# Update on ST3 Date of Meeting September 25, 2018 West Seattle and Ballard Link Extensions

## Level 2 Screening Results September 25, 2018



# Primary Port of Seattle Objectives for ST3 Projects

- 1. Improve regional transportation for personal mobility, while protecting maritime and industrial land uses and freight mobility;
- 2. Strengthen access to POS/NWSA facilities, both existing and future developments; and
- 3. Enhance service to Seattle-Tacoma International Airport for passengers and employees, from a web of cities throughout the region.



# System expansion

Sound Transit's system expansion means every few years new light rail, bus rapid transit and commuter rail stations open throughout the region, providing fast, reliable alternatives to congested roads.



soundtransit.org/system



# ST3 Representative project

- Identifies mode, corridor, number of stations, general station locations
- Informs cost, schedule, operating needs



# West Seattle Link Extension

- Opening 2030
- Four elevated stations at SODO, Delridge, Avalon and Alaska Junction; one at-grade station at Stadium
- New rail-only fixed span crossing of the Duwamish River
- Length: 4.7 miles



# Ballard Link Extension

- Opening 2035
- Three elevated stations: Ballard, Interbay, Smith Cove
- Six tunnel stations: Seattle Center, South Lake Union, Denny, Westlake, Midtown, International District/Chinatown
- New rail-only movable bridge over Salmon Bay
- Length: 7.1 miles

# West Seattle project timeline



# **Ballard project timeline**



VOTER APPROVAL



# **PLANNING**

2017-2019

Alternatives development

Board identifies preferred alternative

2019–2022

Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Final Environmental Impact Statement

Board selects project to be built

Federal Record of Decision

#### PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

# Alternatives development process

#### LEVEL 1

Alternatives development

#### Early-2018

Conduct early scoping

Study ST3 representative project and alternatives

Screen alternatives

#### **LEVEL 2** Alternatives development

Mid-2018

**Technical analysis** 

Refine and screen alternatives

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

**LEVEL 3** Alternatives development

#### Late-2018 / Early-2019

Refine and screen alternatives

Conduct Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) scoping

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Early-2019

PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE\*

\*The Sound Transit Board identifies preferred alternatives and other alternatives to study.

# Screening process

#### Broad range of initial alternatives

Refine remaining alternatives

Further evaluation

Preferred Alternative and other EIS alternatives

#### WHO IS SOUND TRANSIT

We plan, build and operate regional transit systems and services to improve mobility in urban areas of King, Pierce and Snohomish counties.

#### FUTURE SERVICE

#### Sound Transit System Expansion

- Bould a 11 bomie light nil network extending from Everett to Tacoma and from Seattle neighborhoots to Redwind and everett to Tacoma
- Establish Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) to the north, east and south of Lake Washington
- Expand Sounder south line capacity and service adding two new stations.

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# Community Engagement and Collaboration

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### Community engagement and collaboration





# Overview

- Early scoping: Feb. 2 March 5
- Notification via postcards, advertisements, project website, email updates, press releases, social media, agency invitation letters, etc.
- 3 public meetings in Feb.
- Online open house
- 1 agency meeting
- Other methods to comment



# Neighborhood forums

- 4/21: Chinatown / Int'l District
- 4/23: Denny / SLU / Seattle Center
- 5/2: Midtown / Westlake
- 5/5: Delridge / Avalon / Alaska Junction
- 5/9: SODO / Stadium
- 5/12: Ballard / Interbay / Smith Cove

### External Engagement Report: Jun-Aug 2018

**17** comments and questions

engaging more than email updates 4.000 subscribers

engaging more than 8 festivals 3,300 community



49 community briefings



6





**2** Stakeholder Advisory Group meetings



Elected Leadership Group meeting



### Station Charrettes Collaborative design sessions with agencies, key community stakeholders

- ✓ 6/28: Ballard / Interbay
- ✓ 7/12: Seattle Center
- ✓ 7/20: Delridge
- ✓ 7/24: Alaska Junction / Avalon
- ✓ 7/30: Chinatown International District
- ✓ 8/2: Denny / SLU
- ✓ 8/28 SODO/Stadium

# Level 2 alternatives evaluation

# Purpose and need

Purpose Statement	Symbol
Provide high quality rapid, reliable, and efficient peak and off-peak LRT service to communities in the project corridors as defined in ST3.	<u>Â</u> ,
Improve regional mobility by increasing connectivity and capacity through downtown Seattle to meet the projected transit demand.	STATION
Connect regional centers as described in adopted regional and local land use, transportation, and economic development plans and Sound Transit's <i>Regional Transit Long-Range Plan</i> .	$\mathbf{O}$
Implement a system that is consistent with the <i>ST3 Plan</i> that established transit mode, corridor, and station locations and that is technically feasible and financially sustainable to build, operate, and maintain.	
Expand mobility for the corridor and region's residents, which include transit dependent, low income, and minority populations.	Ů, Ů,
Encourage equitable and sustainable urban growth in station areas through support of transit-oriented development, station access, and modal integration in a manner that is consistent with local land use plans and policies.	
Preserve and promote a healthy environment and economy by minimizing adverse impacts on the natural, built and social environments through sustainable practices.	Q

# **Evaluation criteria**

#### > 17 criteria consistent in all levels of evaluation

- Reliable service
- Travel times
- Regional connectivity
- Transit capacity
- Projected transit demand
- Regional centers served
- ST Long-Range Plan consistency
- ST3 consistency
- Technical feasibility

- Financial sustainability
- Historically underserved populations
- Station area local land use plan consistency
- Modal integration
- Station area development opportunities
- Environmental effects
- Traffic operations
- Economic effects

# Measures and methods

- > 50+ quantitative and/or qualitative measures
- > Rating thresholds for High, Medium and Low
- > Key differentiators and findings







# Cost assessment

> **Purpose:** To *inform comparison* of Level 2 alternatives

#### Comparative costs by segment

- Consistent methodology (2017\$; construction, real estate, etc.)
- Based on limited conceptual design (less than 5% design)
- Final project budget established at 60% design (~ 2024)
- Costs for end-to-end alternatives in Level 3

# Financial constraints

- > ST3 Plan budget based on 2014 conceptual cost estimates
- Significant recent escalation in construction and real estate costs
- Level 2 cost assessment provides basis for comparison of alternatives within a segment
- Level 3 end-to-end alternatives will facilitate comparison to ST3 budget
- Be mindful of financial realities when considering Level 2 recommendations



# Study segments



#### Map of alternatives

Valuation Measures	ST3 Representative Project	15th/Fixed Bridge/ 15th	20th/Fixed Bridge/ 3 7th	20th/Tunnel/ 15th	Central Interbay/ Movable Bridge/ 14th	Armory Way/ Tunnel/14th	Central Interbay/ Fixed Bridge/14th	Central Interbary Tunnel/15th
quality rapid, reliable, and	efficient peak and of	-peak light rail transit	service to communitie	es in the project con	ridors defined in ST3.			
Service Interruptions	Lower	Higher			Lower	Higher		
Times (minutes)	5 to 6	5 to 6	5 to 6	5 to 6	5 to 6	5 to 6	5 to 6	5 to 6
tal mobility by increasing	connectivity and cap	ocity through downto	wn Seottle to meet pro	yected transit demo	and.			
ork integration	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
er Carrying Capacity	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
itential (2040 pop/emp) (1)	17,200	16,700			15,400	15,400	15,400	16,500
gional centers as described in			portation, and econom	nic development plo	ans and Sound Transit's	Long-Range Plan.		
inal Growth Centers Served	N/A [3]	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
acturing/Industrial Centers Served	1							
Accommodates Future LRT Extension	Medium	Medium	Lower		Medium	Higher	Medium	Higher
Implement a system that is consistent w	ith the ST3 Plan that	established transit mo	de, corridor, and stati	on locations and the	at is technically feasible	and financially stat	ainable to build, open	te, and maintain.
Mode, Route and Stations per ST3	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher		Higher		Higher
Potential ST3 Schedule Effects	Higher							
Potential ST3 Operating Plan Effects	Lower	Higher	Higher	Higher	Lower	Higher	Higher	Higher
Engineering Constraints	Medium	Medium	Medium	Lower	Higher	Lower	Higher	Lower
Constructability Issues	Medium	Medium	Medium	Lower		Lower		Lower
Operational Constraints	LOWER				Lower.	Higher		
Conceptual Capital Cost Comparison		\$200M increase	\$500M increase	\$700M increase	\$200M increase	\$300M increase	\$100M increase	\$500M increase
Operating Cost Impacts	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Expand mobility for the corridor and reg	ion's residents, which	include transit deper	dent, low income, and	d minority populatio	105.			
Opportunities for Low-Income/Minority	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
activity nodes/subsidized rental units) [1	8%	599	8%	8%	8%	8%	8%	.9%
Low-Income Population (1/2)	19% / 18%	20% / 18%	20% / 18%	20% / 18%	19% / 18%	19% / 18%	19%/18%	19%/18%
Minority Population (1/2)	21% / 20%	21% / 20%	21% / 20%	21% / 20%	21% / 20%	21% / 20%	21%/20%	25% / 20%
Youth Population (1/2)	9%/12%	11%/12%	11%/12%	11%/12%	12%/12%	11%/12%	12%/12%	10%/12%
Elderly Population (L/2)	10% / 10%	10% / 10%	10% / 10%	10% / 10%	9% / 10%	9% / 10%	9% / 10%	10% / 10%
Limited English Proficiency Population	4%/3%	496/396	4%/3%	4% / 3%	3%/3%	3% / 3%	3%/3%	3% / 3%
Disabled Population (1/2)	94 / 596	9%/8%	9% 7.8%	9% / 8%	84/84	8% / 8%	8% / 8N	9% / 8%

#### **Evaluation measures**



#### Key differentiators

4 -	Key findings	Cost comparison*	Schedule comparison*
Project			
Alternative 1	<ul><li>Key finding</li><li>Key finding</li><li>Key finding</li></ul>	-\$XXXM	Medium Performing
Alternative 2	<ul><li>Key finding</li><li>Key finding</li><li>Key finding</li></ul>	+\$XXXM	Lower Performing

Summary

# Level 2 alternatives

#### Interbay/Ballard

- ST3 Representative Project
- 15th/Fixed Bridge/15th
- 20th/Fixed Bridge/17th
- 20th/Tunnel/15th
- Armory Way/Tunnel/14th
- Central Interbay/Movable Bridge/14th
- Central Interbay/Fixed Bridge/14th
- Central Interbay/Tunnel/15th



#### **Interbay/Ballard** Level 2 alternatives

Evaluation Measures	ST3 Representative Project	15th/Fixed Bridge/ 15th	20th/Fixed Bridge/ 17th	20th/Tunnel/ 15th	Central Interbay/ Movable Bridge/ 14th	Armory Way/ Tunnel/14th	Central Interbay/ Fixed Bridge/14th	Central Interbay/ Tunnel/15th
Provide high quality rapid, reliable, and	Provide high quality rapid, reliable, and efficient peak and off-peak light rail transit service to communities in the project corridors defined in ST3.							
Potential Service Interruptions	Lower	Higher	Higher	Higher	Lower	Higher	Higher	Higher
Travel Times (minutes)	5 to 6	5 to 6	5 to 6	5 to 6	5 to 6	5 to 6	5 to 6	5 to 6
Improve regional mobility by increasing	connectivity and capa	acity through downtow	vn Seattle to meet pro	ojected transit deman	d.			
Network Integration	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Passenger Carrying Capacity	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Ridership Potential (2040 pop/emp) <sup>(1)</sup>	17,200	16,700	19,000	17,800	15,400	16,400	15,400	16,500
Connect regional centers as described in		d local land use, trans	portation, and econor	nic development plan	s and Sound Transit's	Long-Range Plan.		
Regional Growth Centers Served	N/A <sup>(3)</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Manufacturing/Industrial Centers Served	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Accommodates Future LRT Extension	Medium	Medium	Lower	Higher	Medium	Higher	Medium	Higher
Implement a system that is consistent w	vith the ST3 Plan that e	established transit mo	de, corridor, and stati	ion locations and that	is technically feasible	e and financially susto	ainable to build, opera	te, and maintain.
Mode, Route and Stations per ST3	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher
Potential ST3 Schedule Effects	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher
Potential ST3 Operating Plan Effects	Lower	Higher	Higher	Higher	Lower	Higher	Higher	Higher
Engineering Constraints	Medium	Medium	Medium	Lower	Higher	Lower	Higher	Lower
Constructability Issues	Medium	Medium	Medium	Lower	Higher	Lower	Higher	Lower
Operational Constraints	Lower	Higher	Higher	Higher	Lower	Higher	Higher	Higher
Conceptual Capital Cost Comparison	-	\$200M increase	\$500M increase	\$700M increase	\$200M increase	\$300M increase	\$100M increase	\$500M increase
Operating Cost Impacts	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Expand mobility for the corridor and reg	ion's residents, which	include transit depen	dent, low income, and	d minority population	<i>S</i> .			
Opportunities for Low-Income/Minority	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
(activity nodes/subsidized rental units) (1)	8%	9%	8%	8%	8%	8%	8%	9%
Low-Income Population (1/2)	19% / 18%	20% / 18%	20% / 18%	20% / 18%	19% / 18%	19% / 18%	19% / 18%	19% / 18%
Minority Population (1/2)	21% / 20%	21% / 20%	21% / 20%	21% / 20%	21% / 20%	21% / 20%	21% / 20%	21% / 20%
Youth Population (1/2)	9% / 12%	11% / 12%	11% / 12%	11% / 12%	12% / 12%	11% / 12%	12% / 12%	10% / 12%
Elderly Population (1/2)	10% / 10%	10% / 10%	10% / 10%	10% / 10%	9% / 10%	9% / 10%	9% / 10%	10% / 10%
Limited English Proficiency Population	4% / 3%	4% / 3%	4% / 3%	4% / 3%	3% / 3%	3% / 3%	3% / 3%	3% / 3%
Disabled Population (1/2)	9% / 8%	9% / 8%	9% / 8%	9% / 8%	8% / 8%	8% / 8%	8% / 8%	9% / 8%
<ul> <li>(1) Within station walksheds</li> <li>(2) Within 15 minute ride on connecting high freq</li> <li>(3) NA = Measure not applicable to this segment</li> </ul>	uency transit					Lower Performing	Medium Performing	Higher Performing

# **Interbay/Ballard** Level 2 alternatives evaluation – Part 1 of 2

Evaluation Measures	ST3 Representative Project	15th/Fixed Bridge/ 15th	20th/Fixed Bridge/ 17th	20th/Tunnel/ 15th	Central Interbay/ Movable Bridge/ 14th	Armory Way/ Tunnel/14th	Central Interbay/ Fixed Bridge/14th	Central Interbay/ Tunnel/15th
Encourage equitable and sustainable urban	growth in station area	s through support of t	transit-oriented develo	pment, station acce.	ss, and modal integration	on in a manner that	is consistent with local	land use plans and
policies.								
Compatibility with Urban Centers/Villages <sup>(1)</sup>		Medium	Medium	Medium	Lower	Lower	Lower	Medium
Station Land Use Plan Consistency	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Activity Nodes Served <sup>(1)</sup>	26	32	36	33	24	23	24	35
Passenger Transfers	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Bus/Rail and Rail/Rail Integration <sup>(1)</sup>	Higher	Medium	Medium	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher
Bicycle Accessibility <sup>(1)</sup>	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Medium	Higher	Medium	Higher
Pedestrian/Limited Mobility Accessibility <sup>(1)</sup>	Lower	Medium	Higher	Higher	Lower	Medium	Lower	Medium
Development Potential <sup>(1)</sup>	Medium	Medium	Higher	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Equitable Development Opportunities	Lower	Higher	Lower	Lower	Medium	Medium	Medium	Higher
Preserve and promote a healthy environment	nt and economy by mir	nimizing adverse impa	cts on the natural, bui	It and social environ	ments through sustaina	ble practices.		
Historic Properties/Landmarks <sup>(2)</sup>	5	7	3	3	3	2	3	3
Potential for Effects to Archaeological Resources (1	Lower	Lower	Lower	Lower	Lower	Lower	Lower	Lower
Parks and Recreational Resources Effects (acres)	0.2	1	0.9	0.9	4.2	3.9	4.2	3.9
Water Resource Effects (acres)	0.7	0.6	0	0	0.7	0	0.4	0
Fish and Wildlife Habitat Effects (acres)	11	11	0.5	0.5	1	11.4	1	0.5
Hazardous Material Sites <sup>(2)</sup>	11	15	11	11	16	12	16	12
Visual Effects	Medium	Medium	Medium	Higher	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Noise and Vibration Sensitive Receivers <sup>(1)</sup>	Higher	Higher	Lower	Medium	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher
Potentially Affected Properties	Medium	Lower	Lower	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher
Residential Unit Displacements	Higher	Lower	Lower	Medium	Medium	Higher	Medium	Higher
Square Feet of Business Displacements	Medium	Medium	Medium	Higher	Medium	Higher	Medium	Lower
Construction Impacts	Lower	Medium	Lower	Medium	Higher	Higher	Higher	Medium
Burden on Low-Income/Minority	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher
Traffic Circulation and Access Effects	Lower	Medium	Medium	Higher	Medium	Higher	Medium	Higher
Effects on Existing Transportation Facilities	Medium	Higher	Lower	Medium	Medium	Higher	Medium	Medium
Effects on Freight Movement	Lower	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Higher	Medium	Higher
Business and Commerce Effects	Lower	Lower	Medium	Higher	Medium	Higher	Medium	Medium
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(1) Within station walksheds and/or defined buffer of alignment

(2) On properties that overlap with the project footprint

#### **Interbay/Ballard** Level 2 alternatives evaluation – Part 2 of 2

Higher Performing

Medium

Performing

Lower Performing



# Interbay/Ballard

Key differentiators – By sub-segment



#### **Smith Cove-Interbay:**

#### Key differentiators

- Station location
- Traffic
- Engineering constraints

#### **Interbay/Ballard** Key differentiators – Smith Cove-Interbay

### Key differentiators Smith Cove-Interbay

Alternative	Key differentiators			
ST3 Representative Project				
15 <sup>th</sup> /Fixed Bridge/15 <sup>th</sup>	Lessens traffic/freight effects (avoids 15 <sup>th</sup> Ave median)			
20 <sup>th</sup> /Fixed Bridge/17 <sup>th</sup>	Lessens traffic/freight effects (avoids 15th Ave)			
20 <sup>th</sup> /Tunnel/15 <sup>th</sup>	Long span bridge (over BNSF tracks) adds complexity			
Central Interbay/ Movable Bridge/14 <sup>th</sup>				
Armory Way/ Tunnel/14 <sup>th</sup>	Lessens traffic/freight effects (avoids 15 <sup>th</sup> Ave)			
Central Interbay/ Fixed Bridge/14 <sup>th</sup>	At-grade sections (along BNSF tracks) lessen complexity			
Central Interbay/ Tunnel/15 <sup>th</sup>				



#### Salmon Bay Crossing:

#### Key differentiators

- Crossing location
- Crossing type
  - Bridge (fixed or movable)
  - Tunnel
- Freight movement
- Business/commerce effects

### **Interbay/Ballard** Key differentiators – Salmon Bay Crossing

### Key differentiators Salmon Bay Crossing

Alternative	Key differentiators
ST3 Representative Project	
15 <sup>th</sup> /Fixed Bridge/15 <sup>th</sup>	Fewer columns in water than movable bridge Maritime business effects (Fishermen's Terminal)
20 <sup>th</sup> /Fixed Bridge/17 <sup>th</sup>	Long-span fixed bridge avoids columns in water
20 <sup>th</sup> /Tunnel/15 <sup>th</sup>	Longer tunnel, more constrained portal Includes tunnel; requires 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party funding
Central Interbay/ Movable Bridge/14 <sup>th</sup>	Potential service interruptions Maritime business and potential vessel navigation effects
Armory Way/ Tunnel/14 <sup>th</sup>	Shorter tunnel, less constrained portal Includes tunnel; requires 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party funding
Central Interbay/ Fixed Bridge/14 <sup>th</sup>	Fewer columns in water than movable bridge Maritime business effects
Central Interbay/ Tunnel/15 <sup>th</sup>	Shorter tunnel, less constrained portal Includes tunnel; requires 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party funding



#### **Ballard Terminus:**

#### Key differentiators

- Ballard Station location
- Elevated or tunnel

### **Interbay/Ballard** Key differentiators – Ballard Terminus

### Key differentiators Ballard Terminus

Alternative	Key differentiators
ST3 Representative Project	
15 <sup>th</sup> /Fixed Bridge/15 <sup>th</sup>	Elevated guideway (west side 15 <sup>th</sup> Ave NW) affects more parcels More residential displacements
20 <sup>th</sup> /Fixed Bridge/17 <sup>th</sup>	Ballard terminus/crossing location affects more residences Closer to center of Urban Village
20 <sup>th</sup> /Tunnel/15 <sup>th</sup>	Tunnel station (west side 15 <sup>th</sup> Ave NW) affects residences Deeper tunnel station (~120'); adds complexity
Central Interbay/ Movable Bridge/14 <sup>th</sup>	
Armory Way/ Tunnel/14 <sup>th</sup>	Affects fewer parcels (along 14 <sup>th</sup> Ave NW) Farther from center of Urban Village Shallower tunnel station (~70')
Central Interbay/ Fixed Bridge/14 <sup>th</sup>	
Central Interbay/ Tunnel/15 <sup>th</sup>	Tunnel station (east side 15 <sup>th</sup> Ave NW) affects businesses Shallower tunnel station (~80')
### Summary Interbay/Ballard

Alternative	Key findings	Cost comparison*	Schedule Comparison**
ST3 Representative Project			
Central Interbay/ Fixed Bridge/14 <sup>th</sup>	<ul> <li>Maritime business effects (but less than movable bridge)</li> <li>Affects fewer parcels in Ballard (along 14<sup>th</sup> Ave NW)</li> </ul>	+\$100M	Higher Performing
Central Interbay/ Movable Bridge/14 <sup>th</sup>	<ul> <li>Potential service interruptions</li> <li>Maritime business and potential vessel navigation effects</li> <li>Affects fewer parcels in Ballard (along 14<sup>th</sup> Ave NW)</li> </ul>	+\$200M	Higher Performing
15th/Fixed Bridge/15th	<ul> <li>Maritime business effects (Fishermen's Terminal)</li> <li>Elevated guideway (west side 15<sup>th</sup> Ave NW) affects more residences</li> </ul>	+ \$200M	Higher Performing
Armory Way/ Tunnel/14 <sup>th</sup>	<ul> <li>Less environmental, maritime business/navigation effects</li> <li>Affects fewer parcels in Ballard (along 14<sup>th</sup> Ave NW)</li> <li>Includes tunnel; requires 3<sup>rd</sup> Party funding</li> </ul>	+ \$300M	Higher Performing
Central Interbay/ Tunnel/15 <sup>th</sup>	<ul> <li>Less environmental, maritime business/navigation effects</li> <li>Tunnel station (east side 15<sup>th</sup> Ave NW) affects businesses</li> <li>Includes tunnel; requires 3<sup>rd</sup> Party funding</li> </ul>	+ \$500M	Higher Performing
20th/Fixed Bridge/17th	<ul> <li>Long span bridge (over BNSF tracks) adds complexity</li> <li>Ballard terminus/crossing location affects more residences</li> </ul>	+ \$500M	Higher Performing
20 <sup>th</sup> /Tunnel/15 <sup>th</sup>	<ul> <li>Long span bridge (over BNSF tracks), constrained tunnel portal location, deeper tunnel station add complexity</li> <li>Tunnel station (west side 15<sup>th</sup> Ave NW) affects residences</li> <li>Includes tunnel; requires 3<sup>rd</sup> Party funding</li> </ul>	+ \$700M	Higher Performing

## Level 2 alternatives

#### West Seattle/Duwamish

- ST3 Representative Project
- Pigeon Ridge/West Seattle
  Tunnel
- Oregon Street/Alaska Junction/Elevated
- Oregon Street/Alaska Junction/Tunnel (new)
- Golf Course/Alaska
   Junction/Tunnel (modified)



## West Seattle/Duwamish

Level 2 alternatives

Evaluation Measures	ST3 Representative Project	Pigeon Ridge/West Seattle	Oregon Street/Alaska Junction/	Golf Course/Alaska Junction/	Oregon Street/Alaska Junction/				
	STS Representative Project	Tunnel	Elevated	Tunnel	Tunnel				
Provide high quality rapid, reliable, and efficient peak and off-peak light rail transit service to communities in the project corridors defined in ST3.									
Potential Service Interruptions	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher				
Travel Times (minutes)	7 to 8	7 to 8	7 to 8	7 to 8	7 to 8				
Improve regional mobility by increasing connectivity and capacity through downtown Seattle to meet projected transit demand.									
Network Integration	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium				
Passenger Carrying Capacity	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium				
Ridership Potential (2040 pop/emp) <sup>(1)</sup>	11,200	12,500	12,000	10,700	12,500				
Connect regional centers as described in ado	oted regional and local land use, t	transportation, and economic de	velopment plans and Sound Trans	it's Long-Range Plan.					
Regional Growth Centers Served	N/A <sup>(3)</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
Manufacturing/Industrial Centers Served	1	1	1	1	1				
Accommodates Future LRT Extension	Lower	Medium	Lower	Higher	Medium				
Implement a system that is consistent with th	e ST3 Plan that established trans	it mode, corridor, and station loc	ations and that is technically feas	ible and financially sustainable t	to build, operate, and maintain.				
Mode, Route and Stations per ST3	Higher	Higher	Higher	Medium	Higher				
Potential ST3 Schedule Effects	Higher	Lower	Higher	Lower	Lower				
Potential ST3 Operating Plan Effects	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher				
Engineering Constraints	Medium	Lower	Medium	Medium	Higher				
Constructability Issues	Lower	Lower	Lower	Lower	Medium				
Operational Constraints	Medium	Higher	Medium	Medium	Medium				
Conceptual Capital Cost Comparison	-	\$1,200M increase	Similar	\$700M increase	\$500M increase				
Operating Cost Impacts	Higher	Medium	Higher	Medium	Medium				
Expand mobility for the corridor and region's	residents, which include transit d	ependent, low income, and mind	prity populations.						
Opportunities for Low-Income/Minority	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium				
(activity nodes/subsidized rental units) <sup>(1)</sup>	15%	13%	14%	15%	13%				
Low-Income Population (1/2)	25% / 21%	24% / 21%	23% / 21%	26% / 21%	23% / 21%				
Minority Population (1/2)	22% / 26%	23% / 26%	21% / 26%	23% / 26%	21% / 26%				
Youth Population <sup>(1/2)</sup>	13% / 17%	14% / 17%	14% / 17%	13% / 17%	14% / 17%				
Elderly Population (1/2)	16% / 13%	15% / 13%	15% / 13%	16% / 13%	15% / 13%				
Limited English Proficiency Population (1/2)	3% / 4%	3% / 4%	3% / 4%	3% / 4%	3% / 4%				
Disabled Population (1/2)	9% / 9%	9% / 9%	9% / 9%	9% / 9%	9% / 9%				

(1) Within station walksheds

(2) Within 15 minute ride on connecting high frequency transit
 (3) NA = Measure not applicable to this segment

## West Seattle/Duwamish

Level 2 alternatives evaluation – Part 1 of 2

**Higher Performing** 

Medium

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Lower Performing

Evaluation Measures	ST3 Representative Project	Pigeon Ridge/West Seattle Tunnel	Oregon Street/Alaska Junction/ Elevated	Golf Course/Alaska Junction/ Tunnel	Oregon Street/Alaska Junction/ Tunnel
Encourage equitable and sustainable urban g	rowth in station areas through su	pport of transit-oriented develo		integration in a manner that is a	
plans and policies.					
Compatibility with Urban Centers/Villages (1)	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Lower
Station Land Use Plan Consistency	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher
Activity Nodes Served <sup>(1)</sup>	40	41	42	38	42
Passenger Transfers	Medium	Higher	Medium	Medium	Higher
Bus/Rail and Rail/Rail Integration <sup>(1)</sup>	Medium	Higher	Medium	Medium	Higher
Bicycle Accessibility <sup>(1)</sup>	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher
Pedestrian/Limited Mobility Accessibility (1)	Medium	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher
Development Potential <sup>(1)</sup>	Medium	Medium	Medium	Higher	Medium
Equitable Development Opportunities	Lower	Lower	Medium	Medium	Higher
Preserve and promote a healthy environment	and economy by minimizing adv	erse impacts on the natural, bui	It and social environments throug	n sustainable practices.	
Historic Properties/Landmarks <sup>(2)</sup>	1	1	1	1	2
Potential for effects to Archaeological Resources (1)	Lower	Lower	Lower	Lower	Lower
Parks and Recreational Resources Effects (acres)	1.5	3.5	1.5	2.8	0.6
Water Resource Effects (acres)	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1
Fish and Wildlife Habitat Effects (acres)	3.7	5.3	3.7	3.7	1.9
Hazardous Materials Sites <sup>(1)</sup>	11	7	8	14	14
Visual Effects	Lower	Medium	Lower	Medium	Medium
Noise and Vibration Sensitive Receivers (1)	Lower	Lower	Lower	Medium	Lower
Potentially Affected Properties	Higher	Higher	Lower	Higher	Lower
Residential Unit Displacements	Medium	Lower	Lower	Higher	Lower
Square Feet of Business Displacements	Higher	Medium	Lower	Higher	Medium
Construction Impacts	Lower	Higher	Lower	Medium	Medium
Burden on Low-Income/Minority	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher
Traffic Circulation and Access Effects	Lower	Higher	Medium	Higher	Medium
Effects on Existing Transportation Facilities	Lower	Higher	Medium	Medium	Higher
Effects on Freight Movement	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Lower
Business and Commerce Effects	Medium	Higher	Lower	Medium	Medium
<ul><li>(1) Within station walksheds and/or defined buffer of alig</li><li>(2) On properties that overlap with the project footprint</li></ul>	nment			Lower Performing	edium forming Higher Performing

## West Seattle/Duwamish

Level 2 alternatives evaluation – Part 2 of 2



## West Seattle/Duwamish

Key differentiators – By sub-segment



#### **Duwamish Crossing:**

#### Key differentiators

- Crossing location
  - Engineering constraints
  - Fish and wildlife effects
  - Freight movement



### West Seattle/Duwamish

Key differentiators – *Duwamish Crossing* 

### Key differentiators Duwamish Crossing

Alternative	Key differentiators
ST3 Representative Project	
Pigeon Ridge / West Seattle Tunnel	Bridge crossing near Idaho Street; south of Harbor Island Most engineering constraints (tunnel through unstable slopes, widest water crossing, wide Union Pacific Argo railyard crossing, high voltage lines etc.) Most effects to Duwamish Greenbelt
Oregon Street / Alaska Junction / Elevated	Bridge crossing on south side of West Seattle bridge Some engineering constraints (Pigeon Point steep slope)
Golf Course / Alaska Junction / Tunnel	Some effects to Duwamish Greenbelt (Pigeon Point)
Oregon Street / Alaska Junction / Tunnel	Bridge crossing on north side of West Seattle bridge Fewer engineering constraints (avoids Pigeon Point steep slope) Avoids effects to Duwamish Greenbelt Affects freight, port terminal facilities during construction

### **Summary** West Seattle / Duwamish

Alternative	Key findings	Cost comparison*	Schedule comparison*
ST3 Representative Project			
Oregon Street / Alaska Junction / Elevated	<ul> <li>3 elevated stations</li> <li>Increases residential/business effects at Junction</li> <li>Complicates future extension south</li> <li>High guideway along Genesee</li> </ul>	Similar	Higher Performing
Oregon Street / Alaska Junction / Tunnel	<ul> <li>1 tunnel station; 2 elevated stations</li> <li>High guideway along Genesee</li> <li>Fewer engineering constraints</li> <li>Affects freight, port terminal facilities during construction</li> <li>Includes tunnel; requires 3<sup>rd</sup> Party funding</li> </ul>	+ \$500M	Lower Performing
Golf Course / Alaska Junction / Tunnel	<ul> <li>2 tunnel stations; 1 elevated station</li> <li>Lessens residential/business effects at Junction</li> <li>Low guideway along Genesee</li> <li>Includes tunnel; requires 3<sup>rd</sup> Party funding</li> </ul>	+ \$700M	Lower Performing
Pigeon Ridge / West Seattle Tunnel	<ul> <li>2 tunnels; 2 tunnel stations; 1 elevated station</li> <li>Most engineering constraints</li> <li>Most effects to Duwamish Greenbelt</li> <li>Low guideway along Genesee</li> <li>Lessens residential and business effects in Delridge</li> <li>Includes two tunnels; requires 3<sup>rd</sup> Party funding</li> </ul>	+ \$1,200M	Lower Performing

\*Cost compared to cost of ST3 Representative Project for this segment. Schedule compared to overall ST3 schedule for this extension.

## Level 2 alternatives

#### SODO/Chinatown-ID

- ST3 Representative Project
- Massachusetts Tunnel Portal
- Surface E-3
- 4th Avenue Cut-and-Cover C-ID
- 4th Avenue Mined C-ID
- 5th Avenue Mined C-ID
- Occidental Avenue

#### ST3 Representative Pr



#### Massachusetts Tunnel











### SODO and Chinatown-ID Level 2 alternatives – 1 of 3

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Cut-and-Cover C-ID

4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Mined C-ID

5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Mined C-ID

### SODO and Chinatown-ID Level 2 alternatives – 2 of 3



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#### **Occidental Avenue**





### **SODO and Chinatown-ID**

Level 2 alternatives – 3 of 3

Evaluation Measures	ST3 Representative Project	Massachusetts Tunnel Portal	Surface E-3	4th Avenue Cut-and- Cover C-ID	4th Avenue Mined C-ID	5th Avenue Mined C-ID	Occidental Avenue	
Provide high quality rapid, reliable, and efficient peak and off-peak light rail transit service to communities in the project corridors defined in ST3.								
Potential Service Interruptions	Lower	Medium	Higher	Lower	Lower	Medium	Higher	
Travel Times (minutes)	3 to 4	3 to 4	3 to 4	3 to 4	3 to 4	3 to 4	3 to 4	
Improve regional mobility by increasing connectivity and capacity through downtown Seattle to meet projected transit demand.								
Network Integration	Medium	Medium	Higher	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	
Passenger Carrying Capacity	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	
Ridership Potential (2040 pop/emp) <sup>(1)</sup>	35,900	35,900	35,900	35,300	35,300	35,900	37,100	
Connect regional centers as described in adoption	oted regional and local l	and use, transportation, a	and economic developm	ent plans and Sound Tro	ansit's Long-Range Plan.			
Regional Growth Centers Served	N/A <sup>(3)</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Manufacturing/Industrial Centers Served	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Accommodates Future LRT Extension	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	
Implement a system that is consistent with th	e ST3 Plan that establish	ned transit mode, corrido	r, and station locations	and that is technically fe	easible and financially sus	stainable to build, operate	e, and maintain.	
Mode, Route and Stations per ST3	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Medium	
Potential ST3 Schedule Effects	Higher	Higher	Higher	Lower	Lower	Medium	Higher	
Potential ST3 Operating Plan Effects	Medium	Medium	Higher	Higher	Lower	Medium	Higher	
Engineering Constraints	Medium	Medium	Medium	Lower	Lower	Medium	Lower	
Constructability Issues	Medium	Medium	Medium	Lower	Lower	Medium	Lower	
Operational Constraints	Medium	Medium	Higher	Medium	Lower	Medium	Medium	
Conceptual Capital Cost Comparison	-	\$200M decrease	\$400M decrease	\$600M increase	\$500M increase	Similar	Similar (+ \$200M in SODO)	
Operating Cost Impacts	Medium	Medium	Higher	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	
Expand mobility for the corridor and region's	residents, which include	transit dependent, low in	ncome, and minority po	pulations.				
Opportunities for Low-Income/Minority	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	
(activity nodes/subsidized rental units) <sup>(1)</sup>	80%	80%	80%	75%	75%	80%	73%	
Low-Income Population (1/2)	59% / 49%	59% / 49%	59% / 49%	57% / 49%	57% / 49%	59% / 49%	58% / 49%	
Minority Population (1/2)	65% / 54%	65% / 54%	65% / 54%	63% / 54%	63% / 54%	65% / 54%	65% / 53%	
Youth Population (1/2)	7% / 7%	7% / 7%	7% / 7%	6% / 7%	6% / 7%	7% / 7%	7% / 8%	
Elderly Population (1/2)	20% / 19%	20% / 19%	20% / 19%	20% / 19%	20% / 19%	20% / 19%	20% / 19%	
Limited English Proficiency Population (1/2)	30% / 19%	30% / 19%	30% / 19%	28% / 19%	28% / 19%	30% / 19%	30% / 18%	
Disabled Population (1/2)	24% / 19%	24% / 19%	24% / 19%	25% / 19%	25% / 19%	24% / 19%	24% / 19%	
(1) Within station walksheds								

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## **SODO and Chinatown-ID**

Level 2 alternatives evaluation – Part 1 of 2

Higher Performing

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Lower Performing

Evaluation Measures	ST3 Representative Project	Massachusetts Tunnel Portal	Surface E-3	4th Avenue Cut-and- Cover C-ID	4th Avenue Mined C-ID	5th Avenue Mined C-ID	Occidental Avenue
Encourage equitable and sustainable urban grow		ugh support of transit-ori	ented development, sta	tion access, and modal	integration in a manner	that is consistent with loc	al land use plans and
policies.		5 11 5	, ,	,	5		,
Compatibility with Urban Centers/Villages <sup>(1)</sup>	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Station Land Use Plan Consistency	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Activity Nodes Served <sup>(1)</sup>	57	57	57	54	54	57	56
Passenger Transfers	Higher	Medium	Medium	Medium	Lower	Lower	Medium
Bus/Rail and Rail/Rail Integration <sup>(1)</sup>	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Bicycle Accessibility (1)	21%	21%	21%	21%	21%	21%	21%
Pedestrian/Limited Mobility Accessibility <sup>(1)</sup>	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Development Potential (1)	14%	14%	14%	13%	13%	14%	15%
Equitable Development Opportunities	Lower	Medium	Lower	Medium	Lower	Medium	Higher
Preserve and promote a healthy environment and	d economy by minimizin	g adverse impacts on the	natural, built and socio	al environ ments through	sustainable practices.		
Historic Properties/Landmarks <sup>(2)</sup>	3	2	3	5	2	3	3
Potential for effects to Archaeological Resources <sup>(1)</sup>	Lower	Lower	Lower	Lower	Lower	Lower	Lower
Parks and Recreational Resources Effects (acres)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water Resource Effects (acres)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fish and Wildlife Habitat Effects (acres)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hazardous Materials Sites <sup>(1)</sup>	4	9	4	5	9	9	6
Visual Effects	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher	Higher
Noise and Vibration Sensitive Receivers <sup>(1)</sup>	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Potentially Affected Properties	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Residential Unit Displacements	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium
Square Feet of Business Displacements	Higher	Lower	Higher	Lower	Higher	Lower	Lower
Construction Impacts	Lower	Higher	Medium	Lower	Lower	Higher	Medium
Burden on Low-Income/Minority	Medium	Medium	Medium	Lower	Lower	Higher	Medium
Traffic Circulation and Access Effects	Medium	Higher	Medium	Lower	Medium	Higher	Medium
Effects on Existing Transportation Facilities	Lower	Higher	Medium	Lower	Lower	Higher	Medium
Effects on Freight Movement	Medium	Higher	Medium	Lower	Lower	Higher	Lower
Business and Commerce Effects	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Higher	Lower

(1) Within station walksheds and/or defined buffer of alignment(2) On properties that overlap with the project footprint

#### **SODO and Chinatown-ID** Level 2 alternatives evaluation – *Part 2 of 2*

Higher Performing

Medium

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Lower Performing



### **SODO and Chinatown-ID**

Key differentiators – By sub-segment

### Summary sodo

Alternative	Key findings	Cost comparison*	Schedule comparison*
ST3 Representative Project			
Surface E-3	<ul> <li>New at-grade SODO Station on E-3 transitway at Lander</li> <li>Transfer at existing SODO Station</li> <li>Bus operations on E-3 transitway displaced</li> </ul>		Higher Performing
Massachusetts Tunnel Portal	<ul> <li>New grade-separated roadway crossings (Lander, Holgate) improve existing rail/traffic/freight operations</li> <li>Property effects at tunnel portal site (for Massachusetts Tunnel Portal alternative only)</li> <li>Massachusetts Tunnel Portal alternative avoids impacts to Ryerson Base</li> </ul>	**	Higher Performing
Occidental Ave.	<ul> <li>New elevated SODO Station on Occidental Ave at Lander</li> <li>Transfer at existing Stadium Station</li> <li>Long span bridges over BNSF tracks and longer track connection to maintenance facility</li> <li>Bus operations on E-3 transitway partially displaced</li> <li>Property effects along Occidental, BNSF crossings and maintenance facility connection</li> </ul>	+ \$200M	Higher Performing

\*Cost compared to cost of ST3 Representative Project for this SODO sub-segment only. Schedule compared to overall ST3 schedule for this extension. \*\*Cost comparison reflected in Chinatown/ID summary table.

### Summary Chinatown-ID

Alternative	Key findings	Cost comparison*	Schedule comparison*
ST3 Representative Project			
E-3 Surface (shorter 5 <sup>th</sup> Ave Cut-and- Cover Tunnel)	<ul> <li>Shallow cut-and-cover station under 5<sup>th</sup> Ave; easy rider access/transfers</li> <li>Construction effects, lane closures on 5<sup>th</sup> Ave in stationarea</li> </ul>	- \$300M**	Higher Performing
Massachusetts Tunnel Portal (5 <sup>th</sup> Ave Bored Tunnel)	<ul> <li>Shallow cut-and-cover station under 5<sup>th</sup> Ave; easy rider access/transfers</li> <li>Construction effects, lane closures on 5<sup>th</sup> Ave in stationarea</li> </ul>	- \$200M	Higher Performing
5 <sup>th</sup> Ave Mined C-ID	<ul> <li>Deep mined station (~200') under 5<sup>th</sup> Ave; poor rider access/transfers</li> <li>Less construction effects, lane closures on 5<sup>th</sup> Ave with mined station</li> <li>Some property effects (for mined station access shaft)</li> <li>Results in very deep Midtown Station (~250')</li> </ul>	Similar	Medium Performing
4 <sup>th</sup> Ave Mined C-ID	<ul> <li>Deep mined station (~200') under 4<sup>th</sup> Ave, poor rider access/transfers</li> <li>Major engineering/constructability constraints (4<sup>th</sup> Ave viaduct demolition/rebuild, active BNSF railway, existing transit tunnel, etc.)</li> <li>Large property effects (Ryerson Base for tunnel portal site)</li> <li>Requires 3<sup>rd</sup> party funding of 4<sup>th</sup> Ave Viaduct re-build costs</li> <li>Results in very deep Midtown Station (~250')</li> </ul>	+ \$500M	Lower Performing
4th Ave Cut-and-Cover C-ID	<ul> <li>Shallow cut-and-cover station under 4<sup>th</sup> Ave; easy rider access/transfers</li> <li>Major engineering/constructability constraints (4<sup>th</sup> Ave viaduct demolition/rebuild, active BNSF railway, existing transit tunnel, etc.)</li> <li>Large property effects (King County Admin Building)</li> <li>Requires 3<sup>rd</sup> party funding of 4<sup>th</sup> Ave Viaduct re-buildcosts</li> </ul>	+ \$600M	Lower Performing

\*Cost compared to cost of ST3 Representative Project for this segment. Schedule compared to overall ST3 schedule for this extension.

\*\*Cost comparison for Chinatown/ID sub-segment only; total SODO/C-ID segment cost difference is - \$400M compared to ST3 Representative Project.

# Key POS, NWSA Evaluation Criteria and Measures

#### **Economic Effects**

- Freight movement and access on land and water
- Business and commerce effects

#### **Regional Mobility**

- Transit connectivity
- Ridership demand

#### **Transportation Operations**

- Traffic circulation and access
- Transportation facilities

#### **Environmental Effects**

- Water resources
- Property acquisitions and displacements
- Construction impacts

#### **Possible impacts to operations and facilities**



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# **Key Dates**

- Stakeholder Advisory Group Level 2 recommendations September 26
- Elected Leadership Group (ELG) Level 2 recommendations **October 5**
- EIS scoping period February 2019
  - SEPA process expected 2019 2022
- ELG preferred alternative recommendation March 22, 2019
- ST Board identification of preferred alternative April 2019