Project overview

Sound Transit is improving access to Puyallup Station for drivers, pedestrians, bicyclists and bus riders, including a new garage adding approximately 500 new parking spaces, new surface parking with approximately 165 spaces, and sidewalk and bicycle enhancements.

Sounder South rail service runs between Lakewood and King Street Station in Seattle on weekdays. Puyallup’s existing parking facilities would quickly fill to capacity during the morning commute before the COVID-19 pandemic, and we expect these new parking options to be well used in the years to come.

Current activities

Garage construction began in 2020, and as of July 2021, we’ve built three of the five floors. We’ll install the pedestrian bridge over 5th Street in summer 2021.

Continuing work will include finishing structural concrete for the garage, building out the interior spaces, and site work like installing the new surface parking lot, sidewalks, landscaping and improvements to intersections.

We expect to finish construction and open the new facilities to the public in the first half of 2022.

Garage artwork

Artist Shaun Peterson has created an artwork for the new parking garage at Puyallup Station. Shaun Peterson was born in Puyallup, Washington and is a member of the Puyallup tribe. Shaun pursued Coastal Native art shortly after graduating high school. His focus has been on his Coast Salish roots through painting, print and sculpture.

Shaun’s design for the artwork includes icons that have significance in Puyallup mythology, but at the same time he wanted to blur the lines between stories and the chosen figures of them with purpose. Shaun says of this artwork, “I wanted to think of this in composition as the past touching the present in what is timeless. What can be said about these panels is they are in and of themselves a glimpse through windows that can also provide an observer to witness a glimpse of culture that stems from the lands they have reached wherever they intend to go even if for a brief moment in this place.”

Learn more about the project:

soundtransit.org/puyallup-access-improvements
Highlights

- A total of 665 new parking spaces coming in 2022.
- Sidewalk, lighting, and bicycle improvements complete by 2024.

Access improvements

More parking
Sound Transit will build a new five-story parking garage with approximately 500 spaces and new surface parking with approximately 165 spaces one block west of the station. A pedestrian bridge over 5th Street NW will directly connect to the garage.

Better pedestrian and bicycle access
Sound Transit is contributing $3.4 million to the city of Puyallup for street lighting, curb ramps and other pedestrian safety improvements near the station, as well as new bicycle lanes on W Stewart Avenue.

Traffic improvements
Traffic flow will improve with a new signal at 7th Street NW and W Stewart Avenue and a new right-turn lane from W Stewart Avenue to southbound N Meridian.

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