



FACT SHEET

RECONNECT WEST SEATTLE UPDATE

December 2020

West Seattle High-Rise Bridge reopening in 2022

In March 2020, in the interest of public safety, the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) closed the West Seattle High-Rise Bridge to all vehicle traffic. In November 2020, working with SDOT and the community, Mayor Jenny Durkan made the decision to **repair** the bridge. The bridge is expected to **reopen in 2022**.



Walk, wheel, bike, or scoot to help reduce congestion.

YOUR COMMUTE AFFECTS EVERYONE

While the bridge remains closed, everyone needs to do their part to reduce their travel impacts. If possible, please find other options to reach your destination:

- Walk, wheel, bike, or scoot
- Ride the bus or take the water taxi
- Carpool or rideshare
- Stay and shop local

These options can help reduce congestion and protect the health of people living in impacted communities. If you do drive, help keep your neighbors safe by staying within the posted speed limits along the detour routes. For ideas and resources on getting around during the closure, visit our website.



We're working to reconnect West Seattle and calm traffic in the neighborhoods most impacted by the closure.



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LOW BRIDGE FINES BEGIN JANUARY 2021

The Low Bridge is currently open to private vehicles only at night (9 PM–5 AM). At all other times, it is open only to emergency vehicles, heavy freight, buses, and authorized users.



Beginning January 2021, private vehicles driving on the bridge between 5 AM and 9 PM will be fined \$75 for each trip.

Please plan accordingly.

Learn more:

www.seattle.gov/transportation/LowBridge



Low Bridge looking east.

2021 NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS

W MARGINAL WAY SW IMPROVEMENTS

We're beginning outreach and engagement this month to make W Marginal Way SW safer and more accessible for everyone.

HOME ZONE PLANNING

We're working with Georgetown, South Park, and Highland Park, the neighborhoods most impacted by detour traffic, to develop a plan for a Home Zone for each neighborhood. A Home Zone involves the entire neighborhood working together to prioritize improvements that calm traffic and improve pedestrian mobility and neighborhood livability.

To learn more and provide feedback, visit our website: www.seattle.gov/ReconnectWestSeattle.



Intersection of SW Spokane St and W Marginal Way SW.



We're committed to keeping you informed during the West Seattle High-Rise Bridge closure.

CONTACT US

We are committed to keeping you informed of progress and major milestones as we repair the bridge. We will seek your continued feedback on how to improve mobility and safety.

- **Invite us to meet virtually** with your group or organization
- **Email or call us** to share your thoughts: WestSeattleBridge@seattle.gov or (206) 400-7511
- **Visit our website** to sign up for the weekly email updates: www.seattle.gov/ReconnectWestSeattle



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