Thank you for your interest in the Center City Connector Streetcar. In this weekly update, you’ll find information about utility construction, planned water shutdowns, other work in the area, and ongoing construction.

WHAT’S HAPPENING NOW

• Northbound long-term lane closures on 1st Ave S between S Jackson St and Yesler Way
• Westbound long-term lane closure on S Jackson St between 2nd Ave S and 1st Ave S
• Permanent parking removal along both sides of 1st Ave S between S Jackson St and Yesler Way
• Temporary removal of a load zone and parking space on the south side of S Main St between 1st Ave S and Nord Alley
• Current construction hours are 7 AM – 5 PM weekdays
• Expect typical construction impacts such as increased dust, noise, vibration, and truck activity

Northbound 1st Ave S partially open

We've heard your feedback!

To keep people moving through Pioneer Square, we'll be opening one northbound lane of 1st Ave S between S Main St and Yesler Way on weekends and after 5 PM on weekdays. We hope to maintain this revision until the beginning of February when the contractor begins their water main excavation. This excavation will create an opening in the roadway too large to cover safely and efficiently.

Weekend and night work near the Globe Building - Revised work hours

This Sunday, January 28, crews will be working at the southeast corner of 1st Ave S and S Main St. This work is required to connect the Globe Building (310 1st Ave S) to the temporary water main. Impacts include:

• Temporary water shutdown to the Globe Building, 9 AM - 2 PM
• Noise from pipe-cutting and the use of generators, air compressors, and an excavator
• Typical construction impacts such as increased dust, vibration, and truck activity
Seattle Public Utilities crews will be conducting water valve testing in the same location between 2 AM and 6 AM. The project has received a noise variance to work in the early morning hours, although noise related to water valve testing is minimal.

Week of January 22 utility construction recap

S JACKSON ST FROM OCCIDENTAL AVE S TO 1ST AVE S and 1ST AVE S FROM S JACKSON ST TO S MAIN ST

- Continued installing the temporary water main and connecting it to the water system
- Continued excavating the street to expose and verify water services
- Began installing concrete blocks and steel piles to restrain the existing water main from moving during our work
- Began transferring customer water service lines to the temporary water main

1ST AVE FROM S MAIN ST TO S WASHINGTON ST

- Continued installing the temporary water main and connecting it to the water system
- Continued excavating the street to expose and verify water services

What to expect the week of January 29

S JACKSON ST FROM OCCIDENTAL AVE S TO 1ST AVE S and 1ST AVE S FROM S JACKSON ST TO S MAIN ST

- Continue preparing the existing water main to be connected to the temporary main
- Continue making customer connections to the temporary water line

1ST AVE FROM S MAIN ST TO S WASHINGTON ST

- Continue preparing the existing water main to be connected to the temporary main
- Continue excavating the street to expose and verify water services
- Begin making customer connections to the temporary water main

1ST AVE FROM TO S WASHINGTON ST TO YESLER WAY

- Begin installing the temporary water main
- Begin excavating the street to expose and verify water services
FIRST WATER SHUTDOWNS HAVE STARTED

Some customers on S Jackson St (between Alaskan Way S and Occidental Ave S) and on 1st Ave S (between S Jackson and S Main streets) have started experiencing their first water shutdowns as a part of the project’s required utility work.

During these first shutdowns, Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) crews are transferring the water service (the pipe that connects the building’s plumbing to the water system) from the old water main to the temporary water main. Shutdowns are occurring between January 24 and February 8, lasting 2 to 4 hours, and impacting one or two buildings at a time. SPU is contacting each building individually to schedule the date and time of these water service transfers.

Once SPU crews complete the water service transfers, a longer (8 to 10 hour) shutdown will occur to disconnect the old water main from the water system. This shutdown will impact multiple buildings at the same time and is tentatively expected to occur in early February.

The SPU outreach team is currently talking to businesses and building managers to determine the least disruptive day and time to turn off the water for both the short and long shutdowns. Affected customers will receive an official door hanger notification from SPU at least 5 days before the long (8 to 10 hour) shutdown. The door hanger will include the day, time, and estimated length of the shutdown, as well as any steps customers should take to prepare for it.

We’ll continue to share the latest information on our webpage and in this weekly email update. You can also check out our water shutdown FAQs and map for more details about water shutdowns. Information about future water shutdowns will be shared as they are scheduled.

Questions or concerns about this work? Reach us at our 24-hr hotline, (206) 400-7578, or by emailing us at: centrncitystreetcar@seattle.gov.

Other work in the area

WEEKEND WORK: JANUARY 27 – 28 AND FEBRUARY 3 – 4

This weekend and next (January 27-28 and February 3-4), Verizon/MCI will be working in
the intersection of 1st Ave S and Main St and in a southbound lane of 1st Ave S between S Main and S Jackson streets. For questions about this work, please contact Mic Woodman (Woodman Telecom) at (801) 599-9869 or mic@woodmantelco.com.

Puget Sound Energy (PSE) and Seattle City Light (SCL) are also conducting work in the area.

- To learn more about the PSE work, visit: www.pse.com/seattlecore
- To learn more about the SCL work, visit: www.seattle.gov/light/atwork

The Center City Connector will connect the 2 existing streetcar lines to move more people downtown to live, work, shop, and play. For more info or questions about construction, contact us at centercitystreetcar@seattle.gov or our 24/7 hotline, (206) 400-7578.

For more information about the project, please visit our website.

To forward this update to others who may be interested in the project, please click here.

Thank you!

Center City Connector Streetcar project team