



ST3 – Tacoma Dome Link Extension

City of Tacoma | Planning & Development Services
Sound Transit

Infrastructure Planning & Sustainability Committee
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ITEM #1





OVERVIEW

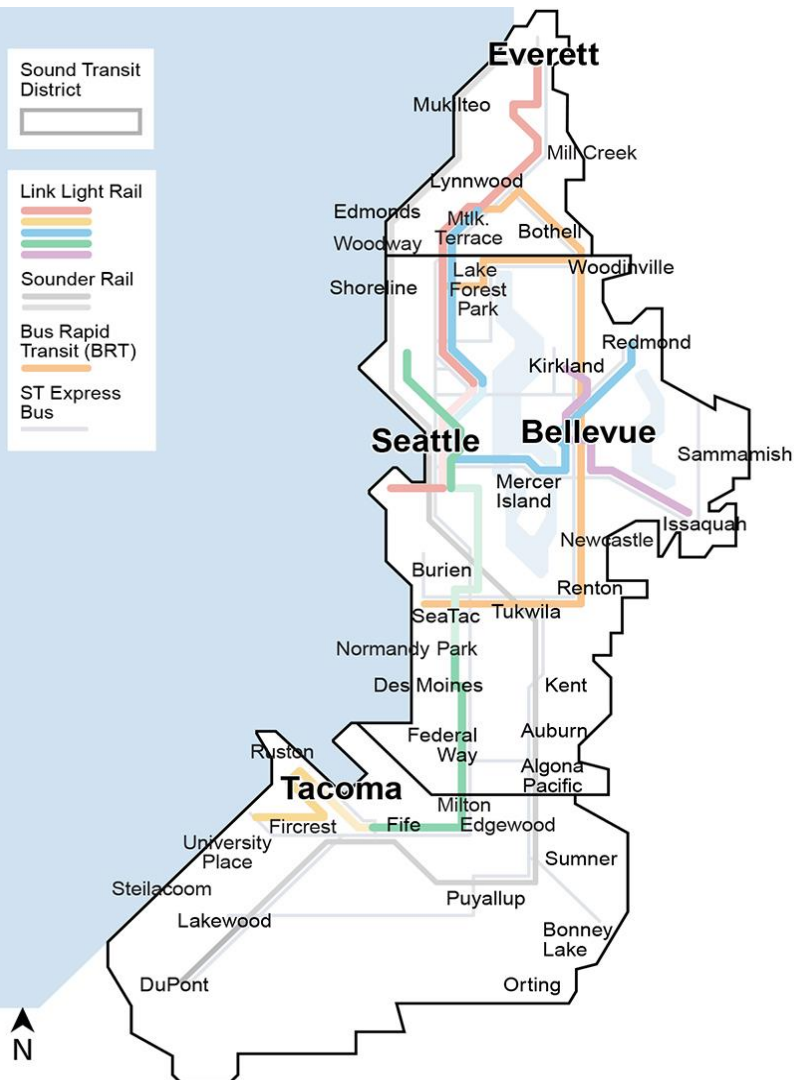


- Sound Transit 3 Package
- Tacoma Dome Link Extension (TDLE)
- Opportunity for Early Input
 - City/Local Goals, Priorities, and Issues



Tacoma Dome Link Extension

Tacoma City Council – IPS Committee | 2.28.18



Sound Transit District



More people, more cars

800,000 new neighbors by 2040

POPULATION GROWTH = TRAFFIC DELAYS



1,500+ every week



Freeway delays = longer
commute times



System Expansion

Link Light Rail

- 116-mile regional system
- 49 new stations
- Connecting Tacoma, Everett, Bellevue, Redmond, Issaquah, Ballard and West Seattle

Tacoma Link extensions to Hilltop and TCC

- 12 new stations

Sounder south commuter rail

- Parking and access improvements
- Platform extensions
- Expansion of service, 40% capacity increase

Bus

- Bus Rapid Transit serving 12 cities, in the I-405, SR 522 and SR 518 corridors
- Bus-on-Shoulder opportunities: I-5, I-405, SR 518, SR 167
- Contribution to Pierce Transit's BRT on Pacific Ave./SR 7



Federal Way to Tacoma

Representative Project

- Included in ST3 plan
- Identifies mode, alignment on west side of I-5, station areas and Operations and Maintenance Facility (OMF) – South
- Informs cost, schedule, operating needs



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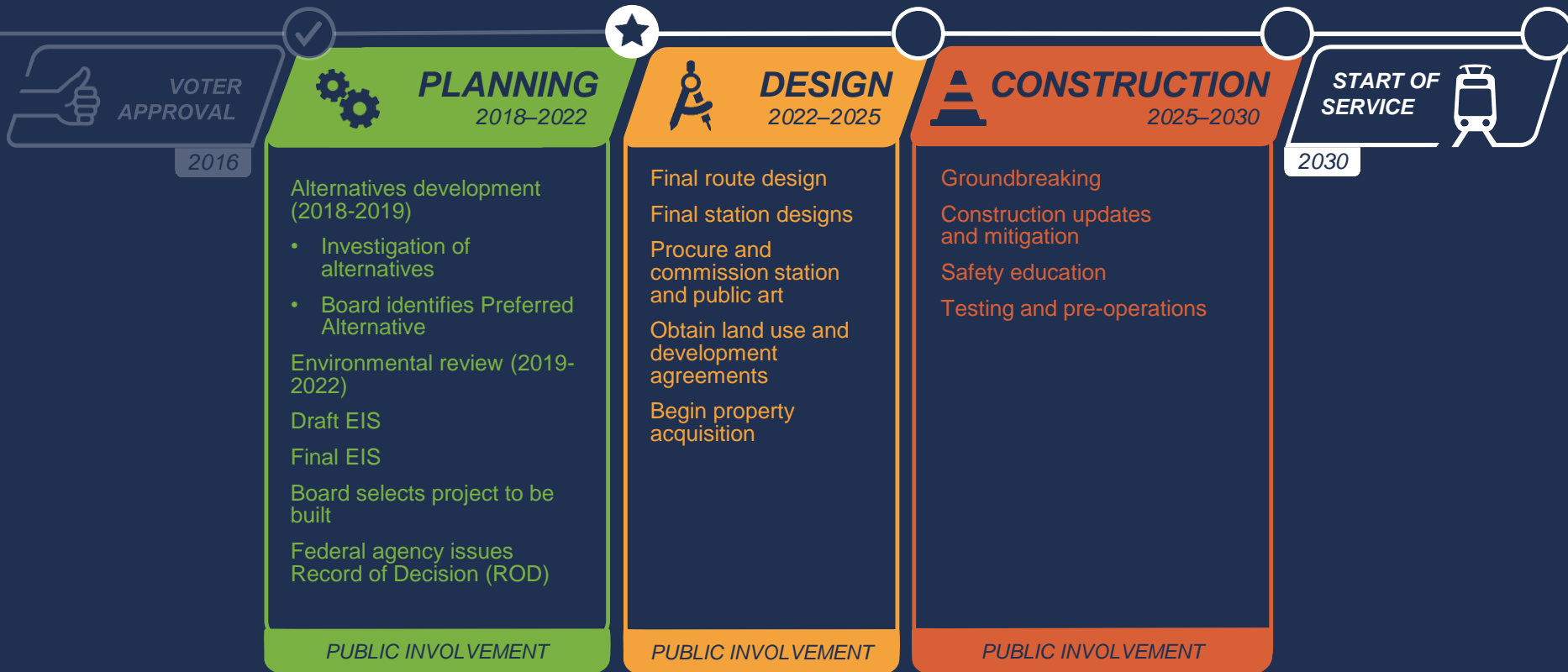
Federal Way Transit Center to Tacoma Dome

- **Length:** 9.7 miles
- **Stations:** 4 (2 parking garages)
- **Daily Project Riders:** 27,000-37,000 (2040)
- **Cost:** \$1.85 to \$2.03 billion (2014\$)

Operations and Maintenance Facility – South along corridor

- **Cost:** \$501.33 to \$537.13 million (2014\$)

TDLE project timeline



New approach to project development

- Enhance commitment to partnership, community engagement, collaboration, transparency and accountability
- Apply innovative ideas and lessons learned to streamline project delivery



Partnering

- Separate agreements between Sound Transit and Federal Way, Milton, Fife and Tacoma (anticipated spring 2018)
- Discussing a potential agreement with the Puyallup Tribe of Indians
- Agreements include commitments on:
 - Collaborative community engagement to build consensus
 - Shared environmental review documents
 - Streamlined permit review and processing
- Assign designated representatives from each agency to the project

Community Engagement



Community
Updates



Stakeholder
Group



Station and
Operations &
Maintenance Facility
Area Workshops



Interagency
Group



Elected
Leadership
Group



Tribe and
City Council
Coordination



Sound Transit
Board



Early Scoping: April 2 – May 3

To Share your thoughts on:

- 1) The representative project and potential alternatives
- 2) The purpose and need of the project
- 3) Potential project benefits and impacts on your community, the environment and transportation

Public engagement

Contact ST

- › Call the project line to speak with an outreach specialist
- › Send an email with questions, concerns or comments to tdlink@soundtransit.org



Get involved

- › Attend an open house
- › Participate in community/neighborhood briefings



Go online

- › Visit the project website.
www.soundtransit.org/tdlink
- › Respond to online surveys
- › Subscribe to email updates
- › Follow on social media





NEXT STEPS



Partnership Agreement – Tentative Schedule

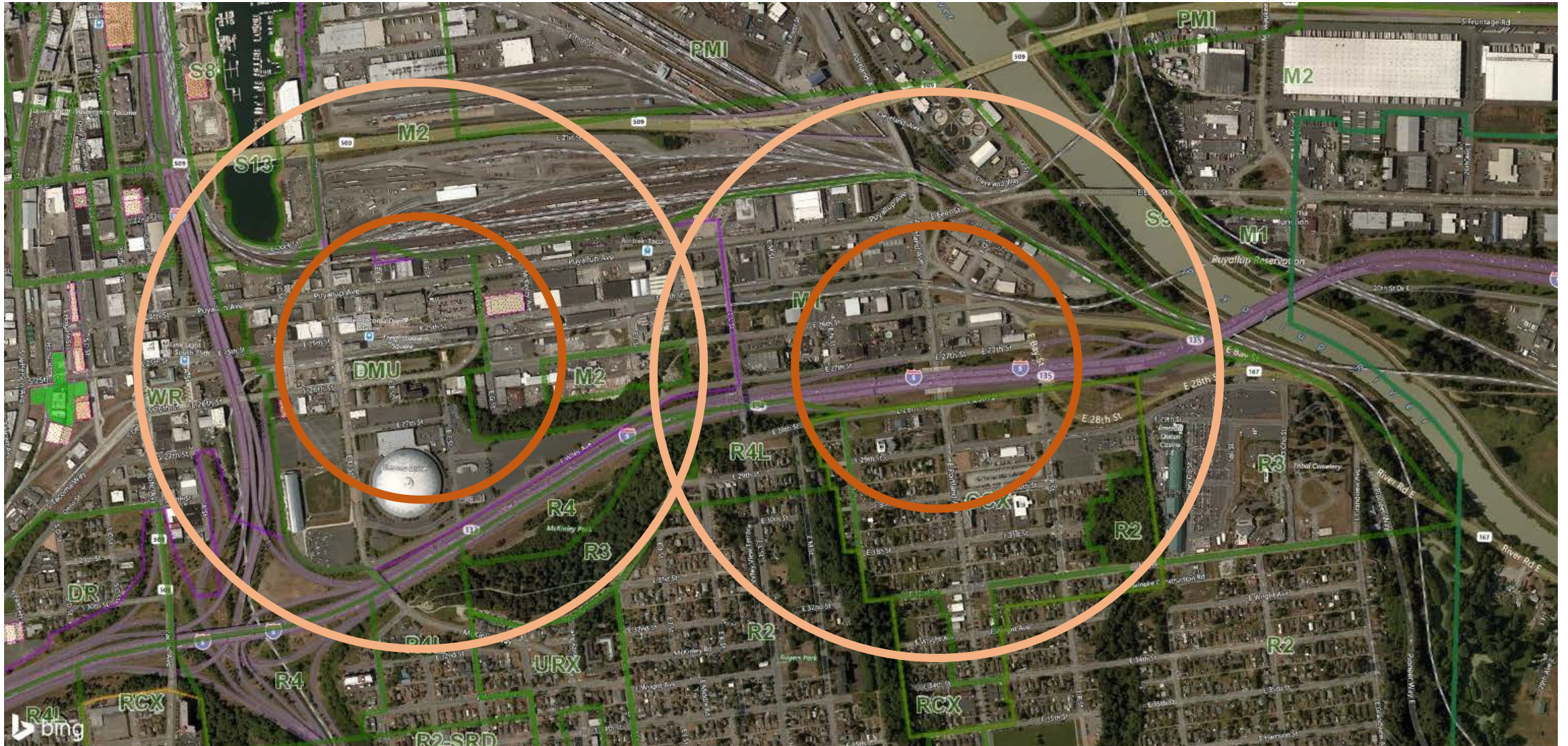
- Council Study Session – March 20
- City Council Resolution – March 27



● ● ● PLANNING COMMISSION – INITIAL THOUGHTS

- Project Overall
 - Wonderful opportunity; project needs to balance regional and local goals
 - Not just about how people here get to Seattle, this is about how to get to Tacoma
- Planning and Design Process
 - Involvement of the Puyallup Tribe is key
 - Equity and environmental mitigation need to be paramount considerations
 - Coordination with local plans and policies is critical
 - Planning Commission should have representation on stakeholder group
- Project Specifics
 - Design needs to facilitate future expansions
 - Effective connection to the Eastside is very important
 - Potential concerns about connection between the system and our One Tacoma Plan

POTENTIAL STATION AREAS





OPPORTUNITY FOR INPUT



- IPS Committee Input
 - Project Overall
 - Planning & Design Process
 - Project Specifics