

South King County Projects Update

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Wilburton Tunnel reminder

The crunchers, breakers and dump trucks return this weekend in Bellevue as crews close southbound I-405 for the second of three weekends to remove the [Wilburton Tunnel](#).

Beginning at 11 p.m. on Friday, crews will completely close southbound I-405 and several ramps between SE 8th Street and the I-90/I-405 interchange to continue removing the Wilburton Tunnel. Northbound I-405 lanes will remain open.

Crews will also use the weekend of Aug. 22-25 to remove the rest of the Wilburton Tunnel. Southbound I-405 will be closed at 11 p.m. each Friday night and open 5 a.m. each Monday morning. Drivers should call 511, check local media outlets and the WSDOT Web site to plan their trips.

This Saturday, drivers should also keep in mind the 6 p.m. Seahawks game at Qwest Field and the closing of the eastbound I-90 express lanes from 5 a.m. to noon for the Danskin Triathlon.

Milestone reached: new bridge on southbound I-405 open to traffic

Drivers on southbound [I-405 are now using a new bridge](#) over Oakesdale Avenue SW and Springbrook Creek in Renton.

Last weekend crews shifted traffic onto the new structure. Rain in the early morning last Saturday delayed the traffic shift by a few hours as crews needed dry weather to stripe the new southbound lanes. However, crews made up the time and opened all lanes to traffic Saturday afternoon, one day ahead of schedule.

Crews are now removing the old bridge over Oakesdale Avenue SW and Springbrook Creek so that they can begin constructing the new bridge for northbound traffic. Drivers may notice the use of bulldozers and other heavy machinery in between the southbound and northbound lanes of I-405 and are advised to use caution when traveling through the work zone.

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