



# Tonight's agenda

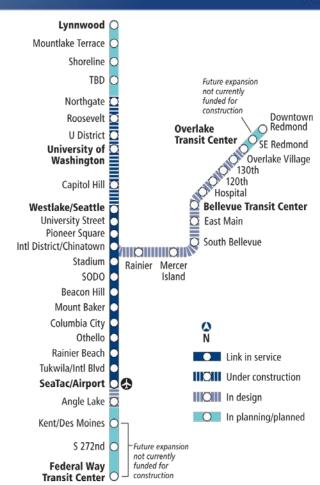
- 5-7 p.m. Open house
  - Meet the team
  - View design plans
  - Tell us what you think
- 5:30 Presentation
  - Welcome and introductions (Blake Jones)
  - East Link overview (Tia Raamot)
  - Station design update (David Hewitt)
  - STart (Tim Marsden)
  - Question and answer
  - Animation
- 6:00 Return to open house
- 7:00 Close





# Link light rail system

- 16 miles of light rail with 13 stations currently in service
- University Link under construction; opens 2016
- ST2 Plan funded extensions to Overlake, South King County, and Lynnwood
- 50+ mile system





#### **East Link overview**

Length: 14 miles

#### Ride times:

- Mercer Island to UW: 20 min.
- S. Bellevue to Airport: 50 min.
- Overlake Transit Center to Bellevue Transit Center: 10 min.

Rider projection: 50,000 daily by

2030

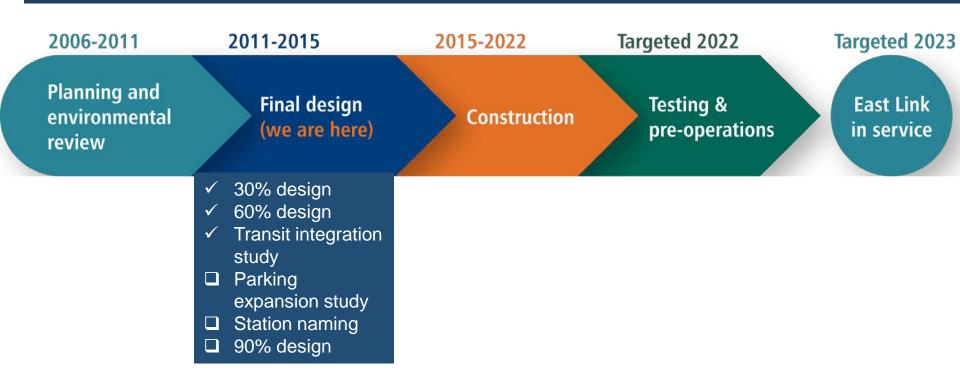
Budget: \$2.8 billion (2010 \$)

Start of Service: Targeted 2023





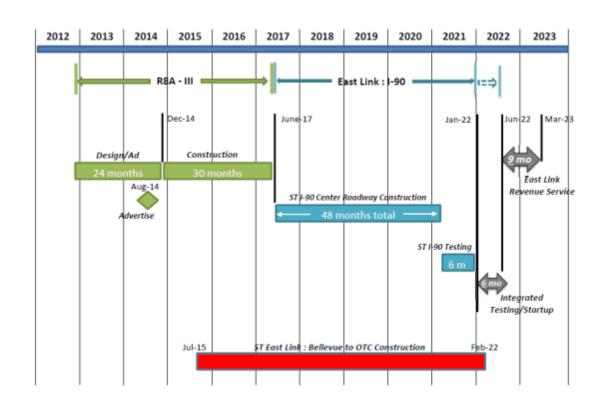
# East Link timeline & recent progress





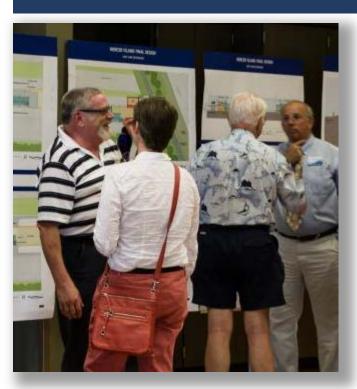
#### I-90: HOV lanes

- Sound Transit is working with WSDOT to provide fulltime HOV lanes in the outer roadways, in preparation for light rail in the center roadway
- Access to the center roadway was extended 9 months to June 2017





#### What we've heard



#### **Key Themes:**

- Parking
- Safety and security
- Construction impacts
- Station design
- Station name

#### **Public Involvement:**

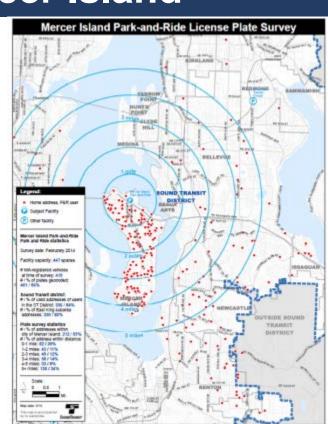
- 30% design open house
- M.I. Farmers Market
- M.I. Summer Celebration



# Partnership with the City of Mercer Island

#### **Parking Expansion Study**

- 53% of Park & Ride users live on Mercer Island
- Existing Park & Ride is full by 7:30 am
- Sound Transit and Mercer Island are partnering to find a solution





# Partnership with the City of Mercer Island

#### **Transit Integration Study**

Sound Transit and King County Metro are designing changes to the way transit crosses I-90. Bus and light rail service will connect at regional transit hubs, including the Mercer Island and South Bellevue stations, where transit riders will transfer between bus and light rail.





# Partnership with the City of Mercer Island

#### **Mercer Island Advisory Group**

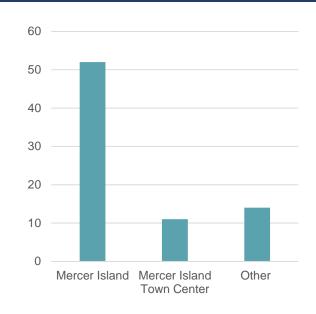
- 3 City Council members
- 3 Design Commission members
- 3 Arts Council members

Mission: Provide input on Mercer Island Station design



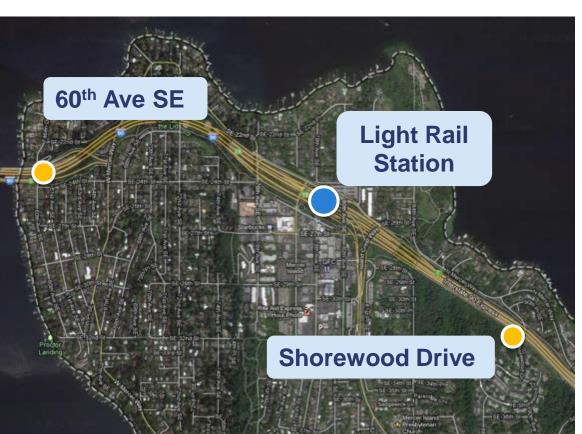
#### Permanent station names

- Reflect the nature of the community and environment
- Succinct and easy to read
- Comply with federal Americans with Disabilities Act guidelines and limited to 30 characters
- Avoid commercial references
- Avoid similar names or words in existing facilities



# Comment on station names tonight

# Supporting structures





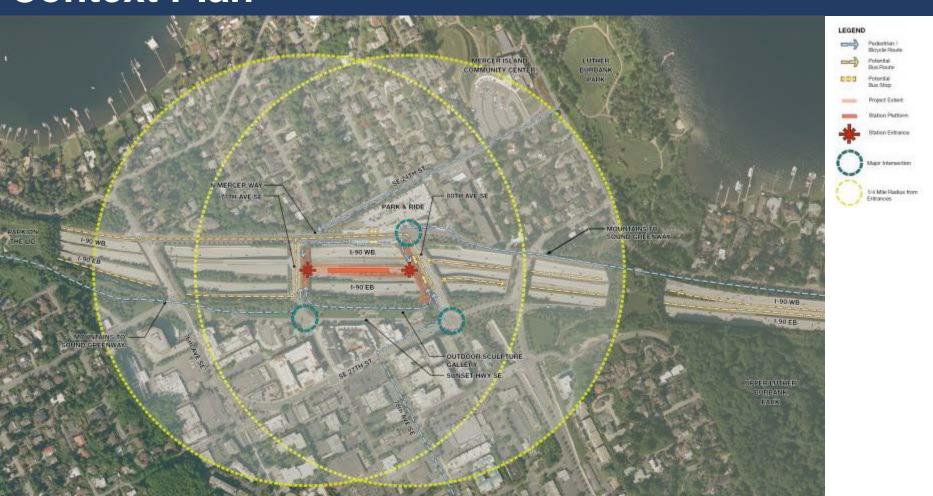
60th Ave SE



**Shorewood Drive** 



## **Context Plan**



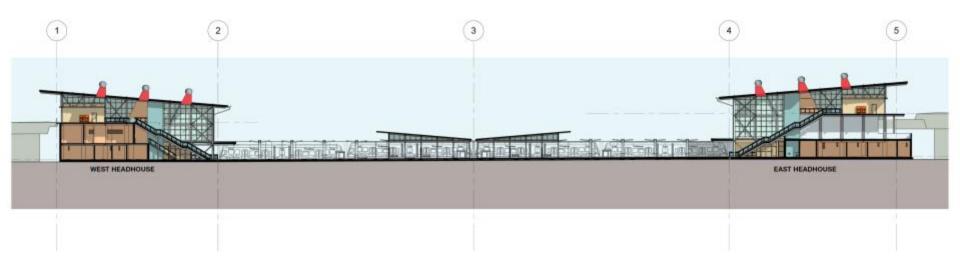
# East Entry at 80<sup>th</sup> Ave SE



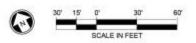
## **Site Plan**



# **Longitudinal Section**







# East Entry – 80th Ave Entrance Plan





East Headhouse - South Elevation

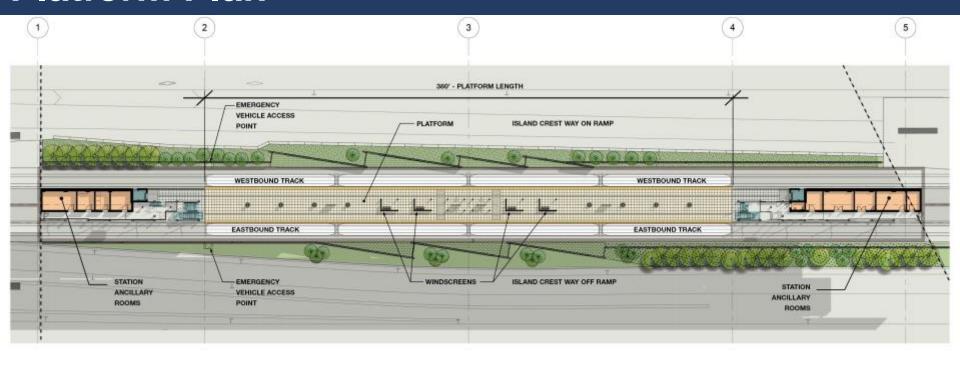


East Entry – Cut Away at Platform Looking East

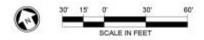
# Platform Canopy – Looking East at 80th Ave SE



## **Platform Plan**







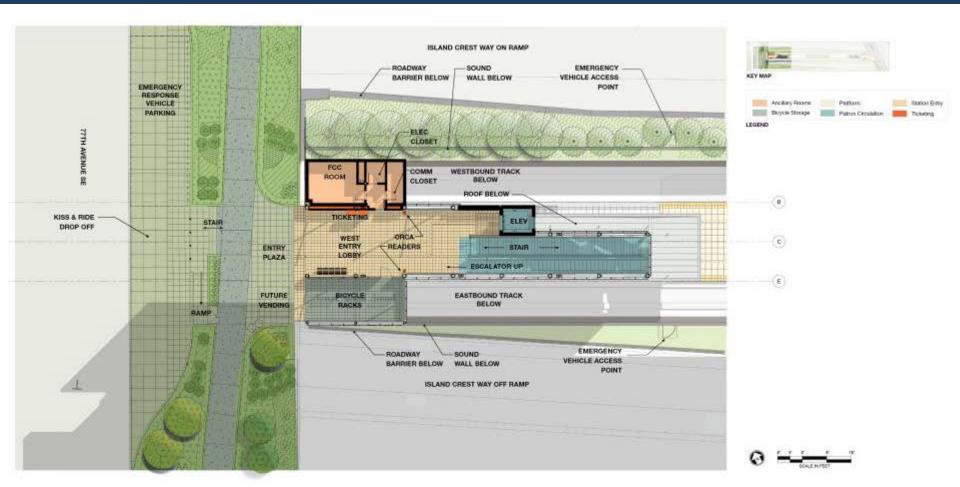


**West Entry at Platform Looking West** 

# West Entry at 77<sup>th</sup> Ave SE



# **West Entry – 77<sup>th</sup> Ave Entrance Plan**



## View from Mercer Island Park & Ride



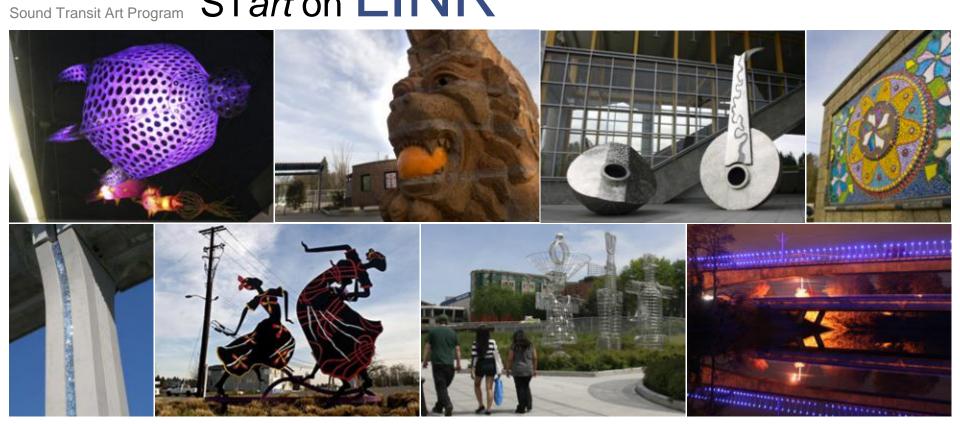
# STart

Sound Transit's Integrated Art Program





# STart on LINK





# Next steps

- Continue coordination with local jurisdictions and the public
- Select a permanent station name
- Select a transit integration concept
- Select station artists
- Advance design to 90% milestone

#### Join us!

- July 12 &13: M.I. Summer Celebration
- July 15: M.I. Community & Event Center, 11:30 am 1:30 p.m.
- July 16: M.I. Tully's, 12:30 pm 2:30 p.m.



# We want to hear from you!

- Sound Transit Community Outreach staff is accessible by phone, email, and is available to meet in person
- Contact Community Outreach staff: <u>eastlink@soundtransit.org</u> or 206-398-LINK
- Attend final design community meetings
- Sign-up to receive email updates: <u>www.soundtransit.org/subscribe</u>
- Visit the project website: <a href="https://www.soundtransit.org/eastlink">www.soundtransit.org/eastlink</a>



# **Questions?**

