# Workplace Needs Assessment Northwest Seaport Alliance (DRAFT)

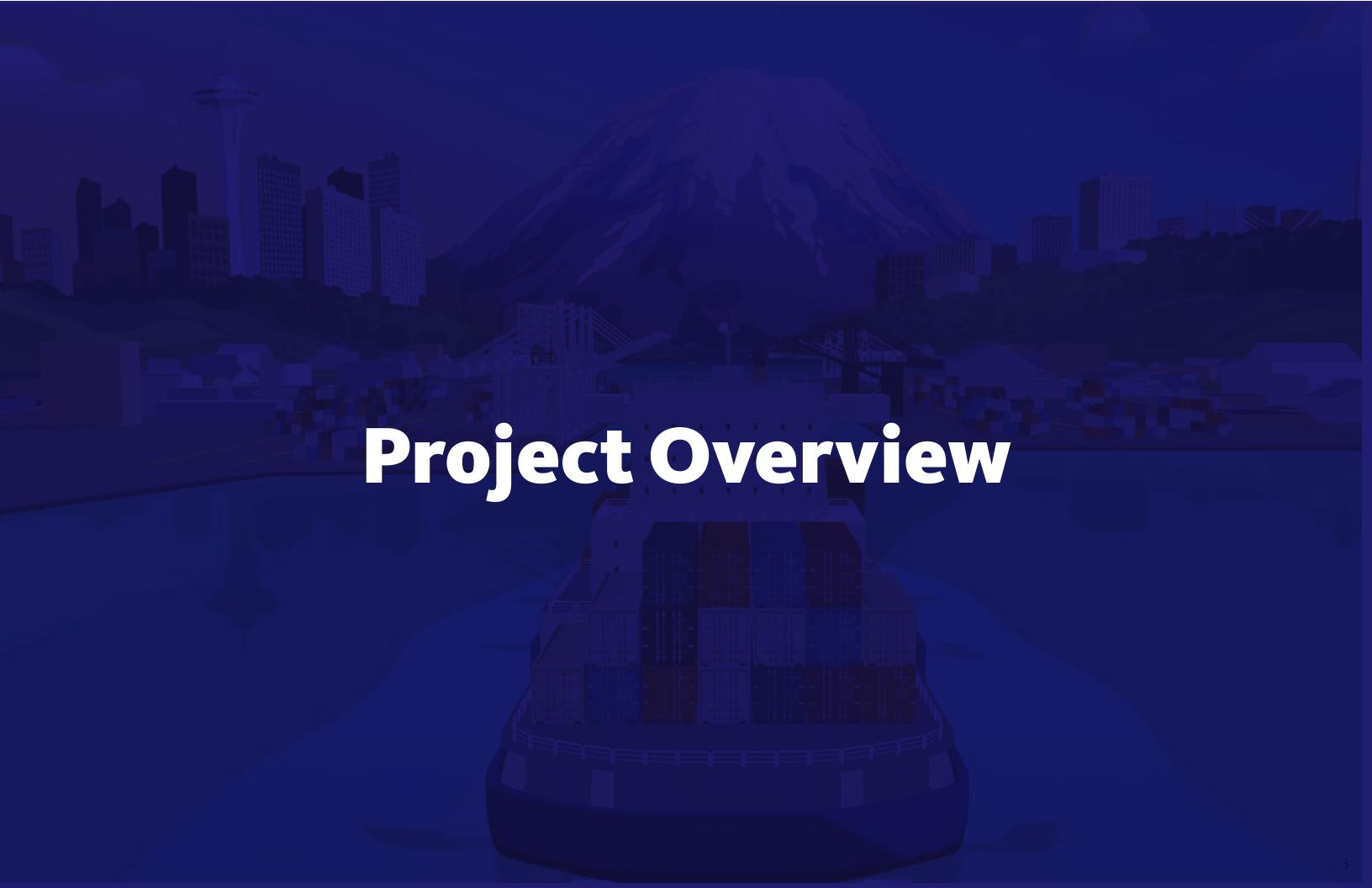




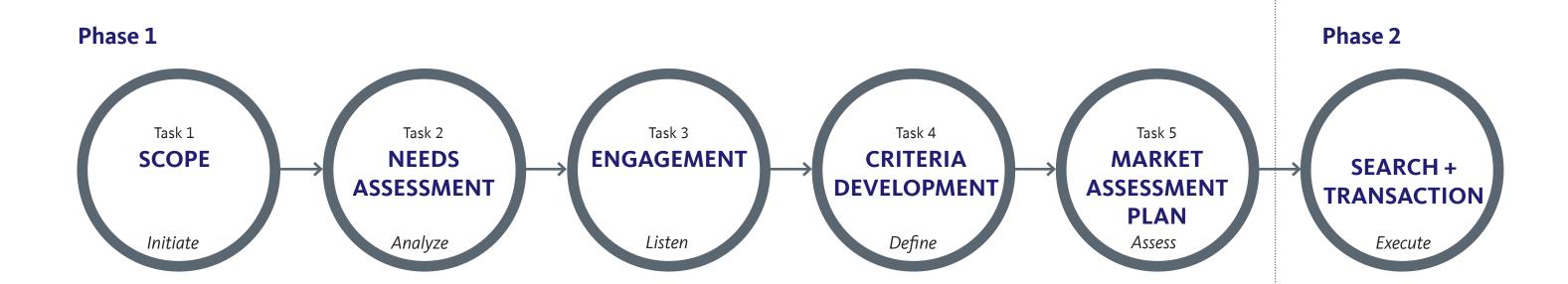


# **Executive Summary**

**Project Overview and Recommendations Site Selection Criteria** 



# **Project Phases**



Kick-off the project with the integrated project team. Clarify the project vision, and tune the process to meet the unique project objectives and client needs.

Collect available data to inform and inspire project decisions and design directions.

Engage managing members and employees to discuss perceptions and thoughts on the impact of the future Alliance location and workplace.

Translate key needs, perspectives and project objectives into a criteria for site selection.

Develop the go-tomarket strategy Identify the most desirable, viable and feasible locations to fulfill the project vision and stakeholder needs.

# Research Engagements



## **Commissioner Interviews**

3 Interview sessions

May 25 & June 6, 2017



### **Site Visits**



Admin Building Port of Tacoma



Pier 69 Port of Seattle



Fabulich center



**Customer Service** 



## **Staff Interviews**

**15 departments**42 staff members3 days

June 27 - June 29, 2017



## Survey

**160 responses** 64% response rate

June 20 - July 10, 2017



## Workshops

20 staff members

2 sessions

July 20, 2017

# **Key Themes**



There is an opportunity to create a shared workplace culture and identity by blending the distinct characteristics and workstyles of the 2 ports.



## Clarify/accelerate the mission and brand of NWSA

There is an opportunity to reinforce and clarify the mission and story of the united front and joint venture for all stakeholders and employees.



## Best-in-class customer service as a shared value

Port of Tacoma, Port of Seattle and NWSA unite their strengths to become a competitive gateway by providing world class customer service.



## **Forward thinking vision**

Continue to innovate, grow together and develop the long term vision and discrete roles of the 2 ports and their roles within NWSA.



# **Governance and Financial Landscape**

Limit the impact of county lines on location selection process.

Continue alternating commissioner meetings between the 2 counties.

Balance need with financial constraints.



## **Connection to maritime environment**

Proximity to maritime environment defines 'who we are' and reinforces pride and shared values.

# **Key Themes**



## State-of-the-art technological infrastructure

Upgradation of current technology to create better workflows, communication and virtual collaboration. Current technology does not consistently support a collaborative and mobile work environment.



## Better neighborhood and amenities

Access to public transport, safe neighborhood, outdoor spaces, access to coffee, food and grocery options, rejuvenatory spaces and activities.



## **Increased mobility and flexibility**

We are a robust, hands-on work force and aspire to be a mobile workforce who can work anywhere and anytime. Increased clarity about remote work policy.



# **Celebrate the people and community**

'We love the people that we work with and work for.' There is an aspiration to have better communal spaces for both internal and external relationship building. E.g.: Lunch table, central atrium for staff and public meetings.



# Balance between focus and collaboration spaces

Inclusion of individual focus and team huddle spaces. Current conference rooms do not meet the meeting needs.



There is an opportunity to provide increased individual mentorship and revamp leave policies.

# Recommendations



## Implement consistent and efficient space standards

We recommend workstations augmented by a variety of shared spaces that are accessible to all employees and specifically tailored to support the work tasks of each group or department. (Refer appendix for details)



## Internal mentorship and leave policy structure

Incorporate feedback regarding individual mentorship, clarity of transition roles and better PTO structure into NWSA Total Rewards Project.



# Provide collaboration technology - tools and learning

Technology must support employees with equipment, applications and training to enable collaboration and communication in an integrated and seamless manner. This includes support for individuals working in or out of office and meeting room technology.



# Brand development for NWSA - connecting the people

Public affairs teams partner to develop and implement a target brand outreach.



# **Create and implement a work force mobility strategy**

Under the Total Rewards Program, NWSA should consider developing and implementing a robust mobility strategy that addresses the new technologies, management practices and work settings required to support and sustain productivity, collaboration and innovation.



# **Effective** change management

Workplace change has the power to inspire and transform organizations and take them to the next level. We recommend integrating a robust change management process.



# **Building Selection Considerations**









## Must have

Optimized financial position - cost of real estate solution.

Help to create distinct identity of NWSA - visibility to community and customers.

Effective service to customers.

Good walk score.
Good transit score.
Good accessibility by highway.
Convenient commute to work.
Neighborhood safety - access, road conditions, traffic and crime.

On-site parking.

Proximity to and surveillance of port functions.

State-of-the-art technology - mobile collaboration, efficient & cloudenabled workflow.

Balance of focus and collaboration spaces, better spaces to support focus work.

## Should have

Ability to attract and retain talent.

Proximity to amenities - Gym & recreational activities.

Proximity to individual ports to maximize key customer activities and relationships.

Pragmatic support staff to best serve - quality and efficiency, customers, port partners, logistics.

Existing building infrastructure (Condition of HVAC & Mechanical, Plumbing, tech infrastructure). Atrium and Central hub - communal gathering, dining & kitchen. Occupant Health and wellbeing (Access to outdoors, views, natural light, air quality, operable windows, good ceiling heights - min. 12 feet, column bay dimensions).

Variety and choice of space types.
Consistent mobility and work from home policy - this will have impact on the program and test fits.
Minimal division/barrier between people, teams and departments.

## Nice to have

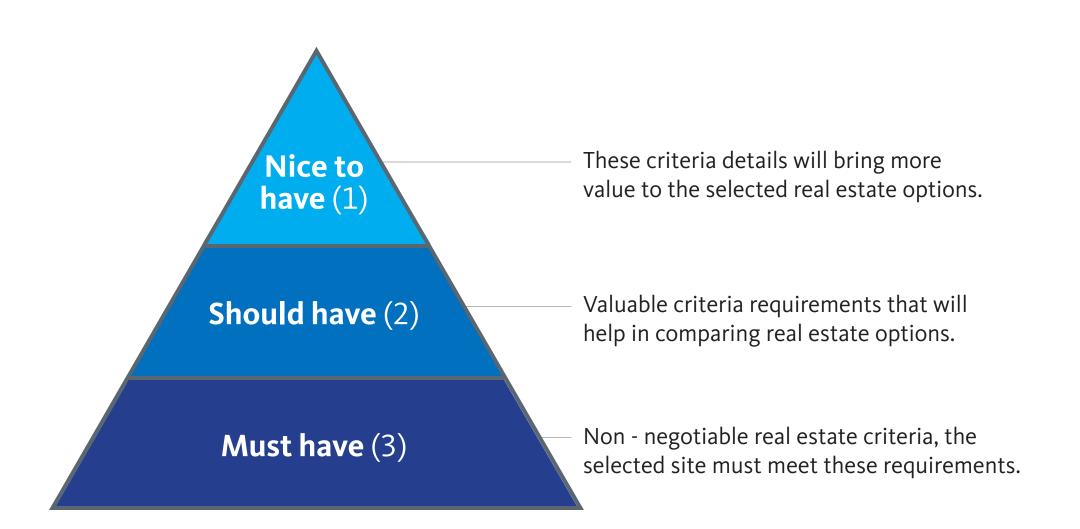
Service area of multiple providers to meet IT needs.

Date of availability for occupancy. Ability to scale/grow. View of water and port functions. Leadership in energy and environmental design (LEED certification).

Time and attention to assimilation of cultures of the 2 ports, effective change management.

# **Building Selection Criteria Criticality**

The following criteria gives consideration to the range of business and human factors at play within NWSA and critical to its success moving forward. From competitive positioning, identity and culture, to customer and partner relationships, to core resources and activities, this list informs NWSA's real estate scenarios and final site, building and workplace selection. Specific contents of this list and its prioritization reflect expressed needs from various stakeholder engagements.



# **Building Selection Criteria Scoring**

### Criteria scoring at the most basic level

### **Criteria Weight**





### **Building Rating**





Value added score



To be rated for each criteria

3 = Must have

2 = Should have

1 = Nice to have

3 = **Best** 

2 = Good

1 = Satisfactory

0 = Unsatisfactory

### Comparison between building options



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Building(s) A

Basic level annual rent

Value added score







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Building(s) C

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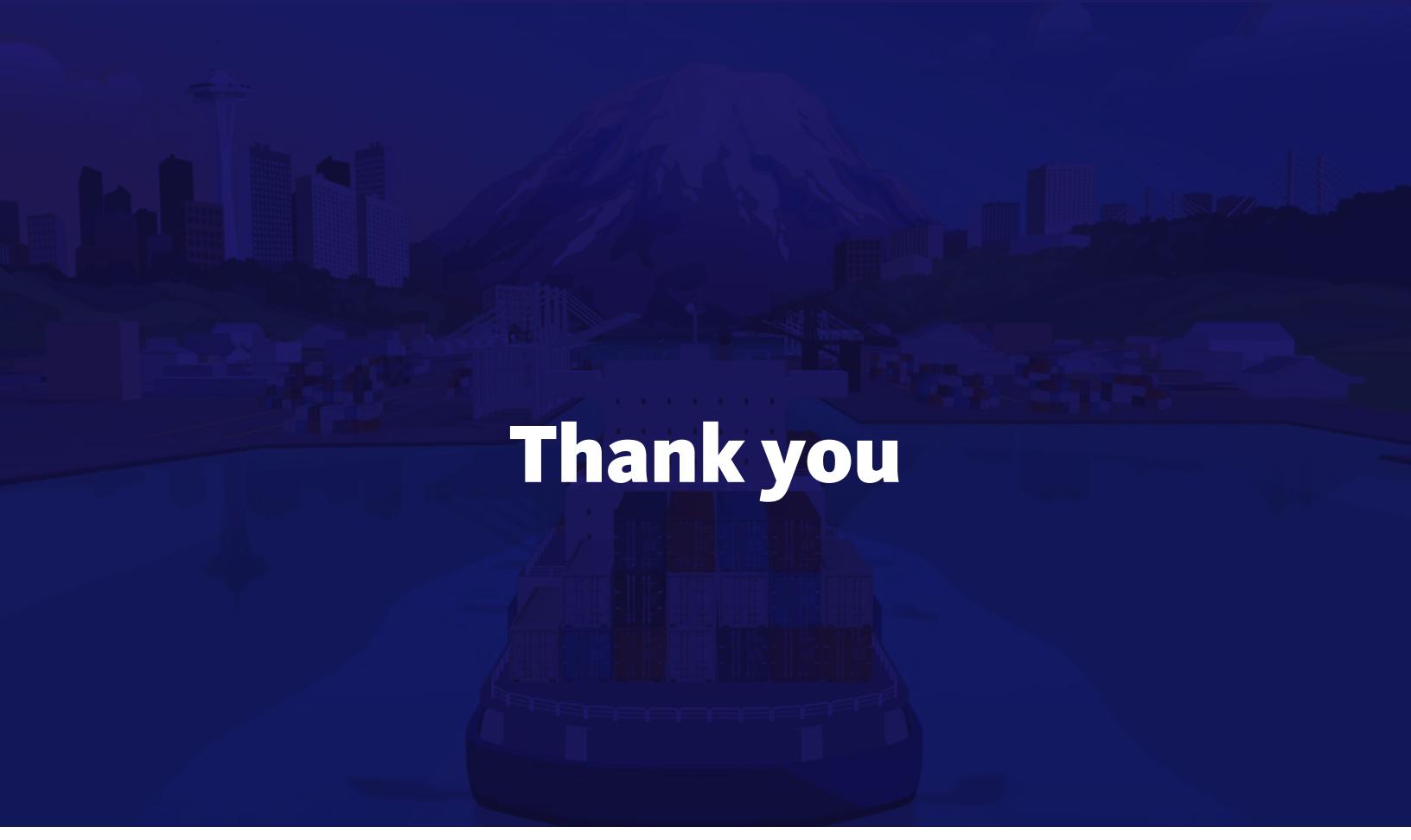
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# **Building Selection Criteria**

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		3 = Must have	3 = Best					
		2 = Should have	2 = Good					
		1 = Nice to have	1 = Satisfactory					
			0 = Unsatisfactory					
	Business Case							
Must have	Optimized financial postion - cost of real estate	3	3	9				
	Lease terms		3					
	Lease rate		3					
	Tenant responsibilities		3					
	Allowances		3					
Should have	e Opportunity for brand visibity	2	3	6	Visible from highway/town center		Visible from building	Not visible
			Section Total	15	<u> </u>	_		
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	Location Assessment							
Must have	Walk Score (Most amenities included)	3	3	9	70-100	50 - 69	25 - 49	0 - 24
	Transit Score	3	3	9	70-100		25 - 49	0 - 24
	Accessibility to highway (I-5)	3	3	9	0 to 5 mins	5 to 10 mins	10 to 15 mins	15 or more
	Obstructions in access route to building	3	3	9	Direct access without train crossings		Moderate train & truck traffic interruptions	High density of train and truck traffic
	Commute (Public/car) to work for maximum no. of employees.	3	3	9	0 to 30 mins	30 to 45 mins	45 to 60 mins	60 and more
	Neighborhood safety - Walk Score Crime Grade	3	3	9	Crime Grade A	Crime Grade B	Crime Grade C	Crime Grade D
Should have	Proximity to other amenities - Gym/recreational activitie	2	3	6	In the building	0 - 10 mins walk	10 - 15 mins walk	15 or more
Nice to have	Service area of multiple providers to meet IT needs	1	3	3	Yes(3)	n/a	n/a	No(0)
			Section Total	63	<del>                                     </del>			\ /

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	Building + Workplace							
Must have	On-site parking	3	3	9	Dedicated Parking	Public Parking	Street Parking	Limited Parking
	Proximity to port functions/harbor (as applicable)*	3	3	9	Yes(3)	n/a	n/a	No(0)
Chauld bear	Existing building infrastructure	2	2	6		Candition	dependent	
Snould nave	HVAC & Mechanical	2	3	0	Now/Pagently		n dependent Outdated	Decommissioned
	Plumbing		3		New/Recently upgraded	Not very old systems	systems	/ non-functioning
	Tech infrastructure		3		systems	Systems	Systems	systems
	Atriums & central hub - communal gathering, dining & kitchen	2	3	6	Yes(3)	n/a	n/a	No(0)
	Occupant Health and wellbeing	2	3	6				
	Access to outdoors		3					
	Views		3					
	Natural light		3					
	Air quality		3					
	Operable windows		3		Yes(3)	n/a	n/a	No(0)
	Building planning principles	2	3	6				
	Good ceiling heights		3		12 feet or more	10 to 12 feet	8'-6" to 10 feet	8 or below
	Column bay dimensions		3		30 feet or more	29 - 20	20-15	15 or below
Nice to have	Date of availability for occupancy	1	3	3				
moo to mave	Ability to scale/grow	1	3	3	25% or more grow	24-15%	14-10%	Under 10%
	View of water and port functions	1	3	3	Yes(3)	n/a	n/a	No(0)
	Leadership in energy and environmental design (LEED certification)	1	3	3	Capable of meeting LEED	Capable of meeting LEED gold	Capable of meeting LEED silver	Does not meet LEED certification
			Section Total	54	13	J - · -		
			TOTAL SCORE	132				











## Implement consistent and efficient space standards

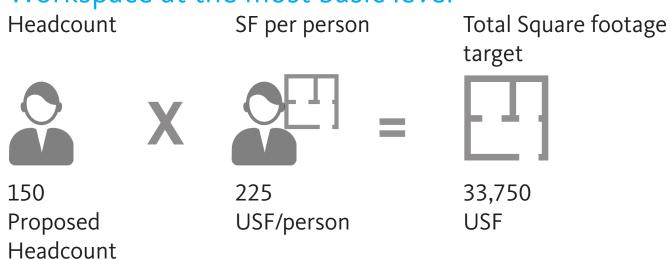
### USF¹/person



A smaller, consistently applied set of space standards can increase flexibility and reduce operating costs, making it easier to move teams from one part of the office to another.

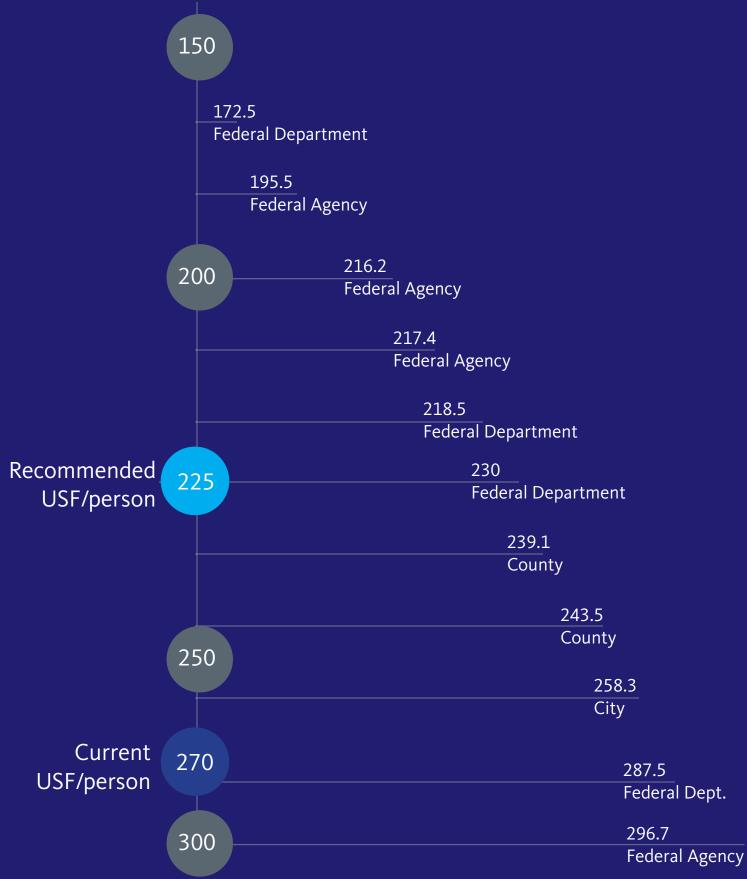
USF/person
Workstation & enclosed office size
Effective meeting room ratios
Support spaces
Access to outdoor spaces and amenities

### Workspace at the most basic level



<sup>1</sup>USF: The area of a floor or building directly occupied and used by a tenant, excluding floor and building common features (exit stairwells, elevator shafts, restrooms, mechanical closets, etc).

## **Public Sector Industry Benchmarks**



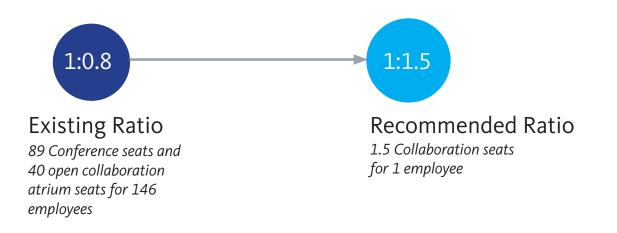
## Provide collaboration technology - tools and learning

### Recommendations

- Provide ubiquitous meeting room technology (whiteboards, video conferencing, wireless internet and network access, projectors, screens, etc).
- Support for individuals working in or out of the office (laptops, desktops, phone, communication software).
- Expand wireless coverage consistently throughout the facility.
- Explore and test collaboration tools with willing pilot groups.
- Support work at home, and on the go.
- Provide "on-demand" training options.
- Provide digital filing
- Provide impromptu meeting areas, open collaborative areas with supporting technology, huddle rooms, focus and phone rooms, social hub with pantry

## Meeting Room Ratio Recommendation

Collaboration rule of thumb: 1 collaboration seat per 1 workstation seat



### WPI Survey findings



THE MAJORITY OF MEETINGS (70%) INCLUDE 5-8 PEOPLE



NEED FOR SMALLER MEETING AREAS AND FOCUS ROOMS



UNEQUIPPED ENCLOSED AND OPEN MEETING AREAS



LACK OF SUPPORT SPACES

- COMMUNAL DINING
- KITCHEN
- REJUVENATION ACTIVITIES

Space type	Planning Ratio	Proposed no.	Size (SF)
Work Neighborhood			
Open Collaboration/team			
table (4-6 people)	1:100	2	100
Phone room (1-2)	1:24	6	50
Huddle room (4-6)	1:16	9	100
Local copy/print area	1:50	3	90
Mobile lockers/storage	1:2 mobile workers		4
Community Spaces			
Standard meeting room (6-8)	1:75	2	160
Medium meeting room (12-14)	1:24	2	240
Large meeting room (18-20)	1:building	1	500
Extra Large meeting room (40)	1:building	1	1000
Executive Board Room (30-50)	1:building	1	1000
Social Hub with pantry	1:100/per floor	2	1250
Mother's room	1:200	1	120
Wellness room	1:200	1	150

# **Create and implement a work force mobility strategy**

Mobility Readiness	Recommended Mobility Sharing Ratio <sup>1</sup>
LOW (Out 0-2 days)	1:1
MEDIUM (Out 2.5 days)	1:2
HIGH (Out 3 days)	1:3
Very HIGH (Out 4-5 days)	1:6

A metric that expresses the ratio between the number of seats in an office space and the number of people employed by a company. For example, a ratio of 1:2 indicates that there can be 1 seat for every 2 employees.

### Mobility by Departments/Functions<sup>2</sup>

Very High	High	Medium	Low
Security	Engineering Environmental Operations Planning Real estate & Commercial Strategy IT Communications & external affair Facilities Maintenance	Equipment Maintenance Billing, Finance and Contracts Procurement	Customer Service

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Functional Mobility- A condition where an employee works out of the office per the requirements of a specific job function.

Mobility Work- The ability of employees to work freely inside and outside office.

#### Desk-bound Interactive



- >75% time at desk
- > 50% of desk-time communicating with others

#### Internally-mobile Interactive



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