



# PERS PLAN 3 REPORT

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## Fund Transition Complete

As of 1:00 p.m. PT on October 28, 2011 the changes to the investment options in the Self-Directed Investment Program were finalized and three funds were discontinued. As we mentioned in prior communications, if you had a balance and/or future payroll allocation directed toward a fund/s that closed, your investments were moved into a Retirement Strategy Fund based on your birth year and an assumed retirement at age 65. A letter was mailed in early November to those members whose balances or contributions were moved from the discontinued funds. These and any other adjustments are reflected in your enclosed quarterly statement.

You can evaluate your current investments, review fact sheets on investment options and make changes online. Be sure to consult with your financial advisor if you have questions about your investment strategy. Additional resources explaining the fund transition in detail are available on the DRS website at [www.drs.wa.gov](http://www.drs.wa.gov). Just look for the Fund Transition article on the home page under News and Announcements.



## Tax Time

If you received a distribution from your Plan 3 defined contribution account in 2011, we will mail you a 1099-R tax form during the third week of January 2012. Taxable distributions and rollovers to other retirement plans are reported to the Internal Revenue Service on Form 1099-R.

If you have general questions, please call Plan 3 Investor Services at 888-711-8773. You may also wish to consult with a professional tax advisor or visit [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) to review the following IRS publications:

- 575, Pension and Annuity Income; or
- 590, Individual Retirement Arrangements.

DRS reports defined benefit payments on a separate 1099-R. They mail by the end of January, but will be available online in Defined Benefit Access after January 18.

### PERS PLAN 3 WSIB TOTAL ALLOCATION PORTFOLIO (TAP) AS OF 9/30/2011

	3rd Qtr 2011	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year
<b>TOTAL ALLOCATION PORTFOLIO</b>	-6.69%	4.95%	2.40%	2.59%

All returns are net of fees. The TAP fund is valued monthly; your account balance and rate of return will vary accordingly. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. For more information about the TAP fund, please see the Plan 3 Investment Guide or the website at [www.icmarc.org/pers/investing](http://www.icmarc.org/pers/investing).

### PERS PLAN 3 SELF-DIRECTED FUNDS

AS OF 12/31/2011

	4th Qtr 2011	1-Year	3-Year	5-Year
<b>EMERGING MARKET EQUITY INDEX FUND</b>	5.32%	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>U.S. SMALL CAP VALUE EQUITY INDEX FUND</b>	15.63%	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>GLOBAL EQUITY INDEX FUND</b>	7.93%	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>U.S. LARGE CAP EQUITY INDEX FUND</b>	11.85%	2.14%	14.20%	-0.18%
<b>2055 RETIREMENT STRATEGY</b>	6.84%	-8.84%	N/A	N/A
<b>2050 RETIREMENT STRATEGY</b>	6.94%	-8.65%	10.28%	N/A
<b>2045 RETIREMENT STRATEGY</b>	6.95%	-8.81%	10.22%	N/A
<b>2040 RETIREMENT STRATEGY</b>	6.97%	-8.76%	10.19%	N/A
<b>2035 RETIREMENT STRATEGY</b>	7.06%	-8.52%	10.30%	N/A
<b>2030 RETIREMENT STRATEGY</b>	6.99%	-7.77%	11.00%	N/A
<b>2025 RETIREMENT STRATEGY</b>	6.74%	-6.90%	11.63%	N/A
<b>2020 RETIREMENT STRATEGY</b>	6.43%	-5.47%	11.94%	N/A
<b>2015 RETIREMENT STRATEGY</b>	6.03%	-4.06%	12.15%	N/A
<b>2010 RETIREMENT STRATEGY</b>	5.60%	-2.51%	12.19%	N/A
<b>2005 RETIREMENT STRATEGY</b>	4.95%	-1.11%	11.57%	N/A
<b>2000 RETIREMENT STRATEGY</b>	4.18%	0.24%	10.68%	N/A
<b>SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE BALANCED FUND</b>	7.27%	3.24%	10.59%	4.70%
<b>WASHINGTON STATE BOND MARKET FUND</b>	1.79%	5.88%	10.97%	7.55%
<b>MONEY MARKET FUND</b>	0.00%	0.06%	0.11%	1.55%

All returns are net of fees. Self-Directed funds are valued daily; your account balance and rate of return will vary accordingly. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. For more information about the funds, please see the Plan 3 Investment Guide or the website at [www.icmarc.org/pers/investing](http://www.icmarc.org/pers/investing).

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### Information We Collect

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