



Program overview

Improving safety and reliability on SR 520

The SR 520 floating bridge is a vital link across Lake Washington, connecting more than 190,000 people to a regional community and economy every day. The SR 520 bridge and structures are vulnerable to earthquakes and windstorms, and are at risk of collapse if they are not replaced.

Improving and replacing the SR 520 corridor is critical to keeping the traveling public safe while keeping people and goods moving.

The SR 520 program enhances safety by replacing the aging floating bridge and keeps the region moving with vital transit and service improvements throughout the corridor from I-5 in Seattle to SR 202 in Redmond.



The SR 520 Bridge Replacement and HOV Program includes four projects:

- I-5 to Medina: Bridge Replacement and HOV Project** – Replaces the SR 520 floating bridge and landings, and interchanges and roadway between I-5 and the eastern shore of Lake Washington.
- Medina to SR 202: Eastside Transit and HOV Project** – Completes and improves the transit and HOV system from Evergreen Point Road in Medina to the SR 202 interchange in Redmond.
- Lake Washington Congestion Management Project** – Implements tolls on the existing SR 520 floating bridge, and activates Smarter Highways features from I-5 to I-405.
- Pontoon Construction Project** – Advances pontoon construction to restore the floating section of the SR 520 bridge in the event of a catastrophic failure and to store those pontoons until needed.

Program schedule

- **2011** - Begin new pontoon site construction in Grays Harbor.
- **2011** - Begin construction on the Eastside.
- **2011** - Begin tolling the existing bridge.
- **2012** - Begin construction of new floating bridge.
- **2014** - Open new floating bridge to drivers.

The schedule for constructing the remaining segment of the corridor is pending additional funding.