At the City, we continue to follow guidance from our partners at Public Health – Seattle & King County (PHSKC), Washington State Department of Health (DOH), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) regarding COVID-19. We’re working round-the-clock to ensure our communities and our workforce can stay safe and healthy.

Currently, the Seattle Department of Transportation is planning to continue with construction in your area. We are working closely with our Public Health — Seattle & King County partners, our construction management teams, and private contractors to ensure that everyone supporting this project is cautious and safe. If there are changes to the construction schedule or planned work, we will notify you once public information is available.

The City of Seattle and King County are taking steps to protect the health of our community by making recommendations that are meant to slow the spread of novel coronavirus and reduce the number of people infected. Please learn more about COVID-19 at www.kingcounty.gov/covid/. Thank you.

W Howe St Bridge Seismic Retrofit Project Update – March 2020

You are receiving this email because you attended an outreach event, spoke with project staff, or subscribed online. Please forward this email to others that would like to receive email updates for the W Howe St Bridge Project – Seismic Retrofit. They can sign up for the project listserv here.
What's Happening Now?

Work on the W Howe St Bridge Seismic Retrofit has resumed!

Over the next few weeks we will be setting up the onsite field office and installing a temporary drainage system. In order to install the drainage system safely and efficiently, we will be onsite tomorrow, Saturday, March 21, and Saturday, March 28, between 7AM to 5PM. Once this work is complete, typical weekday work hours will resume, 7 AM – 5 PM, Monday through Friday.

During this weekend work please expect:

- Intermittent delays or detours for people walking, biking, and driving across the bridge
- Temporary closure of the staircase providing access from W Howe St to 32nd Ave W
- Noise, dust, and vibrations during work hours. We will monitor bridge vibrations and minimize noise as much as possible.
- Construction equipment staged under the bridge and at the northeast corner of the bridge by the north entrance of Magnolia Park parking lot
Please note that the construction schedule is subject to change based on site conditions, material and equipment availability, weather, and other factors. We’ll continue to provide updates about the construction timeline and anticipated impacts via this listserv and our project webpage.

**Project Overview**

Earthquakes could have a significant, detrimental effect on Seattle’s infrastructure. As part of the [Levy to Move Seattle](#), 16 bridges were selected for seismic retrofits, including the [W Howe St Bridge](#). The planned seismic retrofits
to the W Howe St Bridge will strengthen key bridge components to better withstand earthquakes.

To learn more about the project and it's anticipated construction impacts please visit the project webpage.

We Want to Keep You Up-to-Date
We will continue to contact neighbors directly, send email updates, and post web updates to keep everyone informed of upcoming construction. For more information about the project please visit our [project webpage](#).

Please tell your friends, family, customers, neighbors, and local businesses to reach out to us with any questions and to [sign up for these email updates](#).

To contact us with questions about construction email [WHoweStBridge@seattle.gov](mailto:WHoweStBridge@seattle.gov) or call (206) 775-8734.