# **Northgate Pedestrian Bridge**

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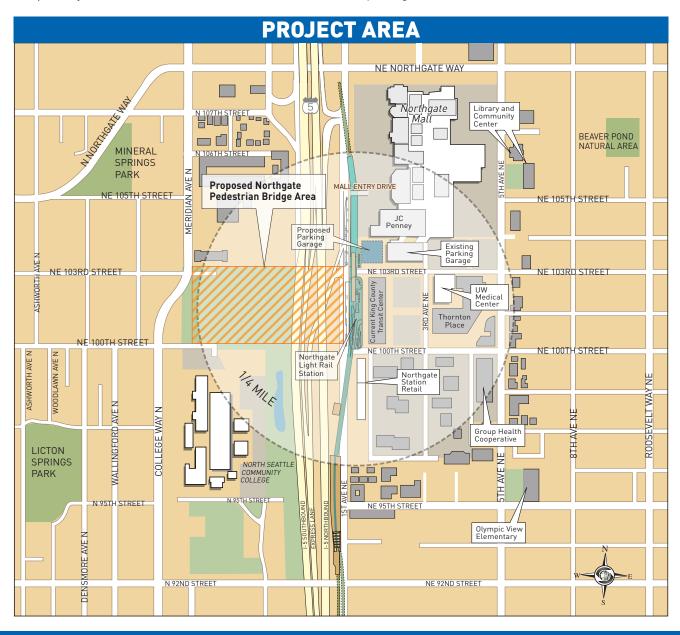
# **Project Description**

#### The Northgate Pedestrian Bridge project will

design and construct a pedestrian and bicycle overpass across Interstate 5 (I-5) that will connect the communities, neighborhoods, businesses and schools in the Northgate area. The proposed location of the bridge is in the vicinity of NE 100th and NE 103rd streets and will likely be between 1000 and 1500 feet long. Possible alignments, bridge types and connection points to other transportation assets are being evaluated by the project team, with the goal of selecting a preferred option by fall 2014.

The Northgate community, although divided by I-5, has many transportation assets on the east side, with more to come. In 2021, Sound Transit will open its Northgate Light Rail Station, next to the present King County Transit Center.

Other improvements SDOT plans to make in this area include a protected bicycle lane between NE 100th Street and NE 92nd Street along the west side of 1st Avenue NE, as well as a multi-use trail between NE 103rd Street and NE Northgate Way along the east side of 1st Avenue NE.



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### **Project Benefits**

The project benefits the neighborhood, businesses and schools around Northgate by:

- Providing a better connection for students and transit users to North Seattle Community College
- Increasing ridership at the King County Transit Center and future Light Rail Station
- Developing a new connection between the east and west sides of I-5 in Northgate
- Providing important access for bicyclists and pedestrians in the Northgate vicinity

### **Project Funding**

The project is currently estimated to cost about \$25 million. At this time, SDOT and Sound Transit have each committed to provide \$5 million toward the project if all required funding is secured by July 31, 2015. If the required funding is not secured by that time, the Sound Transit portion will be used for other pedestrian and bicycle improvements in the area.

## Northgate Pedestrian and Bicycle Bridge Timeline

	2014				2015			2016				2017				
	Qtr1	Qtr2	Qtr3	Qtr4												
Preliminary engineering and environmental review																
Final design																
Coordinated Northgate Pedestrian and Bicycle Bridge construction																
Sound Transit station construction																
Community briefings/ engagement																



For more information about this project, please visit our project website:

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