location: Washington State

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What does resilience mean? What does resilience mean for a State DOT? How does resilience impact transportation planning? My research addresses these questions, providing insight on resilience thinking through an analysis of WSDOT's Freight Systems Division. Come learn about the strategies designed to keep Washington moving.

LOT-SPECIFIC REDEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT: Spokane's South University District

Eastern Washington University

Project Location: Spokane, WA

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This project designed a planning tool for assessing the redevelopment potential of individual lots in Spokane's South University District. Major lot-specific categories considered include: on-site conditions, utility infrastructure, transportation infrastructure, off-site conditions, and future considerations regarding planned improvements in the area. Feedback concerning this tool's structure and organization is desired.