

2024 System Expansion Committee Work Program – Updated 4/2/2024

In 2024, the System Expansion Committee will focus on three areas: 1) transactional matters to advance the capital system expansion programs that are in construction or approved for project development, 2) capital program review, and 3) topics of special interest to the committee.

Matters to advance the capital system expansion, for committee approval or referral to the Board

This work includes committee actions required for continued progress on the work of Sound Transit's system expansion capital program for working within the current project phase. As in previous years, items will include committee consideration and votes to approve or recommend actions to the Board, including:

- Contracts and contract modifications
- Interlocal and other agreements
- Project alternatives, budgets, and milestones
- Property acquisitions
- Regular project briefings to keep the committee informed and prepared for upcoming action items
- Other actions as needed for the capital expansion program

Sound Transit staff have compiled a projected list of specific actions they anticipate bringing before the committee for action by quarter, which is attached.

Capital Program Review

The System Expansion Committee will receive ad-hoc cost savings reports, biannual reports on the status of current and anticipated cost drivers, and will receive information on scope, schedule or budget challenges that are anticipated or may arise during the year, especially with regard to major components of the capital program or those that will require Board action.

In 2024, the System Expansion Committee will consider projects to be built, preferred alternatives, and/or EIS alternatives for the following projects:

- Sounder Lakewood Station Access Improvements project
- Sounder South Tacoma Station Access Improvements project
- Operations and Maintenance Facility South project
- West Seattle Link Extension project
- Graham Street Infill Station project
- South Boeing Access Road Infill Station project
- Tacoma Dome Link Extension project
- Ballard Link Extension – South Lake Union area additional alternative

In 2024, the Committee will also consider baseline budgets for the following projects:

- Amend HTLE baseline budget
- Amend baseline schedules for East Link, Lynnwood Link, Downtown Redmond Link, and Federal Way Link to reflect recovery plan revenue service plan windows

Topics of Special Interest to the Committee

The System Expansion Committee will also explore additional areas that are topics of interest to members, responsive to changing circumstances or the public, or emerging issues.

Topics proposed for 2024:

- Presentation on standardized station designs (TBD)
- Discussion on Long term light rail service priorities (***Planned for April Board***)
- Link project delays lessons learned (TBD)
- Update on Long Range System Planning (TBD)
- Other Topics suggested by System Expansion Committee members

Reports Provided to the Committee

The System Expansion Committee will continue to receive reports on the current status of the capital program including monthly review of changes to the [Project Performance Tracker](#) and [Agency Progress Report - Capital Programs](#) reports.

Representative schedule of actions and discussions, subject to change.

First Quarter

- Project Performance Tracker Update (Monthly)
- Status of Implementing the TAG Recommendations (Monthly)
- Projects in Activation Report (Monthly)
- Projects in Planning Report (Quarterly)
- Projects in Construction Report (Quarterly)

- Consider contingency increase to Construction Management Consultant contract with HDR Engineering for the East Link Extension
- Consider Property Acquisitions for the SR522/NE 145th St BRT Project
- Discussion on 2024 System Expansion Committee Workplan
- Consider Everett Link Extension Project Administration Agreements with Everett and Snohomish County
- Consider Contract Modification with HNTB for TOD Joint Development design for the West West Seattle Link and Ballard Link Extensions
- Consider a construction contract with Western Ventures Construction, Inc. for the temporary North Maintenance of Way facility
- Discussion on 2024 Draft System Expansion Committee Workplan
- Consider Early Acquisition for West Seattle Link Extension Package #1
- Consider Early Acquisition for Tacoma Dome Link Extension
- Consider Mercer Island Traffic Signal Installation Contract for East Link Extension
- Consider Allocating Contingency Funds to Lynnwood Link Extension Contracts
- Consider Stride Station Access Allowance Funding Commitments
- Consider selecting project of improvements to be built for Sounder Lakewood Station Access Improvement Project
- Consider selecting project of improvements to be built for Sounder South Tacoma Access Improvement Project
- Series 2 Light Rail Fleet Expansion project
 - Consider Sole Source contract modification to procure 10 additional LRVs - Siemens Contract
 - Consider Approve Inspection and Engineering Services Hatch/LTK Contract
- Report from the Technical Advisory Group
- Presentation on Scope Control Policy Update
- Presentation on At-grade Crossings

Second Quarter

- Project Performance Tracker Update (Monthly)
- Status of Implementing the TAG Recommendations (Monthly)
- Projects in Activation Report (Monthly)
- Projects in Planning Report (Quarterly)
- Projects in Construction Report (Quarterly)

- Consider approving a Transfer of Development Rights Agreement with City of Bothell for the Bus Base North project

- Presentation on South Lake Union area feasibility assessment results for Ballard Link Extension
- East Link Extension project
 - Consider approval of contract contingency increase with WSP, Engineer of Record
 - Consider approval of contract contingency increase with Jacobs Project Management for Construction Management Consultant services
 - Consider approval of contract contingency increase with Kiewitt Hoffman JV
 - Consider approval of contract contingency increase with Mass Electric Construction
 - Consider approval of Contract Contingency increase for NTSP, Engineer of Record
- Consider approving procurement honorarium agreements for the Operations and Maintenance Facility South project
- Potentially consider an action to confirm or modify the BLE preferred alternative based on the South Lake Union area feasibility assessment results
- Consider modifying Access Enhancement Funding Agreement with the City of Mountlake Terrace
- Presentation on South South Strategic Plan Update
- Consider baseline budget amendment for the Sounder South Tacoma Station Access Improvement project
- Consider baseline budget amendment for the Sounder Lakewood Access Improvement project
- Operations and Maintenance Facility South
 - Consider selecting Project to be Built
 - Consider Property Acquisitions
- Consider Early Acquisition Package #2 for the West Seattle Link Extension
- Consider Early Acquisition Package #3 for the Ballard Link Extension
- Lynnwood Link Extension project
 - Consider authorizing Contract Closeout Change Orders with the L200, L300 and/or L800 Contractors (if needed)
 - Consider modifying Baseline Revenue Service Date
- Quarterly Report from the Technical Advisory Group
- Quarterly Report from the Board's Independent Consultant
- Presentation on West Seattle Link Extension Final EIS Publication
- Preview Annual Program Review at System Expansion Committee

Third Quarter

- Project Performance Tracker Update (Monthly)
- Status of Implementing the TAG Recommendations (Monthly)
- Projects in Activation Report (Monthly)
- Projects in Planning Report (Quarterly)
- Projects in Construction Report (Quarterly)

- Consider Funding Agreement with City of Tacoma for South Tacoma Station Access Improvements project
- Consider Funding Agreement with City of Lakewood for Lakewood Station Access Improvements project
- West Seattle Link Extension project
 - Consider selecting Project to be Built
 - Consider third-party funding agreement/term sheet
 - Consider amendment to City of Seattle Transitway Agreement

- Stride Bus Rapid Transit program
 - Consider a funding agreement with City of Lynnwood for construction of BRT improvements in the vicinity of Poplar Way
 - Consider Stride Contract Service Provider Procurement award
- Consider identifying preferred alternative for Graham Street Infill Station project
- Consider identifying preferred alternative for Boeing Access Road Infill Station project
- West Seattle Link Extension
 - Consider Phase Gate 3 and Increase project allocation to date
 - Consider Task Order 6 under Project Administration Agreement with Seattle
- Ballard Link Extension
 - Consider Task Order 5 under Project Administration Agreement with Seattle
 - Consider Task Order 7 under Project Administration Agreement with Seattle
- Consider North Maintenance of Way facility Design-Build Project Management contract award
- Consider contract award for Stride BRT Station Fit-ups
- Update on Ballard Link Extension DEIS and Engagement
- Update on Tacoma Dome Link Extension DEIS Publication
- Consider Everett Link Extension Early Acquisition
- Consider West Seattle Link Extension property acquisition package
- Quarterly Report from the Technical Advisory Group
- Quarterly Report from the Board's Independent Consultant
- Preview Long-Range Financial Plan update at System Expansion Committee

Fourth Quarter

- Project Performance Tracker Update (Monthly)
- Status of Implementing the TAG Recommendations (Monthly)
- Projects in Activation Report (Monthly)
- Projects in Planning Report (Quarterly)
- Projects in Construction Report (Quarterly)

- West Seattle Link Extension
 - Consider Civil Final Design contract
 - Consider Construction Services agreement with Puget Sound Energy
 - Consider property acquisition package
- Consider budget amendment for Everett Link Extension and OMF North project
- Consider Stride Bus Base North Construction Contract Award
- Consider forwarding the System Expansion portion of the proposed 2025 Budget and Transit Improvement Plan to the Finance and Audit Committee
- Presentation on the proposed 2025 budget for System Expansion projects
- Report in advance of confirming or modifying the Preferred Alternatives for the Tacoma Dome Link Extension
- Consider confirming or modifying the Preferred Alternative for the Tacoma Dome Link Extension
- Consider Stride Construction Contract Award