

NORTHGATE PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE BRIDGE PROJECT

Connecting communities on the west and east sides of I-5 in Northgate
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PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) is building a new pedestrian and bicycle bridge over Interstate-5 (I-5) to improve connections within the Northgate community, including access to major regional transit facilities east of the freeway: the existing King County Transit Center and the Sound Transit Link light rail station (which opens in 2021).

The Northgate area is one of the Puget Sound region's major residential and employment centers. The existing transit center currently serves over 6,000 passengers a day, and the future light rail station is expected to serve over 15,000 passengers per day. The new bridge would reduce walk times from North Seattle College to the light rail station by about 20 minutes.

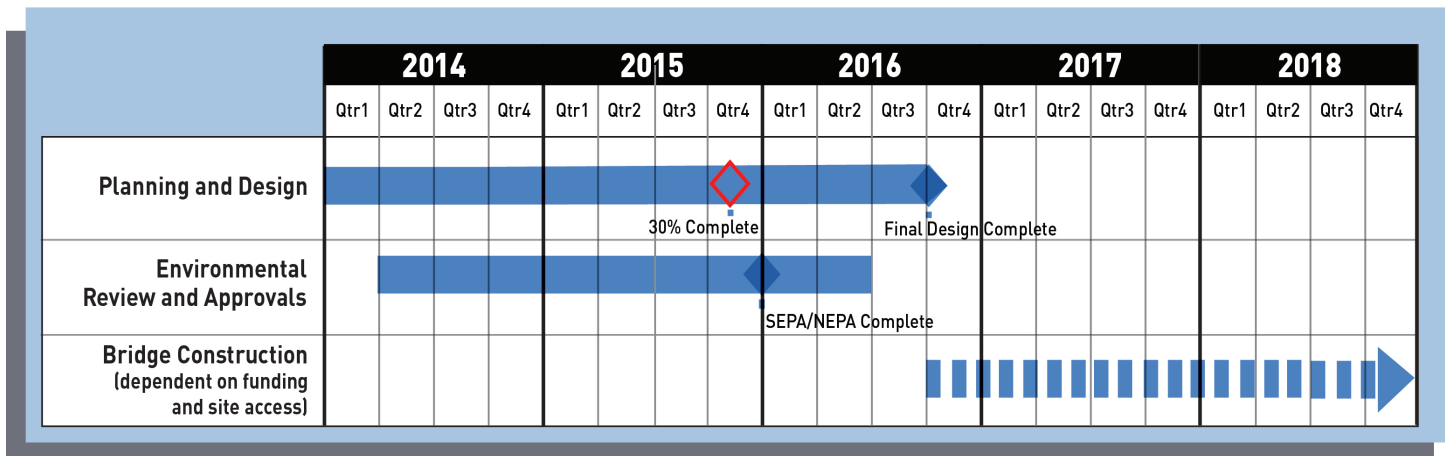


PROJECT BENEFITS

- Create a new connection between east and west sides of I-5
- Provide a better connection for students and transit users to Northwest Seattle including Licton Springs, Maple Leaf and North Seattle College
- Provide important access for pedestrians and bicyclists
- Increase ridership at the King County Transit Center and future light rail station

The proposed bridge will be a truss/tube structure with the main span crossing I-5 and will use ADA-compliant approach ramps to touch down at North Seattle College near N 100th Street on the west side and at NE 100th Street on the east side. SDOT will provide a direct connection to the future Northgate light rail station mezzanine level over 1st Avenue NE from the east side approach ramp.

PROJECT SCHEDULE

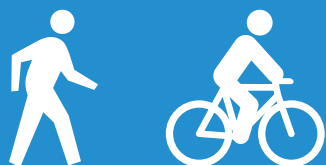


PROJECT FUNDING

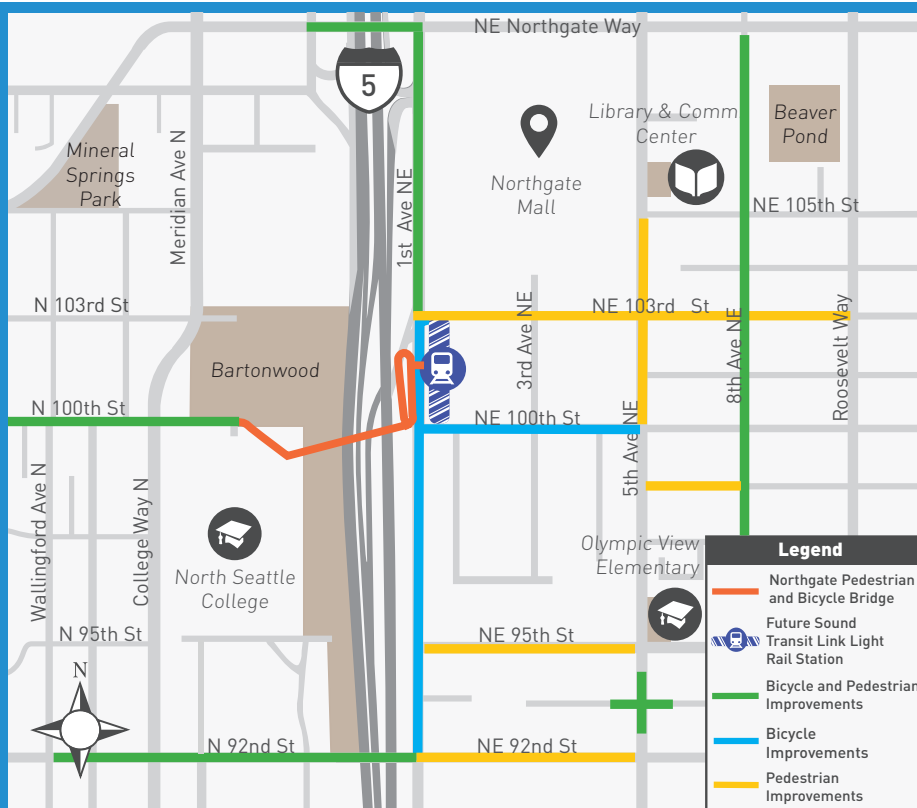
Project funding committed to date totals \$20 million. Sound Transit and SDOT have each committed \$5 million to the project. In addition, the Washington State Legislature approved the Transportation Improvements Budget, which includes \$10 million for this project.

Funding for the Northgate Pedestrian and Bicycle Bridge project is included in the 2015 Move Seattle Transportation Levy. In addition, SDOT has applied for 2015 federal TIGER Grant funding.

OTHER PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE IMPROVEMENTS



The Northgate Pedestrian and Bicycle Bridge is one of many improvements being proposed in the area. We will create a more walkable and bikeable Northgate through investments that benefit all ages and abilities. The map to the right highlights bicycle and pedestrian improvements.



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