

Stride: Battery-electric buses

Sound Transit is designing the Stride S1, S2, and S3 lines along I-405 and SR 522, which will provide fast, frequent, and reliable service from Shoreline to Bothell on the S3 Line, service from Lynnwood to Belleuve on the S2 Line, and service from Bellevue to Burien on the S1 Line.

This line will include Sound Transit's first battery electric-bus fleet. There will be a fleet of double-decker buses on S1 and S2 as well as 60-foot articulated buses on S3. Coaches can travel the entire route on one charge with a full passenger load. The new Bus Base North, a bus maintenance and operations building, will maintain and repair buses for Stride bus rapid transit (BRT). This bus base will also accommodate conversion of the entire BRT fleet and some ST Express routes to zero-emissions. This is a major step toward achieving carbon-free operations for facilities and fleets by 2050.

Why battery-electric buses?

Battery-electric buses will allow for quieter and cleaner operations along the entire corridor when compared to conventional diesel buses. These buses will reduce criteria air pollutants as well as greenhouse gas emissions. Additionally, because they have no exhaust and vibrate less, they even reduce noise pollution. Battery-electric buses are more sustainable than any bus we've used before.

Where are we now?

We're planning new ways to connect communities and expand access to new job opportunities while finding ways to use sustainable buses. When service begins, we will have 15 articulated buses for the S3 line and 33 double-decker buses for the S1 and S2 lines ready to go!

Where are we going?

Sound Transit plans to operate a fully zero-emission fleet across all transit modes by 2050. This will create more green jobs in the region and support a cleaner environment for all.

Follow our progress

We will communicate and inform the public about design changes as the project progresses. The project team will continue engaging with and providing feedback opportunities for the public, community groups, businesses, elected officials, and the wider community.

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