



## Tacoma Dome Link Extension: Representative Project

Federal Way Transit Center to Tacoma Dome

- **Length:** 9.7 miles
- Stations: 4 (2 parking garages)

## Project timeline and milestones



APPROVAL

2016



**PLANNING** 

2018-2022



**DESIGN** 

2022-2025

and mitigation

Safety education

Testing and pre-operations

**CONSTRUCTION** 

2025-2030

Final route design

Final station designs

Procure and commission station and public art

Obtain land use and development agreements

Begin property acquisition

START OF SERVICE

2030

Alternatives development (2018-2019)

- Investigation of
- Board identifies Preferred Alternative

Environmental review (2019-2022)

Draft EIS

Final FIS

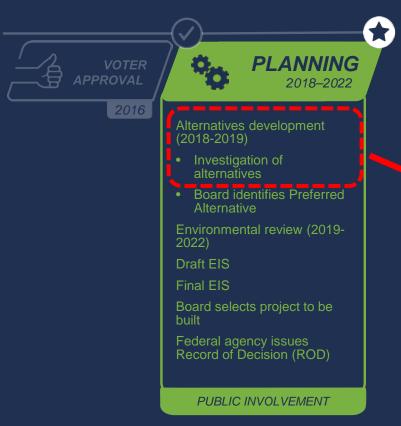
Board selects project to be

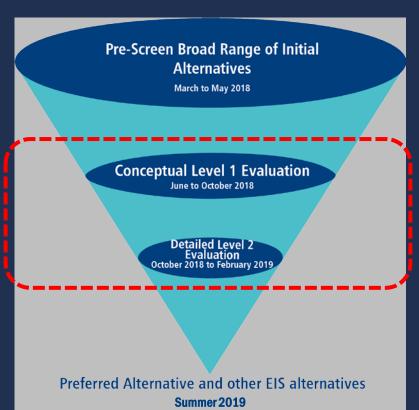
Federal agency issues Record of Decision (ROD)

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

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# Alternatives development process





### Final evaluation criteria categories



> Effective transportation solutions





Land use and economic development and Transit-Oriented Development (TOD)





> Preserve the environment



Equitable mobility



> Financially sustainable and constructible









#### **Overview**

- Outreach Period: 9/1 9/21
- Notification via postcards, advertisements, posters, project website, email updates, press releases, social media, agency invitation letters
- 3 public meetings
- Online open house (3 weeks)
- Agency and community conversations



## Highlights

- 175+ people attended three public meetings
- 2,800+ visited online open house
- 700+ total comments received via meetings and survey
- Thousands of views on Facebook and Twitter
- All comments captured in an outreach summary report



#### ELG recommendation summary table

| Tacoma Dome Link Extension           |   |                                      | FIFE Station and route alternatives feedback   | <b>T</b> Sound <b>T</b> ransit  |
|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|--|---|
| Alternatives                         | Technical Analysis  | Public<br>Feedback                   | Stakeholder Group Feedback   | Elected Leadership Group Recommendation   |
| Alternative                          | s with more potential   | (station rank by<br>public response) |  |   |
| Fife 3 [2 alternative routes]        | Supports the City of Fife's planned<br>City Center for a more livable,<br>walkable, accessible, and business-<br>friendlycity center     Greater opportunities for housing and<br>business development near station     More convenient station access for<br>people walking, biking, taking transit,<br>or driving   | 0                                    | Suggest continuing study  Best location for planned City Center vision Good potential for adjacency to parking Consider how the alignment moves west A pedestrian bridge would improve access to station | No comment  |
| Fife 4                               | Supports the City of Fife's planned<br>City Center for a more livable,<br>walkable, accessible, and business-<br>friendly city center.     Greater opportunities for housing and<br>business development near station     More convenient station access for<br>people walking, biking, taking transit,<br>or driving | 2                                    | Higher construction/traffic impacts along SR 99     Good station location near planned     City Center, Emerald Queen Casino, residential area     A pedestrian bridge would improve access to station   | No comment  |
| Alternatives with greater challenges |   |                                      |  |   |
| Fife 1                               | Fewer opportunities for housing and business development near the station     Least convenient station access for people walking, biking, taking transit, or driving  | 4                                    | Split opinion about whether to continue study  At edge of planned City Center  Higher impacts to industrial area  Higher impacts to tribal residential areas   | Potential impact to tribal properties on Alexander & 12th Street, consider adjusting alignment to avoid this community Challenge to coordinate with SR 167 design |
| Fife 2 [2 alternative routes]        | Located outside of City of Fife's planned City Center   | 3                                    | Suggest not continuing study Impacts more businesses Further from residential areas Costlier property acquisitions   | No comment  |

# Five (5) South Federal Way station alternatives advance

- Technical challenges: Median I-5 and east of I-5
- Limit impacts to existing businesses, newly redeveloped areas



#### Three (3) station alternatives advance in Fife



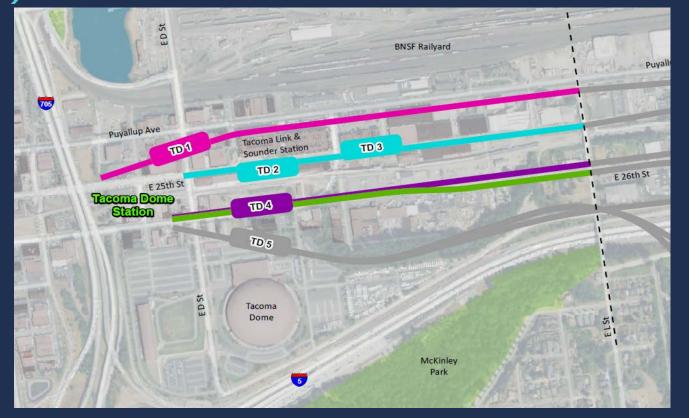
- Focus north of I-5, Fife's future City Center plan
- Coordination with SR 167/Gateway project

#### Six (6) East Tacoma station alternatives advance

- Puyallup River crossing
- Station access and connections



#### Four (4) Tacoma Dome station alternatives advance



Focus on multimodal connectivity, slope challenges, and development potential

## Next steps

#### Level 2 evaluation: Oct. 2018 to Feb. 2019

#### Station Area Workshops

- 10/25
  - South Federal Way and Fife station areas
- 11/1
  - East Tacoma and Tacoma Dome station areas

#### Next ELG meeting

• 11/30 – Fabulich Center

