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I-405/SR 167 Corridor Improvement Program

Year in Review 2024

2024 was the biggest year of construction in our program's history, with nearly 40 of 50 miles undergoing work across five major projects. We even broke ground on one project as we celebrated the completion of another in one day. With a record investment of more than \$2 billion in construction, we remain focused on bringing the partner-driven vision for a multimodal transportation system to life. We are expanding the express toll lane (ETL) system for increased performance across all lanes. Working together with partner agencies, we are building infrastructure as Sound Transit prepares to launch Stride bus rapid transit (BRT) service. In addition to connections to regional growth centers, these projects are building new connections for bicyclists and pedestrians. We've also made progress on roadway maintenance, constructing fish passages, and upgrading system management to ensure a more reliable trip across the 50-mile corridor for years to come.

We want to thank our neighboring communities and the travelling public for your patience during this work. We've asked a lot from you this past year, especially during our busy summer construction season. Your patience and support allowed us to accomplish a great deal. And there is more work to do. We're forecasting another busy year in 2025 with four projects in active construction. We will continue to share updates and progress as we work through any challenges together. Thank you for your ongoing partnership.

Sincerely,

Lisa Hodgson, PE Program Administrator

Rob Woeck Deputy Program Administrator



Dual celebrations on May 20 highlight partnerships and corridor progress



WSDOT, elected officials and University of Bothell and Cascadia College representatives break ground at the Brickyard Park & Ride in Bothell. The I-405/Brickyard to SR 527 Improvement project will enhance connections for the community to the corridor including new BRT stations near UW Bothell/ Cascadia College campuses.

WSDOT, City of Kirkland and EvergreenHealth joined our partners across the region at a ribbon cutting to open the new on- and off-ramps to I-405 at Northeast 132nd Street.







Reduce traffic congestion across all lanes

Improve mobility and safety performance



Address aging and failing infrastructure, including seismic resiliency

Accommodate planned regional growth





Enhance quality of life for the environment and communities we serve in the corridor

Correct fish barriers and create new habitat areas



2024 Active Project Info and Highlights

I-405, Brickyard to SR 527 Improvement Project

Highlights:

- Celebrated project groundbreaking on May 20
- Established construction work zones near the Brickyard Park & Ride and SR 522 interchange
- Built new alignment for westbound SR 522 allowing early fish passage work to begin
- Began ground improvements and wall construction at the I-405/SR 522 interchange to accommodate a new direct access ramp
- Addressed maintenance with 6,000 tons of new asphalt and striping



Looking northbound on I-405 toward the SR 522 interchange, crews built a massive retaining wall to make space for the dual ETL system. Crews built 43,500 square feet of permanent wall and excavated 100,000 cubic yards of dirt this year on the project.

I-405, Northeast 132nd Street Interchange project

Highlights:

- Opened new on-ramp to northbound I-405 and new offramp from southbound I-405 at Northeast 132nd Street
- Installed two new roundabouts for better traffic flow
- Created enhancements for bicyclists and pedestrians
- Corrected fish barrier creating over 3,000 feet of upstream habitat gain

The new I-405/Northeast 132nd Street interchange.



2024 Active Project Info and Highlights, cont'd

I-405, Northeast 85th Street Interchange and Inline BRT Station project

Crews set bridge girders for the new southbound I-405 bridge during a full closure of Northeast 85th Street in November. This will create space for a new direct access to I-405 and the future inline BRT stations.

Highlights:

- Established construction work zones at Northeast 85th Street
- Drilled and built the start of the new I-405 foundations including installing 247 piles
- Placed 14 girders to support new mainline northbound and southbound bridge decks
- Excavated 96,000 cubic yards of dirt
- Started construction on six new bridges



Renton to Bellevue Widening and Express Toll lanes project



Highlights:

- Constructed thousands of feet of retaining walls varying in heights up to 50+ feet
- Over 100 walls under construction
- Various portions of fish passage construction underway with two completed
- Opened two new bridges to traffic with more bridge work underway
- Completed two major traffic shifts

Wall construction along Lake Washington Boulevard to make room for new I-405 lanes.

2024 Active Project Info and Highlights, cont'd

SR 167 Corridors Improvements Project

Highlights:

- Drilled and installed 60 of 64 foundations for new sign structures and toll gantries
- Started ground preparation for the new southbound auxiliary lane between SR 516 and South 277th Street
- Installed 32 new vehicle detection loops and paved 6.5 lane miles using 6,500 tons of asphalt

Crews repaved sections of southbound SR 167 between SR 516 and Willis Street during a full closure in September.



Putting our values into work

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion



Paid \$158,677,028 to small businesses and firms owned by minorities, women or veterans for work on the program



Employed 172 firms that are small business or a minority, woman or veteran-owned business certified firms

On track to meet our 15% apprenticeship goal on each project

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