

# Access Seattle

## Overview



Mercer Stakeholder Committee

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# Our mission, vision, and core values

**Mission:** deliver a high-quality transportation system for Seattle

**Vision:** connected people, places, and products

Committed to **5 core values** to create a city that is:

- Safe
- Interconnected
- Affordable
- Vibrant
- Innovative

For **all**

# Presentation overview

- Background
- Program overview
- Construction coordination
- Traveler engagement
- Business and community support
- Next steps

# Background

- Unprecedented growth and development
- Progressive policies yield strong housing and job growth in Center City
- Cumulative ROW impact oversight

*The Seattle Times*

**Seattle skyline is tops in construction cranes - more than any other U.S. city**

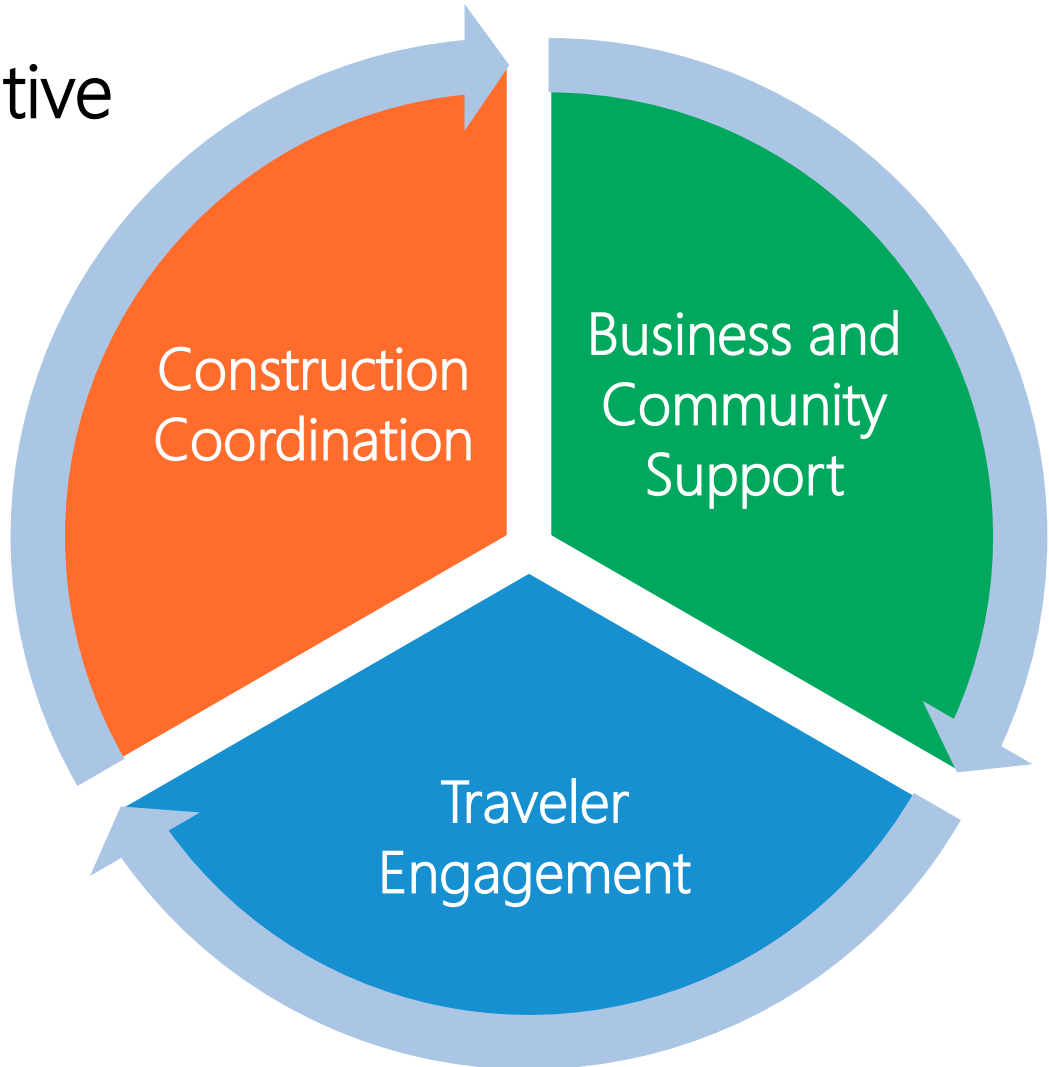


**Seattle's crane count has surged in the last year, overtaking New York as the city with the most such construction rigs transforming the urban landscape.**

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# Background

## Access Seattle Initiative



# Program overview

## Goals

- **Construction activity is coordinated** across various public and private agencies
- **People know what to expect** – how to get around, and have viable travel options
- **Neighborhoods remain vital and attractive** – places to visit, live, and have access to businesses

# Construction coordination

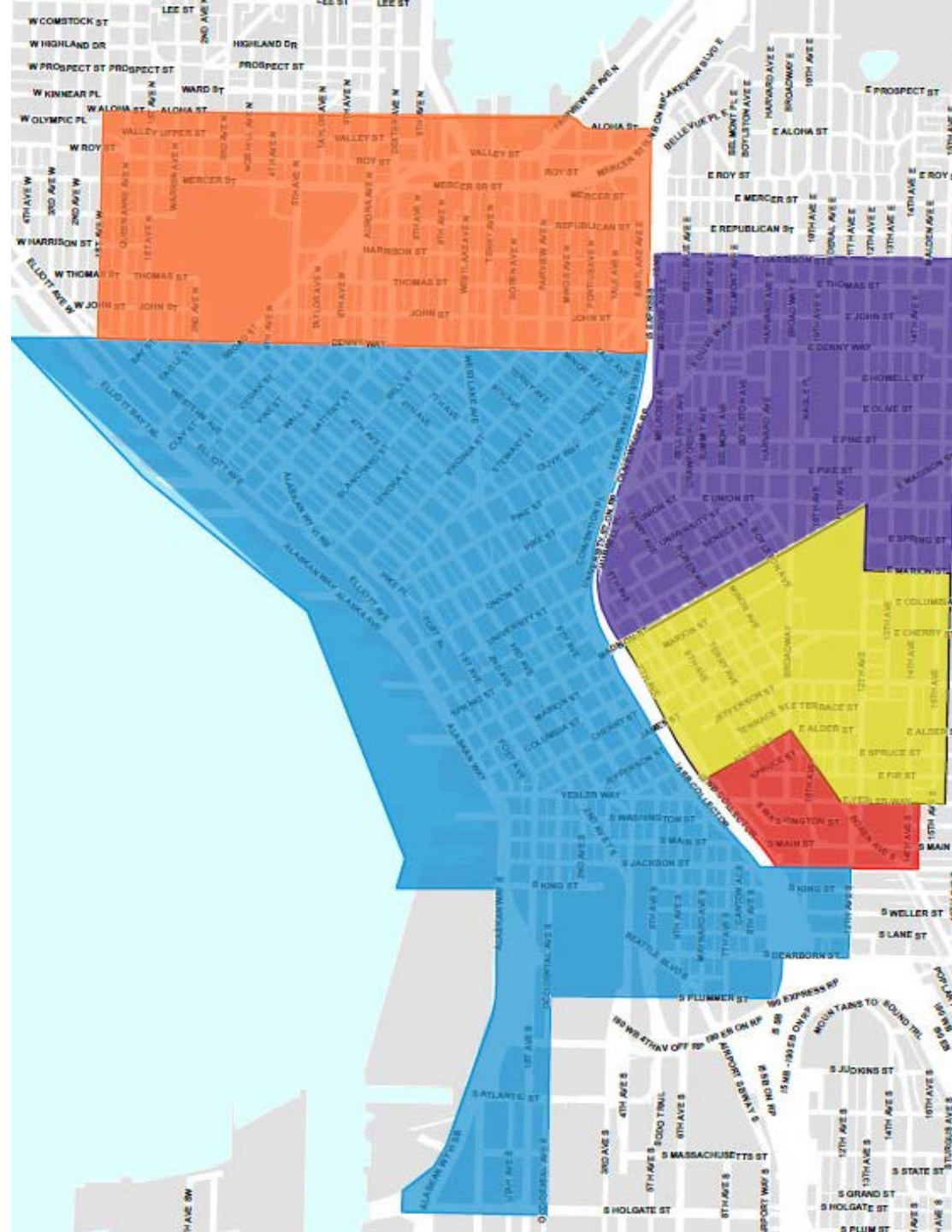
## Mission:

- Coordinate all activity that impacts ROW mobility
- Minimize impacts:
  - Maintain access
  - Avoid conflicts
  - Keep people and goods moving



# Construction Hubs

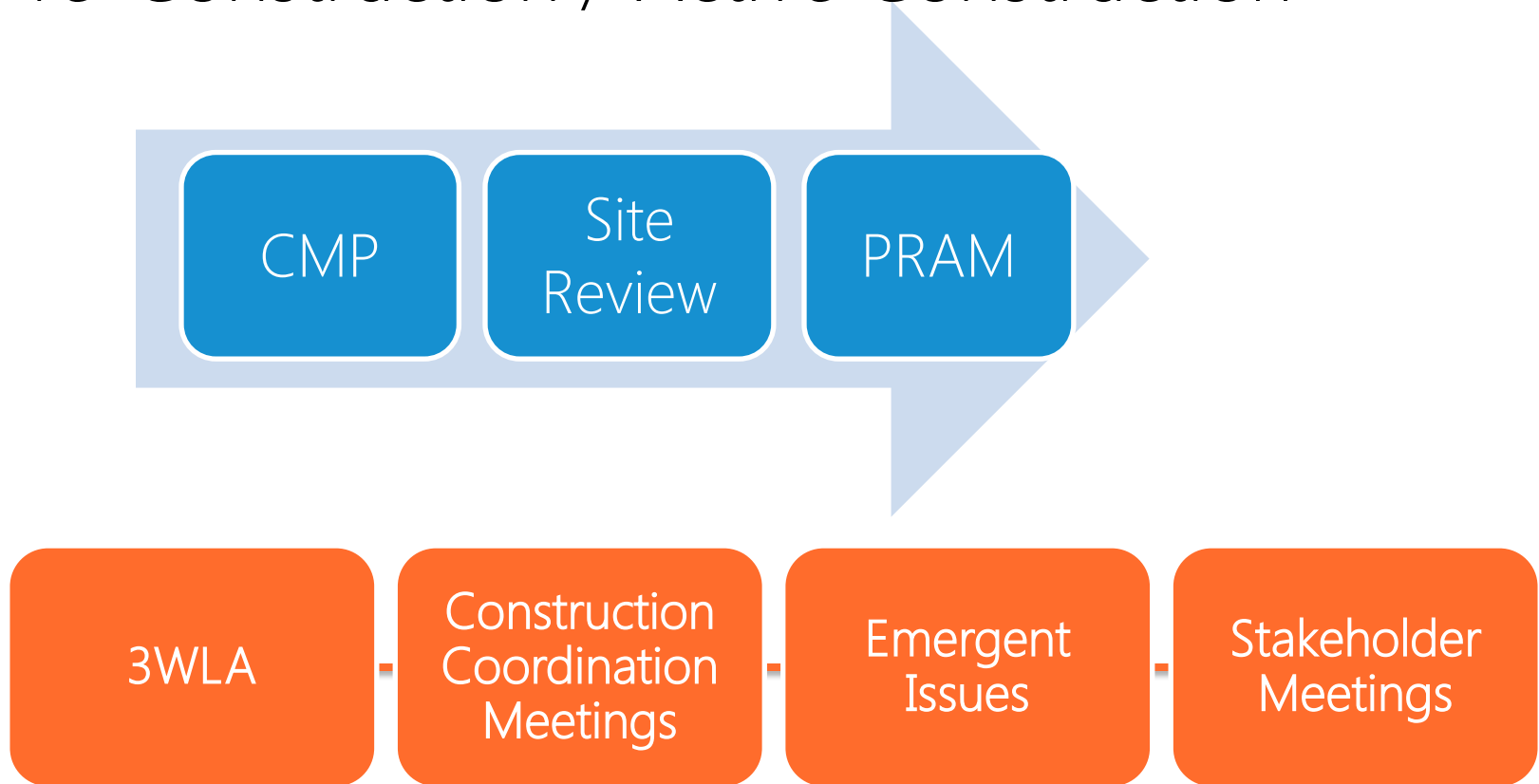
- South Lake Union
- Downtown
- Capitol Hill
- First Hill
- Yesler Terrace





# Construction coordination

Pre-Construction / Active Construction



# Construction coordination

Preliminary review and planning



# Construction coordination

## Construction Management Plan (CMP)

- Required as a condition of SDCI's Master Use Permit (MUP) when SEPA is triggered
- SDOT reviews the following:
  - Notification and outreach
  - Contractor parking
  - High level ROW impacts
  - Coordination requirements
  - Haul route



# Construction coordination

## Preliminary ROW Assessment Meeting (PRAM)

### Project specific ROW management coaching

- ROW impacts per phase of construction
- Access (peds, bikes & businesses)
- Outreach, notification and on-site signage
- Long term parking & curb space
- Contractor parking
- Adjacent and opposite coordination
- Other agency coordination

### Permit coaching

- Application & plan requirements
- Expected timelines
- Resources

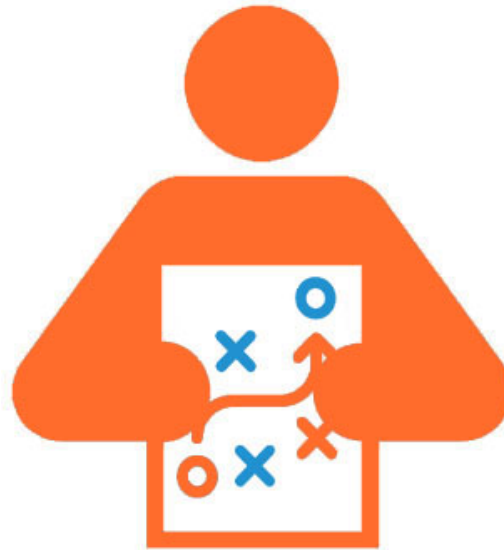


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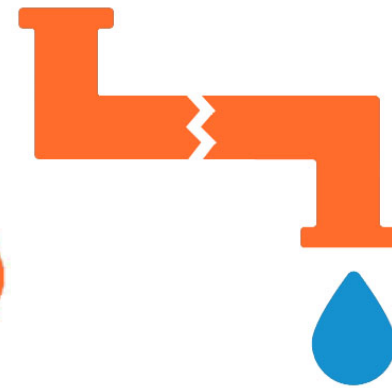
## Active construction



3WLA



Coordination  
meetings



Emergent issues

# Construction coordination

## 3 Week Look Ahead Spreadsheet (3WLA)

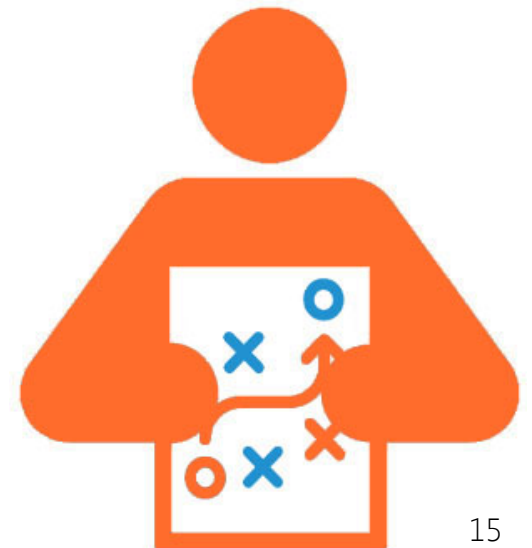
- 1-2 weeks: actual ROW impacts
- 2-3 weeks: requested ROW impacts
- Identifies potential conflicts
- Internal and external reference
- Major event schedule included



# Construction coordination

## Contractor coordination meetings

- 3WLA review
- Upcoming work and event discussion
- Hot spots for Annual Vehicle Permits
- Program updates

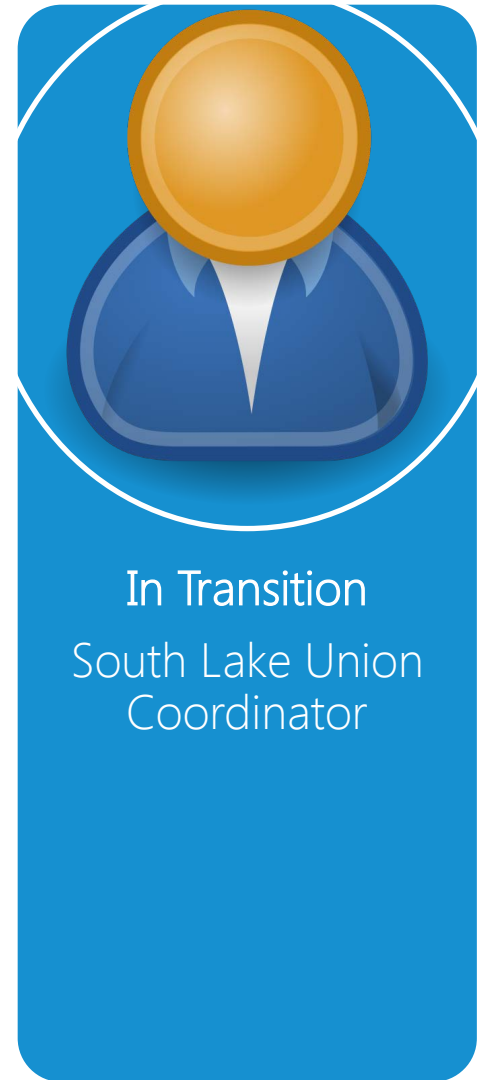


# Construction coordination

## Emergent issues

Coordinator one point of contact to:

- Resolve unplanned events
- Respond to construction inquiries
- Community concerns and inquiries





# Construction coordination

## Stakeholder meetings

- Upcoming work and event discussion
- Program and policy updates
- Stakeholder feedback



# Traveler engagement

## Mission:

- Collaborate with local agencies on large impact notification
- Collaborate with SDOT Traffic Operations Center (TOC) on traffic mitigation requirements
- Collaborate with local agencies to ensure access is maintained to transportation options

<http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/constructionlookahead.htm>

# Business and community support

## Mission:

- Support businesses through construction impacts
- Provide ongoing program and construction updates to Stakeholders



# Business and community support

## Business support

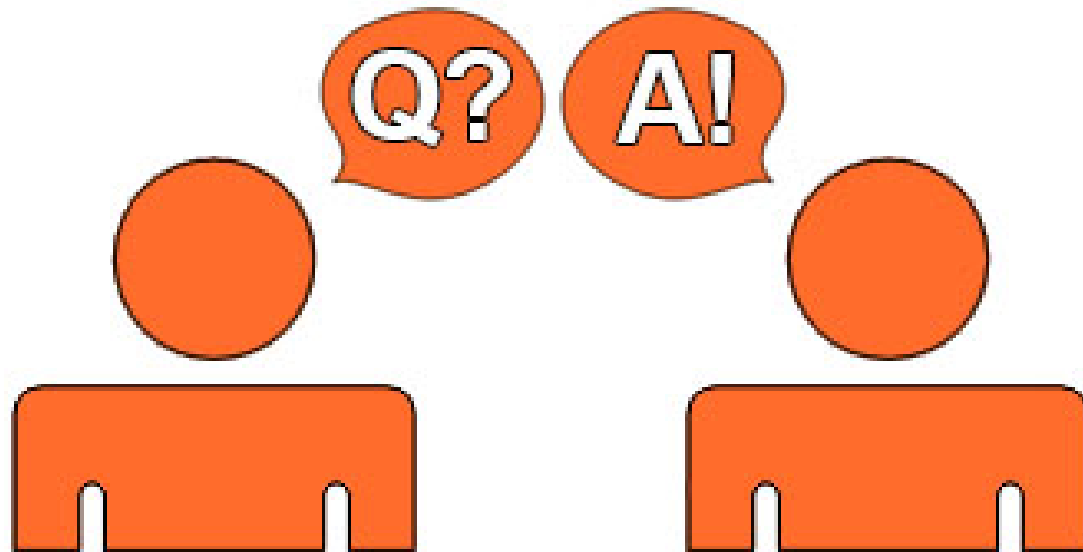
- Notification and outreach
- Public information
- Construction mitigation
- Collaboration with OED and community groups



# Next steps

- Access Seattle transition
  - New SLU Coordinator should be identified by end of year (interim is Benito Gonzalez)
  - New Access Seattle lead should be identified by end of year
- Program reset
  - Discussions on how to tie into long range planning with the Project Coordination Office (PCO)
  - Collaborating with OED and DON on a defined business support program





# Questions?

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