Welcome! ¡Bienvenidos!

SR 522/NE 145th Bus Rapid Transit Project

Thank you for joining us.

Gracias por acompañarnos.

感謝加入我們。
Help us understand how the SR 522/NE 145th BRT system will help you get where you need to go!

Place a _____ sticker on your neighborhood and a _____ sticker on where you commute to for work or regularly travel to.
We plan, build and operate regional transit systems and services to improve mobility in 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 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. (Example BRT coach pictured.)

**Sounder commuter rail**

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**

Sound Transit’s system is paid for with a combination of voter-approved local taxes, federal grants, farebox revenues, borrowed funds and interest revenues.
Sound Transit system expansion will:

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

**BRT** is a bus-based high capacity transit system that delivers fast, frequent, accessible and reliable bus service connections and will help riders avoid traffic congestion. BRT includes some features common to those provided by light rail:

- 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
SR 522/NE 145th BRT will connect communities from Shoreline to Woodinville via NE 145th Street, SR 522 and the transit center at UW Bothell/Cascadia College. The route has nine BRT stations and an expanded transit center at UW Bothell/Cascadia College. It will connect to Link light rail at the Shoreline South/145th Station and to I-405 BRT in Bothell.

I-405 BRT will connect communities along I-5, I-405 and SR 518 from Lynnwood to Burien 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.
The SR 522/NE 145th Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project will run along NE 145th Street and SR 522 from the future Link light rail station at I-5 and NE 145th Street in Shoreline to Bothell and Woodinville.

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/145th Station, and to I-405 BRT in Bothell.

**Representative project**

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

**The representative project includes:**

- On NE 145th Street, transit signal priority and bus queue jumps to facilitate BRT travel through corridor traffic bottlenecks.

- On SR 522, new business access and transit (BAT) lanes through most of Lake Forest Park, Kenmore and Bothell, with transit-supportive improvements on arterials from downtown Bothell to UW Bothell/Cascadia College.

- Nine new BRT station pairs along the route.

- An expanded transit center at UW Bothell/Cascadia College.

- Additional parking in Lake Forest Park, Kenmore and Bothell.

- New curbs and sidewalks where lane changes are implemented.
PROJECT GOALS

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.

Fast and frequent service to your destination:

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* 2016 times are for existing ST Express bus service
** BRT with transfer to Link light rail at Shoreline South/145th

Spring 2018
Questions:

1. What would make your commute by Sound Transit BRT enjoyable?
2. How should Sound Transit BRT be different from other transit services in the region?
3. Why will current non-riders decide to take Sound Transit BRT?

How to comment

Add your thoughts to:

- Flipcharts.
- Comment forms.
- Agree with something someone else said? Write “+1” next to it to add your voice.
The ST3 Plan approved by voters established the 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.

During 2018, we’ll start with the representative project and consider and evaluate project refinements to ultimately recommend a proposed project to the Sound Transit Board. The board will then advance the refined project into the conceptual design and environmental review phase in 2019.

**Types of project refinements Sound Transit will consider in 2018**

- Station locations.
- Parking locations and type of parking within Lake Forest Park, Kenmore and Bothell.
- Roadway improvements for BRT priority, including business access and transit lanes, bus queue jumps and transit signal priority.
- Sidewalk improvements.
- Service integration with King County Metro, Community Transit, ST Express and I-405 BRT.
- Connection to I-405 BRT and into Woodinville.
- Access for pedestrians and bicyclists.
- Bus Rapid Transit service branding.
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 the voters’ consideration.

**HOW THE COMMUNITY INITIATED THIS PROJECT**

**2015 community efforts**

- **Spring** // City Managers Group started working together to support SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project.
- **June/July** // 522 Transit NOW! Coalition formed.
- **August 27** // Sound Transit added SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project to the list of ST3 candidate projects.

**2016 community efforts**

- **January 12** // Joint City Council meeting held to show support for the SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project.
- **March** // SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project added to Draft ST3 Plan.
- **June** // Sound Transit Board released ST3 Plan.
- **November 8** // Voters approved ST3, including SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project.

**Project Schedule**

*Construction for most of the BRT projects is expected to begin by 2023 and be completed by 2024. Construction of some elements may begin before 2023, and others may occur after service starts in 2024.*
The schedule below shows our community engagement plan for 2018 and into 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.

**Community Engagement Process**

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*Sound Transit*
**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 councils are informed about the project as it progresses.

**Elected Leadership Group**
Made up of elected officials who represent the five cities along the project corridor, the Sound Transit Board and Washington State Department of Transportation, 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.

**Sound Transit Board**
The Sound Transit Board oversees the implementation and delivery of the project, and has final authority on identification of 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.
What unique aspects of your community should Sound Transit consider as we refine the project? Add your comments to this board using sticky notes or on the adjacent flip chart pages. Agree with something someone else said? Write “+1” next to it to add your voice.
In order to meet our project goals, Sound Transit will consider the following evaluation criteria as we refine the project.

Place up to three dots next to the criteria you think are most important for Sound Transit to consider.

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What else do you think Sound Transit should consider when refining the project? Add your feedback to this board using sticky notes.
SR 522/NE 145TH BRT REPRESENTATIVE PROJECT

Key features:
- 10 minute headways NE 145th LRT station to UW Bothell/Cascadia College
- 20 minute headways UW Bothell/Cascadia College to Woodinville
- Service span up to 19 hours Monday through Saturday, 17 hours on Sunday
- New bus procurement
- Fast boarding
- Allowance for TOD planning near BRT stations

Legend:
- Representative route
- Existing BAT lane
- New BAT lane/bus queue jump
- Station pair
- TC: Expanded transit center
- P: Park and Ride

Map date: 5/21/2018

This map is accompanied by a narrative and is simply a graphic representation.
Questions:

1. What about the new bus rapid transit service are you excited about?

2. What concerns do you have about the SR 522/NE 145th BRT Project fitting into your community?

3. Do you have any location-specific comments or key issues of local importance to share with Sound Transit?

4. What early ideas do you have for project refinements, including station and parking locations and bus lanes along the corridor?

How to comment

Add your thoughts to:

- Maps.
- Flipcharts.
- Comment forms.
- Agree with something someone else said? Write “+1” next to it to add your voice.
Thank you for attending this event. We welcome your feedback to help refine the project.

What we’ll do with your feedback:

- Share community input with the City Managers Group, Interagency Group, Elected Leadership Group and the Sound Transit Board.
- Consider community input when making decisions about project refinements.
- Share potential project refinements with the public at future community engagement events.

To request accommodations for persons with disabilities or information in alternative formats, call 1-800-201-4900 / TTY Relay: 711 or email accessibility@soundtransit.org.

Para información acerca del proyecto llame al: 1-800-823-9230 // 要瞭解項目資訊，請致電：1-800-823-9230 // 프로젝트에 관한 정보는 다음으로 연락하십시오: 1-800-823-9230 // Звоните 1-800-823-9230, чтобы получить информацию о проекте