

## **2021 SLURRY SEAL PROJECT IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD**

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

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#### **Pedestrian Access**

**Q: How will I access my street while the slurry seal process is underway?**

A: If your street is marked in red on the attached map, your street will likely be closed from the early morning hours into the late afternoon on the day of the slurry seal process and must remain closed for four to six hours after completion, during which time on-street parking and driving are not permitted. While residents, businesses and visitors are also encouraged to avoid walking through the area being slurry sealed until the street reopens, the sidewalks will be open for necessary access during that time.

**Q: My street has no sidewalks. How will I get around on foot while slurry seal work is being done? Can I walk on the edges of the street?**

A: While residents, businesses and visitors are also generally encouraged to avoid walking around the area being slurry sealed until the street reopens, the project crew will clear footpaths for pedestrians if sidewalks are unavailable on the impacted streets. As a reminder, pedestrians and pets should also be careful to keep off the slurry seal material until the street is reopened for traffic because the emulsion that has not cured is difficult to remove from clothing, shoes or paws.

#### **Vehicle Access**

**Q: Is it OK to park my car near the road, as long as it is not touching the pavement?**

A: On-street parking and driving will not be permitted on selected blocks (marked in red on the attached map) on the day of the slurry seal treatment, and vehicles must remain completely off the street/pavement during this time. If your vehicle is parked near the road but is not on or near the street/pavement, this should be acceptable. If you'd like to send us a photo to confirm you may do so at [DOT\\_SlurrySeal@sSeattle.gov](mailto:DOT_SlurrySeal@sSeattle.gov).

**Q: My vehicle is currently disabled and I'm unable to move it. What should I do?**

A: If you need help moving a disabled vehicle prior to the slurry seal process please contact us at [DOT\\_SlurrySeal@Seattle.gov](mailto:DOT_SlurrySeal@Seattle.gov) as soon as possible and we will attempt to make arrangements with you. Cars remaining on the street without prior arrangements will be towed.

#### **Slurry Seal Scheduling**

**Q: How far in advance of work will I be notified?**

A: Our team will send you at least three notices prior to the commencement of the slurry seal work. Everyone who lives on or operates a business on the blocks to be slurry sealed has received an initial flyer about the work. This notice is your second mailing and finally, our team will go door-to-door 72-hours prior to the Slurry Seal application and the contractors will also provide "No Park" three days prior, as well.

**Q: Is the slurry seal schedule subject to change? When will we be notified, if so?**

A: The slurry seal scheduled is subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances such as weather conditions in Seattle, or in other cities where slurry seal work is being done prior to ours. We will do our best to inform you as soon as we're aware if there is any potential change to the project schedule.

**Q: The school bus for my child stops on the street to be slurry sealed. How will you address this?**

A: Typically, school bus service is ended at 8:45 a.m. in the morning and resumed at 2:45 p.m. in the afternoon. Our team will adjust the work schedule on that street in between 9:00 am to 2:30 pm.

**Q: I have contractors scheduled to come the same week as the slurry seal work. What should I do?**

A: If you have private contractors scheduled to work at your home or business during the same timeframe as the slurry seal process, please reschedule or ensure they're able to access your home without driving or parking on the street during the treatment, and for six hours after completion. If you have any private construction work that will involve

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utility cuts in the street pavement, please also have the pavement cuts completed and restored permanently prior to the slurry seal work.

### **Q: I have an important appointment / delivery on the same day as the slurry seal work. What should I do?**

A: If you have a delivery scheduled during the same timeframe as the slurry seal process, please reschedule or ensure your delivery person is able to drop off your item via pedestrian access. If you have an appointment scheduled during the same timeframe as the slurry seal process, please reschedule or ensure you're able to depart your street via pedestrian access only.

## Slurry Seal Process & Timing

### **Q: What streets will receive the slurry seal treatment?**

A: Only streets marked in red on the attached map will receive the slurry seal treatment. However, we are notifying all residents living within the area marked in yellow since their regular traffic patterns may be impacted.

### **Q: How will I know when crews are about to start work on my road?**

A: Up to three days prior to any work, you will see "No Park" signs go up along the impacted street. On the morning of the slurry seal work, you will likely see crews beginning to arrive at approximately 6:30 a.m. to set-up for the process, barring any unforeseen circumstances.

### **Q: How long does the slurry seal process take from start to finish?**

A: The slurry seal process typically takes approximately one hour from start to finish. The street will then need to be closed for up to six hours after completion to provide the best result.

## Public Services

### **Q: Slurry seal work is happening the same day as my garbage/recycling collection. What should I do?**

A: The project team at Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) will do our best to align schedules and avoid holding the slurry seal process on the same day as garbage or recycling collection. If the slurry seal treatment overlaps, the garbage trucks will pick up garbage early around 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. and residents should put garbage bins out the night before.

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## Selected Streets for Slurry Seal Treatment

### **Q: How were roads chosen for the slurry seal work?**

A: The City of Seattle annexed several parts of King County in the 1950s and 1960s, most of which had dirt or gravel surfaces. These streets were paved with a minimal amount of asphalt and since that time SDOT has regularly re-sealed them to extend the life of the pavement. Each street selected for this year's slurry seal treatment was based on the age of its current pavement as well as an on-site inspection by SDOT staff.

### **Q: I live nearby, but my street is not included in the list of roads receiving the slurry seal treatment. Who do I contact if I want my street to receive the slurry seal in the future?**

A: If you think your street should receive additional consideration for a future slurry seal treatment, please contact Shamia Vinson within the Seattle Department of Transportation's Communications Department by email at DOT\_SlurrySeal@seattle.gov or by phone at 206-257-2208.