

I-5 / 5th Ave NE to NE 92nd St Noise Wall Project Update

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WSDOT launches public outreach efforts

We are developing the preliminary designs for [three proposed noise walls](#) on the west side of I-5. Design and construction of the proposed noise wall on the east side of I-5 is postponed due to schedule and location conflicts with Sound Transit's proposed North Link light rail.

Before we advance the design of the west side walls, we want to discuss the project with neighbors and community members. We are involving the public in the design and decision making process because construction of noise walls will affect neighbors in close proximity to the freeway. The outreach process will include the following steps:

- **Step 1:** Share wall-specific project information with the community
- **Step 2:** Facilitate neighborhood polls with property owners affected by the wall to gauge support for the project
- **Step 3:** Tally polling results
- **Step 4:** Share the results and next steps with the community

Attend a project briefing near you

In the next month, we are planning to attend several community council meetings to discuss the proposed noise wall locations, heights, anticipated noise level benefits, and the community polling process. Please check the community council Web sites listed below for more information about the agenda, meeting time and location:

- May 9, [Green Lake Community Council](#)
- May 16, [Licton Springs Community Council](#)
- May 16, [Maple Leaf Community Council](#)

Background information for new neighbors

Residents of Seattle's Maple Leaf, Licton Springs and North Green Lake neighborhoods who live near I-5 experience high noise levels. When we built I-5 in the 1960's, noise was less of a concern, largely because there was less traffic. Since then, noise levels increased significantly as traffic grew. Today, these neighborhoods are high priorities on our statewide priority list for noise reduction.

As part of the [I-5 / 5th Ave NE to NE 92nd St Noise Wall Project](#), we plan to build three noise walls on the west side of I-5 and one noise wall on the east side of I-5. The walls will noticeably reduce noise levels for residents near the freeway in Green Lake, Licton Springs and Maple Leaf neighborhoods. Design and construction of the proposed noise wall on the east side of I-5 is postponed due to schedule and location conflicts with Sound Transit's proposed North Link light rail. To learn more, read [the letter](#) that we sent to neighbors on the east side of I-5 in January.

View [Common Questions](#) about the project and learn more about the proposed noise walls and the benefits they offer to the community.

About this e-mail

Please forward this e-mail to others who might be interested. If you received this e-mail from someone else, and would like to be added to our project mailing list, please contact LuiK@wsdot.wa.gov.

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