



Thank you for your interest in the Center City Connector Streetcar. In this weekly update, you'll find information about ongoing construction for the 1st phase of utility work in Pioneer Square.

UPDATES ON TRAFFIC LANE AND STREET CLOSURES

- Temporary closures of southbound 1st Ave S between Yesler Way and S Main St weekdays, 9:30 AM – 3 PM
 - These closures are expected to conclude later this month and then will be intermittent for the rest of summer
- Northbound 1st Ave lane closures:
 - We expect northbound 1st Ave S between S Jackson St and S Washington St to reopen to traffic in July
 - The extended duration of northbound 1st Ave S closures between S Jackson St and S Washington St is due to unexpected utility conflicts encountered at S Main St. We thank you for your patience as we complete this work.
 - Northbound 1st Ave S between S Washington St and Yesler Way will remain closed until installation of the new water main is complete at the 1st Ave and Yesler Way intersection this fall
 - Beginning as soon as June 11, northbound 1st Ave will be closed between Yesler Way and Columbia St 24 hours per day. This long-term closure will be accompanied by a southbound curb lane closure between Columbia St and Yesler Way.
- Construction staging will remain on the north side of S Main St, west of 1st Ave S, and an additional staging area will be located on the south side of James St, between Yesler Way and 2nd Ave



Upcoming water shutdowns

SHORT WATER SHUTDOWNS TO OCCUR BETWEEN YESLER WAY AND CHERRY ST

Beginning the week of June 11, customers on 1st Ave between Yesler Way and Cherry St will experience their first short water shutdowns as a part of the project's water main replacement work.

During these first shutdowns, Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) will transfer 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. Service transfers last 2 to 4 hours and impact one or two buildings at a time.

Shutdown times will be coordinated in advance with building managers and representatives, who will be asked to share the shutdown information with their tenants. If you're unsure of whether a water shutdown will occur in your building, please contact your property owner or their representative.

What to expect after the shutdown: When you turn your water on for the first time after the shutdown, you may notice that it's temporarily discolored. If this happens, run the cold water for a few minutes. If the water doesn't clear, let it sit for 1 to 2 hours and run it again.

If the discoloration doesn't go away or you experience other problems with your water service, please call SPU's 24-hr Operations Response Center at (206) 386-

1800. Calling SPU is the best way for customers to report a water issue and have it addressed.

Utility construction in Pioneer Square: What to expect the week of June 10

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

- No active construction is scheduled for this location. However, you can expect to see staging of equipment as well as truck and heavy equipment activity.

1ST AVE S FROM S MAIN ST TO S WASHINGTON ST

- Crews will continue construction of a concrete vault for a new water main valve
- Expect noise and vibration, as well as typical construction impacts such as increased dust, truck activity, and exhaust

1ST AVE S FROM S WASHINGTON ST TO YESLER WAY

- No active construction is scheduled for this location. However, you can expect to see staging of equipment as well as truck and heavy equipment activity.

1ST AVE FROM YESLER WAY TO CHERRY ST

- Crews will continue pavement breaking and excavating in preparation for installation of temporary water services to customers and for cutting and capping the existing water main
- Seattle Public Utilities customer service representatives will begin contacting building owners and managers to prepare for installation of temporary water services
- Crews plan to begin testing and connecting the temporary water main
- Expect noise and vibration, as well as typical construction impacts such as increased dust, truck activity, and exhaust

1ST AVE FROM CHERRY ST TO COLUMBIA ST

- Crews will continue pavement breaking and excavating in preparation for installation of temporary water services to customers and for cutting and capping the existing water main
- Crews plan to begin testing and connecting the temporary water main
- Expect noise and vibration, as well as typical construction impacts such as increased dust, truck activity, and exhaust

ONGOING IMPACTS

- Please also refer to the updates on traffic lane and street closures, listed above

- Intermittent lane closures on S Main St and S Washington St for water main and drainage construction
- Parking removal along both sides of 1st Ave between S Jackson St and Marion St
- Long-term temporary parking and load zone restrictions:
 - On the north and south sides of S Main St just east of 1st Ave S
 - In the yellow-striped load zone on the north side of S Washington St just east of 1st Ave S
 - In the red-striped no parking zone on the north side of S Washington St just west of 1st Ave S
- Typical construction hours are 7 AM – 5 PM, Monday – Saturday. Construction-related noise may be heard as early as 6:30 AM as crews refuel equipment and begin staging for the day.
- Expect occasional night and weekend work
- Expect typical construction impacts such as increased dust, noise, vibration, and truck activity

Other nearby work

AREAWAY REPAIR ON THE WEST SIDE OF 1ST AVE BETWEEN COLUMBIA AND MARION STREETS

The Seattle Department of Transportation is repairing an underground areaway adjacent to the Colman Building on the west side of 1st Ave near Marion St. Areaways are cavities that were created when the grade level of the street was changed, and typically sidewalks are over the areaways. The areaway foundation walls have deteriorated over time and need repair to prevent them from failing.

Anticipated construction impacts include:

- This work, which began on May 29, is anticipated to last approximately 3 months
- Typical construction hours are 7 AM – 5 PM, Monday – Friday
- 24/7 temporary closure of the western lane of southbound 1st Ave from Marion St to mid-block of 1st Ave between Marion St and Columbia St for the duration of the areaway repair
- Temporary sidewalk impacts at the southwest corner of 1st Ave and Marion St
- The width of the sidewalk from the UPS store to the north end of the Starbucks Coffee shop will be temporarily reduced for the duration of this construction
- Increased dust, noise, vibration and truck activity
- Access to businesses will be maintained at all times

WORK BY PUGET SOUND ENERGY ALONG COLUMBIA ST

Puget Sound Energy (PSE) has started work to install 520 feet of intermediate pressure (IP) natural gas pipeline along Columbia St, between 1st Ave and the Alaskan Way Viaduct. Permitted work hours are 9 AM to 7 PM, Monday through Friday.

Construction activities include:

- Excavation, jack hammering, open trenching, and installation and testing of new pipe
- Typical noise from trucks and machinery; efforts will be taken to minimize the impact and duration
- Impacts to traffic during construction. Traffic control personnel, including flaggers and uniformed police officers, will be on site at all times to direct vehicles and pedestrians safely through work zones.
- Crews will place steel plating over excavations to enable roadway traffic outside of construction hours
- When the work is complete, restoration efforts will include backfilling the trench and paving the impacted roadway

The new pipeline will ensure a safe and reliable natural gas supply to support decommissioning of the Alaskan Way Viaduct.

Please subscribe [here](#) to receive weekly construction updates from PSE when the natural gas pipeline project begins.

Visit: www.pse.com/seattlecore or call the PSE hotline at **1-888-404-8773** for more information.

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](#).

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Thank you!

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