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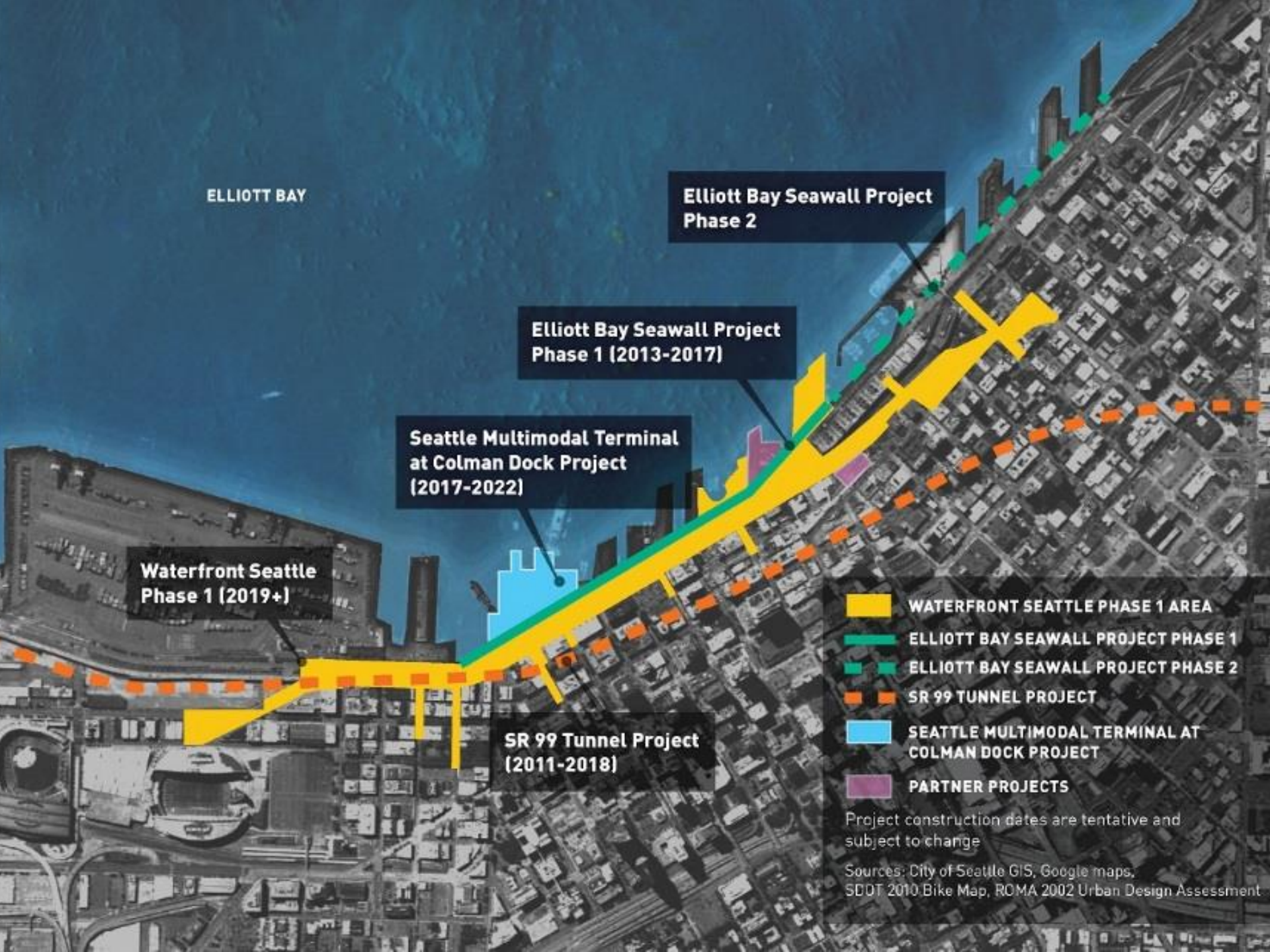
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TODAY'S PRESENTATION



- Overview of Waterfront Seattle
- Alaskan Way, Promenade, and Overlook Walk (“AWPOW”)
- What’s covered in the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)?
- How to submit comments



ELLIOTT BAY

Elliott Bay Seawall Project
Phase 2

Elliott Bay Seawall Project
Phase 1 (2013-2017)

Seattle Multimodal Terminal
at Colman Dock Project
(2017-2022)

Waterfront Seattle
Phase 1 (2019+)

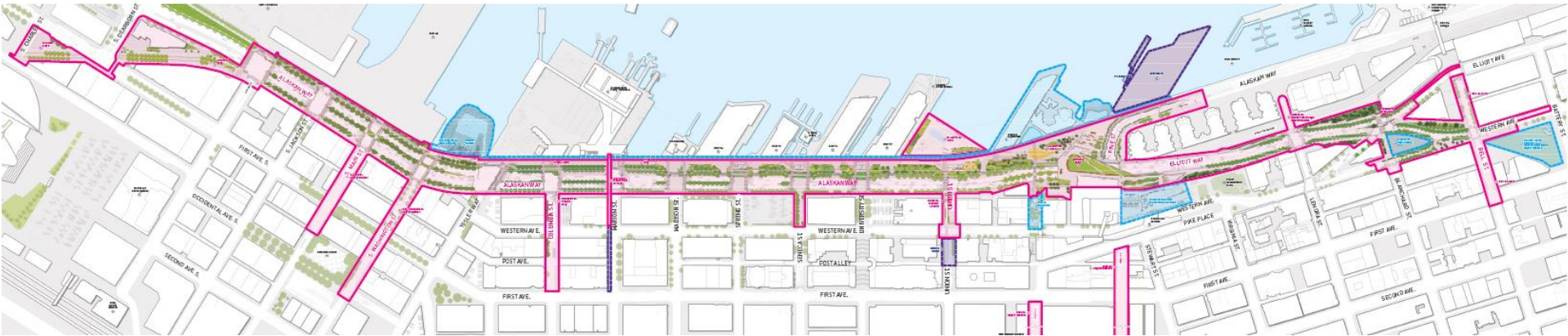
SR 99 Tunnel Project
(2011-2018)

- WATERFRONT SEATTLE PHASE 1 AREA
- ELLIOTT BAY SEAWALL PROJECT PHASE 1
- ELLIOTT BAY SEAWALL PROJECT PHASE 2
- SR 99 TUNNEL PROJECT
- SEATTLE MULTIMODAL TERMINAL AT COLMAN DOCK PROJECT
- PARTNER PROJECTS

Project construction dates are tentative and
subject to change

Sources: City of Seattle GIS, Google maps,
SDOT 2010 Bike Map, ROMA 2002 Urban Design Assessment

WATERFRONT SEATTLE PROGRAM

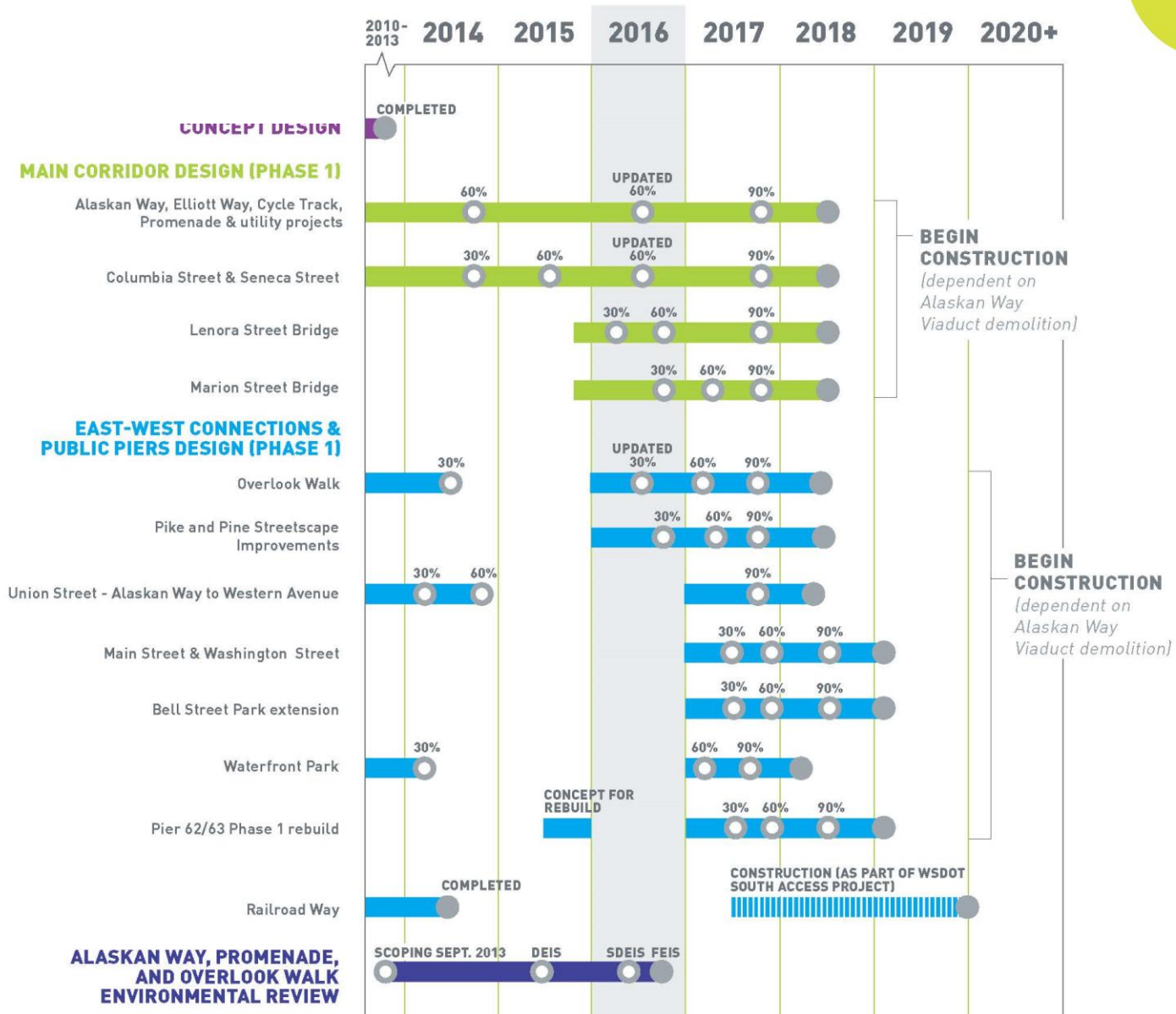


1. Alaskan Way + Cycle Track (south of Union)
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2. Promenade
3. Overlook Walk
4. Marion Street Ped Bridge (Alaskan ROW to Western)
5. Columbia Streetscape
6. Seneca Restoration (WSDOT only)
7. Blanchard ROW
8. Lenora Street Bridge Improvement
9. Waterfront Park
10. Lower Union + Western Intersection
11. Pike Pine Improvements
12. Main + Washington Streets

1. Pier 62/63
2. Floating Dock
3. Middle Union
4. Seneca Streetscape
5. Blanchard Overlook
6. Marion Street Ped Bridge (Western to First)

- Seawall Related Elements
- Aquarium Expansion
- PC-1 / PPM Entrance
- Bell Street Improvements
- North Portal Site Park
- Pike Street Hill Climb Improvements
- Blanchard Opportunity Site

PROJECT SCHEDULE



ALASKAN WAY, PROMENADE, AND OVERLOOK WALK



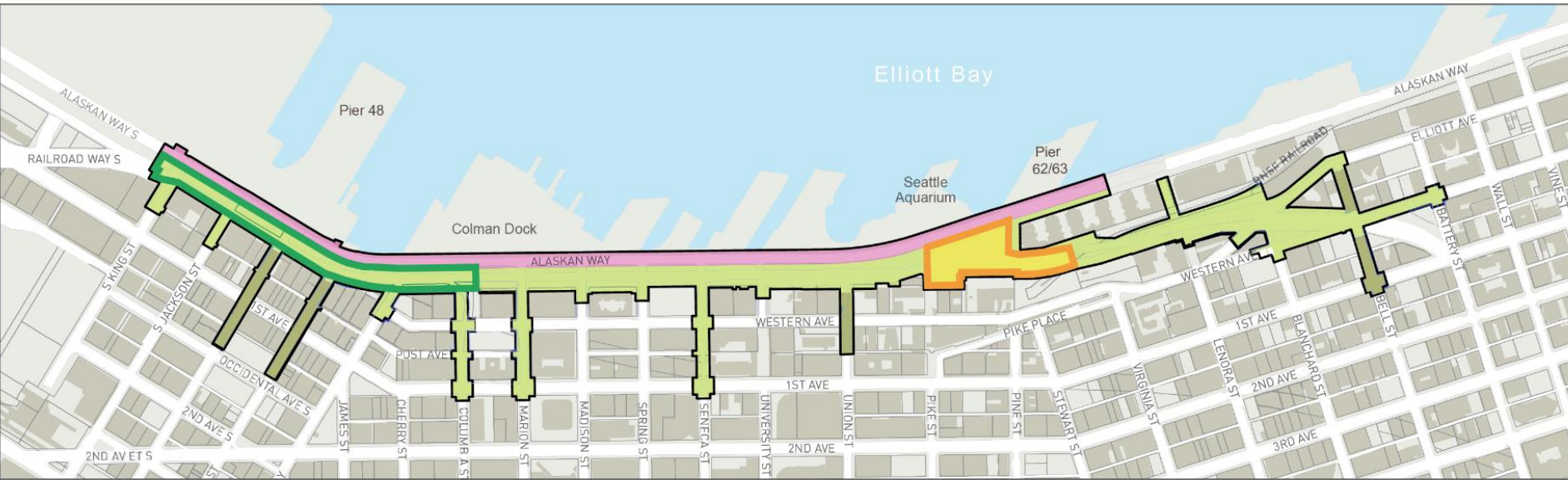
- **Main Corridor:** Improve travel between downtown and Belltown
- **Overlook Walk:** Grade-separated pedestrian crossing, views and open space
- **Promenade:** Provide public open space, pedestrian accommodations and waterfront connections
- **East-West Connections:** Improve key east-west streets to provide better pedestrian connections between waterfront and downtown

AWPOW DRAFT EIS BACKGROUND

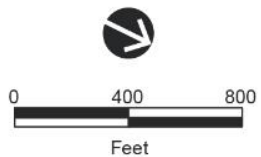


- Office of the Waterfront released the AWPOW Draft EIS in June 2015
- In response to comments and in alignment with the current Master Plan for the Seattle Aquarium expansion, the City released a Supplemental Draft EIS on Monday, April 18
- The Supplemental Draft EIS evaluates two new alternatives:
 - A narrower Alaskan Way between S. King and Columbia streets
 - A revised Overlook Walk to accommodate a potential Aquarium expansion

MAP OF AWPOW PROJECTS



Source: SDOT



Project Footprint

AWPOW Projects

- Main Corridor
- Promenade
- Overlook Walk
- East-West Connections

- Location of Main Corridor Alternative 2 Improvements
- Location of Overlook Walk Alternative 2 Improvements

SUPPLEMENTAL DRAFT EIS OUTREACH

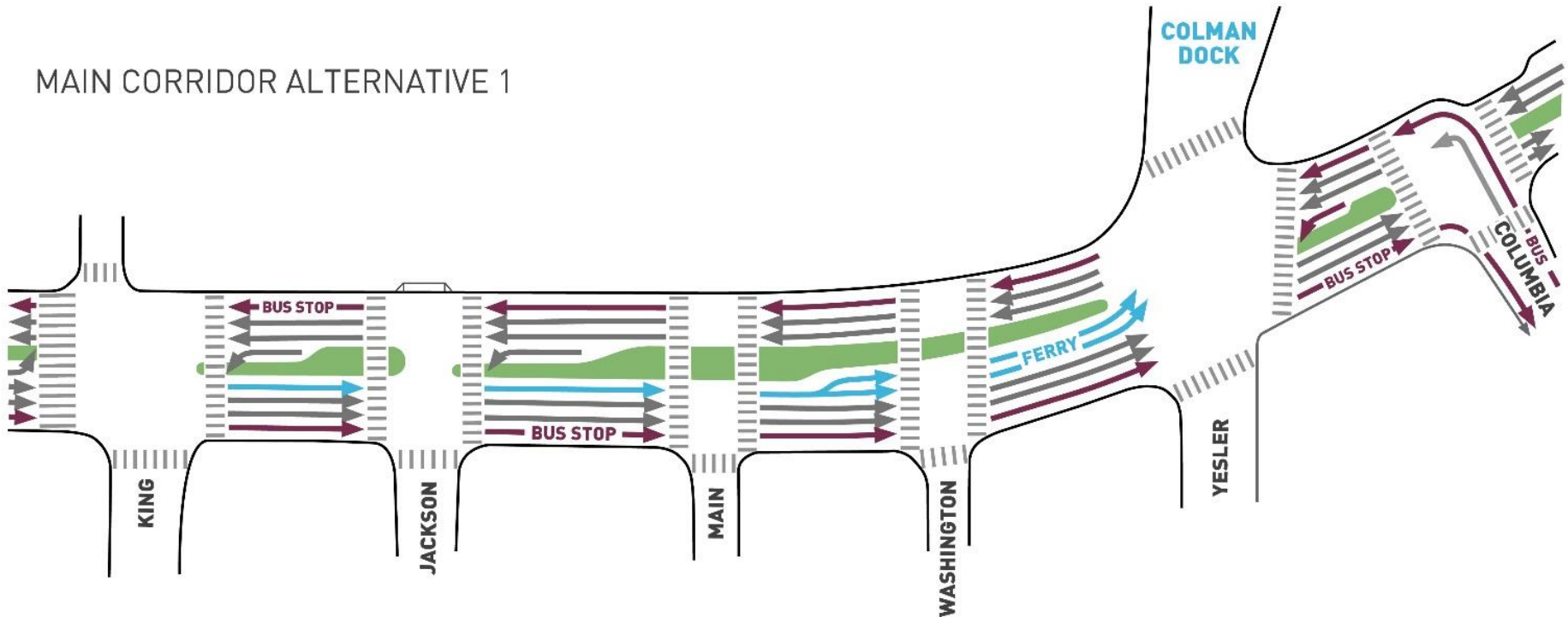


- Alaskan Way, Promenade and Overlook Walk Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) released April 18
 - 30-day public comment period (April 18 – May 18)
 - Multiple tools to notify public of Supplemental Draft EIS release
 - Public meeting on May 10, 4:30 – 7:30 PM, Bertha Knight Landes Room (hosted by Office of the Waterfront)
- Final EIS by late 2016

MAIN CORRIDOR ALTERNATIVE 1



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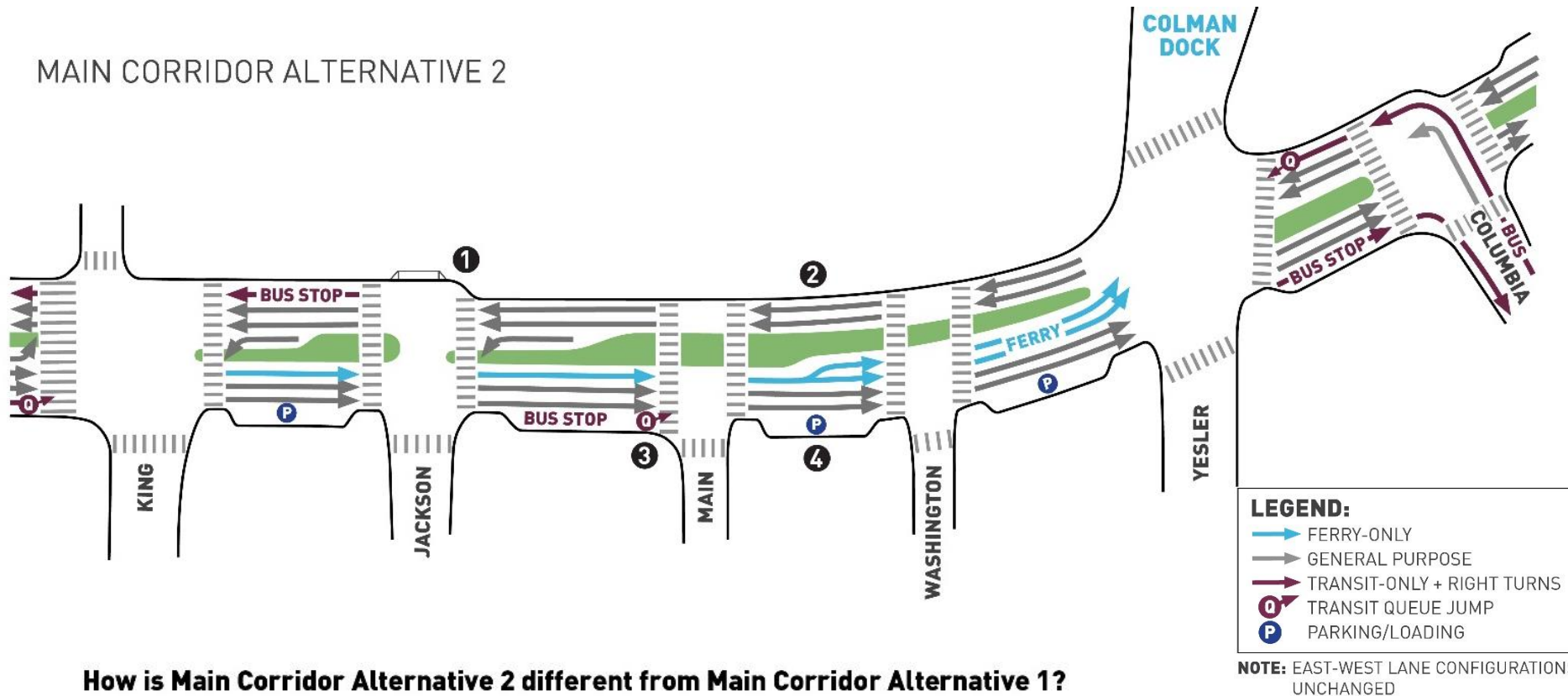
- FERRY-ONLY
- GENERAL PURPOSE
- TRANSIT-ONLY + RIGHT TURNS
- TRANSIT QUEUE JUMP
- PARKING/LOADING

NOTE: EAST-WEST LANE CONFIGURATIONS
UNCHANGED

MAIN CORRIDOR ALTERNATIVE 2



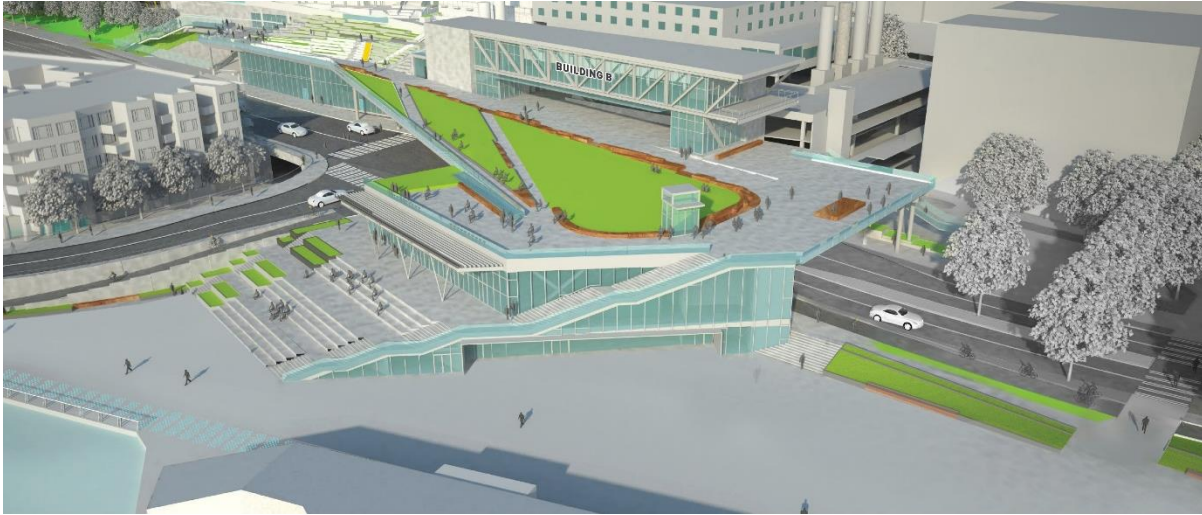
MAIN CORRIDOR ALTERNATIVE 2



How is Main Corridor Alternative 2 different from Main Corridor Alternative 1?

- 1** Shorter pedestrian crossing distance
- 2** Dedicated transit lanes removed between S. King and Columbia streets
- 3** Transit queue jumps added at Yesler Way (southbound) and S. Main and S. King streets (northbound)
- 4** On-street parking and loading provided between S. King Street and Yesler Way

OVERLOOK WALK



**OVERLOOK WALK
ALTERNATIVE 1
(WITH BUILDING C)**



**OVERLOOK WALK
ALTERNATIVE 2
(WITH AQUARIUM
PAVILION)**

EIS TOPICS



- **Transportation**
- **Parking**
- Public services & utilities
- Land use
- Noise
- **Aesthetics**
- Water quality
- Air quality
- Vegetation and wildlife
- Historic resources
- Archeological resources
- Hazardous materials
- Energy resources

MAIN CORRIDOR ALTERNATIVE 2

KEY IMPACTS



TRANSPORTATION

- Introduction of transit queue jumps would increase congestion for both general-purpose traffic and transit traffic, increasing overall travel times through the corridor compared to Alternative 1
- Congestion on Alaskan Way would divert drivers to other routes, causing increased congestion on nearby streets
- Transit travel times would increase substantially
- Reduced roadway width would shorten pedestrian crossing times

PARKING

- Would provide approximately 31 additional on-street parking/loading spaces between S. King Street and Yesler Way compared to Alternative 1

OVERLOOK WALK ALTERNATIVE 2

KEY IMPACTS



CONSTRUCTION

- If the Overlook Walk were completed prior to the Aquarium Pavilion, the construction period would be longer than if the two projects were built concurrently

AESTHETICS

- Aquarium Pavilion would be larger and would extend farther west, which could pose a greater obstruction to views north and south
- Staircases on the north and south sides of the Aquarium Pavilion would have less expansive view opportunities toward the west
- Public open space and viewing deck would be expanded onto Aquarium Pavilion roof, providing improved view opportunities

PUBLIC COMMENTS



- Public comments must be submitted via official channels and included in the project record
- Multiple ways to submit comments:
 - **Comment online** at waterfrontseattle.org
 - **Email** comments to sdeis@waterfrontseattle.org
 - **Mail** written comments to City:
AWPOW – Draft EIS Comments
Mark Mazzola, Environmental Manager
Seattle Department of Transportation
PO Box 34996, Seattle, WA 98124-4996
 - Comment at the May 10 **public meeting** via court reporter or written comment form



QUESTIONS?

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BACK POCKET

MAIN CORRIDOR ALTERNATIVE 2 CONSTRUCTION IMPACTS



ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES

- Moving roadway farther from the known archaeological site near Pier 48 may reduce potential to encounter this identified archaeological resource

OVERLOOK WALK ALTERNATIVE 2

OPERATIONAL IMPACTS



TRANSPORTATION

- Pedestrian access from Pike Place Market to the waterfront would be provided by a different configuration of stairs and elevator

HISTORIC RESOURCES

- Locating the Seattle Aquarium adjacent to the Overlook Walk may increase visitors to the historic piers and Pike Place Market, enhancing the commercial viability of these historic areas