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.

As you may have noticed or seen in the news, an incident occurred this morning at 1st Ave and Cherry St. This gas leak has been secured and the area has been reopened. Thank you for your patience and cooperation today as the incident was safely resolved.

Utility construction in Pioneer Square: What to expect the week of October 21

Crews continue to remove supplies and equipment as work starts to wrap up. While we have a few weeks of work remaining, the majority of 2018 construction is complete, and crews will continue consolidating their footprint in Pioneer Square.

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

- Crews will begin final lane striping and roadway markings
- 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 begin final lane striping and roadway markings and continue demobilizing project equipment, fencing, and supplies on both sides of 1st Ave S between S Main St and S Washington St
- 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 plan to pave on Thursday, October 25 and Friday, October 26. This work is weather dependent and may extend into the following week. It will require intermittent lane and crosswalk closures at the 1st Ave and Yesler Way intersection. Detours will be signed, and Uniformed Police Officers (UPOs) will assist traffic through the intersection.
• Once paving is complete, crews will begin final lane striping and roadway markings
• Crews may repair a storm drainage structure and sewer lines
• Crews will continue demobilizing project equipment, fencing, and supplies on both sides of 1st Ave S between S Washington St and Yesler Way
• 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 grading and plan to pave on Thursday, October 25 and Friday, October 26. This work is weather dependent and may extend into the following week. It will require intermittent lane and crosswalk closures at the 1st Ave and Cherry St intersection. Detours will be signed, and Uniformed Police Officers (UPOs) will assist traffic through the intersection.
• Once paving is complete, crews will begin final lane striping and roadway markings
• Crews will continue installing storm drainage and demobilizing project equipment, fencing, and supplies on both sides of 1st Ave between Yesler Way and Cherry St and in Pioneer Park
• 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 grading and plan to pave on Thursday, October 25 and Friday, October 26. This work is weather dependent and may extend into the following week. It will require intermittent lane and crosswalk closures at the 1st Ave and Cherry St intersection. Detours will be signed, and Uniformed Police Officers (UPOs) will assist traffic through the intersection.
• Once paving is complete, crews will begin final lane striping and roadway markings
• Expect noise and vibration, as well as typical construction impacts such as increased dust, truck activity, and exhaust

S MAIN ST BETWEEN ALASKAN WAY AND 1ST AVE S

• Crews will continue consolidating and removing equipment and materials
YESLER WAY BETWEEN 2ND AVE S AND OCCIDENTAL AVE S

- Crews plan to grade and pave a small area near the intersection of 2nd Ave and Yesler Way on Thursday, October 25 and Friday, October 26. This work is weather dependent and may extend into the following week. It will require a short-term closure of the bike lane on the north side of Yesler Way.

JAMES ST BETWEEN YESLER WAY AND 2ND AVE

- Crews will continue consolidating and removing equipment and materials

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 Washington St will occur intermittently
- Northbound 1st Ave lane closures:
  - Northbound 1st Ave is closed between S Washington St and Columbia St 24 hours per day. This long-term closure is accompanied by a southbound curb lane closure between Columbia St and S Washington St.
- Intermittent lane closures on Cherry St for drainage construction and roadway restoration
- 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 Columbia 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 weekend work
- Expect typical construction impacts such as increased dust, noise, vibration, and truck activity
Other nearby work

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!

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