

Work begins along East Lake Washington Boulevard

Crews working on SR 520's West Approach Bridge North Project (WABN) have begun construction in the Montlake Boulevard interchange area. As part of this effort, crews this month will begin widening the north side of East Lake Washington Boulevard to make room for an additional westbound lane towards Montlake Boulevard. This initial phase of construction on East Lake Washington Boulevard is planned to be completed in spring 2015. Additional improvements on East Lake Washington Boulevard and Montlake Boulevard East will be completed in future project phases.

Planned construction activities

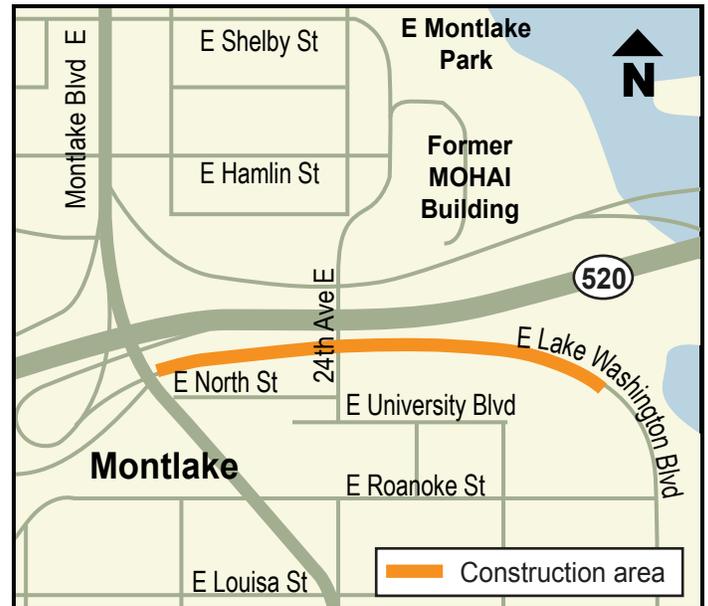
- East Lake Washington Boulevard will be widened between Montlake Boulevard East and 24th Avenue East to make room for an additional westbound lane.
- On-street parking will temporarily be removed to make room for construction. Traffic lanes will be shifted to the south. Sidewalk and bicycle access will be maintained.
- Crews will trim trees on the south side of the street to meet city of Seattle clearance regulations for a temporary lane configuration in effect during construction. Crews will remove trees on the street's north side to make room for the final lane configuration. Trees identified for preservation are marked to ensure their protection.
- Potholes will be repaired to reduce truck noise.
- Existing sewer and power lines will be updated.

Construction best practices

- Neighbors living along East Lake Washington Boulevard may hear and/or feel construction activities.
- The work will be performed using construction best management practices to reduce construction noise and other adverse effects, and ensure that the work complies with environmental requirements and construction and noise permits.

Hours of construction

- Construction will be sequenced to minimize impacts to the neighborhood and the traveling public as much as possible.
- Typical work hours: 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday; 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.
- Nighttime construction work may be necessary to help keep daytime traffic flowing. Additional project notifications will be provided in advance of nighttime work.



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We understand that those who live, work and play in the area will be affected by the major construction activities needed to build the project. We thank the public in advance for your patience as we work to replace the existing vulnerable structure. If you have questions, please contact us:

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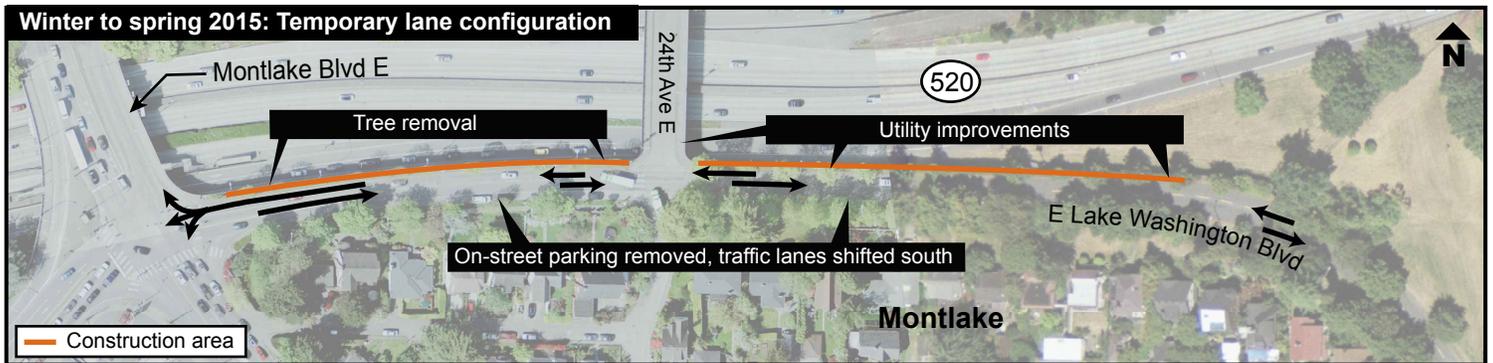
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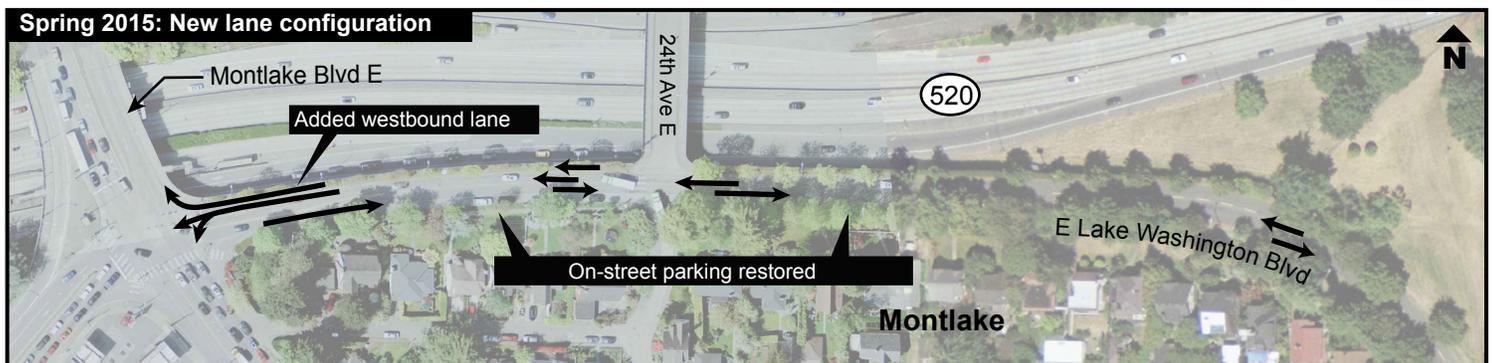
Lane configurations on East Lake Washington Boulevard

Crews will install a temporary lane configuration while they widen the north side of East Lake Washington Boulevard to make room for an additional westbound lane towards Montlake Boulevard.



Winter to spring 2015: Temporary lane configuration

- Traffic lanes will be shifted south to make room for construction.
- Existing on-street parking will be temporarily removed to make room for eastbound traffic.
- Left and right turns onto Montlake Boulevard will be permitted from the westbound through lane.
- Sidewalk and bicycle access will be maintained throughout construction.



Spring 2015: New lane configuration

- Added westbound lane starting at 24th Avenue East for vehicles turning right onto Montlake Boulevard.
- A second westbound lane for through traffic and left-turning vehicles.
- On-street parking will be restored along the south side of East Lake Washington Boulevard.
- Eastbound lanes remain the same.

Later this year crews will build the new westbound SR 520 off-ramp at 24th Avenue East. Crews also will improve the avenue's overpass and bicycle/pedestrian path across the highway, along with the intersection of 24th Avenue East and East Lake Washington Boulevard. 24th Avenue East will be closed across SR 520 during that work; bicyclists and pedestrians will be detoured to Montlake Boulevard. Additional project notifications will be provided before the closure of the 24th Avenue East bridge over SR 520.

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