

WEST DUWAMISH TRAIL FACT SHEET

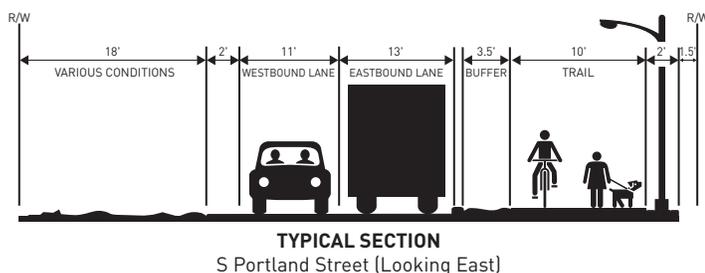
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What is the West Duwamish Trail Project?

The Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) is extending the West Duwamish Trail, which currently ends at S Holden Street and 2nd Avenue S. This trail extension will create a protected connection to 8th Avenue S and S Kenyon Street, where an existing bicycle route continues south on 8th Avenue S through South Park.

The trail will be built on the east side of W Marginal Way S, on the south side of S Portland Street, and on the west side of 8th Avenue S.



What will the trail look like?

On S Portland Street the trail will be 10 feet wide with 3.5-foot-wide buffers on either side. New lighting will be installed in the buffer on the south side of the trail. Driveways that cross the trail will be maintained and reconstructed with concrete.

S Portland Street itself will be paved with an 11-foot westbound lane and a 13-foot eastbound lane. The area on the north side of S Portland Street – approximately 18-foot wide – will be left as-is (except for being leveled where needed). Parking will remain generally available on the north side of the street, but will no longer be available on the south side.

The trail on 8th Avenue S will be built on top of the street, extending 10 feet out from the existing western curb, leaving two 11-foot driving lanes. Parking will still be available on the east side of the street between S Portland and Kenyon Streets, but not on the west side.

A four-way stop is planned for the intersection of S Portland Street and 5th Avenue S (currently, traffic in the north-south direction is uncontrolled at this location). New stop signs will also be added for northbound and southbound traffic on 7th Avenue S, giving east-west travel on S Portland Street priority at this intersection.

Signage will be installed on the trail warning bicyclists that they are entering an industrial area, to use caution, and maintain a safe speed.

Additionally, a new storm drain system is being added on S Portland Street. Dewatering and trenching work for the installation of the 8-inch to 30-inch diameter pipes (5 feet to 13 feet below the surface) will require closing portions of the road for periods of time. SDOT will maintain one travel lane throughout this work.

What is the schedule for work?

Work is slated to begin in early summer 2014 and will last for approximately six months. Details about the construction schedule and potential impacts will be provided on the project website and distributed by email as soon as available. The project team will work directly with businesses and residents to minimize construction impacts where possible throughout the project.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

www.seattle.gov/transportation/westduwamishtrail.htm

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