Welcome!

At this meeting you can:

- Learn about scoping and environmental review
- Provide scoping comments

Tonight’s meeting is an open house

*No formal presentation*

Thank you for coming!
ABOUT WATERFRONT SEATTLE

• Extends 26 blocks from Pioneer Square to the Olympic Sculpture Park

• Envisions new parks and paths, access to the water, places to enjoy views, vibrant public and cultural spaces, and a new urban street

• Jointly led by the Seattle Departments of Transportation, Planning and Development and Parks and Recreation, in partnership with the Central Waterfront Committee
• The first step in the SEPA EIS process

• Seeks input from the public, interest groups, agencies and affected tribes on the actions, alternatives and environmental impacts proposed to be discussed in the EIS

• Scoping comments help determine which environmental elements are discussed in the EIS
• SEPA stands for State Environmental Policy Act

• An environmental review process regulated by the State of Washington Department of Ecology and the City of Seattle

• Provides a way to identify and study possible environmental impacts of a potential project

• Helps decision-makers and the public understand how a proposed project will affect the environment
SDOT has begun environmental review for Waterfront Seattle starting with an EIS for Alaskan Way, the pedestrian promenade, and the overlook walk.

Tonight’s meeting is an important first step and a chance for you to comment.

Terminology you’ll see tonight:

SDOT = Seattle Department of Transportation
SEPA = State Environmental Policy Act
Scoping = First step in the EIS process
EIS = Environmental Impact Statement
DEIS = Draft Environmental Impact Statement
FEIS = Final Environmental Impact Statement
PROJECT SCHEDULE

WATERFRONT SEATTLE


CONCEPT DESIGN

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW, PERMITTING AND DESIGN
BEGINS
BEGIN ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW
BEGIN FINAL DESIGN

CONSTRUCTION BEGINS

ELLIO T BAY SEAWALL PROJECT


ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW, PERMITTING AND DESIGN

PHASE ONE CONSTRUCTION

PHASE TWO CONSTRUCTION

= DESIGN
= MILESTONE
= CONSTRUCTION
= WE ARE HERE
SDOT will prepare a separate EIS for the two public piers (Pier 62/63 and Union Street Pier). Scoping will begin in October.

Other project elements will be reviewed by SEPA check list or other environmental document.
The Waterfront Seattle proposed improvements include:

- New public open spaces and a new roadway between King Street and Battery Street with provisions for bicycle, transit, pedestrian, car and freight traffic and parking
- A promenade adjacent to Elliott Bay from King Street to approximately Virginia Street
- A new structure providing a pedestrian connection between the Pike Place Market and the new promenade
- New local waterfront transit service along the waterfront
- Replacement of or improvements to pedestrian bridges to the waterfront at Lenora and Marion streets
- Improvements to Columbia and Seneca streets between Alaskan Way and First Avenue
PROPOSED ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS

During scoping we’re seeking input on what to study in the EIS, including these environmental elements:

- Aesthetics/Light and Glare
- Hazardous Materials
- Historic and Archaeological Resources
- Land Use
- Noise and Vibration
- Public Services and Utilities
- Transportation
- Vegetation and Wildlife
- Water Quality
Aesthetics/Light and Glare
• Views protected by Seattle city code
• Changes to viewpoints in the project area

Hazardous Materials
• Management of contaminated materials during construction
• Potential risk to environment or worker health
## Proposed Environmental Elements

**Tonight, please comment on potential impacts we should study in the EIS**

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TONIGHT, PLEASE COMMENT ON POTENTIAL IMPACTS WE SHOULD STUDY IN THE EIS

Public Services and Utilities

- Changes to public service patterns, such as fire or garbage service
- Public/private utility relocations and updates

Transportation

- Operations and safety for traffic, transit, freight, bicycles and pedestrians
- Parking and loading zones
- Access to piers, Colman Dock, Pike Place Market and other waterfront locations
Vegetation and Wildlife

- Effects of construction on upland vegetation and wildlife

Water Quality

- Sediment from construction impacting water quality in Elliott Bay
- Potential for spills or leaks during construction

PROPOSED ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS

TODAY, PLEASE COMMENT ON POTENTIAL IMPACTS WE SHOULD STUDY IN THE EIS
HOW TO COMMENT TONIGHT

- Handwrite comments
- Use online comment form on laptop provided
- Court reporter

If you need help documenting your comment, talk to a staff member for assistance.

Additional ways to submit comments outside the public meeting can be found on the handout available at the sign-in table.
• Identify specific environmental elements, impacts and/or alternatives you believe are important for discussion

• Give specific examples to illustrate your concerns

• Offer solutions or suggestions

• Make your comments easy to read – use headings and/or topic sentences