Here's what is included in this month's email update:

- Information on current road and sidewalk closures on Madison St and 9th Ave due to a recent building fire
- Construction updates
- Updates on what we've been working on and construction progress
- What's coming up next month
- Resources and contact information

Road and Sidewalk Closures Due to Building Fire

There are several street and sidewalk closures on Madison St and 9th Ave due to a recent building fire. These closures are necessary to ensure that people traveling and workers managing the response are safe while the damaged building is removed and the area is restored. Closures and detours may change as the fire response continues and areas can safely be reopened. We will continue to keep people informed of changes and will reopen areas as soon as it is safe to do so.

Current street and sidewalk closures:

- Madison St is closed between 8th Ave and 9th Ave. Madison St is open for local access to driveways and alleys between 7th Ave and 8th Ave, and between Terry Ave and Boren Ave.
- Sidewalks on both sides of Madison St are closed between 8th Ave and 9th Ave. Pedestrian access is maintained to building entrances as determined safe (see map).
- 9th Ave is open to local access between Madison St and Marion St. Pedestrians and people parking in the Bloodworks garage can enter via Marion St. 9th Ave is also open to local access between Spring St and Madison St. To access this area, people should enter from Spring St. Access to 9th Ave is closed at Madison St.
- Sidewalks on both sides of 9th Ave between Madison St and Marion St are also closed with pedestrian access maintained to building entrances as determined safe (see map).

Driver detours:

Drivers traveling east on Madison St are detoured at 7th Ave to Seneca St, to Boren Ave, to Madison St. Drivers traveling west on Madison St are detoured at Boren Ave to Seneca St to 5th Ave.

Bus detours and bus stop closures:

King County Metro buses also detoured around the closure area and several bus stops are closed.

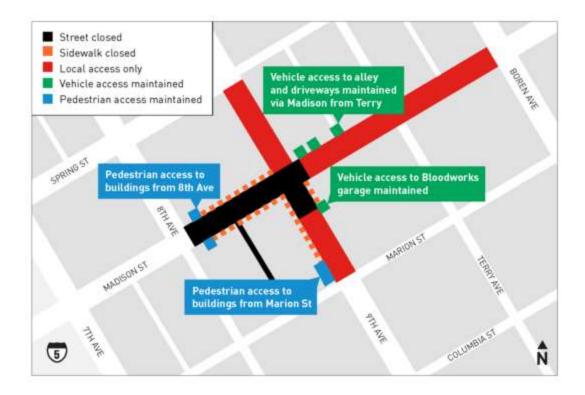
- Buses are not traveling on 9th Ave between Spring St and James St, and all bus stops in this area are closed.
- Buses are not traveling on Madison St from 3rd Ave to Boren Ave, and all bus stops in this area are closed.
- Buses are detoured off Marion Ave from 3rd Ave to 6th Ave, and all bus stops in this area are closed.

Below are the current detour routes for buses traveling in this area. Bus drivers are instructed to stop at all signed bus stops along the detour routes. Bus detours may change as the fire response continues and in the event of possible snow routes. People should visit <u>King County Metro alerts</u> for the latest information about bus detours and bus stop closures and to sign up for transit alerts.

- Route 12: The eastbound Rt 12 is detoured off Marion St at 3rd Ave. Eastbound buses are traveling on 3rd Ave to James St, Boren Ave, and returning on Madison St at Boren Ave. The westbound Rt 12 is detoured off Madison St at Boren Ave. Westbound buses are traveling on Boren Ave, to James St, to 3rd Ave, and returning to Madison St at 3rd Ave.
- Route 60: The eastbound Rt 60 is detoured off 9th Ave at James St. Eastbound buses are traveling on 9th Ave to James St, Boren Ave, and returning to Madison St at Boren Ave. The westbound Rt 60 is detoured off Madison St at Boren Ave. Westbound buses are traveling on Madison St to Boren Ave, James St, and returning to 9th Ave at James St.
- Route 193 to First Hill is detoured off 9th Ave at Seneca St continuing to Boren Ave, James St, and then returning to 9th Ave at James St.
- Route 193 to Federal Way TC is detoured off 9th Ave at James St, 7 Ave, Hubbell Pl, and returning to regular routing at Seneca St.
- **302, 303, and 322 AM routes:** These routes are exiting I-5 at Cherry St and using 5th Ave to James St, to 7th Ave, to Seneca St, to Boren Ave and to Jefferson St.
- **302, 303, and 322 PM routes:** These routes are detoured off 9th Ave at James St, continuing on James St to Boren, and returning to regular route on Seneca St.

Construction of the Madison RapidRide G Line continues

We're working with the contractor to review the remaining construction schedule, adjust the timing of some construction activities, and identify other areas where we can continue safely working to manage any potential delays caused by the fire response.



Map showing closures as described above

Construction Updates

We continue to make great construction progress, including recently starting construction of the new center running bus stations. Once the RapidRide G Line project is complete, there will be new red bus lanes from 1st Ave to 18th Ave and 4 new bus stations in the center of the street. These stations are located at 8th Ave, Terry Ave, between Summit Ave and Boylston Ave, and east of 12th Ave.



A rendering of the future center-running bus station at Madison St and Terry Ave



A rendering of the future center-running bus station at Madison St and 12th Ave

Left turn restrictions

To support safety and traffic operations once the new bus lanes and center running bus stations are built, we will permanently restrict left turns at many intersections on Madison St from First Hill to Capitol Hill. Visit our <u>webpage</u> for maps that show locations of these turning restrictions.

We'll start restricting left turns at a few intersections in First Hill as we begin construction of the new center running stations this month. We recently restricted left turns from Madison St to 8th Ave and Terry Ave. As soon as next week, we expect to start restricting left turns from Madison St to Summit Ave and Boylston Ave.

Detours and Closures

Directional closures on 14th Ave between E Madison St and E Union St

There will be directional closures on 14th Ave between E Madison St and E Union St throughout January while we finish electrical and paving work on the south side of the 14th Ave and E Madison St intersection. 14th Ave is now closed to southbound traffic between E Madison St and E Union St. Northbound traffic remains open.

Starting as soon as next week, January 8, we will reopen 14th Ave to southbound traffic and close it to northbound traffic between E Madison St and E Union St. We expect this closure to last about 1 week. 14th Ave will remain open to local access around the closure. Sidewalks will also remain open during the directional closures.

Final partial intersection closure at 19th Ave and E Madison St this weekend

Access to southbound 19th Ave will be closed at E Madison St for one more weekend while we finish repaving the southern half of the intersection. The closure began today at 10 AM and will end by 6 AM on January 8. During this work, 19th Ave south of E Madison St will remain open to local access. People driving northbound on 19th Ave south of E Madison St are not able to access E Madison St. E Madison St remains open to traffic in both directions, and sidewalks remain open. There will be some nighttime work taking place this evening and tomorrow evening. The contractor has obtained a nighttime construction permit. The map below shows the closure area.



Location of closure on 19th Ave and south side of E Madison St

Partial access closure to E Madison St from 18th Ave

Access to E Madison St from 18th Ave is closed on the south side of the intersection. Cars traveling north on 18th Ave cannot access E Madison St. Cars traveling on E Madison St cannot access 18th Ave southbound. This closure is necessary to maintain an accessible pedestrian detour while we complete sidewalk work in the area. We expect that the access closure will continue through late January.

Wrapping up roadwork on Martin Luther King Jr Way

We are nearing the completion of roadwork on Martin Luther King Jr Way. Crews are pouring concrete for the final sections of roadway and we expect to reopen Martin Luther King Jr Way to both directions of traffic by January 16.

What we've been working on

Here's what we accomplished in the month of December:

- We placed and compacted 1,455 tons of mineral aggregate base course.
- We formed and poured 1,810 square yards of new cement concrete roadway panels.
- We planted 26 new trees. We're looking forward to watching the plant life bloom in spring!
- We formed and poured 503 feet of new concrete curb.
- We formed and poured 718 square yards of new cement concrete sidewalk.

- We installed 28 new streetlights.
- We installed 20 new signal heads.
- We installed 25 new pedestrian push buttons. These installations will help improve pedestrian safety along the Madison St corridor.
- We trenched and installed 2,762 feet of underground signal and street lighting conduit. That's nearly half of a mile!

The RapidRide G – Madison St project recently hit the 75% completion mark!

King County Metro bus stop closures & relocations

As construction continues, we will need to temporarily reroute buses or close and relocate bus stops. These detours and closures can change frequently. Please visit <u>King County Metro's Transit Alert</u> <u>page</u> for the most accurate information, and sign up for <u>Metro Transit Alerts</u>. Metro Alerts are the best way to stay up to date on bus reroutes and impacts to bus stops.

Transit Alerts

Did you know? People with accessibility needs can book a trip using <u>Metro Access</u>. You can also use mapping tools like google maps to plan your bus trip and stay informed of bus stop closures and relocations. When you enter your trip, google will alert you there are any bus stop closures on your route, including locations of relocated stops. If you have questions, you can reach King County Metro customer service at 206-553-3000.

A few of the longer-term bus reroutes include:

- The Route 8 is rerouted in Madison Valley because of roadwork on E Madison St and Martin Luther King Jr. This route is likely to remain detoured in this area into the spring.
- The Route 2 continues to be rerouted through Capitol Hill. We are working on restoring this route to its original path in phases. We are aiming to return the eastbound Route 2 by the end of the year and the westbound Route 2 in early spring of 2024.
- Please see the section above about additional bus detours due to an emergency response for a building fire at 9th Ave and Madison St.

What's coming up next month

The information below is based on a preliminary schedule that is subject to change. Expect daytime work from 7 AM to 5 PM, Monday through Friday with some night and weekend work. Follow posted signs and detours for safe access through construction zones.

We're continuing to complete signal upgrades, new street lighting, and install new bus shelters throughout the project corridor. Temporary signals and lighting will be removed as the new ones are completed.

Downtown (1st Ave to 7th Ave)

Sidewalk work

- We're resuming sidewalk work at the northwest corner and southeast corner of Madison St and 1st Ave, and along Madison St near the southwest corner of 2nd Ave.
 We will be completing the remaining electrical work and restoring these areas over the next several weeks.
- We're wrapping up work at the southwest corner of 6th Ave and Madison St and plan to restore this corner in the coming weeks.

First Hill (7th Ave to Broadway)

Sidewalk work

- Work continues on the east side of 9th Ave from Spring St to Madison St. We are installing electrical conduit and rebuilding the sidewalk.
- We started work at the northeast corner of 9th Ave and Spring St and will continue working at this corner for the next several weeks.
- The sidewalk work on 9th Ave may temporarily pause as we manage traffic from the emergency closures due to a recent building fire.

Center-running bus stations

- We recently began constructing the center bus stations at Madison St and 8th Ave.
 Work has been temporarily paused due to the emergency fire response and it will resume as soon as it is determined safe to do so.
- Construction also began for the center bus station at Terry Ave. Next week, we'll begin work for the center bus station between Summit Ave and Boylston Ave.
- There will be single lane closures in each direction around the center bus station work areas. Construction of these station foundations is expected to take about 6 weeks.
 Other bus stop amenities and features will be installed once the foundations are complete.

Capitol Hill (Broadway to 23rd Ave)

Roadway work

- Roadwork continues on the south side of the Madison St and 14th Ave intersection.
 14th Ave is currently closed to southbound traffic between E Madison St and E Union St.
 As soon as early next week, we anticipate switching traffic and closing this block to northbound traffic and re-opening it to southbound traffic.
- Roadway work at the southeast corner of Madison St and Pike St will begin next week.
- We'll be working in the southern half of the intersection of E Madison St and 19th Ave starting tonight through the weekend. The southern portion of the intersection will be closed to vehicles during this work. More information is in the Closures and Detours section above.

Sidewalk work

- Work at the southeast corner of E Madison St and 13th Ave is ongoing and will continue through the end of January.
- Work on the northside of E Madison St from 13th Ave to 14th Ave should be completed by the end of this week.
- Work on the north side of Pike St between 14th Ave and E Madison St is scheduled to begin on Jan 18.
- Work on the north side of E Madison St from 14th Ave to 15th Ave is scheduled to begin Monday, Jan 8.
- Work at the northeast corner of E Madison St and 15th Ave is scheduled to begin in the middle of next week.
- Work on the south side of E Madison St from 17th Ave to 18th Ave is ongoing and expected to be completed as soon as next week.
- Work at the southeast corner of E Madison St and 18th Ave began earlier this week and will continue through the end of January.
- Work at the southwest corner of E Madison St and 19th Ave is scheduled to begin in late January.

Signal work

 Starting in mid-January, we will be performing signal upgrades near the area of 12th Ave and Madison St. During this work, traffic in both directions will be reduced to one lane.

Madison Valley (23rd Ave to Martin Luther King Jr Way)

Signal work

 Starting next week, we plan to remove the temporary signal equipment and old signal poles at the intersection of 24th Ave E and E Madison St.

Roadway work

- We're wrapping up work on the southwest corner of E Madison St and Martin Luther King Jr. Martin Luther King Jr Way remains closed to southbound traffic between E Madison St and E Harrison St while we finish this roadwork. We expect to reopen Martin Luther King Jr Way to both directions of traffic by January 16. Once this road work is complete, we also expect to reopen access from southbound 28th Ave to E Madison St.
- During the weekend of January 19, we will be rebuilding a series of driveways along the north side of E Arthur PI, west of Martin Luther King Jr Way. During this driveway work, E Arthur PI between Martin Luther King Jr Way and E Harrison St will be closed. Access to the impacted driveways will also close for the weekend.
- Starting in mid-January, we will be rebuilding the roadway at E Harrison St, west of Martin Luther King Jr Way. During this work, E Harrison St between Martin Luther King Jr Way and E Arthur PI will be closed. We anticipate this work to last about two weeks.

Sidewalk work

- Work on the north side of E Madison St between 26th and 27th Ave continues and will wrap up by late January.
- O Work on the north side of E Madison St between 27th and 28th Ave will begin on January 12 and last for 6-8 weeks. During this closure, some parking in the area may be eliminated temporarily to make space for through traffic. The westbound bus stop on this block has been temporarily relocated just east of 28th Ave.

Businesses Are Open in The Project Area

Come by to support the wonderful small businesses in our project area! At times, it may be harder to see them behind our construction, but they are open! Some of these businesses include:

- Footprint Wine Tap: 1222 E Madison St suite c, Seattle, WA 98122
- Pony: 1221 E Madison St, Seattle, WA 98122
- Banner Bank: 1222 E Madison St, Suite A, Seattle WA 98122
- Sugar & Shears Salon and Organic Spa: 1222 E Madison St E, Seattle, WA 98122
- Katsu Burger: 1410 12th Ave, Seattle, WA 98122
- Mighty-O Donuts Capitol Hill: 1400 12th Ave, Seattle, WA 98122

- Bombay Burger: 1420 E Madison St, Seattle, WA 98122
- Westman's Bagel and Coffee: 1509 E Madison St, Seattle, WA 98122
- Alpha Martial Arts: 1912 E Madison St Seattle, WA 98122
- Bequest Coffee Co: 2200 E Madison St, Seattle, WA 98112
- Nouvelle Nails & Spa: 2610 E Madison St, Seattle, WA 98112
- Baas Faming Studio: 2703 E Madison St, Seattle, WA 98112
- The Harvest Vine: 2701 E Madison St, Seattle, WA 98112
- Azuki: 2711 E Madison St, Seattle, WA 98112
- All The Best Pet Care: 2713 E Madison St, Seattle, WA 98112
- I love boba: Madison Square, 2719 E Madison St Unit 100, Seattle, WA 98112
- Just Around the Corner, Dog Grooming & Boutique: 2717 E Madison St, Seattle, WA 98112
- Coven Salon: 2719 E Madison St, Suite E, Seattle, WA 98112
- Kamp: 2800 E Madison St, Seattle, WA 98112
- Red Ticking: 2802 E Madison St, Seattle, WA 98112
- Fury Women's Consignment: 2810 E Madison St, Seattle, WA 98112
- Madison Nail Spa: 2914 E Madison St STE 108, Seattle, WA 98112

If you have any questions about how to access these businesses or other businesses in our construction area, please let us know! We can provide you with more details on nearby closures and how you can navigate the construction to reach your favorite local businesses by bus, foot, or wheel (big or small).

Information at your fingertips



Visit our <u>website</u> for the latest news and notes about what's happening in your area. There you can find information on construction impacts, renderings of project designs, contact information, and resources for neighbors and residents. You can also find links to previous project email updates.

Phone: (206)484-2780 Email: MadisonBRT@seattle.gov

Visit seattle.gov/madisonbusrapidtransit



Thanks for your patience during construction!

If you have concerns about accessibility or other issues with construction, please send us your address, contact information, and concerns so we can better understand and work together throughout construction.

Want to learn more about the project?

<u>Visit our website</u> to see what Madison St will look like once the project is complete. Please share these email updates with others who may be

interested and encourage people to subscribe on <u>our webpage</u>. If you would prefer not to receive future email updates, or if this email was forwarded to you and you'd like to subscribe, click on the links below to manage your email preferences.

Thank you!

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