



Sound Transit district

- 3 counties: King, Pierce, Snohomish
- More than 3 million residents
- 51 cities
- 800,000 more people by 2040

Everett (A) Link Light Rail Everett-Seattle-West Seattle Redwood_Seattle_Marine Tacoma Dome-Tacoma Community College Univ. of Washington - Angle Lake Tacrema Dome - Theater Dictrict Sounder Commuter Rail Future service - Duffnot-Lakewood In service: North Line (Everett-Seattle) South Line (Lakewood-Seattle) Bus Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Kingsgate/Totem Lake In service: ST Express but (service re-evaluated annually O New station or bus facility Added parking Station improvement CO Major transfer hub Existing station or bus facility Bellevue Existing parking Provisional light rail station 5 Graham 52 - F7913 (PS Joeing Access Ad S 277m Tacoma

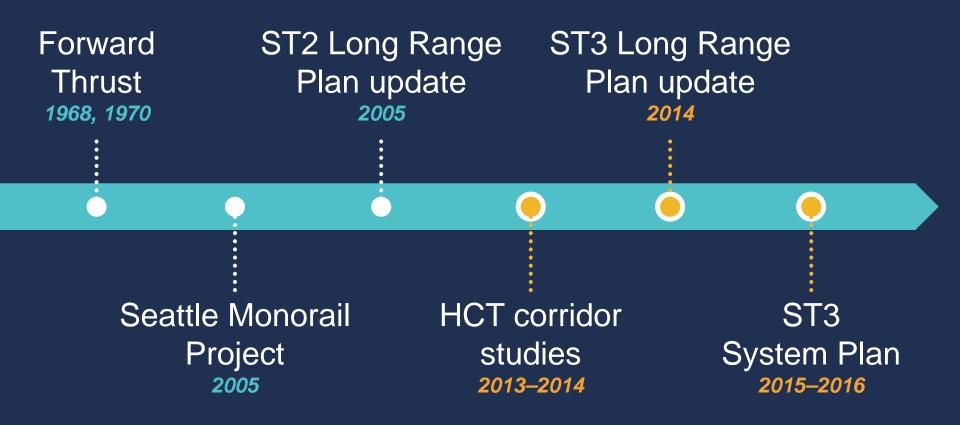
System expansion

Sound Transit's system expansion means every few years new light rail, bus rapid transit and commuter rail stations open throughout the region, providing fast, reliable alternatives to congested roads



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Previous studies





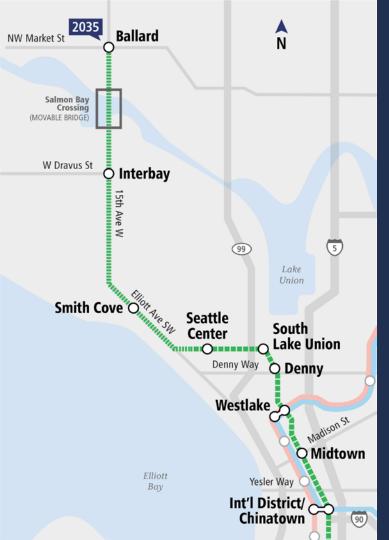
Representative project

- Identifies mode, corridor, station areas
- Informs cost, schedule, operating needs

(99) Elliott 90) Bay Stadium C (2035)SODO € (2030)West Seattle Bridge Delridge C Duwamish Waterway Crossing SW Alaska St Avalon **Alaska Junction**

West Seattle Link Extension

- Opening 2030
- Four elevated stations at SODO, Delridge, Avalon and Alaska Junction; one at-grade station at Stadium
- New rail-only fixed span crossing of the Duwamish River
- Length: 4.7 miles



Ballard Link Extension

- Opening 2035
- Three elevated stations: Ballard, Interbay, Smith Cove
- Six tunnel stations: Seattle Center, South Lake Union, Denny, Westlake, Midtown, International District/Chinatown
- New rail-only movable bridge over Salmon Bay
- Length: 7.1 miles



New Downtown Transit Tunnel **EVERETT BALLARD** New DSTT INT'L DISTRICT/ 5TH AVE S STATIONS **EAST** LINK ID / 5TH AVE S 5th Ave S MEZZANINE **+-----WEST** New DSTT **SEATTLE** Cross Section **AIRPORT &**

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Plan View

New approach to project development

- Enhance commitment to partnership, community engagement, collaboration, transparency and accountability
- Apply innovative ideas and lessons learned to streamline project delivery

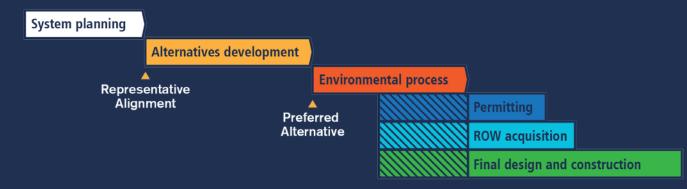


New approach to project development

ST2 process



ST3 process



West Seattle project timeline



2016



Alternatives development

Board identifies preferred alternative

Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Final Environmental Impact Statement

Board selects project to be built

Federal Record of Decision

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT



DESIGN

2022-2025

Final route design

Final station designs

Procure and commission station and public art

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Obtain land use and construction permits

CONSTRUCTION

2025-2030

START OF SERVICE

2030

Conversations with property owners

Groundbreaking

Construction updates and mitigation

Safety education

Testing and pre-operations

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VOTER APPROVAL

2016



PLANNING



2017-2019

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Alternatives development process

LEVEL 1

Alternatives development

Early-2018

Conduct early scoping

Study ST3 representative project and alternatives

Screen alternatives

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

LEVEL 2

Alternatives development

Mid-2018

Technical analysis

Refine and screen alternatives

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LEVEL 3

Alternatives development

Late-2018 / Early-2019

Refine and screen alternatives

Conduct Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) scoping

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PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE*





Community engagement and collaboration













Meeting dates subject to change.



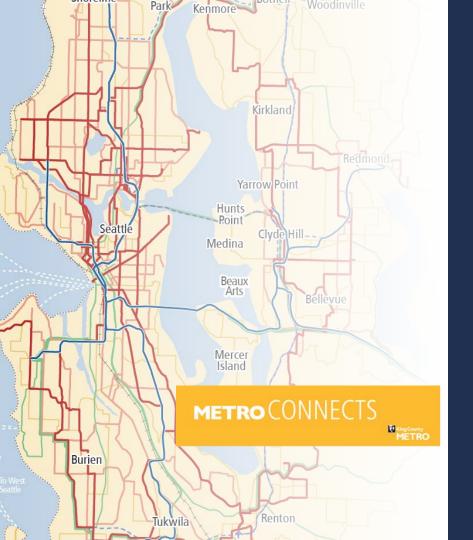
Station Planning Scope

- > Transit integration
- Land use planning and TOD
- Non-motorized access



Transit integration in ST3

- Project allowances for funding busrail transfer facilities
- Concurrent long-range planning



Transit integration: Aligning Networks

- Collaborate with other transit providers to identify future network and optimize transfers
- Identify transfer and integration typologies
- Delridge, Alaska Junction, Smith Cove, and Ballard are assumed major connections



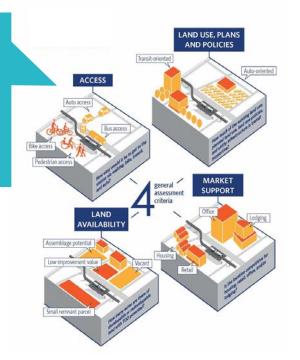
Land Use Planning and TOD in ST3

"Community TOD"

Coordinate with and support planning and development activities within ½ mile of station areas.

"Agency TOD"

Engage private, public, and non-profit partners in redevelopment of surplus Agency property or delivery of joint use facilities.



System Access in ST3

 Convenient access to Sound Transit's bus and rail stations is critical to growing ridership

 Station budgets accommodate design for station access by all modes of transportation

 ST3 plan includes funding to improve bus transfers at ST stations and facilitate biking and walking from surrounding areas





Station Planning Building Blocks

Existing Conditions and Past Planning

- Community conditions basemapping, plan review
- Key issue and vision identification
- ST3 representative project review

Opportunity Identification and Evaluation

- Transit service integration and analysis
- Land use and development opportunities analysis
- Development propensity and affordability analysis
- Non-motorized access inventory

Develop Station Concept(s)

- Station area program and configurations
- Urban design concepts at key locations
- Non-motorized access concepts
- Refinements



Early scoping

> Early scoping is an opportunity to:

- Learn about the project background and timeline
- Provide input on the ST3 representative project and potential alternatives
- Comment on the purpose and need of the project
- Help identify and provide feedback on potential project benefits and impacts on your community, the environment and transportation

Early scoping comments

- Early scoping comment period: February 2 to March 5
- Ways to submit early scoping comments:
 - Fill out a comment card
 - Visit: wsblink.participate.online
 - Email: wsblink@soundtransit.org
 - Call: 206-903-7229
 - Mail to: West Seattle and Ballard Link Extensions
 c/o Lauren Swift, 401 S. Jackson St. Seattle, WA 98104

Early scoping comments

Feedback received through early scoping will be:

- Documented in the Early Scoping Report
- Shared with the Stakeholder Advisory Group and Elected Leadership Group
- Discussed in greater detail at upcoming neighborhood forums
- Used to help inform and shape alternatives that will be reviewed later this year

