



## 05 GLOSSARY OF TERMS

“Both the natural and built environment impact walking opportunities and can create barriers that are especially challenging for children, people with disabilities, and older residents.”

Seattle Pedestrian Master Plan, Seattle Department of  
Transportation

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## AASHTO

American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials

## Activate

To make active through programming that provides opportunities for people-watching and engagement in activities or other interesting experiences.

## ADA

Americans with Disabilities Act

## BMP

(Seattle) Bicycle Master Plan

## CPTED

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design

## Cycle track

A cycle track is a protected bike lane that combines the user experience of a multi-use trail with a conventional bike lane. Cycle tracks have different forms, but all share common elements — they provide space that is used for bicycles and that is separated from motor vehicle travel lanes, parking lanes and sidewalks.

## EIS

Environmental Impact Statement (appears in this report in the context of the “SR 520, I-5 to Medina Project EIS”)

## Elements of continuity

A design approach used to ensure that elements reoccurring throughout the project corridor, such as retaining walls, roadside plantings or the regional shared-use path, are consistent in their aesthetic treatments to provide positive user guidance and experience.

## Elements of distinction

A design approach that ensures that the look and feel of singular project elements, such as the Portage Bay Bridge or the Montlake and 10th and Delmar lid portal entries, receive unique aesthetic treatments that are sensitive to the surrounding context.

## ESSB 6001

Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6001 (passed 2014) directed WSDOT to continue working with the Seattle Department of Transportation in their joint planning, design, outreach, and operation of the remaining SR 520 west side elements.

## ESSB 6392

Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 6392 (passed 2010) outlined specific areas and elements of the SR 520 project Preferred Alternative to refine through a multi-agency process.

## FEIS

Final Environmental Impact Statement

## FHWA

Federal Highway Administration

## Gateway

Gateways are natural features, such as trees or waterways, or built elements, such as a bridge, buildings, signage or art work, that define a city or area entrance or boundaries and provide a sense of identity and arrival. A gateway can be large or small in scale, and linear or singular, depending on context.

## HOV

High-occupancy vehicle

## LRT

Light Rail Transit

## MOHAI

Museum of History & Industry

## MOU

Memorandum of Understanding

## MUTCD

Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices

## NACTO

National Association of City Transportation Officials

## NOAA

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**Preferred Alternative**

The project design selected through the environmental review (EIS) process.

**RFP**

Request for proposals

**ROD**

Record of Decision

**RSUP**

Regional shared-use path

**SCDP**

Seattle Community Design Process

**SDC**

Seattle Design Commission

**SDOT**

Seattle Department of Transportation

**Section 106**

Projects with federal funding, federal permits, licenses, or approvals, or located on federal land must comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966, as amended. Section 106 calls for meaningful coordination with interested parties to develop projects in a manner that avoids or minimizes impacts to cultural resources, which might include buildings, structures, artifacts, sites, or locations of prehistoric or historical interest.

**Sharrow**

Pavement markings comprising the image of a cyclist with directional arrows used when bicycle lane striping is not feasible. Sharrows are intended to help drivers and bicyclists share the roadway by clarifying where bicyclists should ride and by alerting vehicles to the presence of bicyclists.

**SR**

State Route

**SR 520 Bridge Replacement and HOV Program**

The program enhances safety by replacing the aging floating bridge and keeps the region moving with vital transit and roadway improvements throughout the corridor.

**SR 520 I-5 to Medina: Bridge Replacement and HOV Project**

The project replaces the interchanges and roadway between I-5 in Seattle and the eastern end of the SR 520 floating bridge.

**TIFIA**

The Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act provides federal funding for transportation projects.

**UW**

University of Washington

**UWBG**

University of Washington Botanic Gardens

**VMT**

Vehicle miles traveled

**WABN**

West Approach Bridge North

**WABS**

West Approach Bridge South

**WSDOT**

Washington State Department of Transportation

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