3RD AVE BELLETTOWN PAVING PROJECT

FACT SHEET Fall 2017

WHAT’S HAPPENING NOW
Construction for the 3rd Ave Belltown Paving Project is nearing its final stages, with major paving expected to be complete this year.

Crews have completed paving most of the project corridor, specifically 3rd Ave between:

- Virginia St and Lenora St
- Battery St and Vine St
- Vine St and Broad St

From October-December 2017, crews will work to complete paving between Blanchard and Battery streets. They will also complete minor electrical, pavement, and sidewalk repairs throughout the project corridor. Crews will return in spring 2018 to complete permanent striping of the roadway.

PROJECT OVERVIEW
3rd Ave through Belltown is a primary arterial carrying some 3,600 vehicles per day, approximately 45% of which are buses. Prior to this project, the street was marked by potholes, cracks in the pavement, and seams in the roadway.

Construction began May 2, 2017 and will take approximately 10 months to complete. To minimize the length of construction in front of any business or residence, crews divided construction into 4 work zones, largely completing work in 1 zone before moving onto the next.

This project is funded by the 9-year Levy to Move Seattle, approved by voters in 2015. Learn more about the levy at www.seattle.gov/LevytoMoveSeattle.htm

The 3rd Ave Paving Project is divided into 4 work zones

PROJECT INFORMATION & CONTACT
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Wear and tear on 3rd Ave before repaving

Durable, smooth concrete panels on 3rd Ave after repaving

Paving Zones
PROJECT COMPONENTS
Prior to this project, the street was composed of a mix of concrete panels and asphalt. We are removing all asphalt and replacing it with concrete panels, which last longer than asphalt. We are also replacing concrete panels in the existing curb lane where needed, specifically broken panels and/or those that have previously been cut into for repairs.

In addition to repaving the street, the project has:
- Replaced curb ramps at certain intersections in accordance with federal Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards
- Replaced and/or repaired sections of water mains and sewer lines
- Installed electrical conduit at select locations
- Expanded both the northbound and southbound bus zones at Virginia St to better accommodate the large number of buses using these stops

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION
- Normal work hours are Monday through Friday, 7AM to 5PM, with some weekend and night work
- Traffic will be reduced to a single lane in each direction through the active work zone during weekday, daytime work hours
- Sidewalks will remain open, except where curb ramps are being replaced. In such cases, signed detours will direct those walking.
- Buses will continue to operate, although some stops will be temporarily closed or moved to maintain safe bus stop operations and provide crews sufficient space to work safely