Georgetown to Downtown Protected Bike Lane

Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board

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Beacon Hill

Beacon Hill via S Albro 0.7 💰 🚽

Chief Sealth Trail 0.9 💰

South Park 2.0 50



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Our Vision, Mission, Values, & Goals

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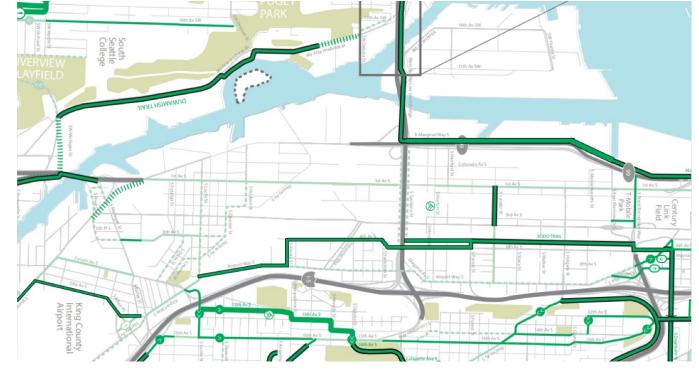


Project Background

Project Goals

By the end of 2024 we will have built a safe north/south bike route connecting Georgetown and Downtown.

Building the project will link neighborhoods to major job centers, provide safer local bike access within SODO, and fill a major gap in the region's bike network.



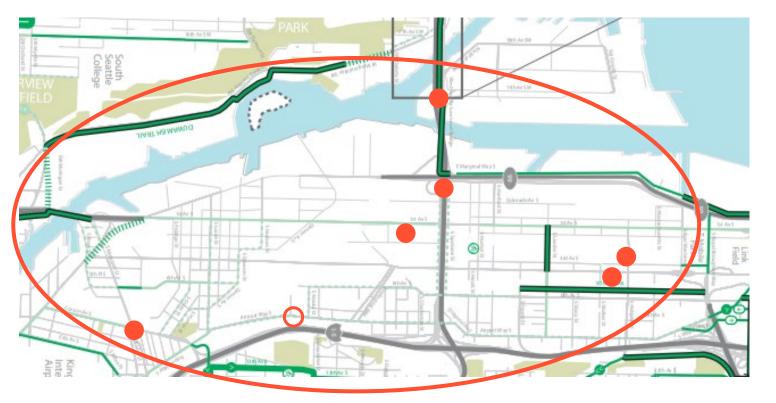
Future conditions (2032)

- Georgetown to Downtown & Georgetown to South Park provide a route on the eastern side of SODO
- East Marginal Way provides a route on the western side of SODO
- SODO Trail rebuilt and extended to S Spokane St



Project Need

- SODO has long been a gap in the regional bike network
- 2019 Bicycle Master Plan Implementation Plan update saw a strong public support for projects in South Seattle
- Restarted in 2021 with potential funding



Three fatalities in 2022 – more than one third (6 of 15) bike fatalities since 2016 have happened in the circle above as well as one scooter collision. 40% of our bike fatalities on ~6% of our land.



Preferred Route and Cross Sections

Overview

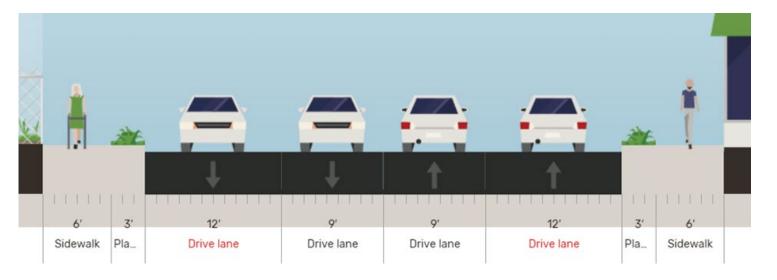
Two-Way PBL on Airport Way S Two-Way PBL on S Alaska St One-Way PBLs on 6th Ave S Short connecting segment on S Forest St Follows existing SODO Trail (no change) Short connecting segment on Royal Brougham way Short segment on 6th Ave S (to be built by developer) Short segment on Seattle Blvd One-Way PBLs on 6th Ave S





Airport Way S





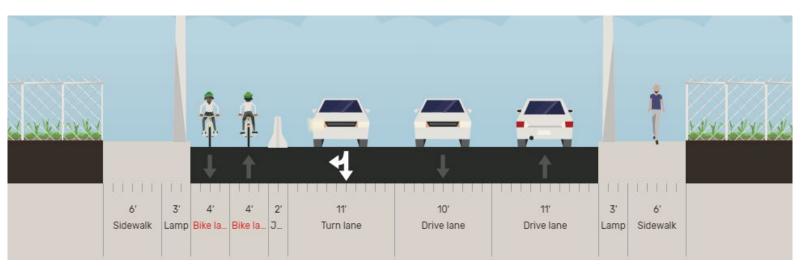
Principal Arterial / Industrial Access Major Freight Street Structure over Union Pacific Yard One bus stop One intersection Driveways 42' curb to curb





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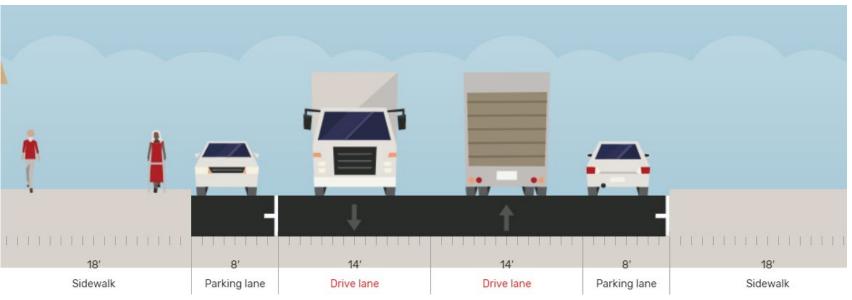


Preferred cross section: Two Way PBL on west side of street Two SB travel lanes on bridge Center Turn Lane north of bridge Structural analysis underway to help identify barrier type



Alaska St and 6th Ave S





Nonarterial/ Minor Industrial Access First/Last Mile Freight Street Multiple intersections Multiple driveways 44' curb to curb





Alaska St and 6th Ave S





Preferred Cross Section DRAFT:

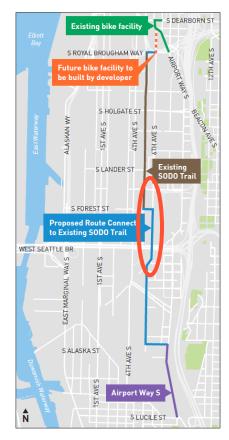
Continue Two-Way PBL onto S Alaska St Transition to One-Way PBL at 6th & Alaska Width allows for One-Way PBL with parking and travel lanes

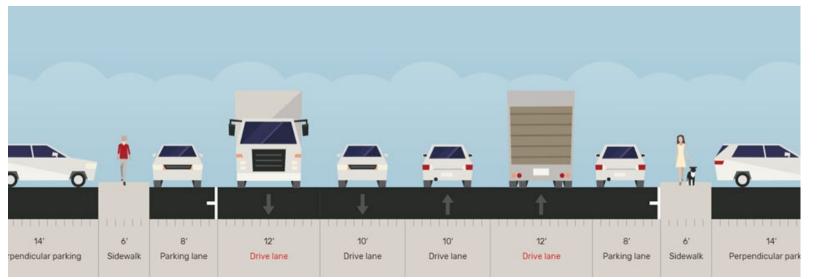
Potential for off-street path on east side of street Preserve one side of parking where possible Widen PBL buffers where not





6th Ave S - S Spokane St to S Forest St



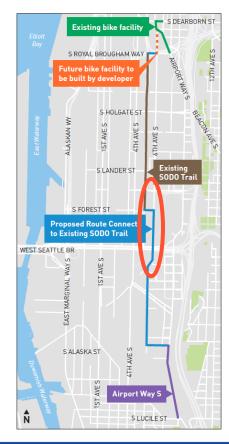


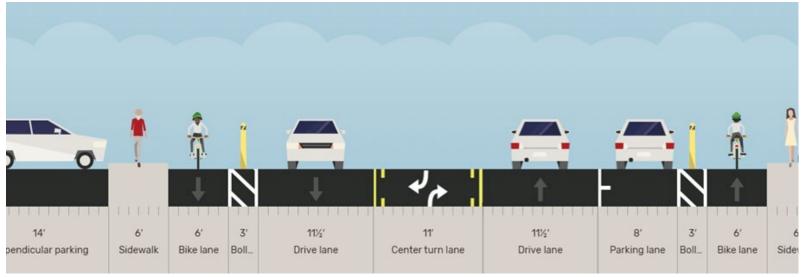
Minor Arterial / Industrial Access Major Freight Street Multiple dead end intersections Multiple driveways Upcoming SCL / ST work in 2025-2026 60' curb to curb





6th Ave S - S Spokane St to S Forest St





Preferred Cross Section: One-Way PBLs Preserve one lane of parking Add Center Turn Lane Drop one travel lane in each direction



S Forest St and SODO Trail

- South portion of the project will end with a facility on S Forest St
- Coordinating with Sound Transit and Seattle City Light
 - High voltage power transmission lines must move from E3 Corridor to 6th Ave S
 - Compatible with Georgetown to Downtown project
 - Will rebuild PBLs as-is at minimum
- No changes to SODO Trail from this project, but changes with ST3 construction





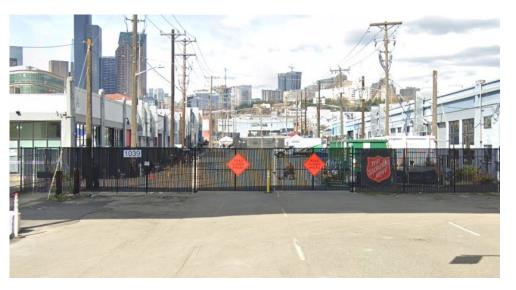
North Connections



Royal Brougham Way : Multiuse Path

6th Ave S: Closed for construction, but developer plans PBLs Seattle Blvd and 6th Ave S: Short PBL segments







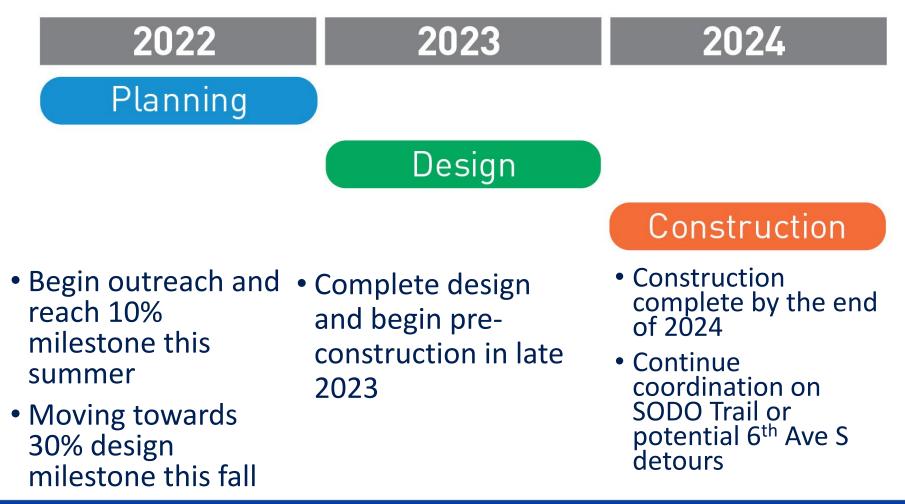
Next Steps

Outreach/Communications

- First stage of outreach is meeting with major stakeholder groups
 - Bike Board (that's now!) SODO BIA (August), Duwamish Valley Safe Streets, Freight Board
- Discussions with wider community to inform on project's progress and receive high level input
- Outreach to project neighbors to further develop cross sections, understand access needs and truck movements



Schedule & Next Steps





Questions?

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