

Laying ballast for new tracks installed near Nisqually.

More information

- Subscribe to email and text alerts by emailing corrie.adams@soundtransit.org
- Call the construction hotline (888-298-2395) to speak to Sound Transit Community Outreach
- Contact the Community Outreach team (206) 398-5465 to schedule a briefing for your organization

Online:
soundtransit.org/point-defiance-bypass

For information in alternative formats, call 1-800-201-4900 TTY Relay: 711 or email accessibility@soundtransit.org.

Notifications

The Sound Transit Community Outreach team's intent is to provide a two-week notice for construction activities. However, during construction some unanticipated and emergency work may be needed, which may result in shorter notification schedules. Sound Transit will actively work with residents, businesses, and jurisdictions to provide:

- Advance notice of work that requires traffic control
- Advance notice of nighttime work
- Presentations to groups
- Outreach through mailings and personal contacts
- Updates on the project website at soundtransit.org/Projects-and-Plans



Sign up for email updates at soundtransit.org/subscribe



Para información acerca del proyecto llame al: 1-800-823-9230

Звоните 1-800-823-9230, чтобы получить информацию о проекте.

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Community Guide to Construction

Point Defiance Bypass Track & Signal Work

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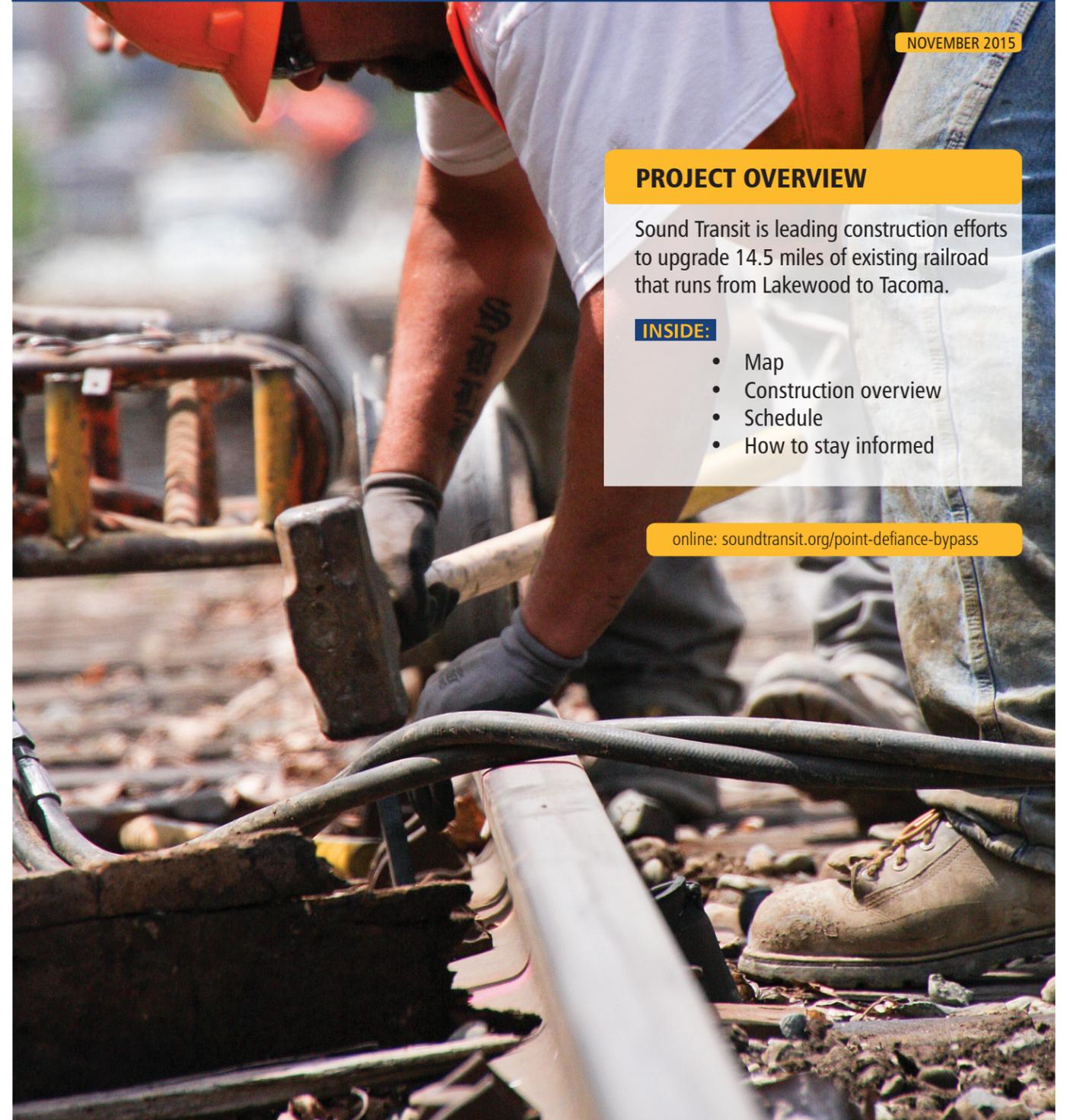
PROJECT OVERVIEW

Sound Transit is leading construction efforts to upgrade 14.5 miles of existing railroad that runs from Lakewood to Tacoma.

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Project overview

WSDOT's \$89.1 million Point Defiance Bypass project will reroute Amtrak passenger trains to an inland rail line through DuPont, Lakewood, and Tacoma. It includes a new Amtrak Cascades station in Tacoma's Freighthouse Square. Sound Transit currently uses a portion of this route between Tacoma and Lakewood for Sounder commuter rail service. This project is part of a larger 20-project construction program WSDOT is delivering throughout western Washington to improve service for the entire intercity passenger rail corridor.

The Point Defiance Bypass project includes the new Amtrak Cascades passenger train station, 14.5-miles of new and upgraded track, and five reconstructed at-grade crossings - each with advanced warning and signal systems. When work is complete in 2017, it will provide more frequent, reliable and faster Amtrak passenger rail service in Washington.



Why reroute the train?

Amtrak uses this coastal route for its passenger service. But that train route is congested with nearly 50 daily freight trains. As a result, passenger trains often are delayed as they maneuver around freight congestion, tight curves, single-track tunnels, drawbridge openings, and landslides.

Construction overview

Easing the impacts of construction

Sound Transit is committed to being a good neighbor during construction. We will work with businesses and residents to manage impacts by:

1. Maintaining a safe construction site
2. Keeping traffic and people moving
3. Protecting the environment
4. Notifying neighbors of upcoming work

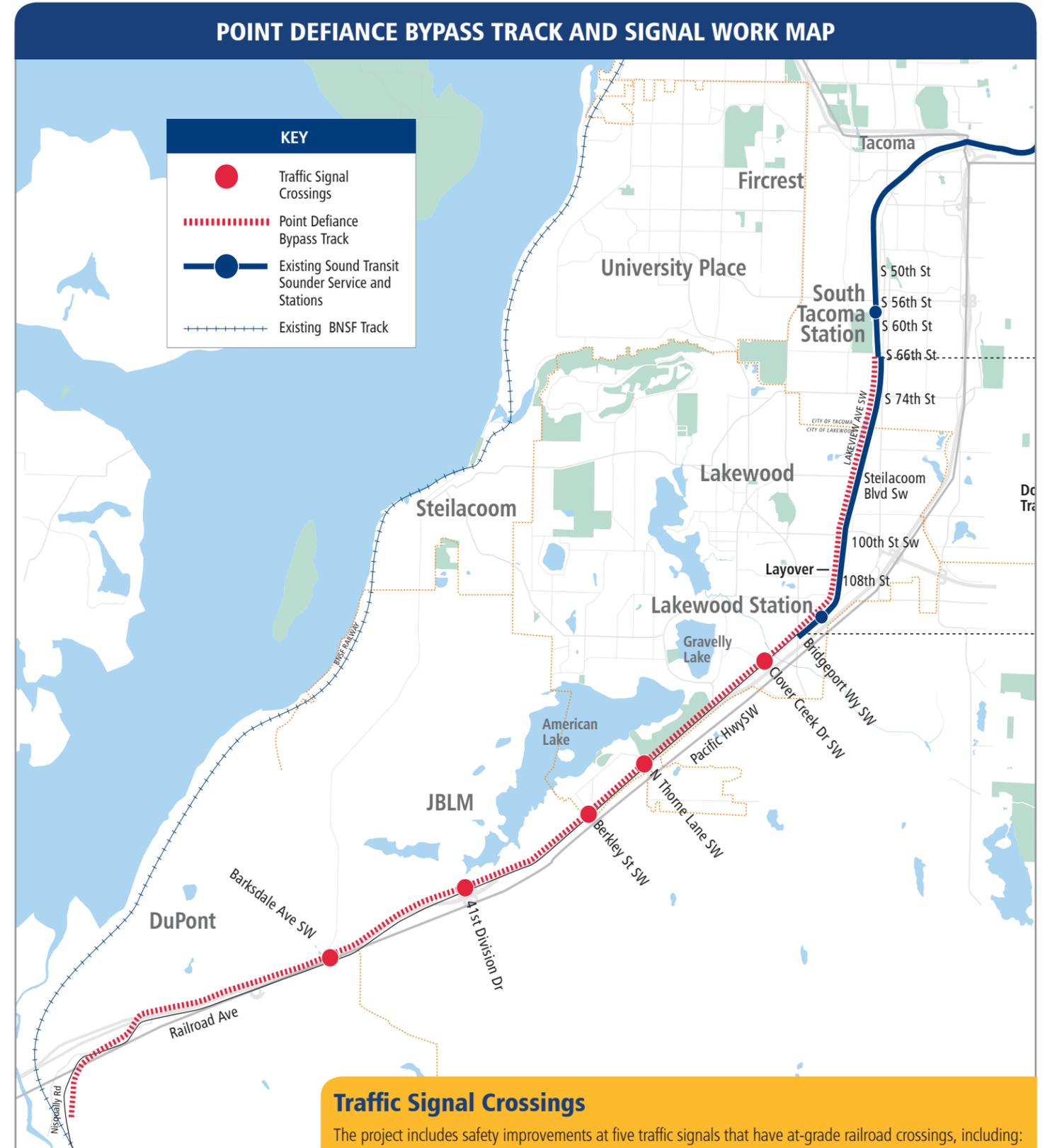
Construction timeline:



Preparing for construction

What's next?

- Crews will begin building access roads along the route
- Community outreach will connect with businesses and residents within 1,000 feet of the alignment



Traffic Signal Crossings

The project includes safety improvements at five traffic signals that have at-grade railroad crossings, including:

- Clover Creek Drive SW
- Berkeley Street SW*
- Barksdale Avenue
- North Thorne Lane SW
- 41st Division Drive

* As part of the city of Lakewood Madigan Access project