



# *West Seattle Link Extension*

## **Q1 2024 EXTERNAL ENGAGEMENT REPORT**

January/February/March 2024



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## Activities snapshot



57 comments and questions from inbox and voicemail



16 community briefings and property owner meetings



Two festivals engaging 43 community members



One public event engaging 220+ people



Two email updates engaging 12,000+ subscribers



Ongoing fieldwork activities<sup>1</sup> throughout the project corridor



The West Seattle Link Extension will provide fast, reliable light rail connections to dense residential and job centers in the SODO, Delridge, and West Seattle neighborhoods.

<sup>1</sup> Sound Transit is in the planning phase for the West Seattle Link Extension project. As part of this phase, Sound Transit is coordinating with property owners throughout the corridor to collect and analyze information necessary to plan and design potential light rail alignments to be studied in the environmental review process.



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## West Seattle Link Extension (WSLE)



### Fairs and festivals

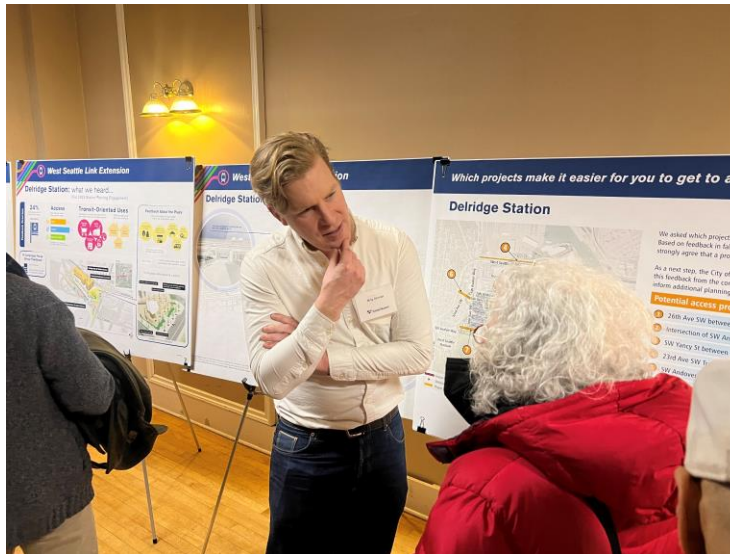
In the WSLE project corridor, we attended two events to share about the project with the community:

- **Tet in White Center tabling**
  - Date: January 28, 2024 | Visitors: 30
- **Roxhill Community Day tabling**
  - Date: March 23, 2024 | Visitors: 13



### Public events

We hosted one WSLE forum to report back the feedback we heard during station planning engagement.



**Station and Access Planning Open House:** The project team hosted the event on March 5, 2024 to report back to the community what we heard as a result of the Fall 2023 station planning engagement. More details available on [WSLE Station and Access Planning Engagement Report](#). Approximately 227 attendees came to the event.



### Email updates

During the reporting period, the project team sent two email updates to a public listserv with more than 12,000 subscribers. These updates highlighted the information about the WSLE Station and Access Planning Open House.



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## Common questions and comments

The following is a summary of questions and comments obtained through property owner meetings, community briefings, emails, and voicemails to the project inbox.

- Questions from potentially affected property owners and tenants about the timeline and status for property acquisition.
- Questions about detailed maps for West Seattle alternatives.
- Questions about early acquisition and the Sound Transit Board Motion.
- Comments about impacts to West Seattle businesses in the Delridge segment.
- Questions about property acquisition and relocation process including business tenant relocation benefits and property appraisals.
- Question about the status and timeline of the Final Environmental Impact Statement.
- Questions about the station planning open house and materials.
- Questions about Alaska Junction Station design.
- Questions about utility line relocation project in SODO.