



Bus Rapid Transit

SR 522/NE 145th corridor

January 2019
Outreach Summary

February 2019

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Overview

The State Route 522/NE 145th Street Bus Rapid Transit (SR 522/NE 145th BRT) Project will provide fast, frequent and reliable bus-based transit service from north Lake Washington communities to the future Shoreline South/145th Link light rail station at NE 145th Street and Interstate-5 (I-5). Riders will be able to connect to and transfer between the SR 522/NE 145th BRT, I-405 BRT, Link light rail and other transit services provided by Sound Transit, Community Transit and King County Metro. In 2018, Sound Transit began to evaluate and refine the representative SR 522/NE 145th project identified in the voter-approved Sound Transit 3 (ST3) plan based on technical analysis and stakeholder input to develop the preliminary refined project for the full corridor. In early 2019, Sound Transit shared the preliminary refined project with the community and key stakeholder groups for further input. In March 2019, Sound Transit will request that the Sound Transit Board of Directors advance the project into the next phase of conceptual engineering and environmental review.

Following two public meetings in May 2018 and eight community workshops in September and October 2018, Sound Transit hosted two public meetings in January 2019 in the jurisdictions of Shoreline and Kenmore, both featuring the same format and content. At these public meetings, Sound Transit shared the preliminary refined project for the full corridor and the project refinements process with members of the community. Sound Transit also provided opportunities for members of the community to have one-on-one discussions with project staff and to give specific, localized feedback to further inform the refined project. Those who were unable to attend the public meetings in person were invited to learn more and provide feedback through an online open house (sr522brt.participate.online).

Public outreach objectives

The objectives of the January 2019 public meetings were as follows:

- Continue to (from May 2018 and September-October 2018):
 - Celebrate the start of the project with the community.
 - Inform potentially affected communities about the details, schedule and goals for the project, including defining elements of BRT and the ST3 representative project.
 - Share and explain the community engagement process during the project refinement phase in 2018 that will lead to action in early 2019 by the Sound Transit Board to advance the project into conceptual engineering and environmental review.
 - Share the types of elements that were established (i.e., BRT route) for the project and the refinements considered and ultimately identified by the project team.
 - Create equitable, inclusive and meaningful outreach and engagement opportunities.
- Discuss how technical analysis and past stakeholder feedback informed the preliminary refined project.
- Share components of the preliminary refined project and key changes and decisions since previous outreach, including the location and status of stations, parking locations, access considerations, and roadway and transit priority improvements.
- Allow members of the community to have one-on-one conversations with Sound Transit staff about local issues and potential property impacts.
- Inform the advancement of the preliminary refined project into the conceptual engineering and environmental review phase.
- Communicate next steps and future opportunities for public engagement.

This summary outlines the notification and community involvement strategies used in January 2019.

Participation by the numbers

- Approximately **165 people attended** the public meetings held in Shoreline and Kenmore.
- **807 people visited** the online open house.
- **84 online survey submissions, five comment forms and 132 comments on post-it notes** were submitted, in addition to feedback received through conversations with staff.

Audience

The audience for this round of outreach was intended to be corridor-wide. The public meetings were open to people from all jurisdictions and were geared toward:

- Members of the general public, who have an interest in the project and its outcome.
- Adjacent property owners, business owners and residents who live or work near the project area and use the NE 145th Street and SR 522 corridors.
- Current bus riders who travel along the NE 145th Street and SR 522 corridors – via ST Express Bus, Community Transit or King County Metro service.
- Agency staff and elected officials who have an interest in the project's potential impacts, permitting compliance and/or potential benefits to their constituents.
- Interest groups, such as transportation groups, regional land-use interests, environmental groups and organizations involved with local or regional businesses and industries.

During this third round of public outreach, Sound Transit continued to employ outreach methods to reach historically-underrepresented populations to equitably engage current and potential future transit riders. Historically-underrepresented populations include people of color, people who are or may be limited-English speakers, people with varying abilities, and people who are currently living with a low income. Based on the preliminary demographic analysis conducted during the first round of outreach that identified targeted populations within the project area, Sound Transit used the following strategies to engage these populations during this second round of outreach:

- Provided translated text on event advertisement postcards in Spanish and simplified Chinese.
- Offered interpretation and accommodation services for all in-person events.
- Provided translated handouts in Spanish and simplified Chinese.
- Publicized events online and in print with language-specific publications.
- Provided translated Spanish and simplified Chinese text on the online survey web pages, as well as via the embedded the Google Translate tool.
- Provided screen-reader compatible versions of online information and handouts.
- Hosted in-person events at venues accessible via transit and to people with varying abilities.

As the project moves from planning into design, Sound Transit will continue to work with community leaders, jurisdictions and social service providers to identify additional ways to reach historically-underrepresented populations.

Ways to comment

Between Jan. 28 and Feb. 11, 2019, the public was able to provide comments in the following ways:

- *Online surveys:* Linked from sr522brt.participate.online
- *Email:* brt@soundtransit.org
- *Phone:* 206-398-5470
- *Mail:* Sound Transit, 401 S. Jackson St., Seattle, WA 98104
- *Public event:* Written comment forms, roll plots and computer surveys

Outreach methods and tools

The project team used several public outreach and notification methods to maximize awareness of the project and invite the public to participate. Jurisdictions and agency partners also shared information about the project via their communications channels.

Outreach by the numbers

- **Two Facebook events** were published on Sound Transit's Facebook page (~30,900 subscribers).
- More than **57,000 postcards were mailed** to homes, apartments and businesses in Shoreline, North Seattle, Lake Forest Park, Kenmore, Bothell and Woodinville.
- **One press release and three email update notices** were sent to a total of 1,100 Sound Transit project email list subscribers.
- **Display advertisements** were placed in **seven** local online and print publications, including in-language publications.

Notifications

Project website

Public announcements of the public meetings and online open house were posted on the project website (soundtransit.org/sr522brt).

Email updates

A total of three email updates were sent to the project listserv of approximately 1,100 recipients on Jan. 17, Jan. 29, and Feb. 7 (Appendix A). These emails were also forwarded to community organizations and groups. The first email update served to announce the dates and times of the public meetings. The second email update served as a reminder for the public meetings and the launch of the online open house. The third email update thanked those who attended the public meetings and reminded email recipients that the online open house would close on Feb. 11.

Press release

Sound Transit issued a news release on Jan. 29 to announce the dates and times of the public meetings and online open house (Appendix B).

Postcard distribution

Postcards were distributed to over 57,000 individual family homes, apartments and businesses along the entire

project corridor in mid-January 2019. The postcard included information about the upcoming in-person public meetings and online open house and encouraged recipients to engage with the project (Appendix C).

Online and print display advertisements

Online and print advertisements ran in the weeks prior to the public meetings and online open house (Appendix D). Table 1 lists the publication dates and details.

Table 1. Online and print advertisements and run dates.

| Publication | Print ad(s) run dates | Online ad(s) run dates |
|--|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Woodinville Weekly | Jan. 21 | n/a |
| Bothell-Kenmore Reporter | Jan. 18 | Jan. 17 – 31 |
| Tu Decides <i>(featuring Spanish translated ads)</i> | Jan. 18 | Jan. 18 – 24 |
| Seattle Times | Jan. 20 | Jan. 20 – 27 |
| Seattle Daily Journal of Commerce | Jan. 21 | n/a |
| Seattle Medium | n/a | Jan. 17 – 31 |
| International Examiner | n/a | Jan. 18 – 31 |

Social media notifications

Social media announcements on Sound Transit’s Facebook page publicized the public meetings and online open house and encouraged public participation. A Facebook event for each of the two public meetings informed Sound Transit’s followers of the in-person events, online open house and other comment methods (Appendix E). Local community groups and organizations also shared information about the public meetings and online open house through their own social media and communications channels.

Public involvement opportunities

Public events

Sound Transit hosted two public meetings in the north Lake Washington area to inform community members of project engagement opportunities and receive feedback from community members on the preliminary refined project (Appendix F). These public meetings were held in Shoreline (Jan. 30) and Kenmore (Jan. 31) featuring the same format and content, both from 1 to 8 p.m. Approximately 165 total attendees attended the two public meetings.

| Project Segment | Shoreline | Kenmore |
|---------------------|--|---|
| Venue | Shoreline Unitarian Universalist Church | City of Kenmore City Hall |
| Address | 14724 1st Ave. NE Shoreline, WA 98155 | 18120 68th Ave. NE Kenmore, WA 98028 |
| Meeting date & time | Wednesday, Jan. 30 1 – 8 p.m. | Thursday, Jan. 31 1 – 8 p.m. |

The public meetings allowed attendees to visit a series of stations with visual displays (Appendix G), to have one-on-one conversations with members of the project staff and agency partners about local issues and potential impacts, and to provide their feedback on the preliminary refined project. Laptops with screen-reading capabilities were set up for attendees to provide feedback via the online open house, and printed comment forms were available for those who wished to provide feedback in a handwritten form (Appendix H). Large maps showing the project corridor and preliminary refined project were laid out on tables for members of the public to view and provide comments (Appendix I). Attendees were encouraged to leave their location-specific comments on post-it notes. Approximately 137 comments were collected from the two public meetings in the form of comment forms and post-it notes on the project corridor maps (Appendix I).

Folios describing the preliminary refined project, fact sheets describing feedback previously heard from members of the public and how the project team refined the project in response, fact sheets for property owners along the project alignment, FAQs about the project, and general Sound Transit informational materials were available for attendees to take with them. Translated materials in Spanish and simplified Chinese were also available at each public meeting.

Representatives from King County Metro, the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), and the cities of Seattle and Bothell attended the public meetings to share information and answer questions about future roadway, transit and development plans occurring in conjunction with BRT.

Online open house (sr522brt.participate.online)

An online open house was available from Jan. 28 to Feb. 11 to allow visitors to learn more about the preliminary refined project, provide feedback and view the same information and visual displays provided at the public meetings (Appendix J). The online open house received a total of 807 unique visitors during this outreach phase (Appendix K).

Email, phone and mail comments

Through the notification methods listed above, people were encouraged to submit feedback over the phone (206-398-5470), via email (brt@soundtransit.org) and by mail (SR 522 BRT, Sound Transit, 401 S. Jackson St., Seattle, WA 98104) if they were not able to provide comments via the public meetings or online open house. A total of 18 comments were received through these means between Jan. 28 and Feb. 11.

What we heard

During the public meetings, attendees were able to visit a series of stations with visual displays to engage with project staff, learn about the project and provide their feedback. Visitors to the online open house were also able to view this same information and provide feedback online.

Key themes

Approximately 137 comments were received at the two public meetings, where opportunities to provide feedback included:

- Filling out comment forms. The questions the project team asked members of the public to consider and answer were “What do you like about the preliminary refined project?” and “Do you have any remaining concerns?”.
- Writing on the project corridor maps. Participants were encouraged to leave their location-specific comments on maps showing the project corridor and preliminary refined project.
- Talking with project staff. Members of the public could speak with project staff to learn more and ask questions about the preliminary refined project. Project staff noted down the public’s comments on the comment forms and project corridor maps.

A total of 84 comments were received through the online open house. Under the ‘Preliminary Refined Project’ tab of the website, visitors were asked to answer the same questions provided on the comment forms about each jurisdiction.

A list of key themes identified for the full corridor as well as each jurisdiction are listed below. Example public comments related to the key themes are included throughout this section.

Key themes corridor-wide

The following themes emerged relevant to the full project corridor:

- Support for keeping existing transit connections to downtown Seattle for consistency and to provide an alternative transit option to BRT that minimizes transfers, especially for the elderly population.
- Concerns about traffic congestion on SR 522 and NE 145th Street and its impacts on the speed and reliability of the future SR 522/NE 145th BRT.
- Support to improve non-motorized access to BRT stations and existing local transit service. There were requests for improvements to pedestrian and bike infrastructure including additional crossings, bike lanes and bike storage facilities at and near BRT stations.

Example public comments relevant to the full project corridor:

“Don’t want to lose the existing 522 express to downtown. It is faster and easier for seniors than having to get off and transfer to light rail.”

“Please include bike racks on buses and also storage at park-and-ride locations.”

“My biggest concern is the potential congestion...”

Key themes in Woodinville

The following themes and unique community considerations emerged concerning the jurisdiction of Woodinville:

- Concern about the BRT route through Woodinville due to potential impacts to transit speed and reliability and suggestions for alternate BRT routes that were not included in the preliminary refined project. One comment suggested having BRT exit SR 522 at 131st Avenue NE in Woodinville, travel northeast on Woodinville Snohomish Road, and turn east onto NE Mill Place to service the Woodinville Park-and-Ride instead of having BRT exit SR 522 at NE 195th Street and traveling south to service the park-and-ride.
- Support for more frequent local transit and SR 522/NE 145th BRT service in Woodinville. Suggestions included working with transit agency partners such as King County Metro to coordinate service lines.
- Support for keeping and establishing more frequent direct transit connections to downtown Seattle, including the Sound Transit Express Route 522 and King County Metro Route 311 service lines.
- Concerns about the travel time from Woodinville to downtown Seattle with the use of BRT.

Example public comments regarding Woodinville:

“Work with Metro to see if you could double up this line with some local service that duplicates the route, providing 10 minute headways by ending a local Woodinville route at the NE 195th BRT transfer.”

“Bus transit is useful and integration with light rail is also a good motive, but... with no direct line to Seattle from Woodinville, this makes mass transit an unappealing choice for traveling to and from Seattle.”

Key themes in Bothell

The following themes and unique community considerations emerged concerning the jurisdiction of Bothell:

- Both support and concern for the locations of the planned BRT stations in Bothell. Supporters liked that BRT serves downtown Bothell and the University of Washington (UW) Bothell and Cascadia College campus. Some suggested alternate BRT station locations and BRT routes that were not included in the preliminary refined project, such as:
 - A station at SR 522 and 96th Ave NE.
 - A station at SR 522 and 98th Ave NE.
 - A station at the UW Bothell Beardslee Building on the north side of the campus.
 - A station at SR 522 and 131th Ave NE.
 - Routing BRT on Main Street from 98th Ave NE eastward as it becomes Beardslee Blvd instead of routing BRT on NE 185th Street.

Example public comments regarding Bothell:

“UW Bothell is an important destination. I’m glad the BRT will serve it.”

“[The BRT station at the NE 195th/I-405 interchange] will be an important crossroads. Lots of growth nearby. Will need parking and good access.”

“Pedestrian access [from the] existing Bothell Park-and-Ride to new BRT station...consider elevator or steps for grade change.”

- Support for a bus-only lane on NE 185th Street near 110th Avenue NE in Bothell.
- Support for pedestrian, biking and parking facilities to increase access to the BRT station at the NE 195th Street/I-405 interchange due to nearby developments and expected growth in the area.
- Support to increase existing local transit service in Bothell, such as on the weekends.
- Support to improve non-motorized access to BRT stations in Bothell through building pedestrian and bike infrastructure. Suggestions included implementing pedestrian improvements to connect the Bothell Park-and-Ride to the planned BRT station at NE 185th Street and 103rd Avenue NE and having bike storage facilities at stations.

Key themes in Kenmore

The following themes and unique community considerations emerged concerning the jurisdiction of Kenmore:

- Support for more parking spaces in addition to the planned 300-stall parking garage and for parking facilities that require permits, are designated for local commuters and allow for long-term parking.
- Concern about disruption of the heron nesting spots near the northeast corner of SR 522 and 73rd Ave NE, north of the Kenmore Park-and-Ride, particularly during construction.
- Support for the planned and provisional BRT stations in Kenmore, especially to build the provisional station at SR 522 and 61st Avenue NE.
- Concern about lack of local transit connections to the future BRT stations, particularly from North Kenmore. Commenters emphasized the need for robust transit service to future station pairs or the need for more station pairs in Kenmore, such as at SR 522 and 61st Avenue NE.
- Support for the planned transit priority improvements in Kenmore to increase transit speed and reliability.
- Concerns about the potential removal of a direct transit connection from Kenmore to downtown Seattle through the ST Express Route 522 and King County Metro Route 312 services.

Example public comments regarding Kenmore:

"I am very happy to see that a provisional station pair has been added at SR 522 and 61st Ave NE. If implemented, this station pair will do a lot to support the needs of the population of western Kenmore."

"Remember the nesting heron [north of the Kenmore Park-and-Ride] and protected wetlands."

"Can you make [the parking garage] larger to hold more capacity? Can it be an underground garage?"

Key themes in Lake Forest Park:

The following themes and unique community considerations emerged concerning the jurisdiction of Lake Forest Park:

- Concerns about traffic congestion on SR 522 through Lake Forest Park and around the Town Center and support for the planned additional business access and transit (BAT) lanes on SR 522.

Example public comments regarding Lake Forest Park:

"Yay for continuous BAT lanes in Lake Forest Park and for a sidewalk on the east side of SR 522 in LFP!"

- Support to build the provisional BRT station at NE 165th Street.
- Ideas for a pedestrian bridge to connect the planned parking garage at the Town Center to the lake side of SR 522.
- Both support and concern for the planned parking garage at the Town Center. Supporters like the additional number of parking spaces in Lake Forest Park. Some expressed concern about the impacts to the Town Center and potential increases in traffic congestion in the area.
- Support for bike racks and bike storage facilities at the BRT station and parking garage near the Town Center and for BRT coaches that can accommodate luggage for travelers to the SeaTac Airport.

Example public comments regarding Lake Forest Park:

"I would like to understand more about the parking garage at LFP and the impacts on the neighborhood shopping center."

"Please keep the bus stop at 165th Street for all buses... I have trouble walking far and can't walk as far as the shopping center to get a bus."

Key themes in North Seattle and Shoreline

The following themes and unique community considerations emerged concerning the NE 145th Street corridor:

- Support for additional pedestrian improvements to enhance safety and ease-of-use for people walking across and on NE 145th Street.
- Both support and opposition for bike lanes and other biking improvements on NE 145th Street. Supporters would like to see increased safety for non-motorized modes of travel on the corridor. Opposers would like to see bike lanes on a street parallel to the corridor, such as through the residential neighborhoods north of NE 145th Street, to utilize the area's existing safety and comfort.
- Support for transit integration measures and strategies.
- Concerns about business access and property impacts.
- Support for BAT lanes and intersection improvements on NE 145th Street, such as the left turn pockets at 25th Avenue NE.
- Concerns about safety and traffic congestion at the intersection of NE 145th Street and 25th Avenue NE due to elevation changes and frequent left turns by people driving.
- Concerns about the coordination of general purpose traffic and BRT movement and potential increases to traffic congestion.

Example public comments regarding North Seattle/Shoreline:

"A BAT lane on the approach to the station seems like a very good idea. The station's location next to I-5 could lead to big traffic snarls right where ridership is at its highest. Please do not skimp on transit priority in this section."

"[I have concerns about the] congestion at the intersection of NE 145th and 25th. This intersection is historically clogged by people traveling east and turning left onto 25th. The angle of elevation makes it a challenge for vehicles to stop/start at that intersection."

"A few pedestrian fatalities [near the intersection of NE 145th and 17th]. Consider [adding] a safe pedestrian crossing."

Demographics

Visitors to the online open house were asked to answer demographics questions on the 'Welcome' tab of the website (Appendix J). The results of are summarized below. A total of 102 people participated in the survey. A total of 96 people gave an answer for their race or ethnicity, 97 people gave an answer for their gender, 91 people gave an answer regarding accommodations, and 95 people gave an answer for their age. People were also asked to answer questions about their zip code, how they heard about the online open house, their total household income, and whether they owned or rented their current residence (Appendix L).

Table 5. Race or ethnicity information provided by open house visitors who participated in the survey.

| What ethnic or racial group do you consider yourself a part of or feel closest to? | |
|--|----|
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 10 |
| African-American/Black | 1 |
| Caucasian/White | 71 |
| Hispanic/Latinx | 1 |
| I'd rather not say | 11 |
| Other | 2 |
| <i>Total</i> | 96 |

Table 6. Gender information provided by open house visitors who participated in the survey.

| What gender do you identify with? | |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Female | 49 |
| Male | 41 |
| I'd rather not say | 7 |
| <i>Total</i> | 97 |

Table 7. Accommodation information provided by open house visitors who participated in the survey.

| Would accommodations in any of the following areas make engaging on this project easier or more comfortable for you? Check all that apply and describe your needs. | |
|--|----|
| Cognitive | 1 |
| Hearing | 2 |
| Mobility | 5 |
| Vision | 3 |
| None | 75 |
| Other | 5 |
| <i>Total</i> | 91 |

Table 8. Age information provided by open house visitors who participated in the survey.

| What is your current age? | |
|---------------------------|----|
| 25 – 34 | 12 |
| 35 – 44 | 28 |
| 45 – 54 | 14 |
| 55 – 64 | 26 |
| 65 – 74 | 13 |
| 75+ | 2 |
| <i>Total</i> | 95 |



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Appendix A: Email updates

The following email was sent to the Sound Transit project email subscription list on Jan. 17 to announce the dates and times of the public meetings.



Sound Transit's regional network of express buses, commuter rail, light rail and transit facilities connects communities in King, Pierce and Snohomish counties.

Project update: SR 522/NE 145th Bus Rapid Transit

Sound Transit sent this bulletin at 01/17/2019 01:20 PM PST

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Attend a drop-in session

We're hosting two drop-in sessions later this month to share the preliminary refined project for the SR 522/NE 145th Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project. Preliminary refinements to the project are based on technical analysis, partner agency feedback and what we heard throughout the community engagement process in 2018. Come by anytime during one of the drop-in sessions to learn more, provide input on the preliminary refined project and find out about next steps.

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Project schedule

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Thank you for being engaged throughout this planning process – your feedback is essential to shaping the project!

[Provide feedback](#)

Stay connected

Watch for future project updates. Forward this to your friends, family, neighbors and people in your community! Encourage them to [subscribe](#).

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Project update

Provide your feedback online

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Project update

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the most recent round of outreach for the SR 522/NE 145th Bus Rapid Transit Project. We appreciated getting to meet with so many of you at the drop-in sessions held in Shoreline and Kenmore last week.

Please remember to visit sr522brt.participate.online by Feb. 11 to learn more and share your thoughts on the preliminary refined project.

Your input will be shared with the City Managers, Interagency and Elected Leadership Groups along with the Sound Transit Board of Directors before the project is advanced into conceptual engineering and environmental review.

Share your thoughts

Project schedule and what's next?

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Stay connected

Watch for future project updates. Forward this to your friends, family, neighbors and people in your community! Encourage them to [subscribe](#).

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More project info: soundtransit.org/sr522brt
Get in touch: brt@soundtransit.org or 206-398-5470
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Appendix B: Press releases

Sound Transit issued one press release on Jan. 29 announcing the public meetings and online open house.



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Sound Transit to host public drop-in sessions about Bus Rapid Transit on the SR 522/NE 145th Street Corridor

Members of the public are invited to learn about development of station and parking locations.

January 29, 2019

Sound Transit will hold two public drop-in sessions this week about SR 522/NE 145th Street Bus Rapid Transit (BRT), scheduled to begin operating in 2024.

- Wednesday, January 30 from 1-8 p.m. at the Shoreline Unitarian Universalist Church, 14724 1st Ave. NE, Seattle
- Thursday, January 31 from 1-8 p.m. at Kenmore City Hall, 18120 68th Ave. NE, Kenmore

The SR 522/NE 145th BRT will provide fast, frequent and reliable transit service connecting communities from Shoreline to Woodinville via NE 145th Street and SR 522. The route has nine BRT stations and new parking planned in Lake Forest Park, Kenmore and Bothell. It will connect to Link light rail at the Shoreline South/145th Station and to I-405 BRT in Bothell.

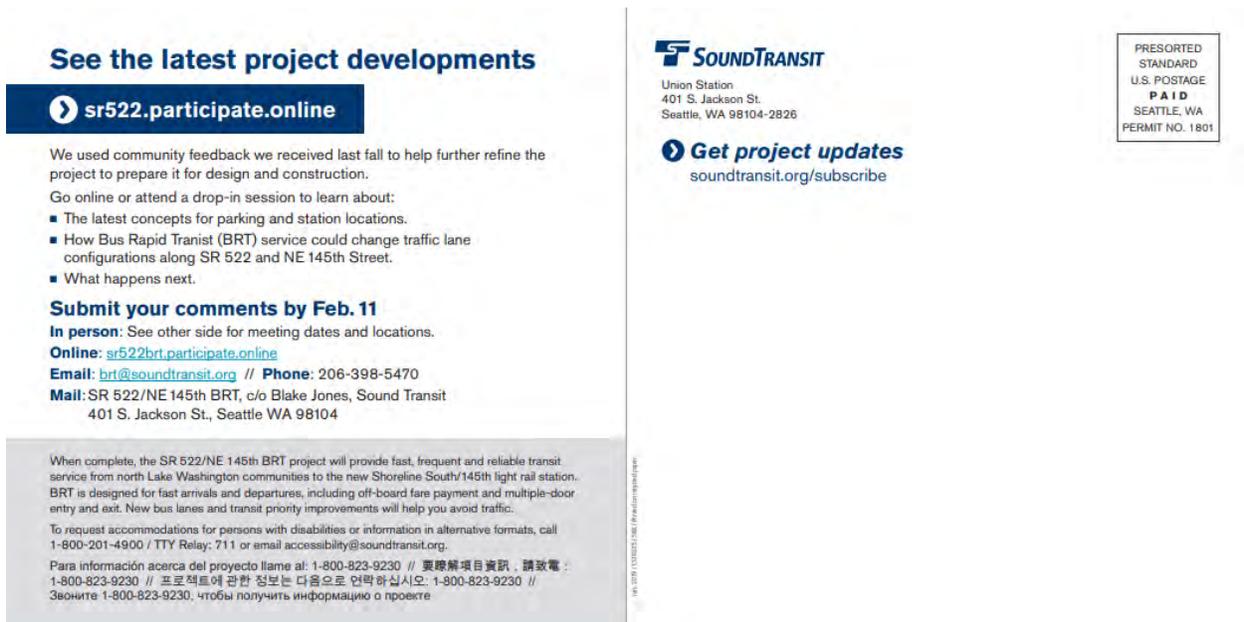
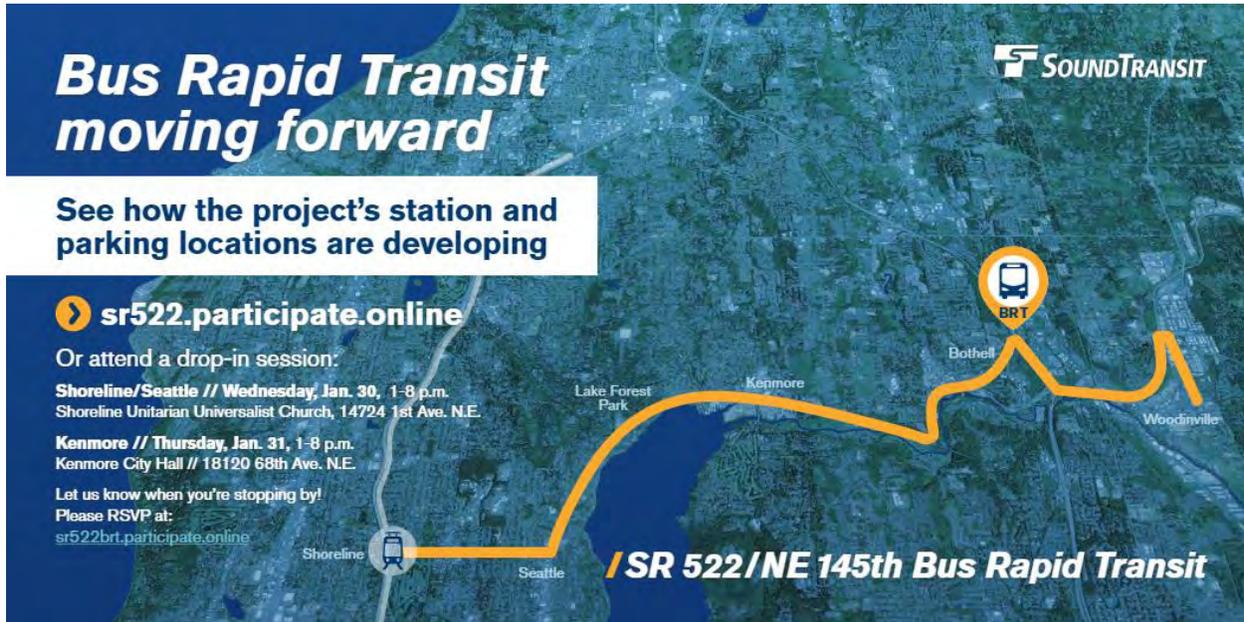
Communities are invited to see how the project's station and parking locations are developing. Sound Transit used community feedback received last fall to help further refine the project to prepare it for design and construction. The drop-in sessions are also an opportunity to learn about how BRT service could change traffic lane configurations along SR 522 and NE 145th St.

Those who aren't able to attend an in-person meeting can provide comments through an online open house at <https://sr522brt.participate.online>. The online open house will be open through February 11.

During 2018, Sound Transit evaluated refinements to the representative project approved by voters in 2016 based on technical analysis and stakeholder input. In March 2019, Sound Transit will present the preliminary refined project to the Board of Directors and begin conceptual engineering and environmental review. Construction will begin in 2023, with service anticipated to start in 2024.

Appendix C: Postcard

The images below show the front and back of the postcard mailed to residents in Shoreline, North Seattle (within a half mile of the project corridor), Lake Forest Park, Kenmore, Bothell and Woodinville. Postcards were mailed in mid-January 2019.



Appendix D: Online and print advertisements

The images below are examples of the online and print advertisements that were placed in local publications to announce the public meetings and link to the online open house.



The following screenshots show some of the online advertisements posted in publications.



Monday, February 11, 2019

search articles

New Project **RFQ/P: Climate mitigation plan, Thurston County, WA**

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SOQs, Rosters



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Bids, RFPs, SOQs,
Rosters



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Contractors



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permits from around
the Northwest



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RFPs



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Carmel's First Hill tower now a 'respectful' 8-story building



Rendering by Encore Architects

Carmel Partners of San Francisco bought a half-block parking lot from the Polyclinic last fall for \$18.1 million. The site is at 1100 Boylston Ave., immediately southwest across the alley from Seattle First Baptist Church.

AMLI, GGLO ready with 17-story building for key waterfront block

By BRIAN MILLER

The early plan is for 256 units, 4,460 square feet of retail commercial space and 161 parking stalls.



Bullitt Center now treats its own rainwater, and tenants drink it up

By LYNN PORTER

In October, the Bullitt Center in Seattle became the first office building in the world to produce its own potable water when its rainwater-to-potable water system went into full operation.



DSA: Downtown hits a record 300K jobs

By JON SILVER

As of December, 66 projects were under construction, including 8,728 residential units, 1,137 hotel rooms and 6.4 million square feet of office.

Inland Group plans 330 affordable units in Rainier Beach

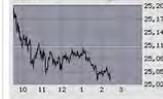
By BRIAN MILLER

The project would have three courtyards, and be a block from the Safeway.



Grab a soda and go: stores get more convenient

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- New Bid Calls 10
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- LYNNWOOD LINK L200 - BID PACKAGE #2 Interwest Construction Inc.
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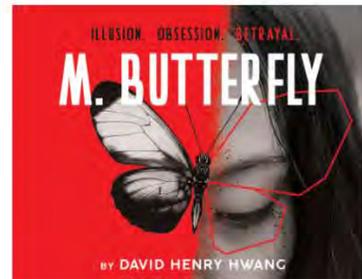
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To inquire about posting a classified, please contact advertising@iexaminer.org or call (206) 624-3925.

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Job Opportunity: Finance and Administrative Coordinator with PEPS
 Auriza Ugalino - January 24, 2019

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Job Opportunity – Executive Director with FUSION
 The International Examiner - November 30, 2018



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Job Opportunity – Grants Specialist (Workforce Development) with Seattle Jobs Initiative

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Job Opportunity – Legislative Director with ACLU Washington
 The International Examiner - November 15, 2018

passed away on December 7, 2018. She was the longest...

OPINION



Nonviolence of spirit: Reflecting on MLK's approach to social change
 Lexi Potter - January 23, 2019

"Nonviolence means avoiding not only external physical violence but also internal violence of spirit. You not only refuse to shoot a man, but you..."

Resources to resist deportation for Khmer Americans and others
 January 22, 2019

Letter to the editor: There is still hope for Bush Garden
 January 22, 2019

Opinion: SEAS Change – A community-led effort to keep families together
 December 20, 2018

Governor's pardons: One tool to protect from deportation
 December 19, 2018



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SR 522/NE 145th Bus Rapid Transit

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Democrats reject, conservatives deride Trump's 'non-starter' of a border wall deal

Washington Democratic Party chair on Howard Schultz presidential run: 'Just. Don't.'

Seattle woman faces eviction for failing to pay \$2 she owed in rent

Fentanyl may be involved in spike in North Seattle overdoses, health officials say

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After Paul Allen's death, Stratolaunch cuts sharply back — but giant plane will still fly [WATCH](#)

Where to see the total lunar eclipse Sunday



Washington's Matisse Thybulle in action against California on Saturday during the Huskies' 71-52 win. (Elaine Thompson / The Associated Press)

Matt Calkins
Down year for Pac-12 basketball? Forget it — these Huskies are legit

Say what you want about the state of the Pac-12, but Washington beat Cal 71-52 to extend its winning streak to seven. The victory marks the first time UW has started Pac-12 play 5-0 since 1984. Just two years ago, UW finished 9-22 and 2-16 in conference.

Huskies start slow but wake up to beat Cal for 7th straight win and 1,000th all-time at Hec Ed

Will UW men land 5-star recruit Isaiah Stewart? Huskies will find out Sunday »

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News for people in a hurry.

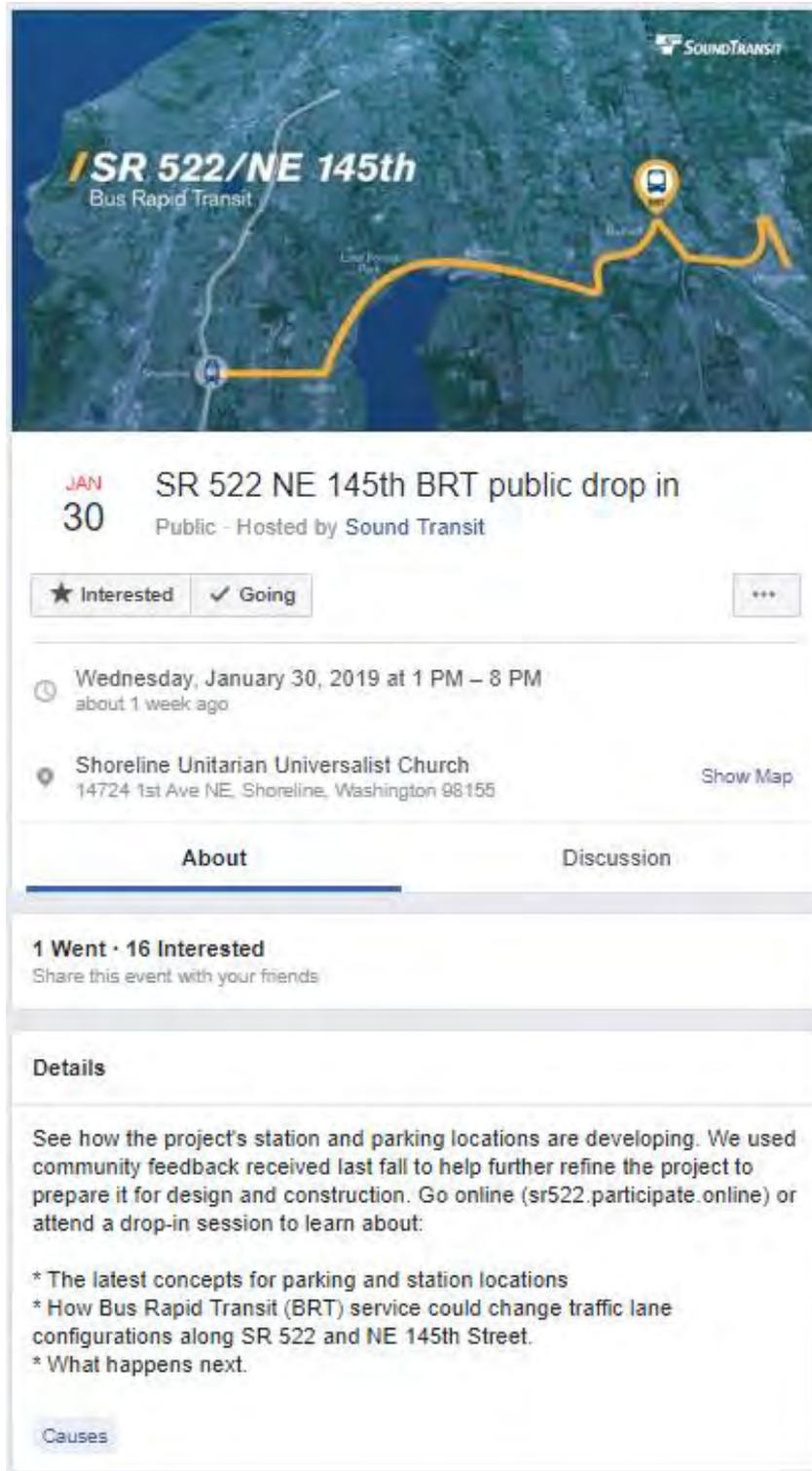
Catch up quickly with the Morning Brief email newsletter.

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Appendix E: Social media posts

Below are Sound Transit's Facebook posts announcing each of the community meetings.



The image shows a screenshot of a Facebook event page. At the top is a map with a yellow line indicating the proposed BRT route and a bus icon at a station. The text on the map reads "SR 522/NE 145th Bus Rapid Transit". Below the map, the event title is "SR 522 NE 145th BRT public drop in" with the date "JAN 30" and the description "Public - Hosted by Sound Transit". There are buttons for "Interested" and "Going". The event is scheduled for "Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at 1 PM - 8 PM" at the "Shoreline Unitarian Universalist Church" (14724 1st Ave NE, Shoreline, Washington 98155). The page has tabs for "About" and "Discussion". It shows "1 Went · 16 Interested" and a "Details" section with the following text: "See how the project's station and parking locations are developing. We used community feedback received last fall to help further refine the project to prepare it for design and construction. Go online (sr522.participate.online) or attend a drop-in session to learn about: * The latest concepts for parking and station locations * How Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) service could change traffic lane configurations along SR 522 and NE 145th Street. * What happens next." There is also a "Causes" button at the bottom.



JAN 31 SR 522 NE 145th BRT public drop in session
Public - Hosted by Sound Transit

★ Interested ✓ Going ...

🕒 Thursday, January 31, 2019 at 1 PM – 8 PM
6 days ago

📍 Kenmore City Hall
18120 68th Ave NE, Kenmore, Washington 98028 Show Map

About Discussion

5 Went · 38 Interested
Share this event with your friends

Details

See how the project's station and parking locations are developing. We used community feedback received last fall to help further refine the project to prepare it for design and construction. Go online (sr522.participate.online) or attend a drop-in session to learn about:

- * The latest concepts for parking and station locations
- * How Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) service could change traffic lane configurations along SR 522 and NE 145th Street.
- * What happens next.

Causes

Appendix F: Event photos

The photos below show attendees participating in the public meeting in Shoreline/Seattle.



The photos below show attendees participating in the public meeting in Kenmore.



Appendix G: Display boards

The following display boards were featured at the public meetings.

Welcome!
¡Bienvenidos!
歡迎!

SR 522/NE 145th
 Bus Rapid Transit Project

Thank you for joining us.
 Gracias por acompañarnos.
 感謝加入我們。

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CONNECTING THE REGION

SR 522/NE 145th BRT will connect communities from Shoreline to Woodinville via NE 145th Street, SR 522 and UW Bothell/Cascadia College. The route will have Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) stations that include connections to Link light rail at the Shoreline South/145th Station and to I-405 BRT in Bothell.

I-405 BRT will have two lines connecting communities along I-405 and SR 518 from Lynnwood to Bellevue and Burien to Bellevue with a new transit center in South Renton and 11 BRT stations. Connections to Link light rail will be available at Lynnwood, Bellevue and Tukwila.

Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)

- Bus Rapid Transit
- BRT in service 2024
- Less frequent service
- Regional transit connections
- New parking
- Existing parking
- Link Light Rail
- In service 2024

Project subject to change.

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TRANSIT INTEGRATION

The SR 522/NE 145th BRT project area connects six cities: Seattle, Shoreline, Lake Forest Park, Kenmore and Bothell, with service every 20 minutes to Woodinville. Like the rest of the Puget Sound region, these areas are expected to grow over the coming years due to increases in population and job opportunities, placing a greater demand on public transit. Between now and 2024, the regional transit system will change significantly to support this growth.

Sound Transit is working closely with our transit agency partners, including King County Metro and Community Transit, to determine how Sound Transit BRT can best integrate with partner transit agency routes to:

- › Complement each other
- › Provide reliable and frequent service
- › Reduce travel times
- › Provide for easy transfers
- › Improve the customer experience
- › Avoid duplicative service
- › Make efficient use of taxpayer dollars

As the project develops, Sound Transit will continue to work with our transit partners to implement new and/or better connected routes in the north Lake Washington area that will help transit riders get where they need to go.



What transit plans are underway?

Our transit partners have developed plans for regional or local transit service changes as BRT and other transit system improvements begin service, including Link light rail to both Northgate and Lynnwood. These transit plans include:

- › King County Metro: Metro Connects Long-Range Vision.
- › Community Transit: Long Range Plan.

Transit routes in these long-range plans include connections to BRT and service complementary to BRT, including:

- › Express bus service in the SR 522 and I-405 corridors, including connections to Woodinville.
- › Local routes and frequent routes that connect to the BRT corridor and transit centers.

What other projects are coming to the area?

While upcoming projects are taken into consideration during transit planning, there are several upcoming Sound Transit projects that could affect the current long-range transit plans.

2021: Northgate Link light rail, with stations in the U District, Roosevelt and Northgate.

2024: Lynnwood Link light rail, with stations serving Shoreline, Mountlake Terrace and Lynnwood. Available funding, area growth, and ridership may also affect transit plan implementation.

How will the addition of new service affect existing or planned transit service?

As we saw with the opening of University Link in 2018, transit routes and schedules in the vicinity may change to improve access to the new service. Sound Transit's goal is to ensure that the future BRT system complements and supports the most efficient local and regional transit service for the community.

Sound Transit will continue to communicate with the public as routes are added and/or changed. Any potential changes to King County Metro or Community Transit service will be shared with the community well in advance for public input through separate community engagement processes.



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FROM REPRESENTATIVE PROJECT TO REFINED PROJECT

The ST3 Plan approved by voters established the SR 522/NE 145th representative project, which included the project scope, high-level cost estimates and ridership forecasts. It also established transit mode, corridor, number of stations and representative station locations.

In 2018, we started with the representative project and considered and evaluated project refinements to incorporate into a preliminary refined project. In 2019, Sound Transit will request that the Sound Transit Board of Directors advance the project into the next phase of conceptual engineering and environmental review.



Types of project refinements Sound Transit considered in 2018

- › Station locations.
- › Parking locations within Lake Forest Park, Kenmore and Bothell.
- › Roadway improvements for BRT priority, including business access and transit lanes, lanes re-purposed for transit, bus queue bypass lanes and transit signal priority.
- › Integration with transit service provided by King County Metro and Community Transit as well as ST Express bus service.
- › Location of connection to I-405 BRT.
- › Access for pedestrians and bicyclists.
- › BRT service branding.



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PROJECT REFINEMENTS SCREENING PROCESS

1 Start with the Sound Transit 3 (ST3) representative project

The representative project included in the ST3 Plan approved by voters provided the starting point for potential parking locations, station locations, sidewalks and more.

2 Develop potential project refinements

Sound Transit took the representative project out to the community and to stakeholder groups, including the Elected Leadership Group, City Managers Group and Interagency Group, to determine which elements of the representative project could benefit from possible refinements.

3 Review project refinements

The project team reviewed all potential project refinements, with additional input from stakeholder groups to determine which refinements appeared to support the project goals. The options that did not support the project goals were not carried forward.

4 Evaluate refinements

Sound Transit evaluated the remaining refinement options using the identified evaluation criteria and technical analysis. The project team then further narrowed down potential project refinements with additional feedback from the community and stakeholder groups to develop a refined project for the full corridor.

5 Share refined project

After determining which project refinements best serve the community and meet the project goals, Sound Transit incorporated them into a preliminary refined project. We are currently sharing the preliminary refined project with the community, Interagency Group and Elected Leadership Group for further input. In March 2019, Sound Transit will request that the Sound Transit Board of Directors advance the project into the next project phase of conceptual engineering and environmental review.

WE ARE HERE!



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PROJECT SCHEDULE AND WHAT'S NEXT

Project Schedule



What's next in 2019?

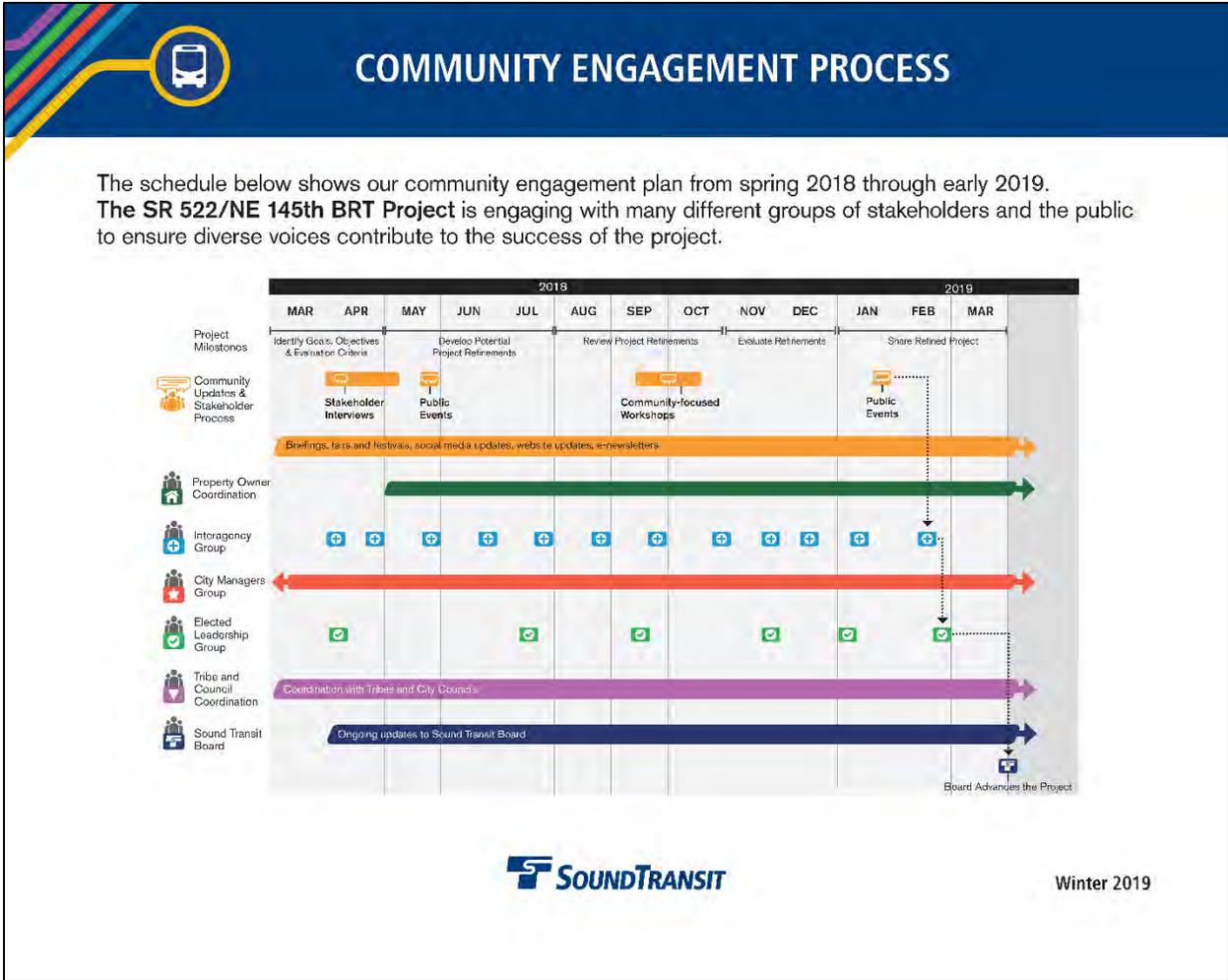
- > Conceptual design and preliminary engineering to inform environmental review
- > Environmental documentation to describe the project's environmental impacts
- > Continued coordination with Interagency Group, City Managers Group and Elected Leadership Group
- > Outreach to property owners along the project corridor
- > Community and stakeholder briefings
- > Public events and other outreach opportunities

Elements of the project design to be developed (2019-2022):

- > Roadway cross-sections, including business access and transit (BAT) including lanes, lanes and sidewalks
- > Intersection improvements
- > Station design, including orientation, access, and circulation
- > Parking structures
- > Wayfinding and signage placement
- > Environmental mitigation improvements
- > Landscaping



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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS




Sound Transit Board
The Sound Transit Board oversees the implementation and delivery of the project, and has final authority to confirm the refined project and other major decisions. The board will consider recommendations and feedback from the Elected Leadership Group, Interagency Group and the public when making decisions.




Elected Leadership Group
Made up of elected officials who represent the six cities along the project corridor, the Sound Transit Board and the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), this group is focusing on reaching local agreement around key decisions, working through project issues, and making recommendations on the refined project.




Interagency Group
Sound Transit is working closely to coordinate with agencies and governments as this project moves forward at a technical level, ensuring consistency with other city and agency plans and projects. This group is meeting monthly to provide technical expertise and input on the project refinement process. This group is comprised of the following agencies and governments: WSDOT, King County Metro, Community Transit, UW Bothell, Cascadia College, and the cities of Woodinville, Bothell, Kenmore, Lake Forest Park, Shoreline and Seattle.




City Managers Group
Made up of city managers representing Shoreline, Lake Forest Park, Kenmore, Bothell and Woodinville, this group has been working together since 2015 and helped ensure the project was included in the ST3 Plan for voter's consideration. They are continuing to meet at key project milestones to keep all jurisdictions focused on a corridor-wide perspective and make sure their respective city councils are informed and involved.



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SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS

We want to hear your thoughts on the preliminary refined SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project. Sound Transit will weigh all input received to finalize the project refinements. In March 2019, we will request that the Sound Transit Board of Directors advance the project into the conceptual engineering and environmental review phase.

Questions:

- 1 What do you like about the preliminary refined project?
- 2 Do you have any remaining concerns?



How to comment

- > To leave general feedback, visit the comment station.
- > To leave location-specific feedback, add your comments to the map(s) using post-it notes.
- > Agree with something someone else said? Write "+1" next to it to add your voice.



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NEXT STEPS & HOW TO STAY ENGAGED

Thank you

Thank you for attending this event. We welcome your feedback to help inform conceptual engineering and the environmental review process.

CONTACT US



EMAIL with questions, concerns or comments brt@soundtransit.org



MAIL SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project c/o Blake Jones Sound Transit, 401 S. Jackson St., Seattle, WA 98104



CALL the project line to speak with an Outreach Specialist 206-398-5470



FILL OUT a comment card in person

GO ONLINE



LEARN about the project soundtransit.org/SR522BRT



Respond to online **SURVEYS**



Subscribe to **EMAIL UPDATES** soundtransit.org/subscribe



Follow on **SOCIAL MEDIA**

STAY INVOLVED



REQUEST A BRIEFING OR ONE-ON-ONE MEETING

Are you a property or business owner along the project corridor or member of a local neighborhood association? Request a meeting with one of our outreach specialists to provide specific project updates and answer your questions about property and neighborhood impacts.



ATTEND PUBLIC EVENTS

Come to public events to learn about how the community's input has helped shape the project. Provide your feedback and comment on current plans. Stay informed about upcoming events soundtransit.org/subscribe

What we'll do with your feedback

- > Share community input with the Interagency Group, City Managers Group, Elected Leadership Group and the Sound Transit Board.
- > Consider community input when making decisions about conceptual engineering and environmental review.

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Appendix H: Comment forms

The following images show the front and back side of the comment form that was provided to attendees at the public meetings.

SOUNDTRANSIT COMMENT

Please share your thoughts on the preliminary refined SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project. Thank you for your feedback!

1 What do you like about the preliminary refined project?

2 Do you have any remaining concerns?

Thank you for attending this drop-in session and taking the time to share your feedback! Please provide your contact information if you would like a response or if you would like to receive project updates. Feel free to leave your comment form at the comment station before you leave or send it to us via the contact information below.

We hope you will continue to engage with us as this project moves forward!

Name:
Organization (optional):
Address:
Email:

Email: brt@soundtransit.org
Mail: SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project c/o Blake Jones, Sound Transit, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle, WA 98104
Call: 206-398-5470

- Sign me up for SR 522/NE 145th Bus Rapid Transit Project email updates

Go online to sign up for email updates, take online surveys, and future events: soundtransit.org/SR522BRT
Follow us on social media @soundtransit

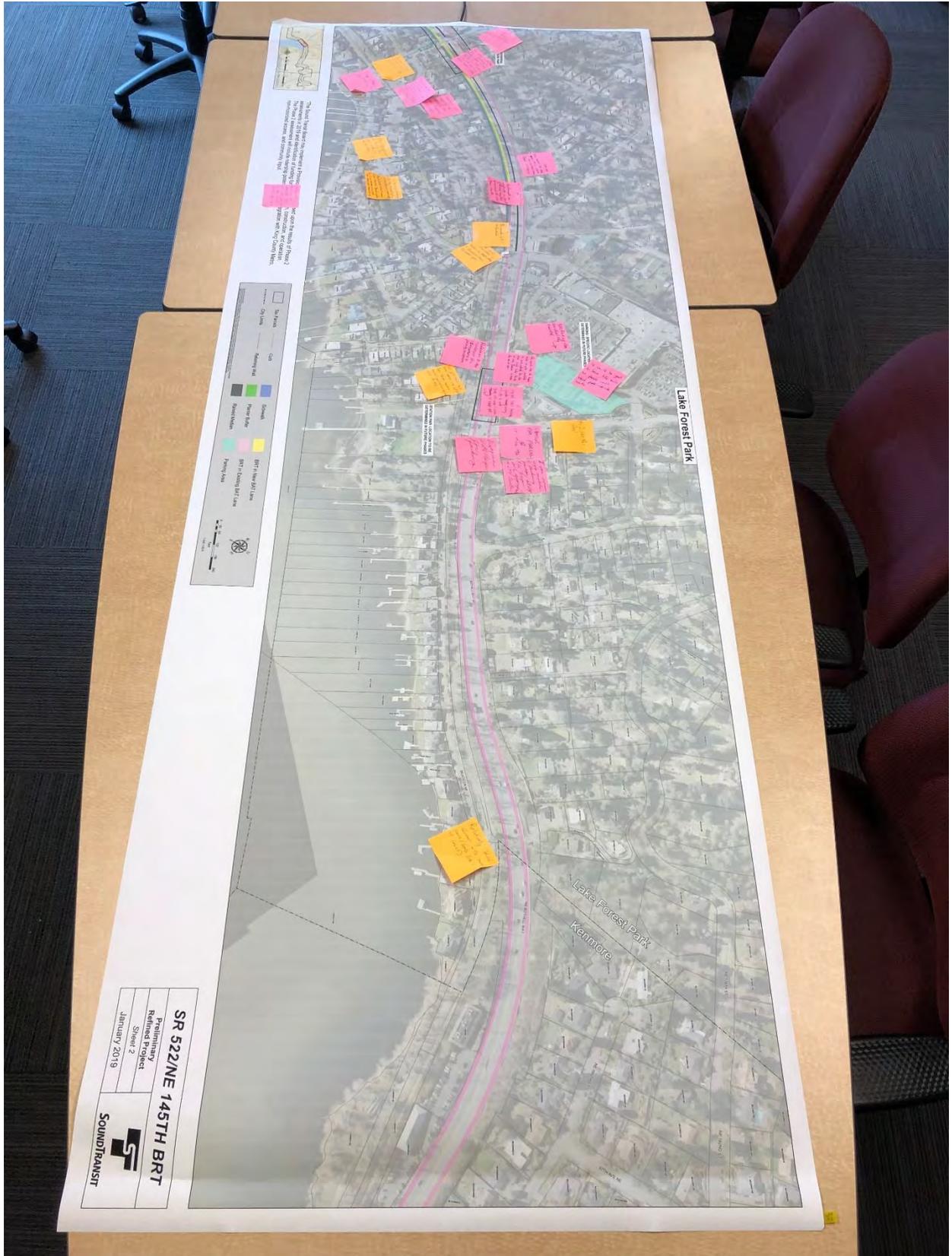
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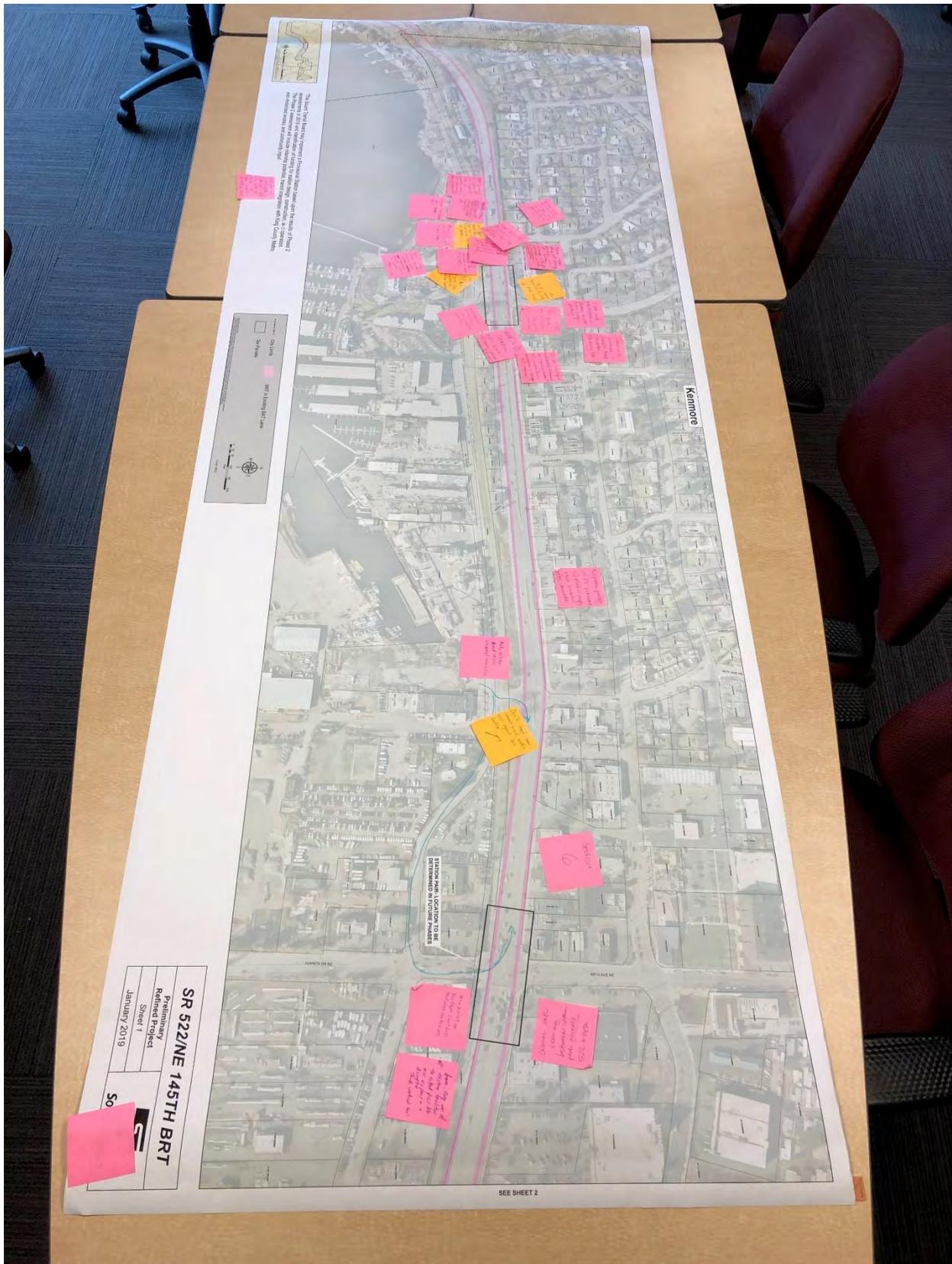
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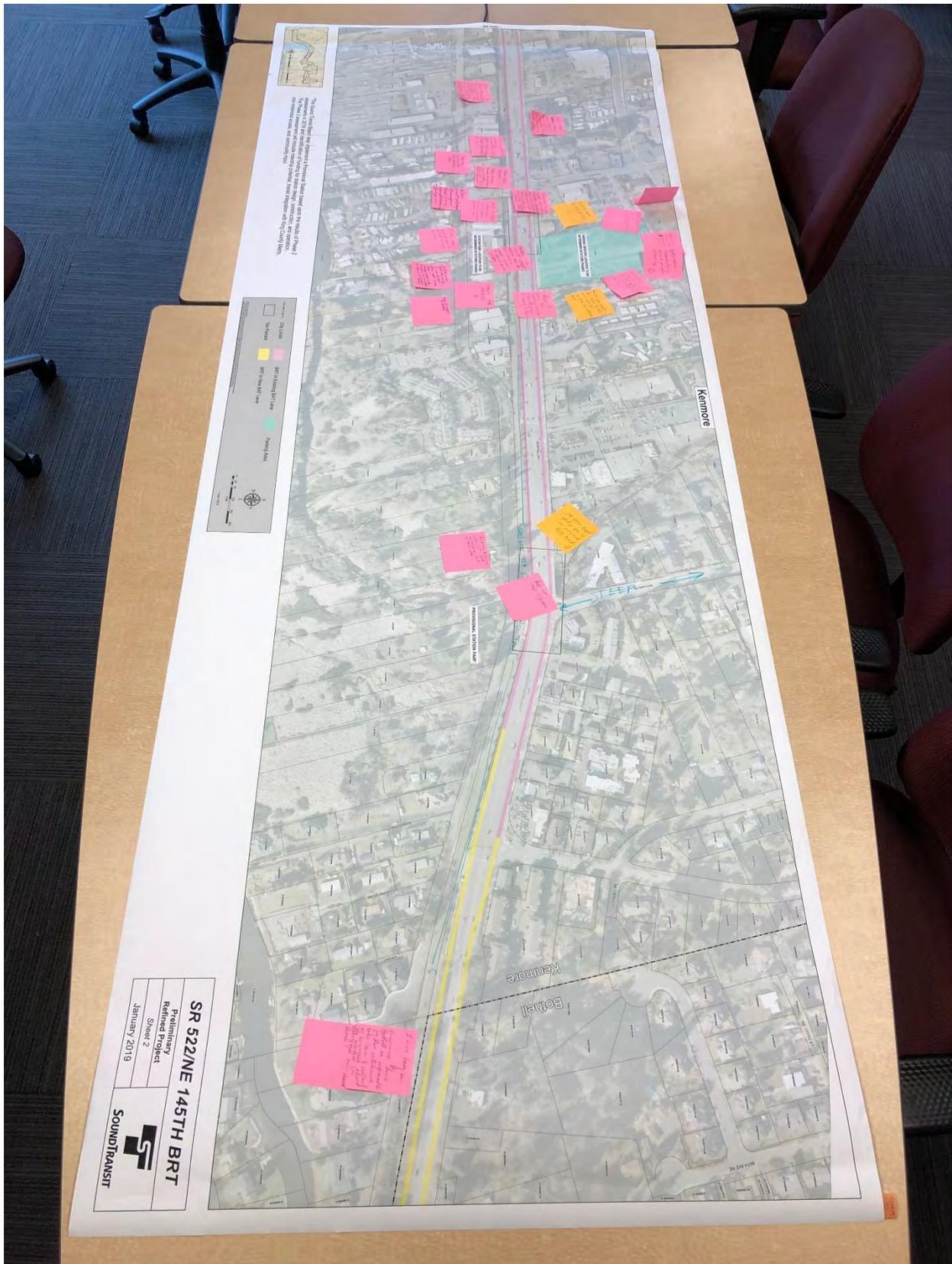
Appendix I: Maps

The following maps of the project corridor show comments provided by attendees at the public meetings. Attendees at the public meeting in Kenmore on Jan. 30 wrote their comments on orange post-it notes, and attendees at the public meeting in Shoreline/Seattle on Jan. 31 wrote their comments on pink post-it notes.









Appendix J: Online open house

The following screenshots show the webpages of the online open house that ran from Jan. 28 through Feb. 11.

SOUNDTRANSIT ONLINE OPEN HOUSE: January 28 – February 11, 2019

Select Language Powered by [Go on Translate](#)

SR 522/NE 145th Bus Rapid Transit

Welcome Background What we've heard Evaluation Preliminary refined project Your feedback Stride Next steps Thank you

Welcome!

The State Route 522/NE 145th Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project will provide fast, frequent and reliable bus-based transit service from north Lake Washington communities to the new Shoreline South/145th Link light rail station at NE 145th Street and I-5. Riders will be able to connect to and transfer between SR 522/NE 145th BRT, I-405 BRT, Link light rail and other transit service provided by Sound Transit, Community Transit and King County Metro.

Yes! Keep me posted.

Email address

Phone Number

Commenting is easy
Look for the speech bubble icon for opportunities to comment.

If you need information translated, select your language using the "Select Language" bar at the top of this page. If your language is not available, please contact 1-800-201-4900/ TTY Relay: 711 or email accessibility@soundtransit.org for alternative formats.

How to use this online open house

- Visit the tabbed pages to learn more about what's happening
- You can visit the site as many times as you wish!
- Share this site with others who may be interested in this project
- Take notes as you go through the tabbed pages by using the comment field below

Join us in person!

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| <p>Drop-in Session #1 Wednesday, January 30 1:00 – 8:00 p.m.</p> <p>Shoreline Unitarian Universalist Church 14724 1st Ave. NE Shoreline, WA 98155</p> <p>Served by King County Metro routes: 304, 316, 346</p> <p><input type="button" value="Add to Calendar"/></p> | <p>Drop-in Session #2 Thursday, January 31 1:00 – 8:00 p.m.</p> <p>Kenmore City Hall, Council Chambers/Community Meeting Room 18120 68th Ave. NE Kenmore, WA 98028</p> <p>Served by King County Metro bus routes: 234, 244, 309, 312, 331, 342, 372, 981 Served by Sound Transit Express Bus route: 522</p> <p><input type="button" value="Add to Calendar"/></p> |
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Feel free to RSVP to let us know you are planning on attending.

Yes! I'll attend.

Name

Email address

Let us know when you're stopping by!
-- Please Select --

Tell us about you

What is your zip code?

(Characters used: 0 (minimum 5))
 (Characters used: 0 (max 10))

What ethnic or racial group do you consider yourself a part of or feel closest to?
 African-American/Black
 Asian/Pacific Islander
 Caucasian/White
 Hispanic/Latino
 Native American/American Indian
 Mixed Race
 Other
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Background

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Sound Transit

Who is Sound Transit?

Sound Transit is a public transit agency that plans, builds and operates express bus, light rail and commuter train services in the urban areas of King, Pierce and Snohomish counties.



ST Express bus

ST Express bus routes serve urban centers in Pierce, King and Snohomish Counties. Twenty-eight routes provide fast service between major cities and job centers and allow for easy transfers to train service and local buses. ST Express service is offered seven days a week for many routes.



Bus Rapid Transit (coming soon!)

The bus rapid transit (BRT) system will be designed for fast arrivals and departures, with features such as off-board fare payment and multiple-door entry and exit. Transit improvements such as new business access and transit lanes and bus queue jumps will help riders avoid traffic congestion and enjoy more frequent and reliable service.



Sounder commuter rail

Our Sounder trains travel between Lakewood and Seattle (making stops in South Tacoma, Tacoma, Puyallup, Sumner, Auburn, Kent and Tukwila) and between Everett and Seattle (making stops in Mukilteo and Edmonds). Sounder regularly runs weekday mornings and afternoons with weekend service for major events.



Link light rail

Currently, Link light rail runs from Angle Lake and Sea-Tac Airport through downtown Seattle and to the University of Washington. Construction is underway to extend service to Northgate in 2021 and to Bellevue and East King County by 2023. By 2024, service will further extend to Federal Way, Lynnwood and downtown Redmond. Link light rail runs seven days a week with trains running every 6, 10 or 15 minutes depending on the time of day.

Our Board

Sound Transit is governed by an 18-member Board made up of local elected officials and the Secretary of the Washington State Department of Transportation. The board establishes policies and gives direction and oversight.

Funding

The system plan is paid for with a combination of voter-approved local taxes, federal grants, farebox revenues, borrowed funds and interest revenues.

Future Service

Sound Transit system expansion will:

- Build a 116-mile light rail network extending from Everett to Tacoma, and from Seattle neighborhoods to Redmond and Issaquah.
- Establish Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) to the north, east and south of Lake Washington.
- Expand Sounder south line capacity and service, adding two new stations.
- Improve access and expand parking at stations.



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Bus Rapid Transit

Connecting the Region

Cities throughout the Puget Sound region are expected to grow over the coming years due to increases in population and job opportunities, placing a greater demand on public transit. Between now and 2024, the regional transit system will change significantly to support this growth.

Sound Transit's goal is to ensure that the future BRT system complements and supports the most efficient local and regional transit service for the community.

With buses running as often as every 10 minutes, the new BRT service will connect to the growing Link light rail network at Shoreline, Lynnwood, Bellevue and Tukwila, as well as to other transit service provided by Sound Transit, Community Transit and King County Metro.

Where will Sound Transit BRT operate?

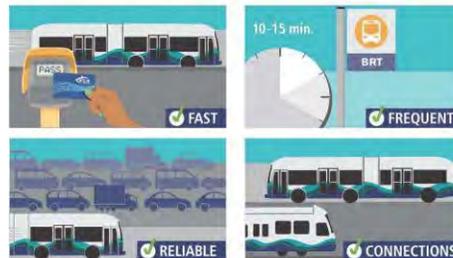
Sound Transit will operate three BRT lines starting in 2024:

- I-405 BRT will have two lines connecting communities along I-405 and SR 518 from Lynnwood to Bellevue and Burien to Bellevue with a new transit center in South Renton and 11 BRT stations. Connections to Link light rail will be available at Lynnwood, Bellevue and Tukwila.
- SR 522/NE 145th BRT will connect communities from Shoreline to Woodinville via NE 145th Street, SR 522 and UW Bothell/Cascadia College. The route will have BRT stations that include connections to Link light rail at the Shoreline South/145th Station and to I-405 BRT in Bothell.



BRT will help riders avoid traffic congestion and enjoy faster transit service. Features include:

- Transit speed and reliability
- Transit priority improvements including business access and transit lanes, bus queue jumps, and transit signal priority
- Entry and exit through multiple doors, level with the station platform
- Off-board fare payment
- Frequent, all day service
- Real-time rider information
- Innovative station design
- Unique brand identity for buses and stations
- Dedicated fleet of BRT buses



What are transit priority improvements?

Transit priority improvements help buses move through traffic more efficiently, and can include business access and transit lanes, bus queue jumps and transit priority signals. Business access and transit lanes are specifically reserved for buses and right-turning vehicles, and a bus queue jump refers to a modified intersection that includes a bus pull-out along with a transit priority signal that gives buses the green light before other traffic, allowing buses to "jump" ahead of other traffic at these intersections.

Transit Integration

Sound Transit is working closely with our transit agency partners, including King County Metro and Community Transit, to determine how Sound Transit BRT can best integrate with other partner transit agency routes to:

- Complement each other
- Provide reliable and frequent service
- Reduce travel times
- Provide for easy transfers
- Improve the customer experience
- Avoid duplicative service
- Make efficient use of taxpayer dollars

As the project develops, Sound Transit will continue to work with our transit partners to improve service in the north Lake Washington area to help transit riders get where they need to go.

BRT stations include

- All-door entry and exit
- Off-board fare payment
- Level boarding at the platforms
- Lighting and directional signage
- Real-time rider information
- Sheltered and comfortable stations
- Unique brand identity and stations
- Artwork

SR 522/NE 145th Bus Rapid Transit Project

The SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project will run along 8 miles of NE 145th Street and SR 522 from the future Link light rail station at I-5 and NE 145th Street in Shoreline to Bothell. Service will run every 10 minutes, all day between Shoreline and Bothell; service continuing to Woodinville will run every 20 minutes. Riders will be able to connect to Link light rail at the Shoreline South/NE 145th station, and to I-405 BRT in Bothell.

SR 522/NE 145th Representative Project



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Please note the map above depicts the representative project. The SR 522/NE 145th project has now been refined. [Learn more](#) about the preliminary refined project.

The goals of this project are to:

1. Deliver the SR 522/NE 145th BRT project on time and within the assigned budget.
2. Expand fast, frequent and reliable BRT service to the communities along the corridor, enhancing overall transit service for these communities and the region.
3. Increase transit capacity and enhance connectivity to meet growing demand.
4. Make recommendations that are technically and financially feasible and sustainable.
5. Maximize ridership, improve mobility and provide access for multiple modes and users.
6. Promote a healthy and sustainable environment.
7. Consider input from stakeholders, communities along the corridor and the public.
8. Make recommendations that are consistent with local plans.



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Service and operation

- Up to 19 hours of service Monday – Saturday and up to 17 hours on Sunday to serve projected ridership of 8,800 in 2042.
- Approximately 30-minute travel time from UW Bothell to south Shoreline.
- Integration of business access and transit lanes to facilitate fast, frequent, and reliable service corridor-wide.
- Local bus service and rail collaboration, such as shared stations where feasible with King County Metro and Community Transit.
- Short dwell time features at stations with dual-bus platform length where feasible, level boarding, and off-board fare payment.
- Consistent BRT station branding with a cohesive look and feel.
- Location of connection to I-405 BRT.

How the community initiated this project

The SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project was first proposed by Shoreline, Lake Forest Park, Kenmore, Bothell and Woodinville elected officials and staff, as well as the community coalition, 522 Transit Now. The coalition's continued advocacy helped to ensure that the SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project was included on the Sound Transit 3 (ST3) ballot for voter consideration.

2015

Spring // City Managers Group starts working together to support SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project

Late June/early July // 522 Transit NOW! Coalition formed

August 27 // Sound Transit added SR 522/NE 145th BRT to the ST3 Plan

2016

January 12 // Joint Council meeting to show support for the SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project

November 8 // Voters approved ST3, including SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project



Representative project

The representative projects were developed after extensive community input and were included in the ST3 Plan to serve as the basis for refining the project and identifying the project to be built.

What we've heard

Key themes corridor-wide

The following high-level themes emerged from the input gathered from the community at public events in the spring and fall of 2018. These comments were taken into consideration as Sound Transit developed the preliminary refined project.

- Support for effective local transit connections and options for non-motorized modes of travel to allow easy access to BRT stations.
- Support for transit priority improvements to ensure BRT speed and reliability. Suggestions included bus queue bypass lanes and active traffic management during rush hour.
- Concern from property owners along the corridor about the impact of an expanded roadway.
- Support for safe pedestrian walkways and crossings along SR 522, with consideration of where sidewalks would be best utilized.

Public involvement in 2018

Following public meetings in May 2018, Sound Transit hosted eight community workshops in September and October 2018. At these workshops, Sound Transit shared new information on project refinement options that were developed based on technical analysis and community feedback gathered during May 2018 outreach. The workshops provided opportunities for specific, localized feedback to further inform the

How your feedback was incorporated into the recommended refined project

Sound Transit evaluated the remaining refinement options using the identified evaluation criteria and technical analysis. The project team further narrowed potential project refinements with additional consideration of public feedback from the community and stakeholder groups to develop the recommended refined project for the full corridor. See the next tab for more details on this process.

Key themes by jurisdiction

The following high-level themes emerged from the input gathered from the community at public events in the spring and fall of 2018, and were considered as the project was refined.

Shoreline & Seattle

- Concern about potential roundabouts at intersections east of the I-5 interchange due to high vehicle speeds, high traffic and potential impact on pedestrian safety.
- General concern about collisions at intersections throughout NE 145th due to speeding, left turns from 145th, and low visibility from hills/grade changes.
- Opposition to removing general purpose lanes, for fear of causing more congestion along NE 145th.

Lake Forest Park

- Support for the narrowest refinement option, because of the reduced impacts to properties along the corridor in Lake Forest Park.
- Support for traffic management at the Lake Forest Park Town Center, particularly if a new garage is to be built in this area.
- Support for maintaining the center left turn lanes, especially from those who live directly off SR 522 and use the center turn lane to access their driveways.

Kenmore

- Support for local transit services to connect downtown Kenmore and local neighborhoods to the BRT station locations.
- Support for BRT station at existing Kenmore Park & Ride.
- Both support and opposition to BRT refinement station locations at 61st and 68th (minor support for stations at 62nd and 83rd).
- Concern that Sound Transit's investment in SR 522 doesn't adequately consider Kenmore's investments to date.

Bothell & Woodinville

- Support for easy, fast connections between I-405 and SR 522/NE 145th BRT in Bothell.
- Both support for and opposition to the station location option near UW Bothell/Cascadia College on NE 185th Street between Husky Hall and Husky Village.
- Concern about increased bus traffic, increased congestion for all uses, road maintenance and potential land uses around the potential bus base site in Canyon Park.



Evaluation

From representative project to refined project

The Sound Transit 3 (ST3) Plan approved by voters established the SR 522/NE 145th representative project, which included the project scope, high-level cost estimates and ridership forecasts. It also established transit mode, corridor, number of stations and representative station locations.

In 2018, we started with the representative project and considered and evaluated other project refinements to incorporate into a preliminary refined project. In 2019, Sound Transit will request that the Sound Transit Board of Directors advance the project into the next phase of conceptual engineering and environmental review.

Types of project refinements Sound Transit considered in 2018

- Station locations.
- Parking locations within Lake Forest Park, Kenmore and Bothell.
- Roadway and intersection improvements for bus rapid transit (BRT) priority, including business access and transit lanes, lanes re-purposed for transit, bus queue bypass lanes and transit signal priority.
- Integration with transit service provided by King County Metro and Community Transit as well as ST Express bus service.
- Location of connection to I-405 BRT.
- Access for pedestrians and bicyclists.
- BRT service branding.

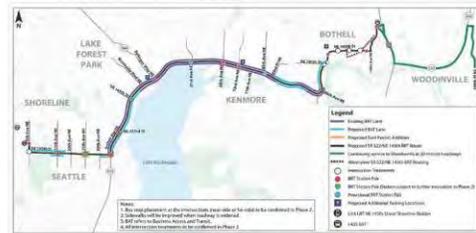
Project Refinements Screening Process



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Preliminary Refined Project

Overview of the preliminary refined project



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Key features of SR 522/NE 145th BRT

- Service every 10 minutes to Bothell; every 20 minutes to Woodinville.
- Up to 19 hours of service Monday – Saturday; up to 17 hours of service on Sunday.
- 30-minute travel time from UW Bothell/Cascadia Community College to South Shoreline.
- Connections to Link light rail in Shoreline and I-405 BRT in Bothell.
- Shared stations with King County Metro where feasible.
- Short dwell time features at stations, including dual-bus platform length, level boarding, and off-board fare payment.
- Approximately 900 new parking stalls in the corridor.
- Increased transit ridership.
- Consistent BRT station branding.

See detailed refinements by jurisdiction:

- Shoreline & Seattle
- Lake Forest Park
- Kenmore
- Bothell
- Woodinville

SR 522/NE 145th BRT and Property Owners

If you live or do business along the roads where the SR 522/NE 145th BRT lines will be running, you may have questions about how the properties may be impacted. Find out how Sound Transit works with potentially affected property owners during each phase of the project and what to anticipate in terms of your property.

View a fact sheet with information for property owners.

Provisional Stations

The Sound Transit Board may implement Provisional Station Pair(s) based upon the results of Phase 2 assessments in 2019 and identification of funding for station design, construction, and operation. The Phase 2 assessment will include land use and zoning, ridership potential, transit integration with King County Metro, non-motorized access, and community input.

Project Handout

A summary of information about the project, including this map, is available for download.

Shoreline & Seattle

Key project refinements

- Four BRT station pairs (including one subject to further evaluation in Phase 2) at:
 - Shoreline South/145th LRT Station.
 - NE 145th Street and 15th Avenue NE.
 - NE 145th Street and 25th Avenue NE (subject to further evaluation).
 - SR 522 and NE 145th Street.
- Westbound business access and transit (BAT) lane on NE 145th Street from 17th Avenue NE to 5th Avenue NE.
- Sidewalk along the north side of NE 145th Street between 17th Avenue NE and 5th Avenue NE.
- Left turn pockets at 25th Avenue NE.
- Transit priority lanes at SR 522/NE 145th Street intersection; sidewalk improvements where lanes added.
- Operation in general purpose lanes from approximately 17th Avenue NE to 32nd Avenue NE.
- Transit signal priority at signalized intersections.

Share your thoughts on Shoreline & Seattle

What do you like about the preliminary refined project along NE 145th Street?

Do you have any remaining concerns along NE 145th Street?

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Shoreline & Seattle refinements



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Further evaluation

- The BRT station pair at 25th Avenue NE is subject to further evaluation in Phase 2.
- WSDOT and Sound Transit continue to evaluate the potential of roundabouts along NE 145th Street. The City of Shoreline, in coordination with WSDOT, the City of Seattle, and Sound Transit, is continuing to explore the potential feasibility of roundabouts at the I-5/NE 145th interchange and at the intersection of NE 145th Street and 5th Avenue NE.

Key considerations

- BAT lane reduces peak period transit delay and travel time by 2-16 minutes.
- Multi-use sidewalk where NE 145th Street is widened encourages pedestrian and bicycle movement.
- King County Metro is expected to provide frequent bus service to the 25th Avenue NE bus stop, providing a frequent (~every 10 minute) connection to Link light rail from this stop.
- Reduces property and community impacts by staying inside the existing curb line in most of the area between 17th Avenue NE and 32nd Avenue NE.
- Potential noise impacts.
- Properties impacts on NE 145th Street corridor in Seattle and Shoreline.
- Potential environmental impacts at Little's Creek.
- Utility relocations (transmission and distribution power lines).
- Potential culvert extension at Little's Creek.

Detailed project maps in Seattle/Shoreline

Download aerial maps showing the preliminary refined project along NE 145th Street in Seattle and Shoreline.

View preliminary refinements for other jurisdictions:

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Lake Forest Park

Key project refinements

- Three BRT station pairs (including one provisional) at:
 - SR 522 and NE 153rd Street.
 - Lake Forest Park Town Center.
 - SR 522 and NE 165th Street (provisional).
- Continuous business access and transit (BAT) lane along SR 522 from NE 145 Street in the outbound direction through Lake Forest Park.
- Utilizes existing two-way left turn lane and median to reduce property impacts.
- Allow for left-turns and U-turn at signalized intersections.
- Add sidewalk on east side of SR 522 where new BAT lane is provided.
- Transit signal priority at Intersections.
- Parking garage at Lake Forest Park Town Center.



Share your thoughts on Lake Forest Park

What do you like about the preliminary refined project in Lake Forest Park?

Do you have any remaining concerns in Lake Forest Park?

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Lake Forest Park refinements



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Key considerations

- BAT lane for northbound SR 522 transit trips.
- Pedestrian access to transit along the corridor via eastside sidewalks.
- Property impacts on SR 522 corridor in Lake Forest Park.
- Impacts on landscape and fish passages near NE 155th Street.

Detailed project maps in Lake Forest Park

Download aerial maps showing the preliminary refined project along SR 522 in Lake Forest Park.

- View preliminary refinements for other jurisdictions:
- Shoreline & Seattle
 - Kenmore
 - Bothell
 - Woodinville

Kenmore

Key project refinements

- Four BRT station pairs (including two provisional) at:
 - SR 522 and 61st Avenue NE (provisional).
 - SR 522 and 68th Avenue NE.
 - SR 522 and 73rd Avenue NE/Kenmore Park & Ride, including a capped contribution toward a pedestrian bridge.
 - SR 522 and 80th Avenue NE (provisional).
- 300-space parking garage at the Kenmore Park & Ride.
- Implements transit signal priority improvements.

Kenmore refinements



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Key considerations

- Provisional stations at shared King County Metro locations to meet higher demand and provide a direct connection to Link light rail.
- Integration with existing King County Metro Park & Ride lot.
- Environmental considerations including Swamp Creek, adjacent wetlands, and blue heron colony at Park & Ride lot.

Share your thoughts on Kenmore

What do you like about the preliminary refined project in Kenmore?

Do you have any remaining concerns in Kenmore?

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Detailed project maps in Kenmore

Download aerial maps showing the preliminary refined project along SR 522 in Kenmore.

View preliminary refinements for other jurisdictions:

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- Lake Forest Park
- Bothell
- Woodinville



Bothell

Key project refinements

- Four BRT station pairs at:
 - 98th Avenue NE/NE 183rd Street.
 - 103rd Avenue NE /NE 185th Street.
 - NE 185th Street between Husky Hall and Husky Village at UW Bothell/Cascadia College.
 - Beardlee Boulevard at I-405/NE 195th Street Interchange.
- Westbound/inbound business access and transit (BAT) lane on SR 522 from 98th Avenue NE to existing lane at Wayne Curve.
- Sidewalk accompanying BAT lane on the north/west side of SR 522.
- Intersection improvement at NE 180th Street/98th Avenue NE to improve BRT and transit movement into Bothell.
- BRT operation through downtown Bothell on NE 185th Street.
- Guaranteed SR 522 BRT bus connections to I-405 BRT at NE 195th Street Interchange with every other bus continuing to Woodinville.
- Transit operations improvements at NE 185th Street intersections.
- Includes construction of City of Bothell's Stage 3 Project.
- 300-space parking garage at existing Pop Keneey Stadium surface parking lot.

Share your thoughts on Bothell

What do you like about the preliminary refined project in Bothell?

Do you have any remaining concerns in Bothell?

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Bothell refinements



Detailed project maps in Bothell / Woodinville

Download aerial maps showing the preliminary refined project along SR 522 and I-405 in Bothell and Woodinville.

View preliminary refinements for other jurisdictions:

- [Shoreline & Seattle](#)
- [Lake Forest Park](#)
- [Kenmore](#)
- [Woodinville](#)

Key considerations

- BAT lane reliability for SR 522 transit trips.
- Pedestrian access to transit along the corridor via east-side sidewalks.
- Property impacts associated with stations and parking additions.
- Coordination with the colleges and other transit operators.



Woodinville

Key project refinements

- Provides service every 20 minutes, every day.
- Connects from the Beardlee Boulevard/I-405 ramp station via I-405, SR 522, and local Woodinville streets.
- Uses existing Woodinville Park & Ride lot without capital investment.

Woodinville refinements



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Key considerations

- Provides planned ST3 service to and from Woodinville.
- Risk for delay of operations in I-405 and SR 522 general purpose lanes, as well as Woodinville streets.
- Continue to examine alternative service options in Woodinville.

Share your thoughts on Woodinville

What do you like about the preliminary refined project in Woodinville?

Do you have any remaining concerns in Woodinville?

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Detailed project maps in Bothell / Woodinville

Download aerial maps showing the preliminary refined project along SR 522 and I-405 in Bothell and Woodinville.

View preliminary refinements for other jurisdictions:

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Responding to your comments

You asked, we listened

We heard your feedback, questions, excitement and concerns about the future of transit service in your community. We have taken these corridor-wide and local considerations into account to determine the preliminary SR 522/NE 145th BRT refined project. Below are some of the common comments we've received from the community and how we've responded.

Have more questions?

Find Sound Transit's responses to common questions and comments about the preliminary refined project [here](#).

Corridor-wide comments

Corridor-wide, we heard support for improved access to BRT stations through creating better options for walking, biking, rideshare and shuttle services, as well as for more parking facilities for transit users.

Sound Transit is committed to creating better options for non-motorized access to stations and working with transit agency partners such as King County Metro and Community Transit to improve local transit connections to BRT. The project team will continue to work with local jurisdictions, transit agencies and members of the public to identify barriers to access and find solutions in the next project phase of conceptual engineering and environmental review.

The preliminary refined project includes new parking garages for transit users at the Pop Keeney Stadium site in Bothell, the Kenmore Park & Ride and the Lake Forest Park Town Center.

Corridor-wide, we heard support for the implementation of transit priority improvements throughout the project corridor to ensure fast, frequent and reliable service.

The preliminary refined project includes transit priority improvements throughout the corridor, including business access and transit (BAT) lanes on SR 522 and NE 145th Street, transit signal priority and bus queue bypass lanes at some intersections, and other intersection modifications to reduce bus delay and facilitate BRT movement. Reducing travel time and increasing BRT speed and efficiency was important to the community and a key factor the team considered when refining the preliminary project. Minimizing property and traffic impacts, creating better options for non-motorized access to stations, and coordinating with our agency partners on roadway development and design were also important to the community.

Corridor-wide, we heard questions about the future of the ST Express Route 522, King County Metro Route 312, and other local bus services with the addition of SR 522/NE 145th BRT.

Transit service throughout the Puget Sound region is being transformed by continued population growth and expanding of Link light rail. The SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project is part of those coming changes. This project will transform the SR 522 corridor into a high capacity transit corridor, which will result in more bus service with faster and more reliable travel times. The project will also provide a high capacity transit connection between the 522 corridor and the Link light rail system along NE 145th Street. This connection to the Link light rail system in Shoreline as well as the connection to the I-405 BRT will expand access to regional destinations compared to the existing SR 522 service.

Sound Transit's goal will be to ensure that the future BRT system complements and supports the most efficient local and regional transit service for the community. During the next phase of the SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project, Sound Transit will begin the process to evaluate how best to modify existing ST Express service to complement the BRT service based on the refined BRT project and service definitions. The focus of the evaluation will be to identify any gaps in service from the proposed BRT service plan and the existing routes. Sound Transit is actively working with partner transit agencies to assess the need for regional or local transit service changes as BRT and other system improvements begin service, including Link light rail to Northgate in 2021 and Lynnwood in 2024. It is likely that some buses that currently travel from the North Lake Washington area to downtown Seattle will terminate at either Northgate or Roosevelt Link stations starting in 2021.

Sound Transit and its partner transit agencies will continue to coordinate the BRT program to best work with complementary local bus service. Any Sound Transit or King County Metro service changes that will be made with the introduction of the SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project will be communicated to the public through a public involvement process well in advance of any changes to existing transit routes.



Bothell and Woodinville comments

In Bothell and Woodinville, we heard support for a fast and easy connection between I-405 BRT and SR 522/NE 145th BRT.

The preliminary refined project will have every SR 522/NE 145th BRT bus connect to I-405 BRT service in Bothell at the station on Beardslee Boulevard at the I-405/NE 95th Interchange, from which every other SR 522/NE 145th BRT bus will continue on to serve the existing Woodinville Park & Ride. This refinement improves the connection between the SR 522/NE 145th BRT service and I-405 BRT service, as the ST3 representative project assumed only every other SR 522/NE 145th BRT bus would connect to I-405 BRT.

Kenmore comments

In Kenmore, we heard support from the community for a BRT station at SR 522 and 61st Ave NE.

Due to the strong support for a BRT station at this location and the result of technical analysis, the preliminary refined project includes two new provisional BRT stations on SR 522 at 61st Avenue NE and at 80th Avenue NE. These are in addition to the planned BRT stations on SR 522 at 72nd Avenue NE and at 68th Avenue NE. If the provisional stations are included in the refined project, they would proceed through to the next project phase of conceptual engineering and environmental review, but would only be built if additional funding is identified. These provisional stations would further support local transit integration due to the existing King County Metro stops at these locations.

Lake Forest Park comments

In Lake Forest Park, we heard concerns about impacts to property with the roadway widening required where adding business access and transit (BAT) lane and sidewalks. We also heard support for both the addition of BAT lanes along SR 522 and the maintenance of the center left turn lane on SR 522 for residents to use for easy driveway access.

The preliminary refined project includes a continuous northbound BAT lane on SR 522 from NE 145th Street to the Lake Forest Park Town Center. It also includes the addition of a sidewalk on just the east side of SR 522, where the BAT lane will be provided. The center two-way left turn lane will be removed along part of the corridor to provide space to build the sidewalk and to minimize property impacts along this section of the project corridor. Sound Transit will implement left turn access management, including U-turn provisions at signalized intersections. The preliminary refined project balances key considerations of improving transit speed and reliability, creating better options for non-motorized access to stations and minimizing property and traffic impacts.

Seattle and Shoreline comments

In Seattle and Shoreline, we heard concerns about impacts to property along NE 145th Street as well as opposition to the refinement option that included repurposing a general traffic lane into a dedicated bus lane.

The preliminary refined project will have buses operate in general purpose lanes between 17th Avenue NE and 32nd Avenue NE. This allows for reduced impacts to property owners and tenants, including minority and low-income residents, along this section of the project corridor.

The preliminary refined project also includes a westbound BAT lane between approximately 17th Avenue NE and 5th Avenue NE and an eastbound BAT lane at 15th Avenue NE to reduce peak period transit delay. Due to strong opposition to the repurposed lane concept and additional technical analysis, these preliminary refinements would require right-of-way expansion instead of repurposing a general traffic lane. As a result, there would be a number of property impacts along these sections of the corridor. The project must balance key considerations for improving transit speed and reliability and minimizing property and traffic impacts. The preliminary refinements are critical to meet our project goals for fast, frequent and reliable BRT service. Project staff will continue to keep property owners, tenants and building occupants on the NE 145th Street corridor informed of new information as project development progresses. Up until 2020, Sound Transit will perform early engineering, complete feasibility studies and conduct the environmental process, after which the team will know more information about property impacts. Exact property impacts are not anticipated to be known in detail until the design phase, which begins in 2020.

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- Welcome
- Background
- What we've heard
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- Next steps
- Thank you

STRIDE

In early 2018, Sound Transit began planning for its new line of service, Bus Rapid Transit. Part of creating a new line of service is developing a new brand to accompany it.

We call our commuter rail system Sounder and light rail goes by Link. Sound Transit is excited to welcome Bus Rapid Transit to the family and announce its name – *Stride*.

Sound Transit interviewed stakeholders inside and outside the organization to help develop a BRT brand. Common themes included a desire for the name to be memorable, short, easy to pronounce and integrate well with the overall Sound Transit brand.

The *Stride* name will be integrated throughout the design of the BRT system, including vehicles, stations, signage and marketing materials. Go to the [Station Design](#) section below to view the current station design concept and see how *Stride* could be incorporated into the BRT stations.

Station Design

The BRT system will have a unique design that helps riders identify buses and stations. The *Stride* brand will:

- Differentiate BRT as premium service, offering improved speed and reliability.
- Help riders navigate the system by making BRT easily identifiable and distinguishing it from other services.
- Allow Sound Transit to more effectively reach existing and new customers.
- Support a sense of place at our transit facilities.
- Generate excitement for public transportation and endure for generations.



Click to enlarge

Sound Transit will continue to develop the BRT station design during the next few years. The above rendering shows the general station design concept. While stations will have a consistent look and feel throughout the Sound Transit BRT system, station design at each station location will vary based on ridership and specific site conditions.



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- Instagram icon
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Engaging the community and next steps

The schedule below shows our community engagement plan from spring 2018 through early 2019. The SR 522/NE 145th BRT project is engaging with many different groups of stakeholders and the public to ensure diverse voices contribute to the success of the project.

Project partners - including the Elected Leadership Group, City Managers Group and Interagency Group - will continue to discuss next steps of the preliminary refined SR 522/NE 145th BRT project to ultimately present to the Sound Transit Board. Sound Transit will continue to use input gathered from public outreach to inform the engineering, design and environmental phases.



Next Steps

In 2019, Sound Transit is sharing the refined project with the community, Interagency Group, and Elected Leadership Group for further input. In March 2019, Sound Transit will request that the Sound Transit Board of Directors advance the project into the next phase of conceptual engineering and environmental review.

As we move into conceptual engineering and environmental review, we will continue to gather community feedback to help inform the project design.

What's next in 2019?

- Conceptual design and preliminary engineering to inform environmental review
- Environmental documentation to describe the project's environmental impacts
- Continued coordination with Interagency Group, City Managers Group and Elected Leadership Group
- Outreach to property owners along the project corridor
- Community and stakeholder briefings
- Public events and other outreach opportunities

Elements of the project design to be developed (2019-2022)

- Roadway cross-sections, including BAT lanes, lanes and sidewalks
- Intersection improvements
- Station design, including orientation, access, and circulation
- Parking structures
- Wayfinding and signage placement
- Environmental mitigation improvements
- Landscaping
- Public art elements

Elected Leadership Group

Made up of elected officials who represent the six cities along the project corridor, the Sound Transit Board and the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), this group is focusing on reaching local agreement around key decisions, working through project issues, and making recommendations on the refined project.

City Managers Group

Made up of city managers representing Shoreline, Lake Forest Park, Kenmore, Bothell and Woodinville, this group has been working together since 2015 and helped ensure the project was included in the ST3 Plan for voter's consideration. They are continuing to meet at key project milestones to keep all jurisdictions focused on a corridor-wide perspective and make sure their respective city councils are informed and involved.

Interagency Group

Sound Transit is working closely to coordinate with agencies and governments as this project moves forward at a technical level, ensuring consistency with other city and agency plans and projects. This group is meeting monthly to provide technical expertise and input on the project refinement process. This group is comprised of the following agencies and governments: WSDOT, King County Metro, Community Transit, UW Bothell, Cascadia College, and the Cities of Woodinville, Bothell, Kenmore, Lake Forest Park, Shoreline and Seattle.

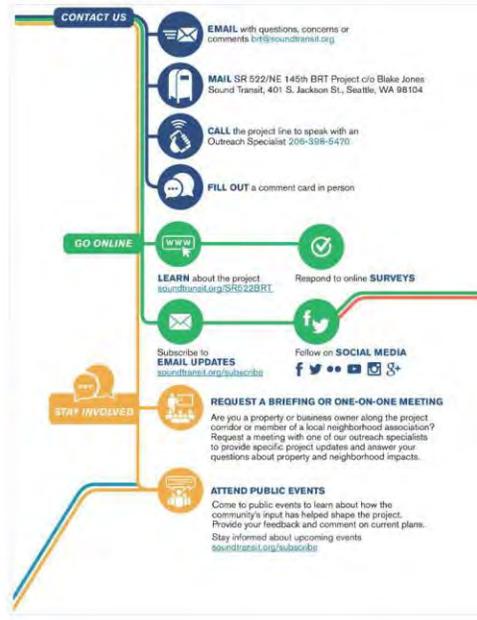
Sound Transit Board

The Sound Transit Board oversees the implementation and delivery of the project and has final authority to confirm the refined project and other major decisions. The board will consider recommendations and feedback from the Elected Leadership Group, Interagency Group and the public when making decisions.

Thank you

Thank you for participating in this online open house for the SR 522/NE 145th Bus Rapid Transit Project. We hope that you stay engaged with this project as it moves forward!

How to stay engaged!



What we'll do with your feedback:

- Share community input with the Interagency Group, City Managers Group, Elected Leadership Group and the Sound Transit Board.
- Consider public feedback when making decisions about the preliminary refined project to be presented to the Sound Transit Board of Directors in March 2019.

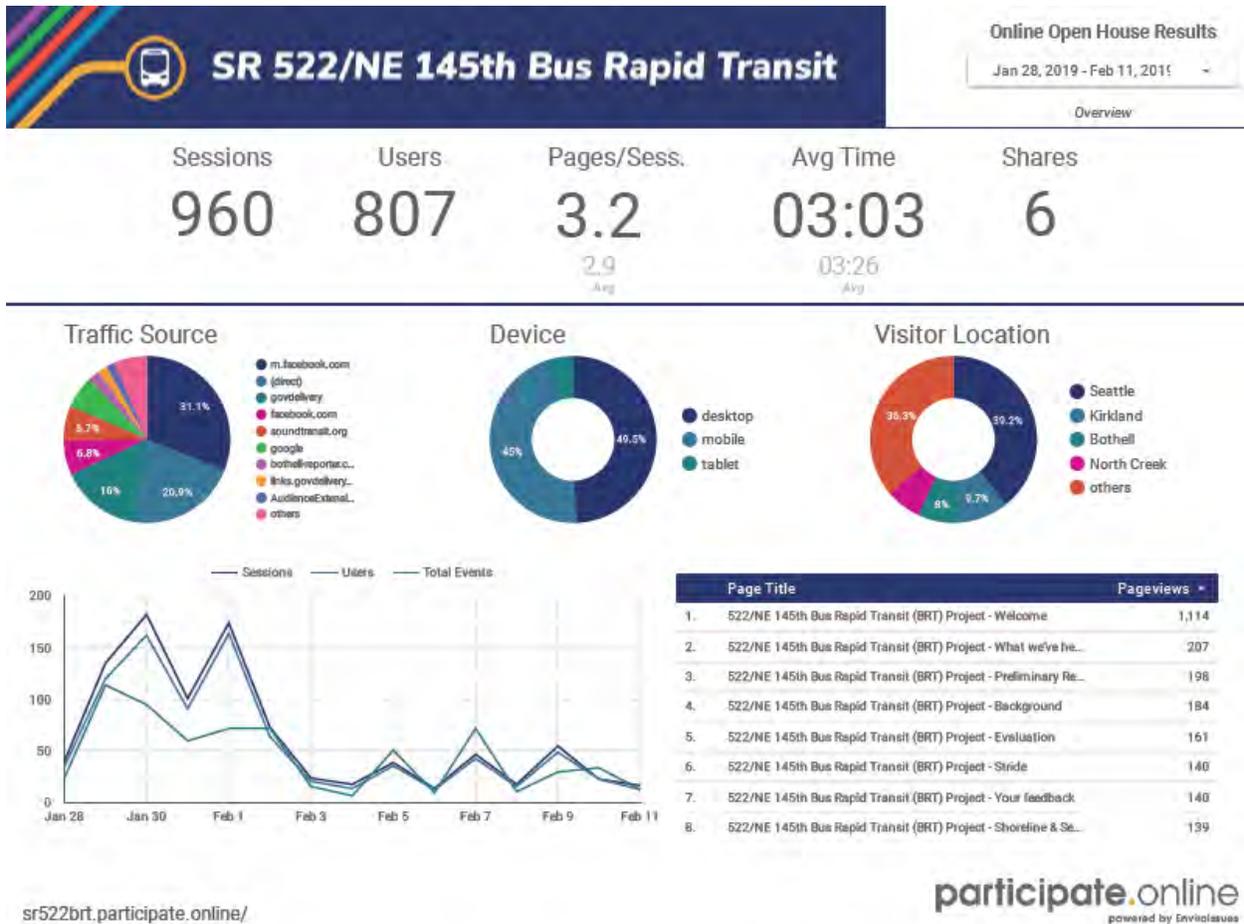
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Appendix K: Online open house analytics

The following screenshots shows the analytics of the online open house, including the total number of visits to the online open house, the number of unique visitors, the traffic sources of the visits and the average time spent on each page of the online open house.





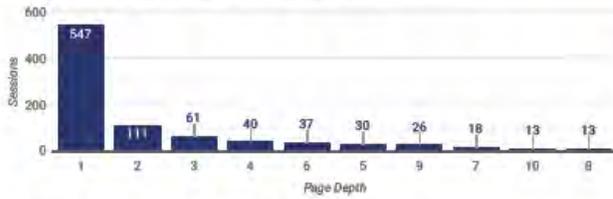
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Advanced Analytics

| | | | |
|----------|-------|-----------------|--------------|
| Sessions | Users | Engaged Readers | Bounce Rate |
| 960 | 807 | 25% | 55.1% |
| | | 8% 447 | 19.1% 486 |

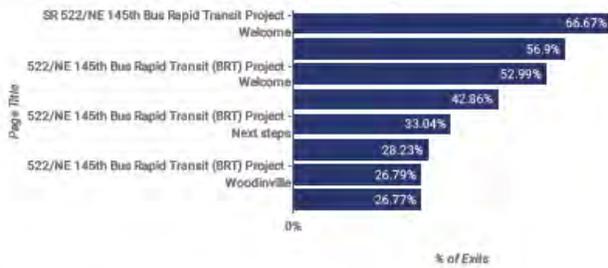
Page Depth via # of Pages Viewed



Top 5 Traffic Referrers

| Source | Sessions | Total Events |
|--------------------------|----------|--------------|
| 1. m.facebook.com | 290 | 123 |
| 2. facebook.com | 63 | 27 |
| 3. soundtransit.org | 62 | 46 |
| 4. bothell-reporter.com | 21 | 22 |
| 5. links.govdelivery.com | 17 | 25 |

Page Depth via Top Exit Pages



| Source / Medium | Sessions |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| 1. m.facebook.com / referral | 290 |
| 2. (direct) / (none) | 195 |
| 3. govdelivery / email | 149 |
| 4. facebook.com / referral | 63 |
| 5. soundtransit.org / referral | 62 |
| 6. google / organic | 59 |
| 7. bothell-reporter.com / referral | 21 |
| 8. links.govdelivery.com / referral | 17 |

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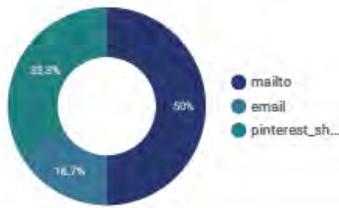
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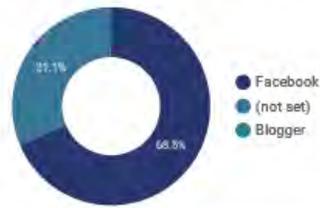
Social Engagement

| | | | |
|----------|-------|--------|------------------|
| Sessions | Users | Shares | Social Referrals |
| 960 | 807 | 6 | 390 |

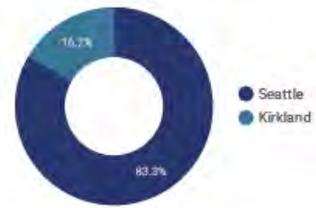
Top Share Platforms



Top Referral Platforms



Top Sharing Cities



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Glossary

| Term | Definition | Indicators |
|--|---|---|
| Session / Sessions / Traffic | Visits to the website. A grouping of sessions may also be referred to as "Traffic". | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▲ More sessions mean people are interested in learning more about the topic based on the intro they saw elsewhere. ▼ Fewer sessions mean people are less interested. |
| User / Users | An individual person who visits the website. Some users are tracked across devices (ex: someone visits the site from both their desktop and smartphone) thanks to cookies AKA tracking codes. Some are not. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▲ More users mean people are interested in learning more about the topic based on the intro they saw elsewhere. ▼ Fewer users mean people are less interested. |
| Responses | The number of survey responses. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▲ More people are completing the survey(s). ▼ Fewer people are completing the survey(s). |
| Shares | The number of times the website has been shared via the website's sharing buttons. People can share the website via Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, Google+, LinkedIn, Tumblr, Gmail, email, and printing the web page. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▲ More people are sharing the website. ▼ Fewer people are sharing the website. |
| Traffic Sources - Direct, Referral, and Organic | There are three basic types of traffic acquisition: direct, referral, and organic. Direct traffic starts by someone typing in the website URL into their browser. Referral traffic starts on another website and someone follows a link to our website. (This is listed as the referring website URL in our report.) Organic traffic starts by someone using a search engine to find our website. This may be reported as the search engine name rather than "Organic". | - |
| % of Engaged Readers | In our reports, this refers to the percentage of people who visit at least three pages. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▲ More people are visiting at least three pages. ▼ Fewer people are visiting at least three pages. |
| Bounce Rate / Bounces | The rate at which people visit one page of the website and then leave without looking at any other pages. A 'bounce' is one instance. Calculated as (Bounces ÷ Sessions = Bounce Rate). | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▲ More people are looking at one page of the website and leaving without reading more. ▼ Fewer people are exploring the website and reading more than one page. |

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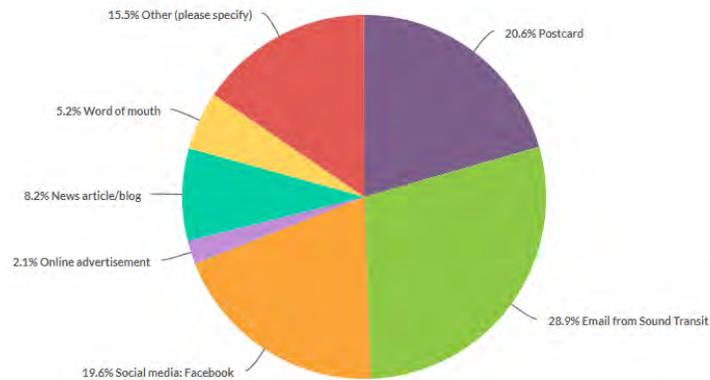
Appendix L: Online open house survey results

Visitors to the online open house were asked to answer demographics questions on the ‘Welcome’ tab of the website. The results are summarized below. A total of 20 people gave an answer for their zip code, 97 people gave an answer for how they had heard about the online open house, 97 people gave an answer for their total household income and 97 people gave an answer for whether they owned or rented their current residence.

Table 9. Zip code information provided by online open house visitors who participated in the survey.

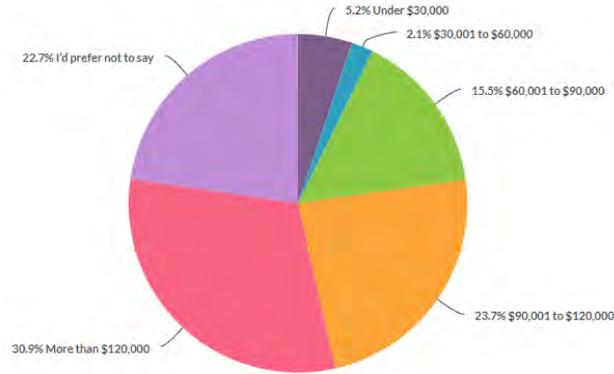
| What is your zip code? | |
|---|----|
| 98117 (Seattle) | 1 |
| 98118 (Seattle) | 1 |
| 98125 (North Seattle/Shoreline) | 1 |
| 98177 (North Seattle/Shoreline) | 1 |
| 98155 (North Seattle/Shoreline, Lake Forest Park) | 3 |
| 98028 (Kenmore) | 4 |
| 98021 (Kenmore, Bothell) | 2 |
| 98011 (Bothell, Woodinville) | 7 |
| <i>Total</i> | 20 |

Figure 1. Information on how respondents heard about the online open house from visitors who participated in the survey.



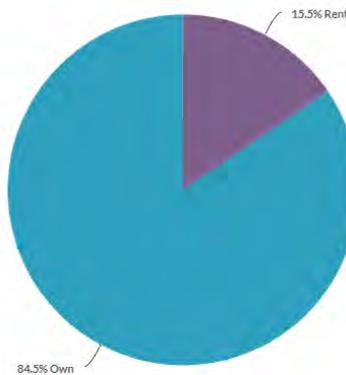
| Value | Percent | Responses |
|--|---------|------------|
| Postcard | 20.6% | 20 |
| Email from Sound Transit | 28.9% | 28 |
| Social media: Facebook | 19.6% | 19 |
| Online advertisement | 2.1% | 2 |
| News article/blog | 8.2% | 8 |
| Word of mouth | 5.2% | 5 |
| Other (please specify) (click to view) | 15.5% | 15 |
| | | Totals: 97 |

Figure 2. Information on the total household income of online open house visitors who participated in the survey.



| Value | Percent | Responses |
|-----------------------|---------|-----------|
| Under \$30,000 | 5.2% | 5 |
| \$30,001 to \$60,000 | 2.1% | 2 |
| \$60,001 to \$90,000 | 15.5% | 15 |
| \$90,001 to \$120,000 | 23.7% | 23 |
| More than \$120,000 | 30.9% | 30 |
| I'd prefer not to say | 22.7% | 22 |
| Totals: | | 97 |

Figure 3. Information on whether respondents owned or rented their current residence from online open house visitors who participated in the survey.



| Value | Percent | Responses |
|---------|---------|-----------|
| Rent | 15.5% | 15 |
| Own | 84.5% | 82 |
| Totals: | | 97 |

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