



## Frequently Asked Questions

### **Why is Sound Transit proposing bicycle facilities when I don't see many people biking today?**

According to survey data from the Puget Sound Regional Council, about 38% of Tacomans say they currently ride a bicycle. Furthermore, 54% say they would make a short bike trip (3-miles or 15-minutes), at least once or twice a month, if there were a safe and convenient bike route available. By improving bicycle facilities, we expect more people to ride bikes.

### **How does Sound Transit ensure station areas and parking facilities are safe?**

We implement industry best practices to ensure our facilities are safe. This includes:

- Landscaping that preserves open sight lines.
- Lighting that ensures a visible and well-lit area for pedestrians and others.
- Security cameras.
- Emergency telephones on platforms and in our parking facilities.
- An extensive security program that includes mobile patrols, station security and platform security.
- A 24/7 Public Safety Operations Center that allows customers to report and contact via phone, email and texting for security events such as the "See Something, Say Something" program.

### **Will traffic from the Bridge Industrial Development affect pedestrian and bicyclist safety in the area?**

The Bridge Industrial traffic study directs most of the truck traffic to the north, and the project will be required to include improvements to mitigate the increase in vehicular trips.

### **Can "daylighting" be added at intersections to allow more visibility by and of pedestrians?**

We can consider daylighting intersections along project corridors. Parking is not allowed within 20 feet of marked or unmarked crosswalks and daylighting can be a low-cost tool to improve safety and visibility.

### **Why doesn't Sounder run more often?**

Sounder runs primarily on tracks owned by the BNSF Railroad, used heavily for freight movements. We do supply special event trains for select events, like some Seahawks, Sounders FC, and Mariners games. See the [event train schedule](#).