

FAIRVIEW AVENUE NORTH BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Summer 2018

Project description

We are replacing the bridge at Fairview Ave N. The oldest portion of the current bridge was built more than 65 years ago and is the last timber-supported bridge on a major road in Seattle. While safe for travel today, the bridge is structurally unstable and vulnerable to earthquakes, including the newer portion made of steel and concrete.

The bridge is located on the southeast shore of Lake Union near the 1200 block of Fairview Ave N in Seattle, next to the historic Lake Union Steam Plant building.

What's new?

- With design finalized and major permits in hand, Seattle Department of Transportation is advertising the project and selecting a construction contractor this fall
- Reaching out to local organizations, businesses, and residents to share information about what to expect and understand community needs during construction

Project schedule

The Fairview project expects to break ground on detour preparation in early 2019. The full bridge closure is slated to begin in spring 2019. Full project construction will last approximately 15 months.



2016-2020

■ Winter 2016: Final Design

■ Early 2019:
Aloha Street work, detour preparation

■ Spring 2016 - 2018:
Ongoing public outreach and permitting*

■ Spring 2019:
Full bridge closure and start of construction
(approximately 12 months)

*The project will comply with all necessary environmental permitting and associated schedules

■ 2020: Bridge reopens to traffic

Driving, biking, and walking during construction

We understand that traffic must keep moving in the area during construction. Transit riders, cyclists, and pedestrians will be directed to Aloha St and Eastlake Ave E. Freight and general traffic will be encouraged to use alternate routes. Detour and “businesses are open” signage will be placed at key locations during the full closure. We will continue to work with King County Metro, other nearby construction projects, the community, and those who travel through the area before and during construction.

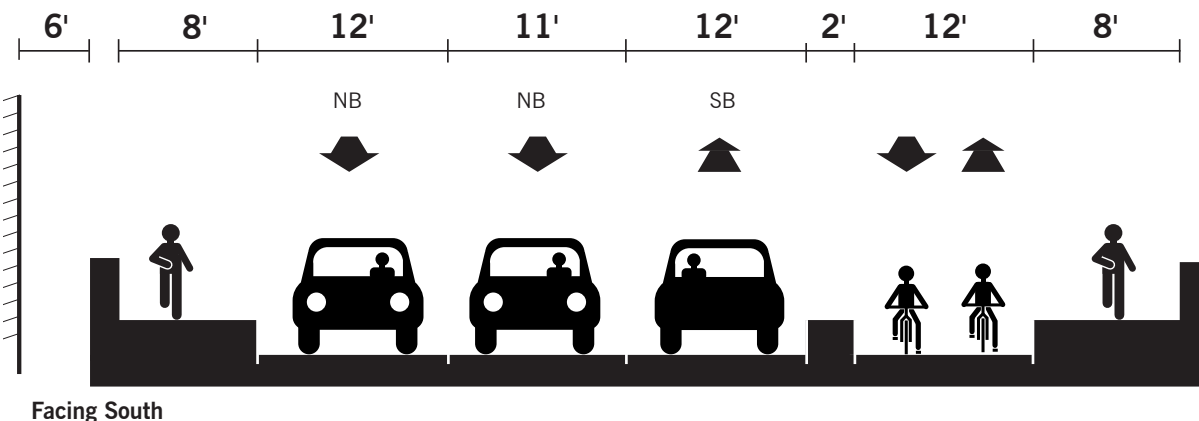
Project budget and funding

The total project cost estimate is \$42 million. The project is funded in three ways: Bridging the Gap, a nine-year levy for transportation maintenance and improvement; federal funding through the Bridge Replacement Advisory Committee (BRAC); and funds from the Levy to Move Seattle.



Fairview Ave N bridge directly next to the historic Lake Union Steam Plant Building.

New Bridge



Project improvements will include:

- New single-span bridge structure that meets current seismic standards
- Northbound vehicle lanes wider by approximately 2 feet total
- Sidewalks located on both sides of the bridge
- Structurally able to accommodate future transit expansion
- Three Lake Union viewpoints along the bridge
- A new two-way cycle track to replace the shared bicycle/pedestrian path
- The floating walkway on Lake Union parallel to the bridge will be removed during construction and replaced when construction is complete.

PROJECT INFORMATION & CONTACT

www.seattle.gov/transportation/fairviewbridge.htm

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