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RE: SR 520, I-5 to Medina: Bridge Replacement and HOV Project

Dear Neighbor:

**We are sending this letter to notify you of upcoming pre-demolition activities** occurring at the former Museum of History & Industry (MOHAI) site, near the Shelby-Hamlin area north of SR 520 and east of 24th Avenue Northeast. You are receiving this notification because your residence is located near this work, which is expected to begin the week of **March 11, 2013** and last approximately two to three months.

WSDOT is preparing to clear the site for future construction activities associated with construction of the West Approach Bridge North (WABN) phase of the SR 520, I-5 to Medina: Bridge Replacement and HOV Project. WABN construction activities are scheduled to begin in summer 2014. WABN is the next construction phase of the I-5 to Medina project, and aligns with the sequencing outlined in our final environmental impact statement.

Please refer to the enclosed flyer for additional details about the pre-demolition activities. Removal of the former MOHAI building is expected to occur in late spring. Additional information will be provided in the coming months.

For more information:

- Visit the SR 520 Bridge Replacement and HOV Program website at <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/projects/SR520Bridge/currentwork>
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Thank you again for your patience as we move forward with SR 520 Program work.

Sincerely,

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# SR 520 Bridge Replacement and HOV Program



## I-5 to Medina: Bridge Replacement and HOV Project

### Pre-demolition activities to occur at former MOHAI site

February 2013

Beginning the week of March 11, crews will begin preparing the former Museum of History & Industry (MOHAI) site for demolition.

#### What can you expect?

Pre-demolition activities will include asbestos abatement and removal of interior materials so that building demolition will be safer.

- Work will begin March 11 and last two to three months.
- Work will occur on weekdays between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m.
- Pre-demolition activities are not expected to be noisy. Work primarily consists of removing interior building material, which will mostly be done by hand.

Removal of the MOHAI building is expected to occur in late spring. More information will be provided in the coming months.

#### Why is this work happening now?

This work needs to occur before removal of the former MOHAI building. By removing the structure now, we will avoid the risk of a vacant building in the neighborhood, reducing the potential for vandalism and unauthorized access. This work will also make room for future SR 520 improvements associated with the West Approach Bridge North (WABN) phase of SR 520 construction, scheduled to begin in summer 2014.

WABN construction represents one phase of I-5 to Medina project construction. This work is accounted for in the final environmental impact statement (EIS) for the I-5 to Medina project, which prioritizes the replacement of vulnerable structures. For more information on this project, please view current materials on our web site:

[wsdot.wa.gov/projects/SR520Bridge](http://wsdot.wa.gov/projects/SR520Bridge)

#### How has WSDOT prepared for the work?

WSDOT has coordinated with the city of Seattle and will obtain all necessary approvals prior to conducting the work. We will observe best management practices to avoid and minimize any potential effects of the work.



Approximate area of pre-demolition work in Seattle.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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