

Overview of traffic impacts during construction

Traffic during construction

To minimize impacts, we will complete the project in phases. Neighbors should anticipate the following traffic impacts during construction of each phase:

- Eastbound closures and detours
- Reduced lanes for westbound traffic
- Occasional full roadway closures at night or on weekends
- Multiple weekend closures of intersections at 8th Ave NW, Greenwood Ave N and Aurora Ave N
- Extended side street closures
- Short-term driveway closures and sidewalk detours
- I-5 on- and off-ramp closures in summer/fall 2012
- Parking restrictions and modified travel lanes during work on Greenwood Ave N

We expect the first few weeks of detours for each phase will be difficult as drivers adapt to new routes. We appreciate your patience as we make adjustments to keep traffic moving.

Why is SDOT closing eastbound traffic?

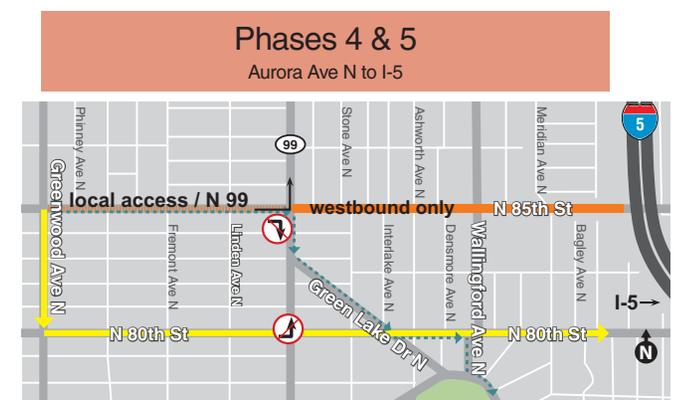
- Construction activities will occupy two or three travel lanes.
- The roadway is narrow and there is not enough space to accommodate two-way traffic during construction.
- Detouring eastbound traffic allows enough space for crews to complete their work, and ensures the safety of drivers and pedestrians.



What is the planned eastbound detour route?

N/NW 80th St will be the primary signed detour route during eastbound closures.

- N/NW 80th St cannot accommodate all of the traffic that N/NW 85th St carries each day.
- The first few weeks of detours for each phase will be difficult as drivers adapt to new routes.
- Travel times on N/NW 85th St and N/NW 80th St are expected to increase during construction.
- Drivers are encouraged to plan ahead and use other arterial routes.
- Traffic and transit detour routes may be adjusted throughout the project in an attempt to keep people moving.



KEY

- Westbound only
- Eastbound detour
- Tentative transit detour
- Local access / N 99

What is SDOT doing to address neighborhood traffic concerns?

SDOT may use the following tools to keep people safe and help keep traffic moving:

Safety



Traffic speed and volume studies



Uniformed Police Officers (UPOs) and flaggers



Increased parking on neighborhood streets



Speed trailer to show current traffic speeds

Mobility



Signal timing modifications



Left turn restrictions



Parking restrictions



Directional signage