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SR 169 Green River bridge repairs

We will be presenting designs and timelines for repair work on the SR 169 Green River bridge on Thursday, Jan. 15, at the Black Diamond City Council meeting. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. and is located at 25510 Lawson St., Black Diamond. To see the graphics and a PowerPoint presentation, [go to our project page](#). We are working to stabilize soils that were putting dangerous pressure on the bridge supports. We hope to reopen the bridge by June.

Cleanup on SR 169 detour routes: The latest round of snow and flooding affected detour routes around the SR 169 Green River bridge. King County crews are working to clear debris and sweep roads to make sure the white fog line is visible and the roads are safe. If the sweepers don't do the job, King County will consider whether more paint is needed.

Flood damage will cause delays on SR 169 in Renton

Drivers headed between Maple Valley and Renton on SR 169 might face some delays for the next several months, especially in the morning. Last week's flooding damaged a retaining wall at the Cedar River. Our engineers and the city of Renton are currently designing a fix.

Until repairs are made, the right northbound lane will be closed between 140th Way SE and the Cedar River. The left northbound lane will remain open to traffic. Southbound SR 169 is not affected. SR 515, also called Benson Drive and 108th Avenue SE, is a good choice for an alternate route.

To view photos of the damage, go to [WSDOT's Flickr site](#).

More meetings about Sound Transit light rail fares

Sound Transit is seeking public comment on Link light rail fares as it gets ready to begin light rail passenger service between downtown Seattle and Tukwila in July, and the extension to Sea-Tac Airport opening by the end of the year. The proposed fares would be distance-based and include base ticket prices of \$1.75 to \$2, with a maximum cost of a one-way ticket from downtown Seattle to Sea-Tac Airport of \$2.75.

Sound Transit has open houses scheduled along the light rail line between downtown Seattle and Sea-Tac Airport to hear from you about the proposal:

- Thursday, Jan. 15 from 6 to 8 p.m. at [New Holly Gathering Place](#), 7054 32nd Ave. S., Seattle.
- Thursday, Jan. 22 from 10 a.m. to noon at [Mezza Café in the Starbucks Corporate Building](#), 2401 Utah Ave. N., Seattle.

If you can't make it in person, Sound Transit is also accepting comments via e-mail, phone and postal mail. Input received about the proposal will be shared with the Sound Transit board on Thursday, Feb. 5. For more information about the proposal including how to comment, [please visit the Link fare page](#).

Comments, questions: Please e-mail me, Jeff Switzer, at switzej@wsdot.wa.gov or call 206-440-4700.

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