



University Link Light Rail

Construction Alert

Activity: Burke-Gilman Trail closure and Montlake Boulevard lane closures

Location: Between Snohomish Lane and Rainier Vista, near Husky Stadium

Start Date: Dec. 14, 2009

End date: Jan. 3, 2010

Between December 14, 2009 and January 3, 2010, Sound Transit's contractor will install the infrastructure for an electrical ductbank that will provide power to the UW Station construction site and ultimately additional high voltage service to the University of Washington campus. The work is scheduled during UW's winter break to minimize impacts on trail users. While the work is underway, pedestrian and bicycle traffic along the Burke Gilman Trail (BGT) will be re-routed for a short distance at the south end of the UW campus (see adjacent map).

Also during that same timeframe, contractors will install the electrical ductbank under Montlake Boulevard and it will be necessary to restrict traffic to one lane in either direction. This work will be done at night to minimize the impact to traffic on Montlake Boulevard.

University Link is the 3.15-mile extension of light rail from downtown Seattle to the University of Washington. U-Link includes twin-bore tunnels and two stations, one at Capitol Hill (Broadway & East John Street) and the other on the University of Washington campus at Husky Stadium. Local tax funding for U-Link was approved by voters and the project also received a Federal Transit Administration grant of \$813 million.

U-Link is projected to add 70,000 daily riders to the Link system, bringing total daily ridership to 114,000 in 2030. Construction of U-Link began in early 2009 and will continue over the next seven years. Passenger service is scheduled to begin in 2016.

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