Construction Alert

FIRST HILL STREETCAR



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Streetcar Construction begins in April

Construction will soon begin on Seattle Streetcar's First Hill Line. This project, developed by the City of Seattle through a funding partnership with Sound Transit, will provide a vital transportation link between Link Light Rail's transit centers in Pioneer Square, Chinatown International District, and Capitol Hill and will serve major employment areas, medical centers, and institutions of higher learning.

The first step in this two-year project will be underground utilities work. Water and electrical lines near the track will be relocated or protected, and several new stormwater detention facilities and electrical ducts will be installed.

Construction Schedule

March 2012 Pre-Construction Mobilization

April 2012 Start of Utility Construction

Summer 2012 Start Track Construction

Early 2013 Complete Utility Construction

Early 2014 Complete Track & Roadway

Construction

Spring 2014 Start of Streetcar Service





What you can expect during First Hill route construction

Lane restrictions and pedestrian detours – Drivers should expect lane closures on weekdays and full intersection closures on weekends. There will be advance public notice and signed detours for full street closures.

Sidewalk and pedestrian detours will also be in effect; however, access to businesses and residences will be maintained and advance notice will be provided of any driveway closures.

Parking and loading restrictions-

Long-term parking and loading restrictions will be required in and around the work site.

Nighttime and weekend work -

Typical weekday work hours will be 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., substantial work will be performed during night and early morning hours and on weekends. Advance notice will be provided to adjacent properties.

Short-term utility interruptions-

Some buildings adjacent to the streetcar route can expect up to three short-term interruptions to their water service during construction in locations where water lines are being replaced. SPU customer service will provide notification and coordinate the best time for outages with affected residents, businesses, and institutions.



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