



West Seattle Link Extension

Q2 2024 EXTERNAL ENGAGEMENT REPORT

April/May/June 2024



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Activities snapshot



61 comments and questions from inbox and voicemail



12 community briefings and property owner meetings



Two festivals engaging 147 community members



Attended one public event engaging 34 people



One email update engaging 12,000+ subscribers



Ongoing fieldwork activities¹ throughout the project corridor



The West Seattle Link Extension will provide fast, reliable light rail connections to dense residential and job centers in the SODO, Delridge, and West Seattle neighborhoods.

¹ Sound Transit is in the planning phase for the West Seattle Link Extension project. As part of this phase, Sound Transit is coordinating with property owners throughout the corridor to collect and analyze information necessary to plan and design potential light rail alignments to be studied in the environmental review process.



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Fairs and festivals

In the WSLE project corridor, we attended two events to share about the project with the community:

- **Roxhill Summer Solstice Fest tabling**
 - Date: June 15, 2024 | Visitors: 47
- **Taste of White Center tabling**
 - Date: June 29, 2024 | Visitors: 100



Public events

We hosted one WSLE open house to report back the feedback we heard during station planning engagement.



SODO BIA and Sound Transit Station Planning Drop-in: The project team attended the event hosted by SODO BIA on April 10, 2024 to report back to the community what we heard as a result of the Fall 2023 station planning engagement. Approximately 34 attendees came to the event.



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Email updates

During the reporting period, the project team sent one email update to a public listserv with more than 12,000 subscribers. This update highlighted the next steps in the timeline for the WSLE project through the start of the design phase.



Common questions and comments

The following is a summary of questions and comments obtained through property owner meetings, community briefings, emails, and voicemails to the project inbox.

- Questions from potentially affected property owners and tenants about the timeline and status for property acquisition.
- Questions about the timeline for project milestones such as the publication of the Final EIS and Board selection of the project to be built.
- Questions about early acquisition and the Sound Transit Board resolution.
- Questions about where to find public comments from the Draft EIS in the Final EIS.
- Requests for briefings for both businesses and residents.
- Comments about effects to businesses in the SODO segment.
- Questions about effects to the West Seattle Health Club.
- Question about relocation process for tenants.
- Questions about transit-oriented development and final design for Alaska Junction Station.
- Questions about the relocation and acquisition process for businesses.
- Questions about relocation and acquisition timeline.
- Question about City's involvement in the project.
- Question about design of the potential new SODO station.
- Questions about parking at the stations.