

Delridge-Highland Neighborhood Greenway Background



Neighborhood greenways are safer, calmer neighborhood streets for you, your family, and neighbors where people walking and biking are the priority.

The Delridge-Highland Neighborhood Greenway was completed in 2016. This greenway is 4 miles long, stretching from the West Seattle Bridge Trail connection at the north-end to SW Cambridge St at the south-end, and provides connections to four school, five parks, and other neighborhood destinations. The neighborhood greenway improved the walking and biking environment for all ages and abilities bicyclists and walkers by slowing drivers along the route.

Improvements to Intersection crossings were made along the route. Improvements included adding crosswalks, curb ramps, curb extensions, flashing beacons, an all-way stop, and a pedestrian signal. Sections of sidewalk were widened and a connection between two street ends was added to create a continuous pedestrian route. Following these improvements, the number of people walking and biking along the neighborhood greenway route has increased.

In partnership with Seattle Public Utilities, natural drainage was also built on along 17th Ave SW between SW Kenyon St and SW Henderson St. This natural drainage was designed to protect Longfellow Creek by filtering out pollution and preventing sewage from overflowing by keeping stormwater out of the sewer.

ONGOING IMPROVEMENTS

After completion of the north-south Delridge-Highland Neighborhood Greenway, two connections improving walking and biking access to schools and the surrounding neighborhoods we added. The Louisa Boren STEM K-8 connection was completed in 2018 and provides a link to the Delridge Neighborhood Greenway on 26th Ave SW. The Highland Park Elementary School connection was completed in 2018 and included adding two flashing beacons where the existing greenway crosses 16th Ave SW and a third flashing beacon at a new 16th Ave SW crossing closer to the school.

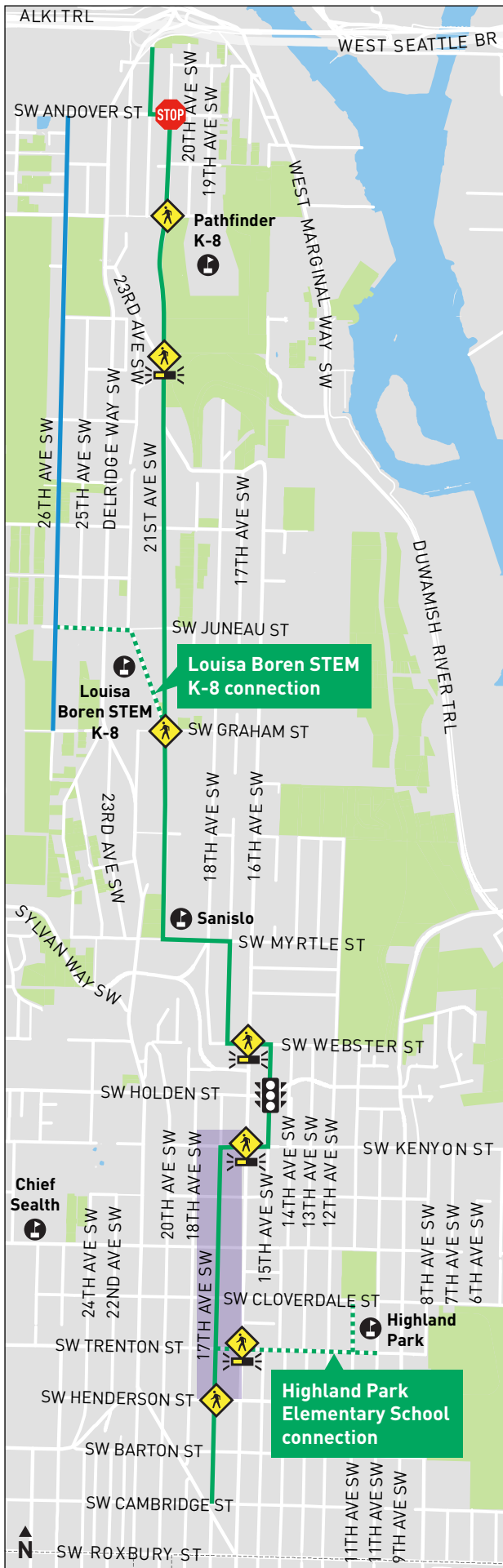
To improve the comfort and safety of students walking and biking to Pathfinder K-8 school, the walkway along 21st Ave SW from SW Genesee St to 22nd Ave SW is being upgraded with wheel stops and street trees in spring 2019.

An evaluation of the greenway found the average driving speeds on 21st Ave SW are higher than we want to see on a street that prioritizes walking and biking. To improve this segment of the greenway, we are replacing speed humps that do not meet our current guidelines and adjusting the spacing in summer 2019.








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- ⋯ School greenway connections
-  Pedestrian signal
-  Flashing beacon
-  Improved crossing
-  Natural drainage system
-  All-way stop