

15TH AVE S AND S COLUMBIAN WAY INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS

FACT SHEET

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PROJECT BACKGROUND

The Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) will make safety improvements to the 15th Ave S and S Columbian Way intersection for people walking and biking in this area of Beacon Hill. Currently, people walking and biking, including Mercer Middle School students, must contend with complicated routes for getting from one side of the street to the other and may have to cross streets three times.

In 2016, the 15th Ave S and S Columbian Way Intersection Improvements project was one of 12 selected by the Levy to Move Seattle Oversight Committee to be funded through SDOT's Neighborhood Street Fund (NSF) program. The NSF program funds projects requested by the community.

PROJECT ELEMENTS

- New curb bulbs
- Crossing and signal consolidation
- Retain a left turn from S Oregon S to 15th Ave S. This turn will not be signalized.
- A new public space at the northwest and southwest corners of the redesigned intersection
- Improved connections to bicycle facilities to the north, west and south
- An all-way stop at 15th Ave S and S Snoqualmie St with concrete curb bulbs to shorten the pedestrian crossings and overall make the intersection smaller and less confusing

PROJECT BENEFITS

- Increased safety at the intersection for students and other people walking and biking
- Simplified intersection for drivers
- Improved transit stops
- New public space for the community to enjoy



A small pedestrian "island" sits in the middle of 15th Ave S and S Columbian Way, near fast-moving vehicles.

PROJECT LOCATION



RELATED PROJECTS

There are a number of improvements being made in this area, including:

- Paving a section of S Columbian Way in 2018
- Improving the bike connections along S Columbian Way between this intersection and Beacon Ave S, where the paving project is happening
- Creating a family friendly connection (neighborhood greenway) between Beacon Hill and the Mt Baker neighborhood

Email us (below) for more information on these projects!

PROJECT INFORMATION AND CONTACT

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PROJECT DESIGN



SCHEDULE

2016	2017	2018	2019
NSF applications and project selection	Project design	Project construction	NSF applications and project selection (new cycle)

FUNDING

Funding comes from the 2015 voter-approved, nine-year Levy to Move Seattle, which will improve safety for all travelers, maintain streets and bridges, and invest in reliable, affordable travel options for a growing city. The levy includes \$24 million to continue the Neighborhood Street Fund program over the nine years.

This project also is receiving funding from SDOT's Safe Routes to School Program, which makes it easier and safer for students to walk and bike in Seattle.

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