

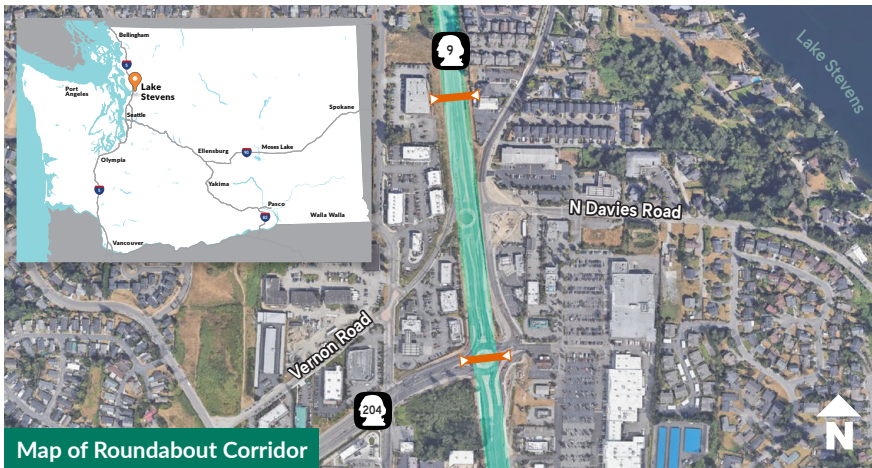
State Route 9 Roundabouts

Lake Stevens, WA



Corridor Background

The intersection of SR 9 and SR 204 in Lake Stevens had a history of recurring congestion, limited active transportation facilities, high crash rates, and issues accessing adjacent shopping areas. In 2023, WSDOT replaced the signalized intersection at SR 9 and SR 204 and the southbound only ramp to Vernon Road with a series of two multi-lane roundabouts. These roundabouts reduce delay all day, provide more access to destinations on either side of SR 9, provide active mode connections, and slow vehicles entering the intersection, which will likely reduce serious injury and fatality crashes. Similar to many other higher speed state routes (such as portions of US 101), SR 9 has four lanes that serve commuter, recreational, and local access trips.



Corridor Information

Extends

SR 204 to Vernon Road

Context

Suburban with large scale retail

Traffic Volume

36,000 vehicles per day

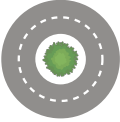



Speed Limit

40 mph

Number of Lanes

4 lanes, undivided

Comparison: Before and After

	Before	After
SR 204	Not a full intersection, southbound access to Vernon Road only.	
Vernon Road		Roundabout
Number of Lanes		

Additional Information

- ▶ Garcia loves the traffic circles — “one of the best things that’s happened to us in this particular area.” He also remembers, vividly, what it was like before. “It has proven that it has alleviated traffic in the area,” Garcia said. — Herald Net
- ▶ The roundabouts were selected by a Stakeholder Advisory Group consisting of elected officials, commercial property owners, freight groups, business owners, county and transit agency staff, and bicycle advocacy groups.
- ▶ Some expressed concerns about access to their businesses, but the design team met with them to understand their concerns and the benefits of the roundabouts for both access and safety.
- ▶ Some residents were concerned about navigating two lane roundabouts, the design team provided a demonstration of how to navigate the new roundabouts.
- ▶ Analysis before the roundabouts were constructed predicted travel time savings for almost all movements, although travel time for some commuters was increased slightly due to a new intersection at SR 9 and Vernon Road.

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