



CENTER CITY CONNECTOR STREETCAR

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.

Utility construction has resumed on 1st Ave in Pioneer Square following a 17-day strike. The [International Union of Operating Engineers \(IUOE\) Local 302](#) and the [Associated General Contractors of Washington](#) have reached a tentative agreement. Please visit the [Local 302 webpage](#) for the most up to date information.

Utility construction in Pioneer Square: What to expect the week of September 23

In the next few weeks you'll see crews begin removing supplies and equipment.

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

- Crews will be restoring a portion of the Seattle Streetcar platform's curb on S Jackson St east of 1st Ave S
- Crews may begin landscaping work in the traffic median. This includes replacing pavers and installing mulch.
- Expect noise and vibration, as well as typical construction impacts such as increased dust, truck activity, and exhaust

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

- Crews will be performing maintenance activities in the existing sewer main. This work requires a temporary sewer bypass with a pump and generator that may need to operate 24 hours a day for up to one week. The bypass operation began the week of September 16, in the Cherry St to Yesler Way block of 1st Ave. Work will continue on a block-by-block basis, starting north and working south. Crews will mitigate any nighttime noise with barriers around the generator and pump. When crews are working in the S Washington St to S Main St block, equipment will be located on 1st Ave S at S Washington St. There is a possibility of odor in this area. This work is weather dependent.
- Crews may begin landscaping work in the traffic median. This includes replacing pavers and installing mulch.
- 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

- Crews will be performing maintenance activities in the existing sewer main. This work requires a temporary sewer bypass with a pump and generator that may need to operate 24 hours a day for up to one week. The bypass operation began the week of September 16, in the Cherry St to Yesler Way block of 1st Ave. Work will continue on a block-by-block basis, starting north and working south. Crews will mitigate any nighttime noise with barriers around the generator and pump. When crews are working in the Yesler Way to S Washington St block, equipment will be located on 1st Ave S at Yesler Way. There is a possibility of odor in this area. This work is weather dependent.
- Crews will finish installing storm drainage on the west side of 1st Ave at the intersection of Yesler Way. While crews are working, southbound 1st Ave will be intermittently closed between Yesler Way and S Washington St from 8 AM to 3 PM.
- Crews will begin grading and paving the roadway, weather permitting, on 1st Ave S between S Washington St and Yesler Way. This work may require intermittent lane and crosswalk closures. Detours will be signed, and Uniformed Police Officers (UPOs) will assist traffic through the intersection.
- Crews may begin landscaping work in the traffic median. This includes replacing pavers and installing mulch.
- Expect noise and vibration, as well as typical construction impacts such as increased dust, truck activity, and exhaust

1ST AVE FROM YESLER WAY TO CHERRY ST

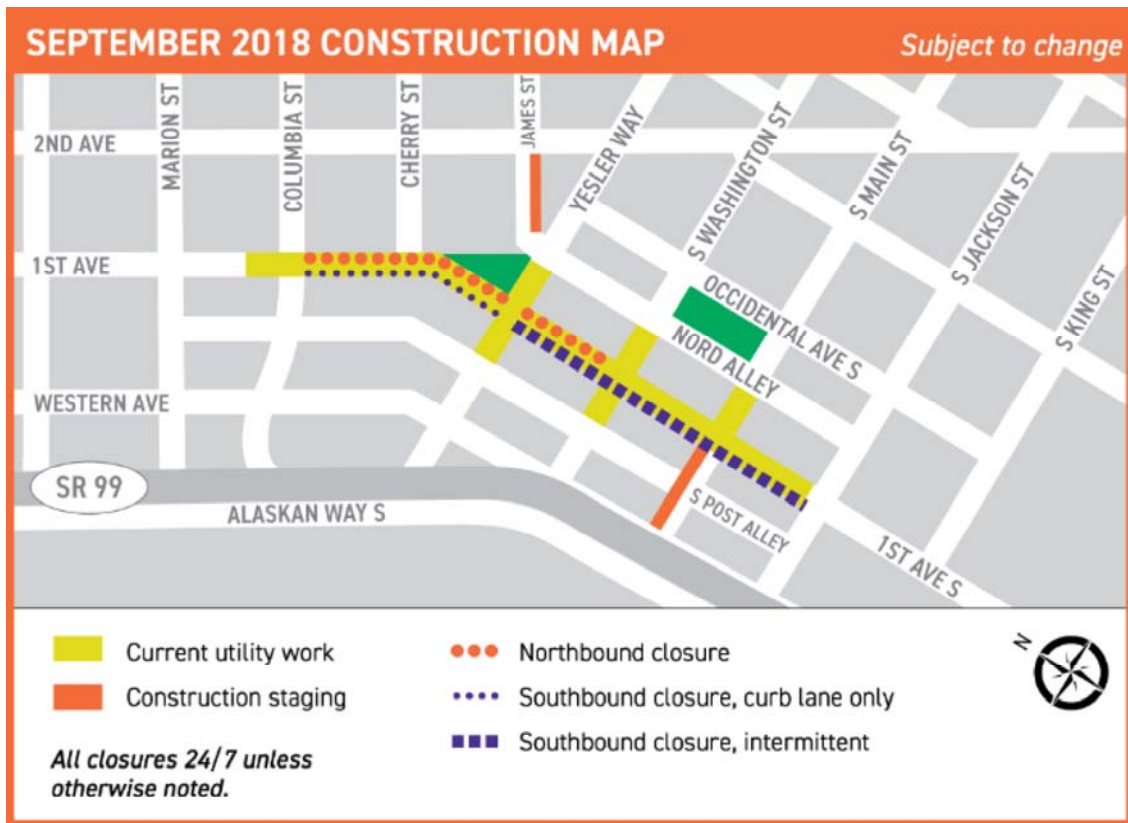
- Crews will continue working at the north end of Pioneer Square Park to renew water services. This work requires a partial closure of the park and a pedestrian detour. The work area may be slightly expanded to accommodate the brick restoration work.
- A crew may begin landscaping work in the traffic median. This includes replacing pavers and installing mulch.
- Crews will be removing the temporary water main, as well as other project equipment, fencing and supplies, from both sides of 1st Ave between Yesler Way and Cherry St
- 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 be removing the temporary water main, as well as other project equipment, fencing and supplies, from both sides of 1st Ave between Cherry St and Columbia St
- Expect noise and vibration, as well as typical construction impacts such as increased dust, truck activity, and exhaust

ONGOING TRAFFIC LANE RESTRICTIONS, STREET CLOSURES, AND OTHER IMPACTS

- 1st Ave will be reopened to traffic before the Alaskan Way Viaduct is permanently closed to transition traffic into the new tunnel
- Temporary closures of southbound 1st Ave between Cherry St and S Jackson St will occur intermittently
- Northbound 1st Ave lane closures:
 - Northbound 1st Ave S between S Washington St and Yesler Way will remain closed until installation of the new water main and drainage is complete at the 1st Ave and Yesler Way intersection
 - Northbound 1st Ave is closed between Yesler Way and Columbia St 24 hours per day. This long-term closure is accompanied by a southbound curb lane closure between Columbia St and Yesler Way.
- Intermittent lane closures on Cherry St for water main and drainage construction
- Construction staging will remain on the north side of S Main St, west of 1st Ave S, and on the south side of James St, between Yesler Way and 2nd Ave
- Parking removal along both sides of 1st Ave between S Washington St and Marion St
- Temporary load zone restrictions:
 - In the yellow-striped load zone on the north side of S Washington St just east of 1st Ave S
- Typical construction hours are 7 AM – 5 PM, Monday – Friday. 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

STEAM LINE SHUTOFF

Enwave will shut off the steam line along 1st Ave S between S Main St and Yesler Way to accommodate work in the sewer maintenance holes. This work is tentatively scheduled the week of Monday, September 24, and is weather dependent. Enwave will notify impacted customers. For questions about this work, please contact Andy Weyer at 206-623-6366.

AREAWAY REPAIR ON THE NORTH SIDE OF COLUMBIA ST BETWEEN 1ST AND POST AVENUES

Areaway repair work began August 6 on the north side of Columbia St between 1st Ave and Post Ave. This work consists of filling the areaway under the sidewalk with lightweight concrete fill, reconstructing the sidewalk above, and improving entryways to businesses on Columbia St.

Schedule and hours:

- Monday through Friday, 7 AM to 5 PM
- Some work may occur at night and/or on weekends to ensure a safe work zone. Advance notification will be provided.
- The project is planned to be complete later this month

Pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicle access:

- Access to businesses will be maintained
- No vehicular access to Columbia between 1st Ave and Post Ave
- SR 99 on-ramp will remain open and accessible
- Any pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicular detours will be clearly posted in work zone

Equipment and noise:

- Expect construction equipment and vehicles moving in and out of the work zone
- Construction trucks and equipment may be noisy, with the most significant noise coming from breaking and removing concrete

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



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