East Link Light Rail Project Update

City Council Study Session

February 25, 2019

Topics

Construction activities

Mike Bell, Acting Executive Project Director, Sound Transit

Project mitigation

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Community outreach

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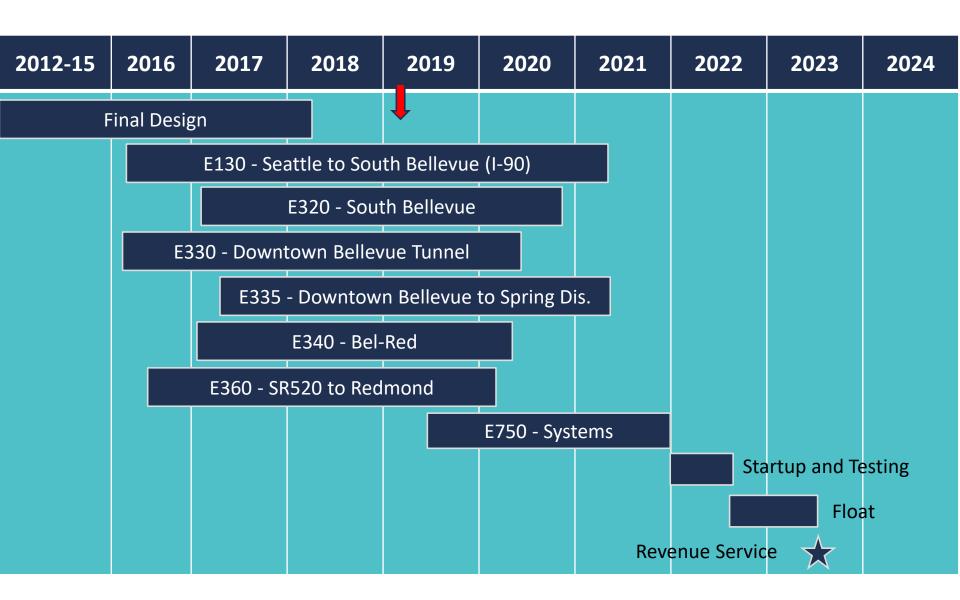
Project Overview

COST

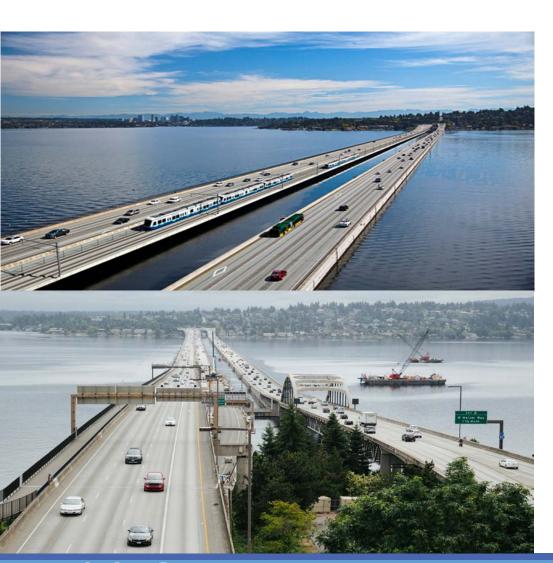
- Baseline April 2015
- Budget \$3.67 Billion (YOE)
- Schedule Revenue service June 2023

STATUS

- All six civil contracts in construction
- Systems construction starting up
- Within budget
- On schedule



I-90 Floating Bridge





Mercer Island Station Construction



South Bellevue Station



Last Girder Placement



Winters House/Bellevue Way SE



I I 2th Ave SE Temporary Bypass Road



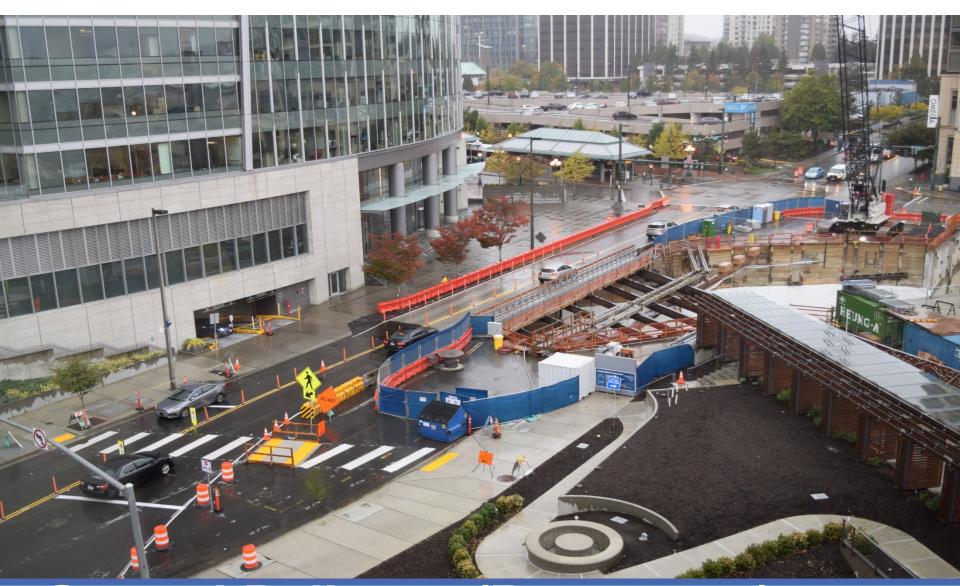
I I 2th Ave SE: Road-over-rail construction



Tunnel



I I 0th Ave NE/NE 6th Street



Central Bellevue (Downtown)

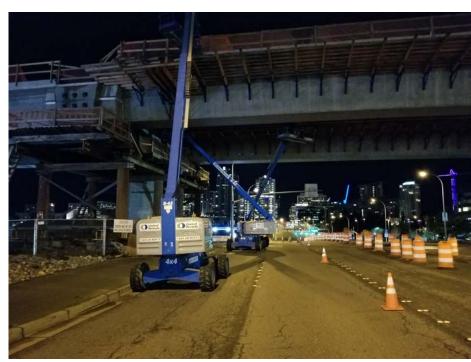
North tunnel portal





I-405 Span and NE 8th Street







Spring District/120th Station





Aerial guideway





Overlake Village Station



Operations and Maintenace Facility: East



Agency Coordination

- Permitting
- Project Management
 Coordination
- Outreach



East Link Mitigation

- High priority
- Memorandum of Understanding
- Construction and operation



Construction Mitigation



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Wetland Mitigation



Kelsey Creek Tributary Mitigation (BelRed) Sweyolocken Mitigation (South Bellevue)





Bellevue Way Traffic Mitigation

- 2 lanes open to downtown Bellevue in morning; I lane to I-90
- 2 lanes open to I-90 in afternoon; I lane to downtown

Neighborhood Traffic Mitigation

- Purpose: Discourage neighborhood traffic during light rail construction
- Pilot: SE 16th Street/108th Ave & SE 16th Street/Bellevue Way
- Result: Traffic volumes are down
- Evaluation: Operations, traffic data
 & community feedback
- Continue through construction



Community Outreach

SOUNDTRANSI

- Partnership between agencies
- Regular outreach to key stakeholders
- Work with individual residences and businesses
- Construction alerts



Northbound lane closure: 112th Ave SE between Bellevue Way SE and SE 8th St.

Crews plan to install concrete curb between the roadway and pedestrian path along 112th Ave SE. Crews will also use this closure to perform pothole repair along 112th Ave SE. During the closure, northbound traffic will be detoured toward Main St. via 108th Ave SE. Please follow the direction of flaggers and signage to safely access your destination. See map below.

What

Northbound lane closure between Bellevue Way SE and SE 8th

- Please follow the direction of flaggers and signage to safely access your destination.
- During the closure, vehicles traveling to Bellefield will need to access the park from the north, traveling south on 112th Ave SE.

When

Saturday, January 12: 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., work hours 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

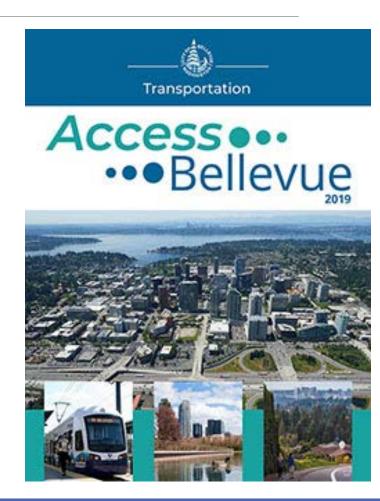
Community Relations

- Coordinated response
 - Construction noise
 - Traffic impacts
 - Environmental protection



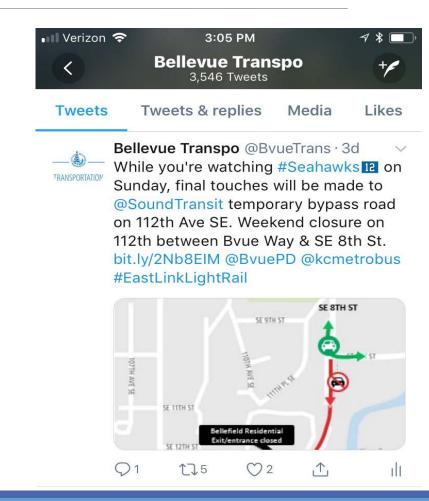
Citywide Mailings

- Access Bellevue mailer–January 2019
- Bellevue Way/112th Ave SE Traffic Control
 –July 2018



Ongoing City Communications

- Current news and FAQ webpages
 - -Email/text updates
- Twitter and Nextdoor
- It's Your City newsletter



- BelRed Projects
- East Link
- GrandConnection
- Wilburton Commercial Area Study
- Neighborhood Enhancement Program
- Eastside Rail Corridor Trail
- •SR520/124th
 Interchange & I-405
 improvements
- Environmental Stewardship Initiative



Tuesday, March 26

7:30-9:30 am

Global Innovation Exchange

Project Information

SOUND TRANSIT

- soundtransit.org/eastlink
- 206-398-5465
- 888-298-2395 (24-hour Construction Hotline)
- eastlink@soundtransit.org



BELLEVUE TRANSPORTATION

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- 425-452-2064
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Questions

No council action or direction is requested.

