



Fautleroy Terminal Trestle & Transfer Span Replacement Project

Level 1 Screening Phase

Community Engagement Summary

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Overview

Washington State Ferries (WSF) needs to replace the aging Fauntleroy ferry terminal to maintain safe and reliable ferry service for people who travel between West Seattle, Vashon Island, the Kitsap Peninsula and beyond. The terminal faces several challenges. Parts of the terminal are aging, seismically vulnerable and overdue for replacement. Rising sea levels could damage the structure from debris during high tides in the future.

WSF is early in the planning stage for replacement of the Fauntleroy ferry terminal. WSF is using a *Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL)* study to consider potential solutions for how to replace the terminal. WSF hosted two community meetings and an online open house in May and June 2022 to share information on the project's purpose and need, project alternatives and initial screening results. WSF asked for community input on issues to consider during planning. See *Appendix A* for the community meeting presentation.

WSF hosted two virtual community meetings on Zoom

- Tuesday, May 24 at noon
- Wednesday, May 25 at 6 p.m.

The online open house at engage.wsdot.wa.gov was live from May 18 through June 13.

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Learn more about early plans to replace the ferry terminal

Visit the online open house
Open now through June 13, 2022
engage.wsdot.wa.gov/fauntleroy-terminal/

Or join us at a virtual community meeting

Tuesday, May 24
noon-1:30 p.m.
Scan QR code or register at: bit.ly/FauntleroyMay24

Wednesday, May 25
6-7:30 p.m.
Scan QR code or register at: bit.ly/FauntleroyMay25

Questions or comments? Email the project team at FauntleroyTermProj@wsdot.wa.gov

Learn about plans to replace the Fauntleroy ferry terminal

You're invited!

Washington State Ferries (WSF) needs to replace the 70-year-old Fauntleroy ferry terminal to maintain safe and reliable ferry service between West Seattle, Vashon Island, the Kitsap Peninsula and beyond.

WSF is hosting several opportunities for community members to learn more about recent planning progress and what terminal alternatives WSF will study.

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Both meetings and the online open house will cover the same information. Please join the opportunity that works best for your schedule.

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See *Appendix B* for additional examples of notification materials.

Getting the word out

 **5,000** flyers distributed in Fautleroy, Vashon, and South Kitsap County communities, and to customers at the Fautleroy terminal

2 facebook posts reaching **11,563** with **593** engagements



emails to **6,694** people




 Press release to local media

 **6,722** alerts to ferry riders

11 tweets  **18,685** total impressions

5 community meetings **259** total attendees



Project information on screens of the  **2** ferries serving the Fautleroy/Vashon/Southworth route

 **2,169** unique online open house views

What we heard

Vashon and Southworth ferry riders support expanding the dock to improve operational efficiency and performance. Commenters specifically mention eliminating long lines along Fauntleroy Way, maintaining the sailing schedule and making it more efficient to load and unload the ferry. West Seattle residents expressed concern about how the project would impact Cove Park, the surrounding ecosystem and the neighborhood.

Where we heard from

477
total comments

Southworth/
South Kitsap
County 6%
of comments

Fauntleroy/West Seattle
19% of comments

Vashon
Island
56% of
comments

Elsewhere/Unknown
18% of comments

*Percentages don't
total 100% due
to rounding.*

Enhance efficiency
and reliability of
ferry service.



Explore *Good To Go!* or advance
ticketing to
improve ferry
operations.

Accommodate
growing
demand for
ferry service.

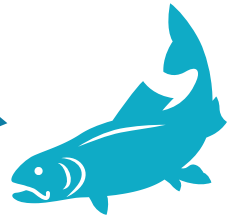


Improve safety and
connections for
people who bike, walk
or roll onto the ferry.



Reduce
congestion on
Fauntleroy Way.

Preserve and enhance
the environment,
including habitat for
salmon and marine
life, the shoreline and
ecosystem.



Next steps

WSF will refine the range of alternatives during Level 2 analysis before advancing to the National and State Environmental Policy Act environmental review process. WSF will continue to engage its three advisory groups and conduct robust community engagement before completing the PEL study report by 2023.

