

# Portage Bay Bridge and Roanoke Lid Project

## March 2025 Construction Meeting

March 20, 2025

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# Welcome

## Facilitator

- Allan Vann, Skanska Public Information Manager

## Presenters

- Robin Clarke, Skanska Community Liaison

## Other staff

- Carmelo Chavez, Skanska Construction Manager

## Meeting information

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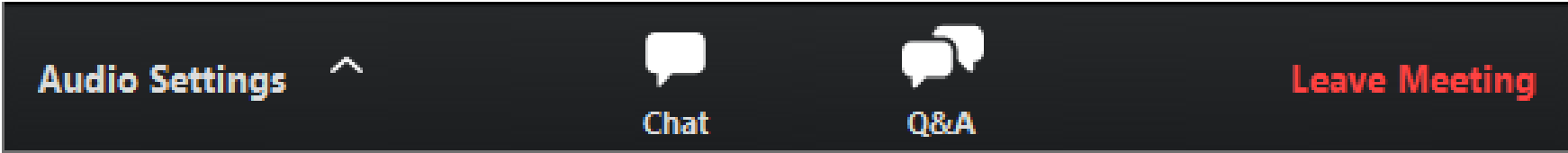




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# Current activities



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## In March, we are:

- Impact piledriving in Portage Bay during daytime hours, **including Saturday and Sunday**
- Removing select trees and vegetation near the Bill Dawson Trail and Montlake Boulevard
- Flagging Bill Dawson Trail users around work for short periods of time
- Installing acoustic fencing around select work areas
- Completing nighttime work under the MPPCNV\*, including:
  - Building the temporary work trestles
  - Tree removal near the Montlake lid
  - Bridge sweeping, installing erosion protection and utility inspections around SR 520
  - Potholing for utilities and soil conditions on I-5

### \*What is the MPPCNV?

In January, the city of Seattle granted a Major Public Project Construction Noise Variance (MPPCNV) that set limits for the allowable level of nighttime construction noise. This permit allows some construction activities at night without obtaining a temporary noise variance (TNV).













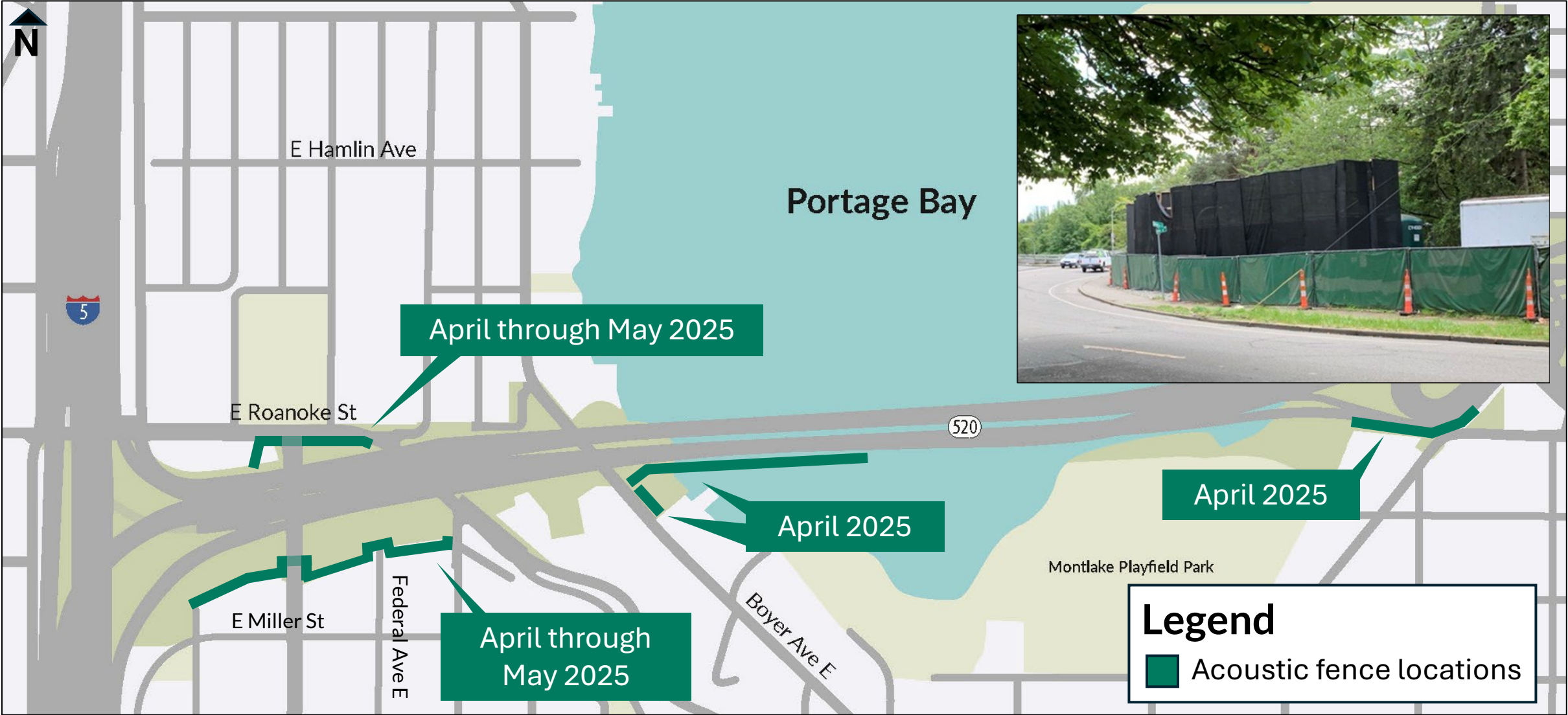








# Acoustic fence installation schedule



Map of acoustic fence locations and estimated installation dates in the project area.

# Ongoing nighttime work

# March nighttime construction

- Sweeping the existing Portage Bay Bridge
- Lane closures on SR 520 on-ramps to install storm drain filters and remove trees near the highway
- Continue building the temporary work trestle platforms



Work zone in Portage Bay before sunrise

## NIGHTTIME CONSTRUCTION HOURS

Monday through Friday , 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. | Weekends and holidays, 10 p.m. to 9 a.m.\*

*\* Impact pile driving will be limited to 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekends and legal holidays*

# Temporary work trestle



Crews have installed piles in Portage Bay to support the temporary work trestle.

# Stay up to date with nighttime construction

To stay informed on our ongoing nighttime construction activities, please:

- Continue attending our monthly construction meetings.
- Sign up for *Rest of the West* listserv email updates.

As a reminder, we will always notify nearby neighbors in advance if we need to obtain a temporary noise variance (TNV) for our nighttime construction.

Receive regular email updates about upcoming construction work with our weekly newsletter. Subscribe here:

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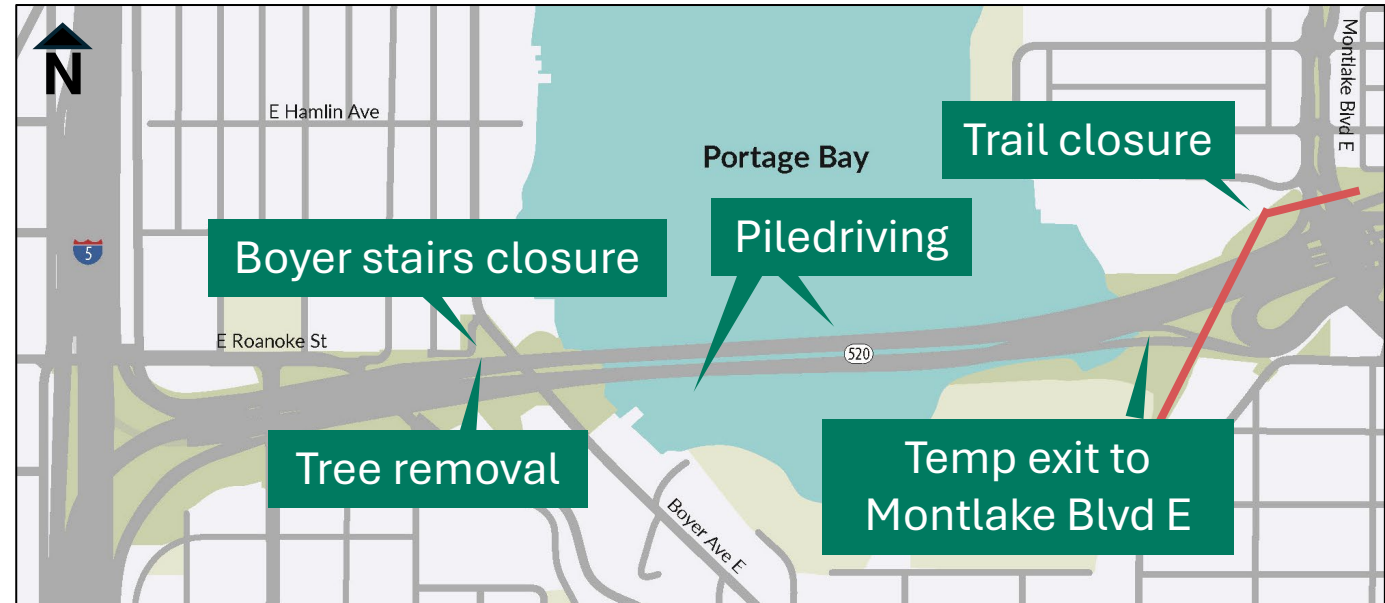
# Short-term lookahead (April-May)



# Construction lookahead

## In April and May, we will:

- April 2025:
  - Continue in-water impact piling\*
  - Close the Boyer Stairs for utility work
  - Continue short-term Bill Dawson Trail closures
  - Continue acoustic fence installation
- May 2025:
  - Complete Season 1 of in-water work\*
  - Continue tree and vegetation removal in the Roanoke area
  - Start a long-term Bill Dawson Trail closure
  - Begin building temporary eastbound SR 520 exit to Montlake Boulevard



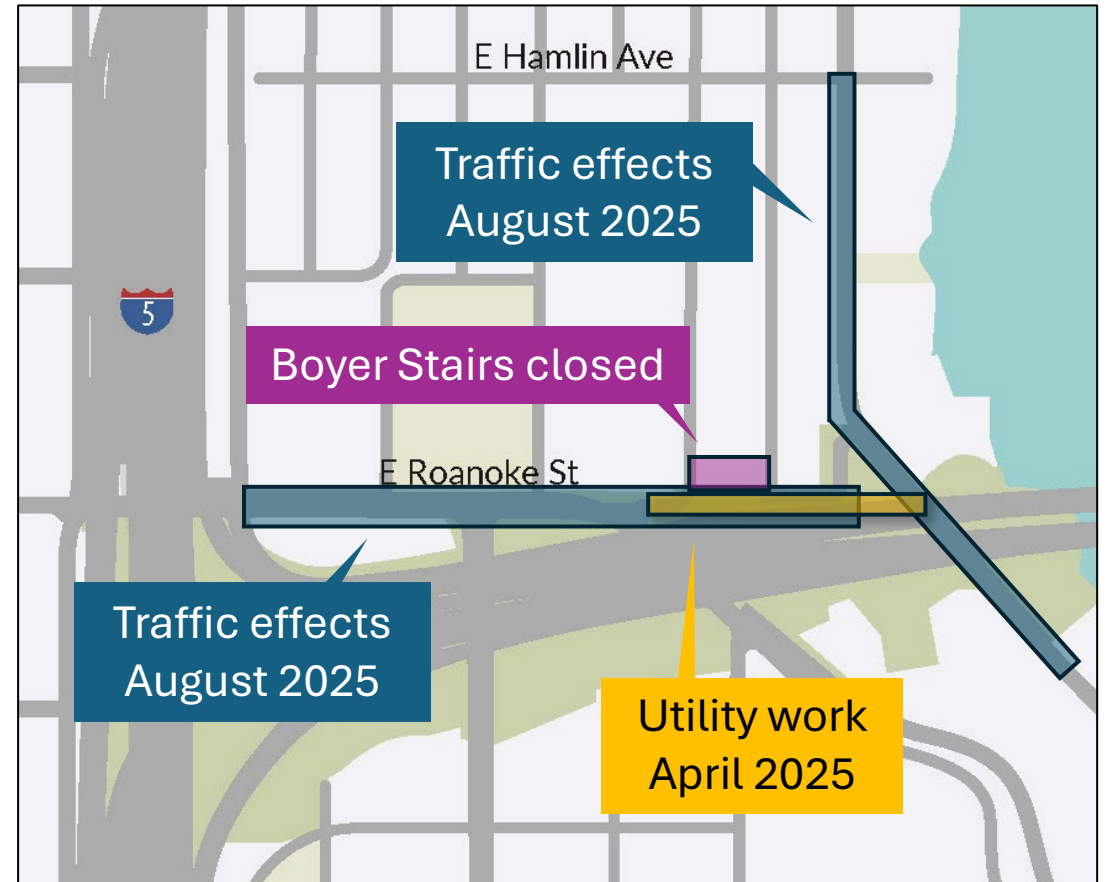
Project area map.

***\*Reminder: Season 1 for in-water impact piling ends April 30, 2025***

We will stop using an impact hammer to install piles in Portage Bay as soon as May, 2025. Crews will continue vibrating piles and installing piles on land after Season 1 ends. The next season for in-water impact piling will begin in September 2025.

# Utility work near Roanoke Park

- Utility work on a watermain along East Roanoke Street is scheduled to begin in April 2025.
- Additional utility work on a 26 kilovolt electrical line is scheduled for August 2025.
- Expect single-lane closures and flagging when additional work begins in August.
- Reminder: the Boyer Stairs are scheduled to close in April 2025 **for up to five years**.



Map of the Roanoke Park and Portage Bay neighborhoods.

# Long-term Bill Dawson Trail closure

- This spring, we will close the Bill Dawson Trail between Montlake Boulevard and the Montlake Playfield for **five years**.
- The map to the right shows detours for pedestrians and cyclists.
- We will share the official closure date in advance via our email updates and by posting signs along the trail.



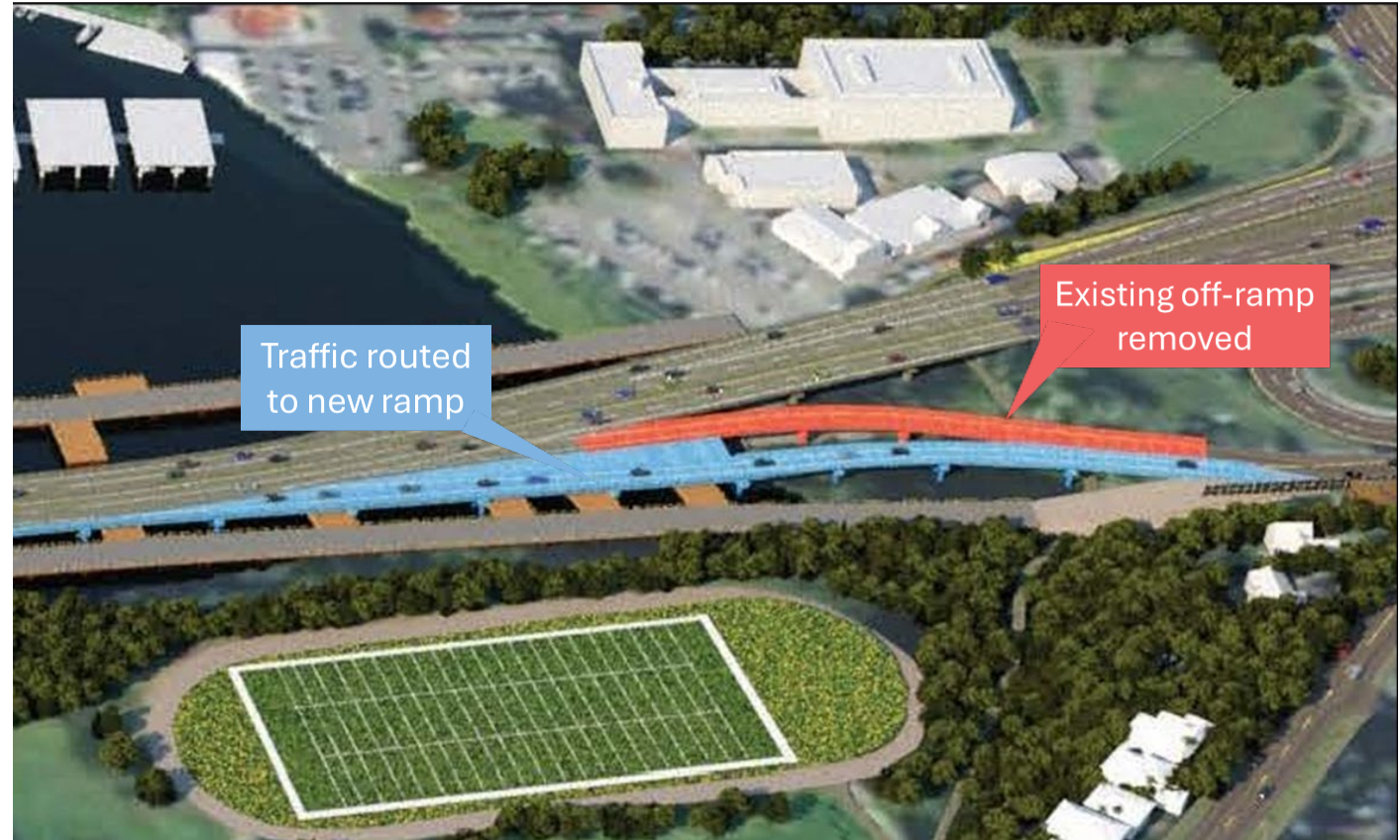
A detour map for the trail closure.

## Crossing Montlake Boulevard

Bicyclists are encouraged to use the crosswalk when crossing the Montlake Boulevard/East Roanoke Street intersection. We encourage all travelers to take the routes they are most comfortable with.

# Upcoming traffic shifts

- The first major traffic shift for this project will happen on the eastbound SR 520 off-ramp to Montlake Boulevard
- This work will require at least two full weekend closures and several nighttime closures of eastbound SR 520 on the Portage Bay Bridge.
- These closures will be announced in advance.



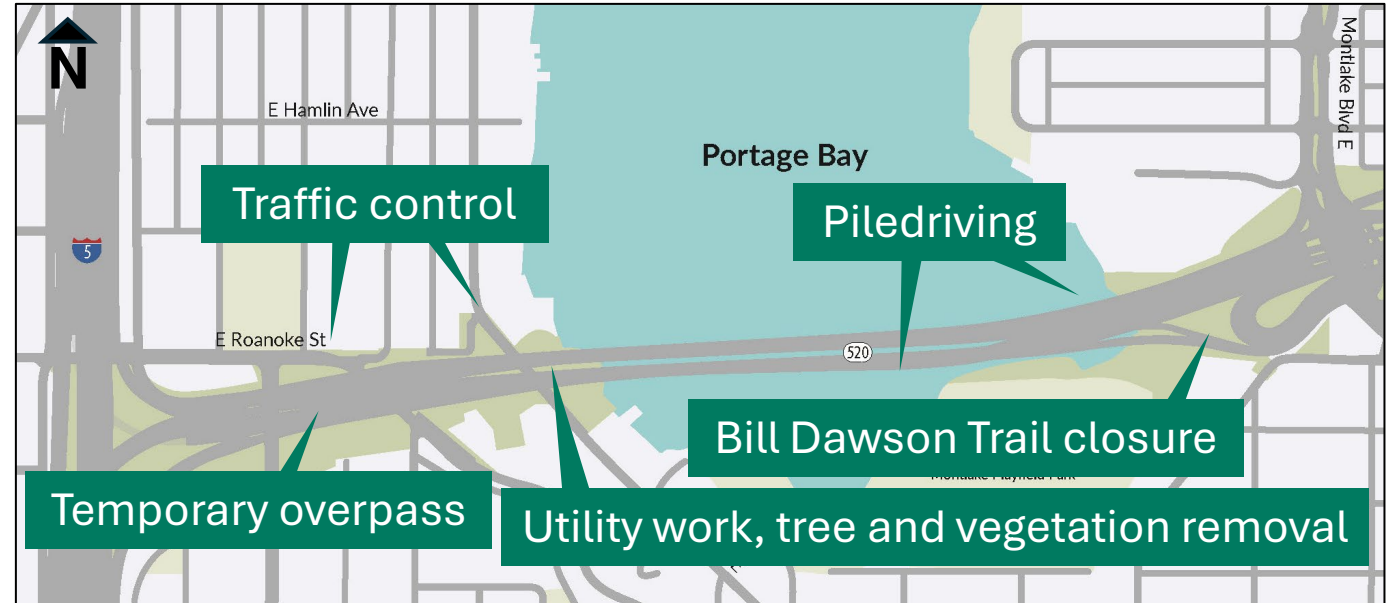
Future eastbound SR 520 off-ramp to Montlake Boulevard

# Long-term lookahead (2025)

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## Through 2025, we will:

- Continue in-water impact piledriving through April 30, 2025\*.
- Continue vibratory piledriving.
- Begin Season 2 of in-water impact piledriving September 1.
- Conduct traffic control on city streets and occasional full closures of SR 520 over Portage Bay.
- Perform utility work in Roanoke near Boyer Avenue East.



Project area map.

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# Staying in touch and Q&A

# How to stay informed



## PORTAGE BAY CONSTRUCTION HOTLINE

24-hour phone line for construction related questions. This is a new hotline for the Portage Bay Project.

**206-319-4520**



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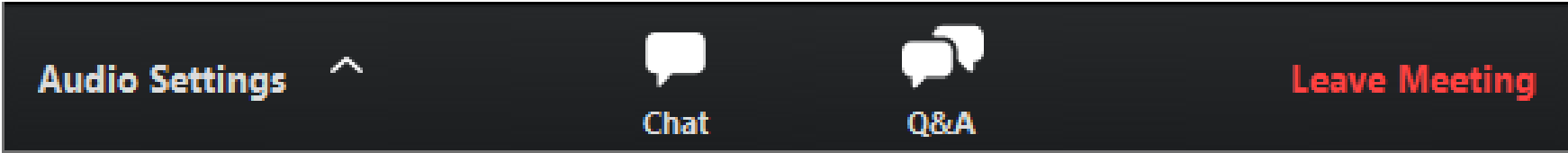
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**Thank you!**

# Comments and questions

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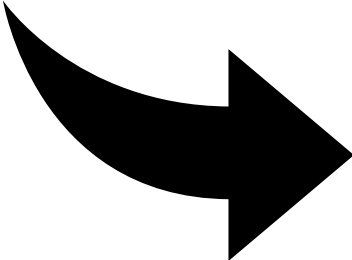
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The Portage Bay Bridge and Roanoke Lid Project will replace the aging Portage Bay Bridge with a seismically resilient structure that includes improved bus/carpool travel and an extension of the SR 520 Trail. This project also builds a landscaped lid between Seattle's Roanoke Park and North Capitol Hill neighborhoods.

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### Other

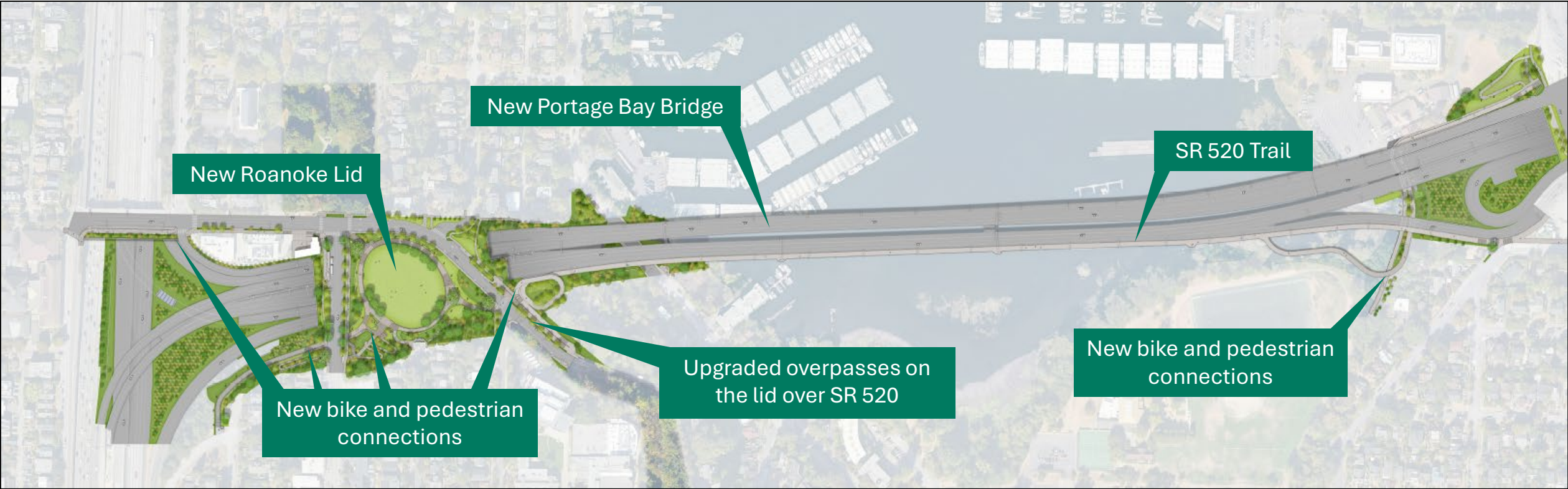
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# Project map



Map of major project elements.