



# BEACON HILL LINK LIGHT RAIL Construction Update

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## Beacon Hill Station

Obayashi Corporation, the Beacon Hill construction contractor, continues to build the underground Beacon Hill Station. At approximately 165 feet deep, workers continue to mine the station's south platform and have started to construct the station's north platform. This work occurs around the clock.

**Concrete batch plant** Inside the noise wall, a concrete batch plant was installed near the Lander Street gate. Because of this operation, trucks are exiting the site through the El Centro de la Raza parking lot (which Sound Transit is leasing). Additional noise panels were erected and to minimize dust, a wheel wash will be installed in the parking lot area.



*Batch plant inside noise wall at Lander Street gate*

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Información acerca de la construcción de la estación subterránea de Beacon Hill

Thông tin về việc xây cất Trạm xe ngầm Beacon Hill.



*Mining the Beacon Hill Station's south platform*

### Construction Hotline

For construction-related concerns, please call the 24-hour construction hotline at **1 (888) 298-2395**.

## Mount Baker Station Area

**East Portal** In July, Obayashi began building an earth embankment at the east portal, located south of McClellan Street and west of 26th Avenue. This earth embankment initially will serve as a platform when the tunnel boring machine comes through the Beacon Hill tunnel, and later as a platform for light rail trains entering and exiting the tunnel.

**Elevated Trackway** The elevated trackway continues to be built in sections between the columns. Falsework is installed on Martin Luther King Jr. Way South along the west end of the pedestrian bridge. This falsework will be extended to the next columns south near Hanford Street. The contractor also is building elevated trackway across 26th Avenue south of McClellan Street. 26th Avenue is temporarily closed while this work occurs.

**Traffic flow on MLK Jr. Way** Sound Transit and Obayashi are considering different ways to move traffic around construction when the elevated trackway is built near Horton Street. It is possible that vehicles would use different lanes from the current traffic configuration. We will provide more information about traffic flow in this area.

*Concrete pour for elevated trackway near the pedestrian bridge (right)*

*Starting to build the earth embankment at the east portal (below)*



For general Sound Transit information, contact Sound Transit at (206) 398-5000 or (888) 713-6030 TTY.

Information in alternative formats is available upon request by calling (206) 689-4927 or (888) 713-6030 TTY.

## Beacon Hill Tunnel

The tunnel boring machine (TBM) digging the Beacon Hill Tunnel has now advanced over 1700 feet. In July it reached the edge of the Beacon Hill Station. Currently, the machine is stopped until the Beacon Hill Station's south platform is excavated. Then, the TBM will be "walked through" the station and will undergo maintenance. After maintenance is completed, it will go to work digging the southbound tunnel from the Beacon Hill Station to the east portal.

### Blue Box Tour: Beacon Hill Station

After the August 28 meeting at the library, Sound Transit and Obayashi will escort interested people inside the Beacon Hill Station (behind the blue wall) to look at the excavation. Space is limited to 20 people, 18 years and older. Please wear long pants and boots. We will provide hard hats, vests, and protective eyewear. You will also need to sign a waiver. Please contact Liz Ellis at (206) 398-5283 to sign up.

### For More Information

For more information about the Beacon Hill Tunnel and Station and the Mount Baker Station, please contact Liz Ellis at (206) 398-5283 or [ellisl@soundtransit.org](mailto:ellisl@soundtransit.org). To receive e-mail updates about this project, subscribe online at [www.soundtransit.org](http://www.soundtransit.org).

*Neighbors visit the Beacon Hill Station in June (right)*



*Sound Transit's CEO, Joni Earl, talks with U.S. Transportation Deputy Secretary Maria Cino and Senator Patty Murray inside the Beacon Hill Tunnel.*



## Beacon Hill Meeting and Tour: Aug. 28

Sound Transit holds regular meetings about the Beacon Hill project to explain upcoming construction activities and answer your questions. The next meeting will be:

**Monday, Aug. 28 at 6:30 p.m.**  
Beacon Hill Library Meeting Room  
2821 Beacon Ave. S

**Blue Box Tour:** After the meeting, we will escort interested people into the Beacon Hill Station site to look at the excavation. Space is limited to 20 people (18 years and older). Please wear long pants and boots. Contact Liz Ellis at (206) 398-5283 to sign up.

Actualización de construcción para el Riel ligero en Beacon Hill. Para mayor información, por favor llame al (206) 398-5000 durante horas normales de oficina.

碧肯山 (Beacon Hill) Link 輕鐵建造最新資訊。若要獲取詳細資訊，請在正常的工作時間內致電 (206) 398-5000。

Cập nhật tin tức xây cất đường hỏa xa nhẹ Link tại Beacon Hill. Muốn biết thêm chi tiết, xin gọi số (206) 398-5000 trong giờ làm việc bình thường.

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