



Everett Link Extension



Link light rail
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alternatives for study in
the Draft EIS

- Preferred station and alignment alternatives
- Other alignment alternatives
- Other station alternatives
- OMF North site alternatives

Other service

- Future Lynnwood station
- Link 2 Line and 3 Line (future)
- Stride bus rapid transit S2 Line: Lynnwood-Bellevue (future)
- Sounder N Line: Everett-Seattle (current)

September 2023: Locations shown are approximate and subject to change.

About the project

Sound Transit's Everett Link Extension will provide fast, reliable connections to residential and job centers throughout the region. We're planning to add 16 miles of light rail connecting Snohomish County residents to the regional light rail network. The project also includes an Operations and Maintenance Facility, which is necessary to support our expanding fleet.

Current project status:
Planning

Light rail for Snohomish County

We're planning to add approximately 16 miles of light rail and six new stations connecting Snohomish County residents to the regional Link light rail network. In addition, we are studying a provisional station* at SR 99/Airport Road, as well as new parking facilities at Everett Station and Mariner.

**At provisional stations planning, preliminary engineering, and environmental review are funded, but design and construction are not. If additional design and construction funding become available, we'll be able to build these stations.*

Operations and Maintenance Facility North

We plan to open the OMF North in Snohomish County in 2034 to support overall system operations and provide capacity to receive, store, and service a larger train fleet to support new Link extensions. In addition to ensuring that passengers can ride safely and comfortably, the OMF supports high-skilled, well-paid jobs and economic growth opportunities in north Snohomish County.

Equity and inclusion

At Sound Transit, we are committed to becoming an anti-racist organization and creating the conditions necessary to achieve racial equity within our agency and the broader community. We are working to plan, build, and operate public transit that provides equitable access to housing, education, medical facilities, and job opportunities, especially for those who have been most harmed by institutional and systemic racism.

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Fast and frequent service to destinations:

- › Everett to Lynnwood City Center in 33 minutes.
- › Everett to downtown Seattle in 60 minutes.
- › Trains will arrive at stations every 4 to 6 minutes during peak commuting hours and every 10 to 15 minutes during early mornings, evenings, and weekends.

Project timeline



How did we get here?

From 2021 to June 2023, this project was in the alternatives development phase — a period of technical analysis, community engagement, and advisory group recommendations to narrow down alternatives. Based on what we heard during this phase, the Sound Transit Board identified alternatives to study in the Draft EIS Environmental Impact Statement.



Opening timeline

We plan to open service from West Alderwood to Everett Station in 2037. This target schedule requires an estimated \$500 million in additional funding and/or savings, and we will seek out all options to open for service on this timeline. If we cannot secure additional funding and/or reduce project costs, service to Everett Station will likely open in 2041. In this case, service to Southwest Everett Industrial Center will still open in 2037.

In order to prioritize reaching Everett as soon as possible, the realigned plan pushes back investments in parking facilities at Mariner and Everett Stations to a 2046 target opening, with intent to emphasize other options for people to access the system, including connections to local bus routes.

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Learn more: Environmental Review

We are currently in the environmental review phase of planning. As part of this phase, we are developing conceptual designs and preparing a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The EIS will evaluate the potential adverse and beneficial effects of the project alternatives on the natural and built environment and propose measures to avoid, minimize, or mitigate potential significant adverse effects. You will have an opportunity to review and submit feedback on the Draft EIS after it is published, likely in 2026. Based on our findings and the feedback we received, the Sound Transit Board will identify a preferred alternative for the entire project and the OMF North. We'll then prepare a Final EIS that will include additional study where needed, and responses to public comments. After we publish the Final EIS, the Sound Transit Board will select the final routes as well as station and OMF North locations.

We will continue to engage with the public, Tribes, and agencies and conduct equitable community engagement throughout the project.

Questions?

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