

FAIRVIEW AVENUE NORTH BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Winter 2019

Project description

We are replacing the bridge at Fairview Ave N. The oldest portion of the current bridge was built more than 65 years ago and is the last timber-supported bridge on a major road in Seattle. While safe for travel today, the bridge is structurally unstable and vulnerable to earthquakes, including the newer portion made of steel and concrete.

The bridge is located on the southeast shore of Lake Union near the 1200 block of Fairview Ave N in Seattle, next to the historic Lake Union Steam Plant building.

What's new?

- With design finalized and major permits in hand, Seattle Department of Transportation is advertising the project and selecting a construction contractor this winter
- Reaching out to local organizations, businesses, and residents to share information about what to expect and understand community needs during construction

Project schedule

In Summer 2019, the Fairview project expects to break ground on detour preparation in advance of full bridge closure. Full project construction will last approximately 19 months.



2016-2021

■ Winter 2016: Final Design

■ Spring 2016 - 2018:
Ongoing public outreach and permitting*

■ Summer 2019:
Aloha Street work,
detour preparation

■ Fall 2019:
Full bridge closure,
start of construction**

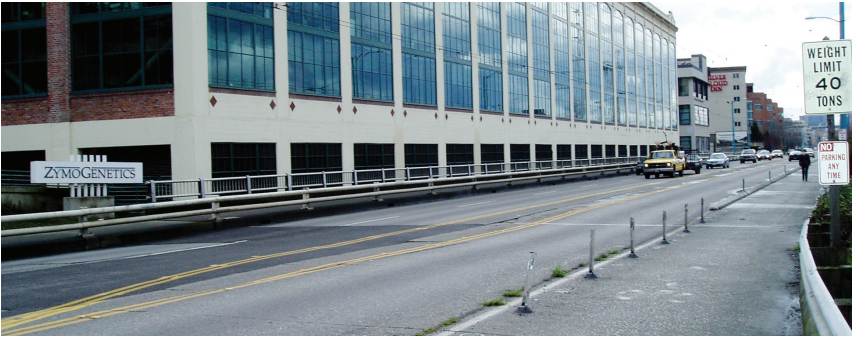
*The project will comply with all necessary environmental permitting and associated schedules

**Construction start date pending permit approvals

■ 2021: Bridge
reopens to traffic

Driving, biking, and walking during construction

We understand that traffic must keep moving in the area during construction. Transit riders, cyclists, and pedestrians will be directed to Aloha St and Eastlake Ave E. Freight and general traffic will be encouraged to use alternate routes. Detour and “businesses are open” signage will be placed at key locations during the full closure. We will continue to work with King County Metro, other nearby construction projects, the community, and those who travel through the area before and during construction.

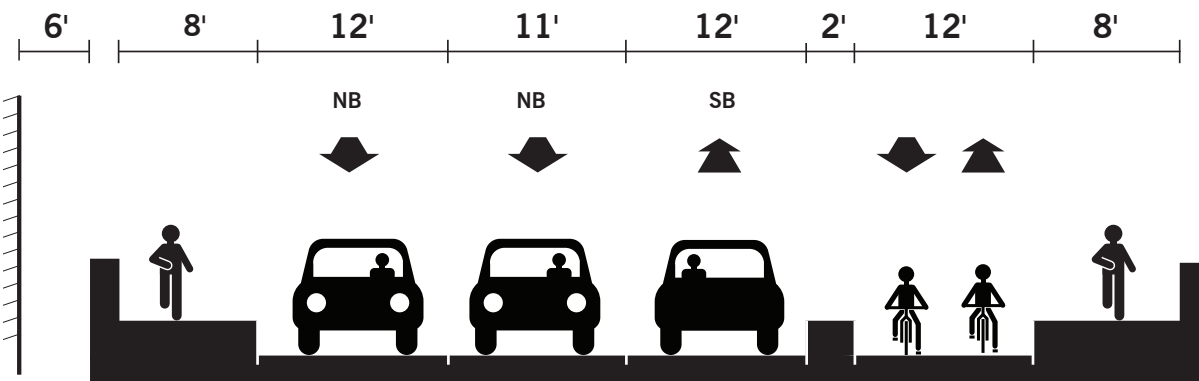


Fairview Ave N bridge directly next to the historic Lake Union Steam Plant Building.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- Construction will begin in Fall 2019
- Aloha St will be the pedestrian, transit, bicycle, and local traffic detour during construction
- The project will install a new traffic signal at Aloha St and Eastlake Ave E and improve the signal timing at Aloha St and Fairview Ave N
- The project will remove the traffic circle at Yale Ave N and Aloha St and create a permanently raised intersection

New Bridge



Facing South

Project improvements will include:

- New single-span bridge structure that meets current seismic standards
- Northbound vehicle lanes wider by approximately 2 feet total
- Sidewalks located on both sides of the bridge
- Structurally able to accommodate future transit expansion
- Three Lake Union viewpoints along the bridge
- A new two-way cycle track to replace the shared bicycle/pedestrian path
- The floating walkway on Lake Union parallel to the bridge will be removed during construction and replaced when construction is complete

PROJECT INFORMATION & CONTACT

www.seattle.gov/transportation/fairviewbridge.htm

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