

# *Everett Link Extension*



*Elected Leadership Group  
Meeting #5  
September 28, 2022*

# Agenda

Topic	Time
Welcome and introductions	10 min
Meeting purpose and background	10 min
Initial findings for new alignments	20 min
ELG discussion and direction	45 min
Next steps	5 min

# Meeting expectations



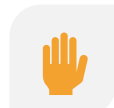
WE'RE COMMITTED TO STARTING ON TIME AND ENDING ON TIME



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**Link trains**

**Everett Link Extension**  
Everett–West Seattle

- Surface
- Elevated

**Mariner–Redmond**

- Surface
- Elevated

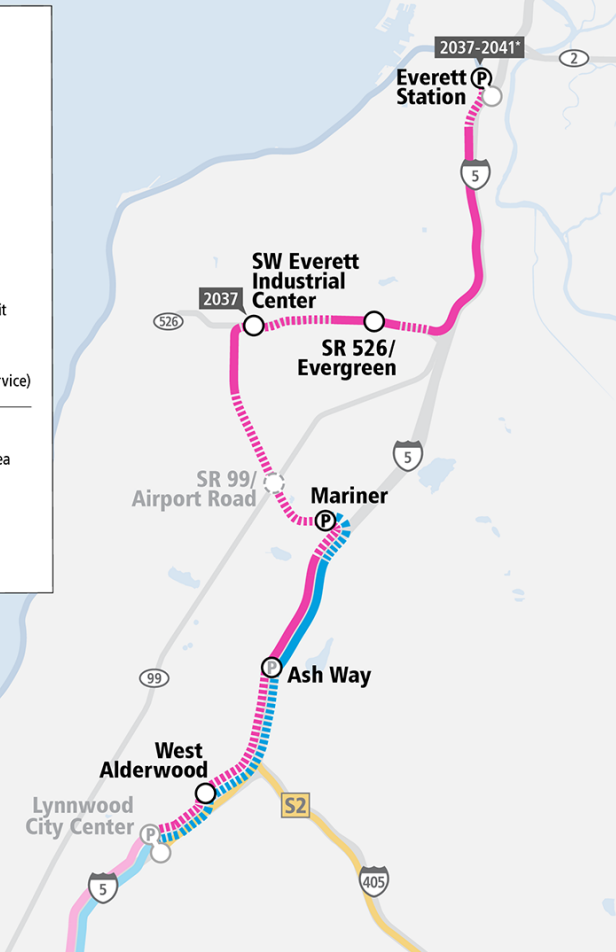
**Other service**

- Link in service (2024)
- Stride bus rapid transit S2 Line (2027)
- Sounder North: Everett–Seattle (in service)

New station area  
 Provisional station area  
 Transfer hub  
 New parking (2046)  
 Existing parking  
 Opening date



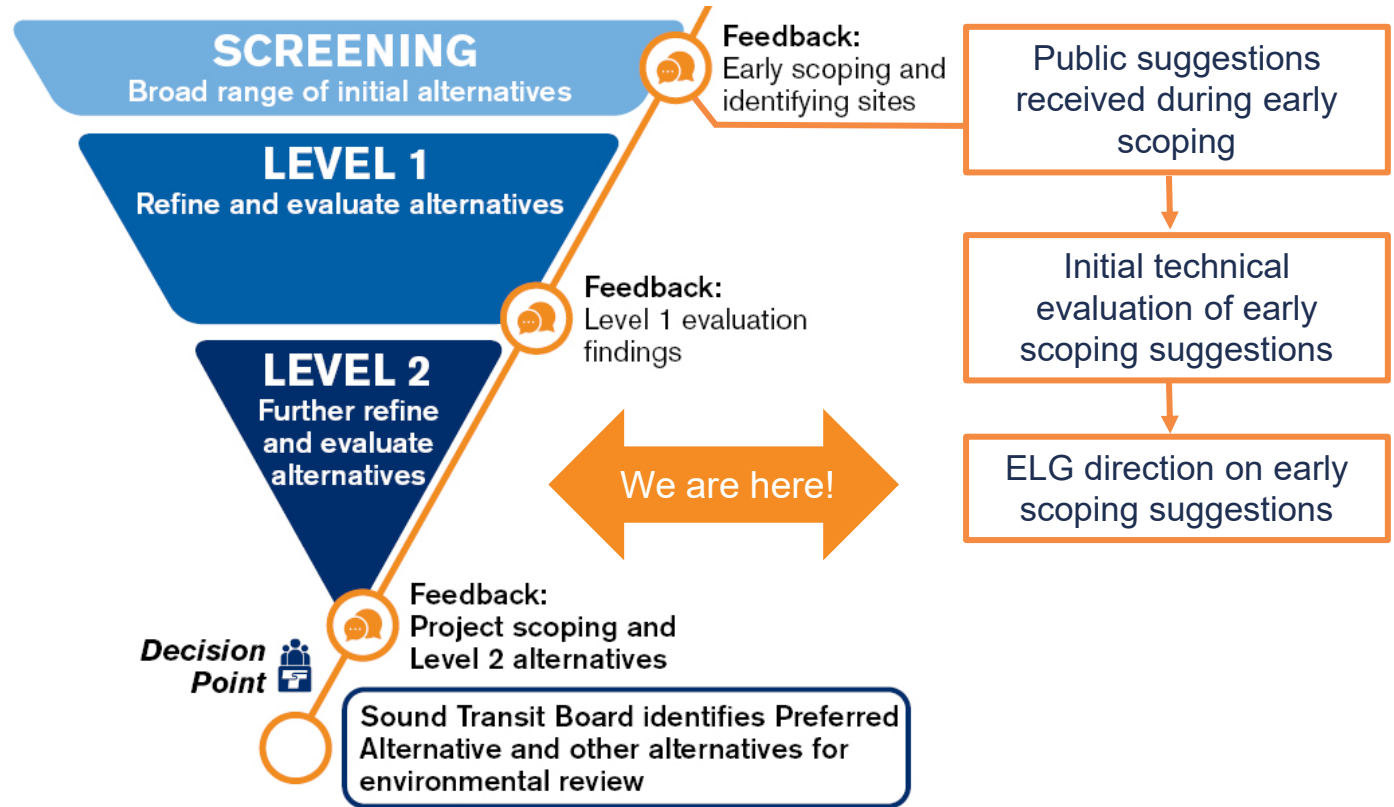
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\*Dates reflect an affordable schedule based on current financial projections and cost estimates, and a target schedule. See project timeline and milestones for more details.

# *Introductions*

# Phase 1: Alternatives development process



# *Our purpose today*

- In response to public comments and realignment, we began initial review of suggested alignments along I-5 and SR 99/Evergreen Way
- At July's meeting, ELG members shared concerns about these new alignments
- Today, we're sharing the findings of our initial work
- We are seeking to confirm ELG's direction whether I-5 and/or SR99/Evergreen Way alignments move forward for further study in Level 2

# ***Background: early scoping suggestions***

**During early scoping we heard requests from the public to consider additional options**

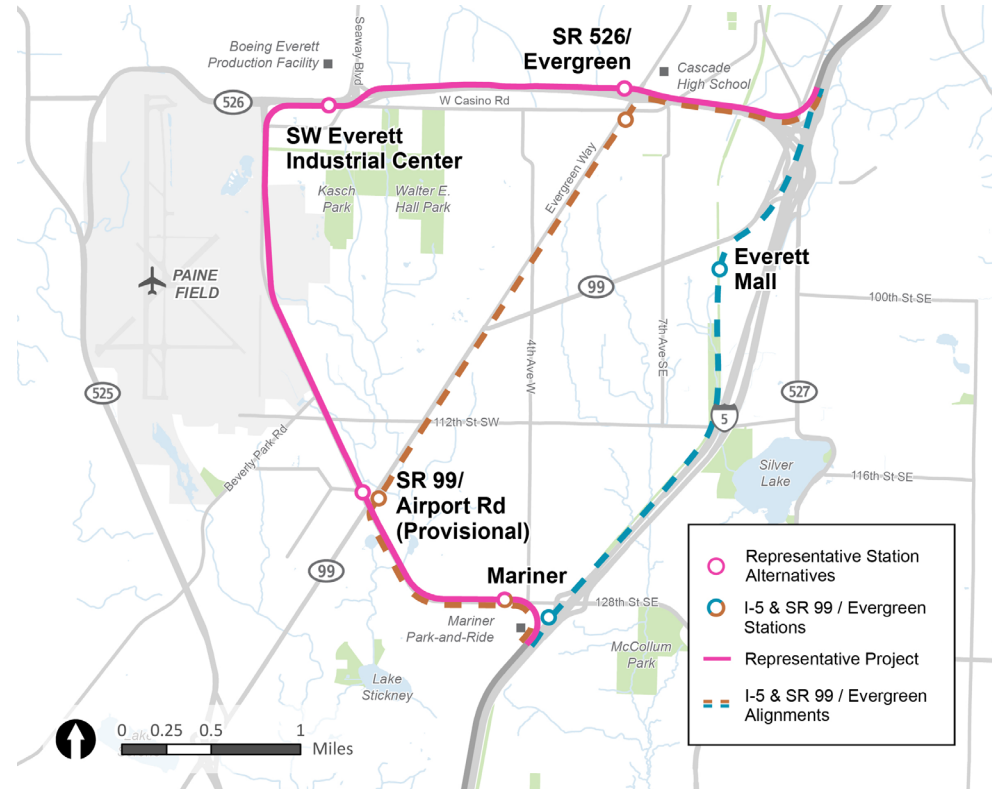
Several suggestions did not meet technical criteria or had already been evaluated, including:

- Stations at existing park-and-rides
- Station at Paine Field terminal
- Alternative OMF North site locations

These suggestions were not advanced for further evaluation

# Potential new alignments from suggestions

- From suggestions received during early scoping, identified **two alignments** for further evaluation
- Board realignment direction to explore cost savings options
- Compared new alignment and station options with ST3 Representative Project using key criteria





# *Comparison approach*

## Consistent with prior approach

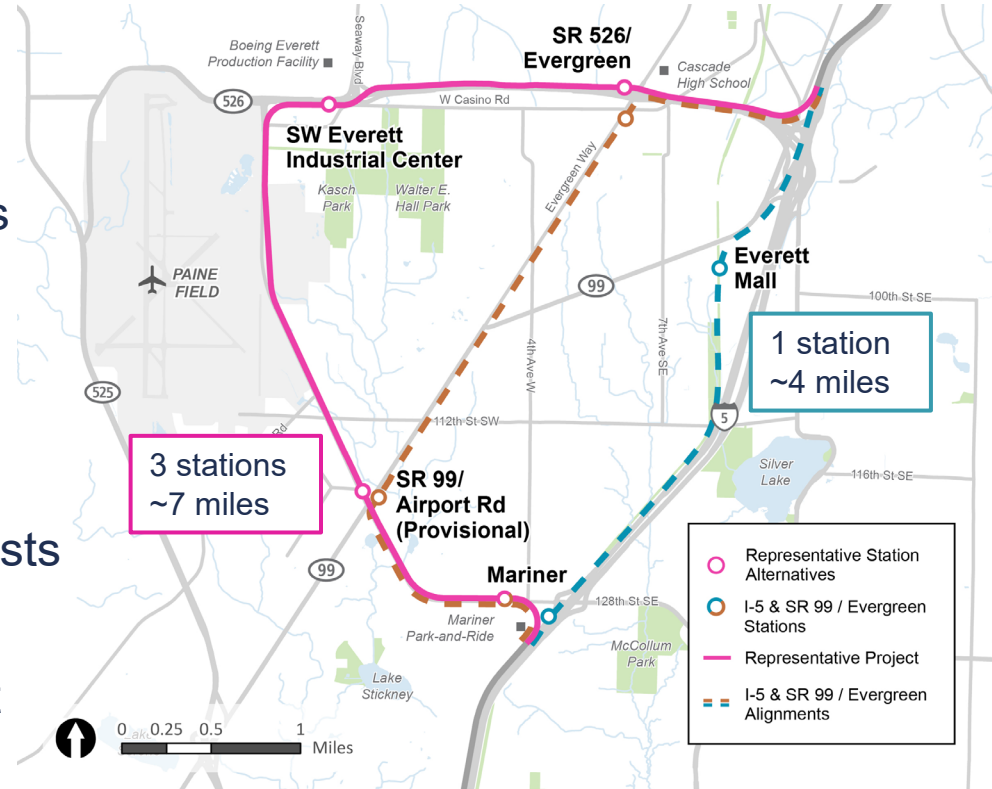
Key criteria:

- Current population
- Minority & low-income populations
- Forecast 2040 population & jobs
- Potential right-of-way and capital costs
- Station access considerations
- Opportunities for OMF North sites

# I-5 alignment

## Performance compared to Representative Project

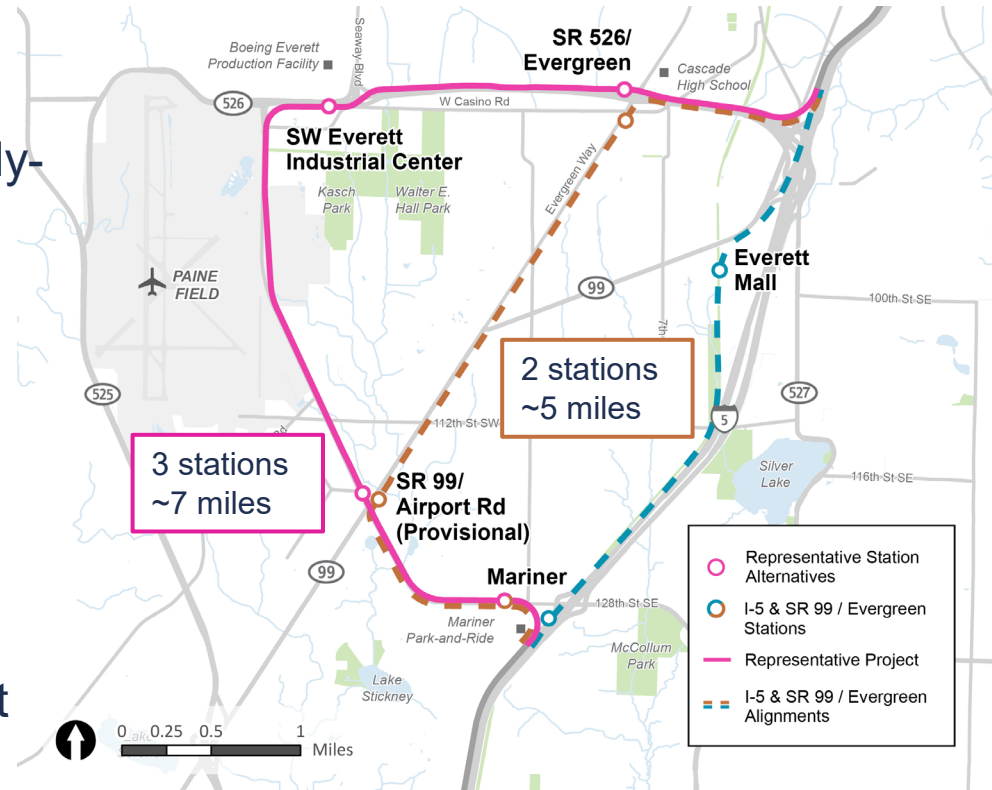
- Much lower total population and historically-underserved communities served
- Much lower forecast population and lower forecast jobs
- Greater station access challenges
- Much lower potential comparative costs
- Very limited OMF site opportunities
- Does not serve regional employment center



# SR 99/Evergreen Way alignment

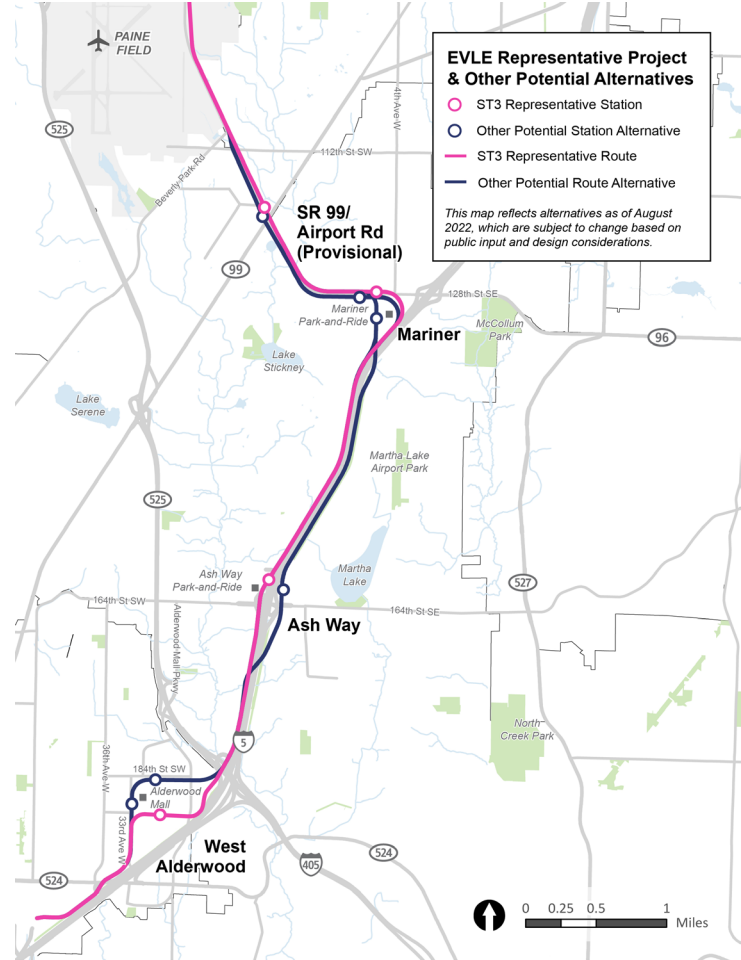
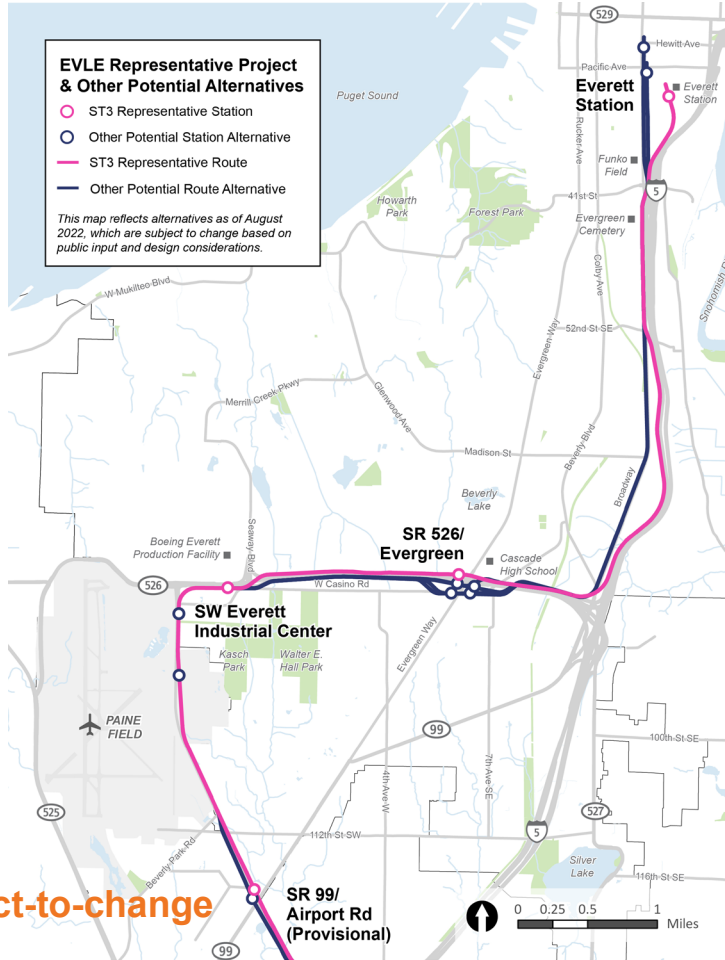
## Performance compared to Representative Project

- Lower total population and historically-underserved communities served
- Lower forecast population and much lower forecast jobs
- Comparable station access considerations
- Lower comparable costs
- Limited OMF site opportunities
- Does not serve regional employment center



# *Level 2 Alternatives*

# Alternatives identified by ELG in April



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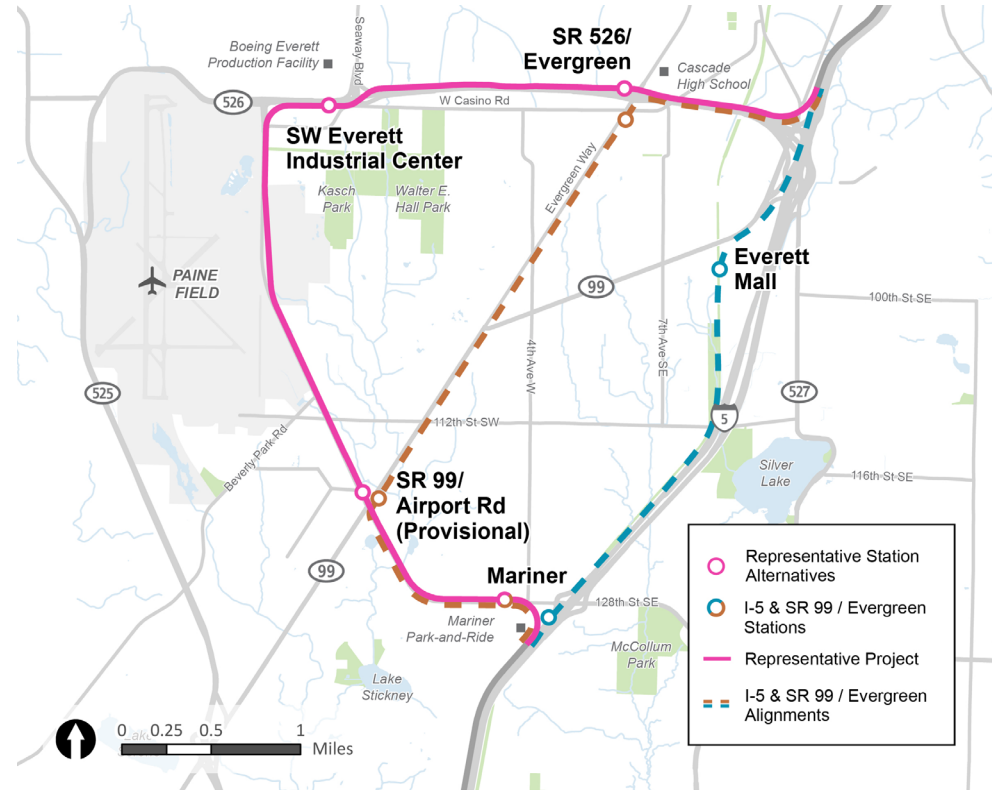
# Alternatives identified by ELG

Station	# Level 1 Alternatives	# Level 2 Alternatives
West Alderwood	6	3
Ash Way	4	2
Mariner	4	3
SR99 / Airport Road (provisional)	3	2
Southwest Everett Industrial Center	3 stations 4 alignments	3 stations 2 alignments
SR 526 / Evergreen Way	5 stations 4 alignments	4 stations 2 alignments
Everett Station	4	3

# ELG direction today

*Whether or not to advance for further evaluation based on review of technical findings:*

- I-5 Alignment
- SR99 / Evergreen Way Alignment



# ***Next steps***

## ***Fall – Winter 2022***

- Continue evaluation of Level 2 alternatives
- CAG & ELG meetings to review findings of Level 2 analysis
- Continued briefings of ELG members
- Scoping period for agency, tribal and public input

## ***Early 2023***

- CAG & ELG meetings for Level 2 recommendations
- Sound Transit Board decision on preferred alternative and other alternatives to study in environmental review



*Thank you.*



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